



HFS Newsletter

Term 2 Week 10 26th June 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

It is hard to believe it is the end of Term 2. It has been an incredibly busy term with our students experiencing great success in many arenas throughout the past ten weeks. I am always so proud of their many achievements.

This week we have a special week celebrating NAIDOC Week. On Tuesday our students will participate in a variety of cultural activities and ceremonies whilst on Wednesday we will be having a special Liturgy in our school hall commencing at 12.15pm. All parents and friends are invited to the Liturgy. Thank you to Mrs Payne and Miss Skye for coordinating these events and celebrations for our school.

Last Friday, the Semester One reports were distributed to families via the Compass portal. If you have had difficulty accessing your child's report, please contact the school office.

On Tuesday evening we will be holding Parent/Teacher Interviews in our school hall. Our teachers are looking forward to meeting with parents on this day. If you have not yet booked an interview, please contact the school office and they will be able to organise a time-slot for you.

Our Week 10 Assembly will be held on Wednesday at 2.45pm in our school hall. All parents and friends are invited to attend.

Wishing all families a lovely two week break and I am looking forward to seeing all students back at school on Monday 17th July to commence Term 3.

Denise Gersbach
Principal



Week 10 Events

MONDAY

**NSWCPS
Rugby (Forbes)**

TUESDAY

**NAIDOC Day
Assembly
9.30am**

**Parent/Teacher
Interviews
(Hall)**

WEDNESDAY

**NAIDOC Liturgy
12.15pm (Hall)**

**Assembly
2.45pm**

FRIDAY

**Last Day of
Term 2**

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Star of the Week

Holly O'Bryan is the Star of the Week for demonstrating our Core Values (In Praise, Love and Trust) and for always being a good listener.

Interview with Holly



What is your favourite subject?	Art
In your free time, what do you like to do?	Play netball
What is your favourite food?	Nachos
What do you like most about our school?	It is very friendly and welcoming
What are your strengths?	Always patient and hard-working
What would you like to be when you grow up ?	A childcare worker

Term 2 Week 10: Manner of the Week (From our Core Value - PRAISE)

➤ **Respect everyone in the school community**

I have two challenges for you this week. You can attempt one or both and there will be two prizes. *This fortnight's challenges -*

Can you figure out what the missing number inside of the triangle is for each of these sets of balls?

Which domino completes the row ?

If you solve the problems and there are multiple winning entries, your name will go into a draw. The winners will be drawn out of a hat and receive a prize at our School Assembly. Please write your name and answer on a piece of paper and hand it to me any time this week.

I hope everyone has a great week.

Andrew Berger

Religion

The Religious Education

Twelve Week Ordinary Time

There will be a **NAIDOC Liturgy** on Wednesday, 28th June, at 12:15pm. All are welcome to attend. The 2023 National NAIDOC Week theme is **For Our Elders**.

Saint Thomas the Apostle

Feast Day: July 3

Patron Saint of architects

St. Thomas is best known for his role in verifying the Resurrection of Jesus. Thomas' unwillingness to believe that the other Apostles had seen the risen Christ on the first Easter Sunday earned him the title of "doubting Thomas."

Tradition says that at the dispersal of the Apostles after Pentecost, Thomas was sent to evangelize to the Parthians, Medes, and Persians. He reached India in his evangelization, carrying Christianity to the Malabar coast, which still boasts a large native population, calling themselves "Christians of St. Thomas".



Term 3 2023	Masses and Liturgies	Stage/Classes
Wednesday, 26 July 2023	Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne- Mass 12:00 pm Grandparents Day	Stage 2
Tuesday, 8 August 2023	Feast of Mary of the Cross MacKillop- Liturgy 12:30 pm	Stage 1
Tuesday, 15 August 2023	Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary- Whole School Mass 12:15 pm	Stage 3
Friday, 1 September 2023	Father's Day Liturgy 12:15 pm	Stage 2

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL NAIDOC 2023



**Please join us in
celebrating NAIDOC week
Tuesday 27th June 2023**

ASSEMBLY -9:30am

Smoking ceremony • Guest speakers • School Choir performance

WITH GUEST PERFORMANCES FROM

Red Bend Catholic College Dance Group • Parkes High School Dance Group

GROUP ACTIVITIES -11am

Dance Workshop • Scratch art • Painting

Dreamtime stories • Beading • Making Johnny Cakes & loads more!

FREE SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH 1pm

ALL FAMILIES WELCOME TO ATTEND OUR MORNING ASSEMBLY FROM

9.30AM TO 10.30AM & VOLUNTEER TO HELP WITH OUR MIDDLE

SESSION ROTATIONAL ACTIVITIES FROM 11AM

**CHILDREN TO DRESS IN NAIDOC COLOURS
(RED, YELLOW, BLACK, GREEN & BLUE)**



**For Our
Elders**

**HONORING
OUR ELDERS:**

Past, Present, and Emerging

Parent Calendar - Term 3

Term 3 - 2023 Planner

June/July	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/Sun
Holidays	3	4	5	6	7	8/9
Holidays	10	11	12	13	14	15/16
Week 1 July	17 First Day - Term 3 (Staff and Students)	18	19	20	21	22/23
Week 2 July	24	25	26 Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne Grandparents Day Mass Stage 2 12pm- Hall	27 Cluster Athletics - Trundle	28 Assembly - 2.45pm	29/30
Week 3 July/Aug	31 Todd Woodbridge Cup	1 P&F Meeting - 6.00pm	2 Red Bend Interviews Yr6 into Yr7 4.30pm (Hall)	3	4	5/6
Week 4 August	7 ICAS Digital Technologies	8 ICAS Writing Feast of Mary MacKillop Stage 1 Liturgy- 12:30pm	9	10 Assembly - 2.45pm	11	12/13
Week 5 August	14 ICAS English	15 Junior AECG - 9.30am Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary Stage 3 Mass-12.15pm	16 Senior AECG - 9.30am	17	18 WF Athletics Carnival (Parkes) National Day of Action against Bullying & Violence	19/20
Week 6 August	21 ICAS Science	22 ICAS Spelling Bee	23	24	25 Assembly - 2.45pm	26/27
Week 7 August	28 ICAS Mathematics	29 Half Day Show (12pm)	30	31	1 Father's Day Breakfast (8am) Father's Day Liturgy Stage 3 - 12.15pm	2/3 Father's Day Sun 4 Sept
Week 8 August/Sept	4	5 P&F Meeting - 6.00pm Parkes Shire Library Production(K-2 students attend)	6	7	8 Paint the Town ReAd Assembly - 2.45pm	9/10
Week 9 September	11	12	13	14 Mufti Mission Day Disco - 6pm-7.15pm	15 Pupil Free Day (Diocesan)	16/17
Week 10 September	18	19	20 Assembly - 2.45pm	21	22 Last Day of Term 3 (Students and Staff)	23/24

Notes



Treasure Hunt Competition

Catholic School Guide is offering one lucky family the chance to win \$2,000 worth of school fees. Runner-up prizes also include Roblox Robux vouchers.

Every student attending a Catholic school in Australia is invited to enter this competition which closes 5.00pm Friday 1 September 2023. To enter the competition visit catholicschoolsguide.com.au/competition

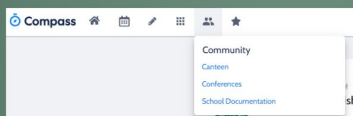
HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

PARENT / TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent Teacher Interviews can now be booked in Compass.

Tuesday 27th June

Please select the Icon (2 People) in the Compass app and select Conferences from the menu option to book.



PUPIL FREE DAYS FOR REMAINDER OF 2023

TUESDAY 29TH AUGUST (HALF DAY SHOW)

FRIDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

MONDAY 9 OCTOBER

TUESDAY 10 OCTOBER

MONDAY 30 OCTOBER

TUESDAY 31 OCTOBER



HELP US IMPROVE!

CANTEEN SURVEY

Please find following a link to a Parent Canteen Survey. To enable us to continue to provide families with a quality service, it is important to gain input from parents.

The survey is short and should only take a couple of minutes to complete.

It would be greatly appreciated if all parents can complete the survey by the end of this term.

[Parent Canteen Survey](#)



CATHOLIC EDUCATION
WILCANNIA-FORBES

Year 12 Education Scholarship

Are you interested in a career in teaching?



Open to all Catholic students undertaking a Bachelor of Education (Primary) with any approved tertiary education institution and interested in pursuing a teaching career in the Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes.

What's on offer?

Financial Support

A total benefit of \$20,000 distributed over a 4 year period, sponsored by CEWF, subject to satisfactory academic progress.

Support during your study

Ongoing support throughout your study, inclusive of professional placement within CEWF.

Guaranteed Teaching Position

After graduating, employment within a Catholic School in the Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes is guaranteed for a minimum of 3 years.

Who can apply?



Students who are:

- Completing the HSC in a school located within the Wilcannia-Forbes Diocese
- Expecting to gain admission to a Bachelor of Education (Primary) degree program on the basis of their predicted ATAR results
- Committed to teaching in the Wilcannia-Forbes Diocese for a minimum period of 3 years, following successful attainment of a Bachelor of Education (Primary)

How to apply

- 1 Complete the Application form & email to recruitment@wf.catholic.edu.au
- 2 Applications shortlisted will be required to attend an interview via zoom

 www.wf.catholic.edu.au

 02 6853 9300

TEACH

Rural & Remote

Notes

July School Holiday Activities at Peak Hill Library

PAINT LIKE A PRO

Thursday, 13 July 2023
2:00pm-3:30pm
For students in K-6

Cost: \$2

Strictly limited spaces
Bookings essential

Ph: Parkes Library 6861 2309



PARKES
SHIRE LIBRARY

ICAS Registration

ICAS is an online academic competition that is open to students from Year 2 - Year 6 and is designed to assess students' higher order thinking and problem-solving skills in English, Mathematics Science, Writing, Spelling Bee and Digital Technologies.

USE SCHOOL CODE: CFK496

[Register Now](#)



July School Holiday Activities at Tullamore Library

PICASSO FACES

Wednesday, 12 July 2023
11:30am-1:00pm
For students in K-6

Cost: \$2

Strictly limited spaces
Bookings essential

Ph: Parkes Library 6861 2309



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SHIRE LIBRARY

July School Holiday Activities at Parkes Library

PAINT LIKE A PRO

Tuesday, 4 July 2023 10:30am-12:00pm
For students in K-6
Cost: \$2

Spaces limited, in-person bookings essential



FAMILY BOARD GAMES DAY

Friday, 7 July 2023, all day
For the whole family
Cost: FREE

No bookings required.
Drop in and play a board game!



KIDS FLICKS (rated PG)

Wednesday, 12 July 10:30am-12:00pm
For students in K-6
Cost: FREE

Spaces limited, in-person bookings essential



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Notes



NO STOPPING signs

You must not stop in a No Stopping zone at any time. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at these times.

Fine exceeds \$362
+ 2 demerit points



BUS ZONE signs

You must not stop within a Bus Zone at any time. If times of operation are shown on the sign, the restriction applies only at that time.

Fine exceeds \$362
+ 2 demerit points



NO PARKING signs

You can stop in this zone for a maximum of **2 minutes** to drop off or pick up passengers or goods.

You must stay within **3 metres** of your vehicle at all times.

These signs may be supplementary signposted with a 'Kiss & Ride' sign.



Fine exceeds \$201
+ 2 demerit points



Double parking

Double parking causes a real safety risk to children and other road users.

Do not double park to pick up, drop off or for any reason.

Fine exceeds \$362
+ 2 demerit points

Other behaviours to avoid:

- Parking in an intersection;
- Parking across driveways;
- Parking too close to corners; and
- Stopping on crossings.



A reminder to all our parents ahead of the break at the end of Term, that school zones remain in place for the safety of our children and families.

School zones operate on all gazetted school days, which are all days the school is open, even pupil free days.

KISS AND DROP ZONE / KISS AND RIDE ZONE

- The KISS AND DROP ZONE / KISS AND RIDE ZONE is located on Albert Street at the school's main gate by the Hall.
- The KISS AND DROP ZONE / KISS AND RIDE ZONE is **NO PARKING** at all times between 8:00am - 9:30am and 2:30pm - 4:00pm
- KISS AND DROP is **STAND for 2 MINUTES MAXIMUM only.**
- Parents /Carers can only collect their own children. Variations must be communicated in writing to the principal.
- The ZONE requires that only students disembark the car. The driver and other passengers are to remain in the vehicle.

If your child or children require assistance from you when being picked up and dropped off then the KISS AND DROP / RIDE ZONE is not for you. This is for those students who can disembark independently. For the ZONE to work effectively, efficiently and safely it is important that guidelines are followed.