



HFS Newsletter

Term 3 Week 9 11th September 2023

Dear Parents and Carers,

What an amazing Grand Final of Holy Family's Got Talent we had last Thursday! It was an afternoon showcasing the exceptional talent that our students possess. I extend my heartfelt congratulations to all our finalists for their outstanding contributions to the show.

We were treated to a fantastic range of talent and a diverse array of acts, truly highlighting the creativity and dedication of our students. In particular, I want to congratulate our infants' division winners: Liyana Basnayake, our winner, and Alessandro Villela, our runner-up. In the primary division, we had Wiradjuri Mudyiigaali, (with Alyra Williams, Elizabeth Toomey, Kendall Hartwig), and Harrison Rowbotham as our winner and runner-up, respectively. Well done to all of you for your remarkable performances!

A special thank you goes to Mrs. Jones and Miss Farrugia for their tireless efforts in coordinating the competition, ensuring its success.

Last Friday, our infants students had a wonderful time participating in the Parkes Reading Day activities, showcasing their love for reading and representing our school with excellence.

As we look ahead to the exciting events in Term 4, I'm pleased to announce that our Term 4 Disco will be held at the Ex-Services Club this Thursday night at 6:00 pm, inviting all students to come and enjoy a night of fun and dancing. We would like to extend our appreciation to our dedicated P&F for their hard work in coordinating this event.

Additionally, it is with mixed emotions that we bid farewell to one of our esteemed staff members, Skye Harris, who has accepted a permanent full-time position at Red Bend Catholic College. Skye has been an integral part of our school community, serving as both an Aboriginal Education Officer and Learning Support Officer. Her dedication and contributions have greatly enriched the lives of our students, and we are truly grateful for her unwavering commitment to our school. We wish Skye all the best in her new role and thank her for her invaluable service to Holy Family School.

Finally, please be reminded that there will be a pupil-free day this Friday. This day will allow all our staff members to attend professional learning sessions focused on the new curriculum, ensuring we continue to provide the best educational experience for our students.

Kind regards

Denise Gersbach
Principal

Week 9 Events

THURSDAY

**Mufti Mission
Day - 11am**

**Disco
6pm - 7.15pm
(Upstairs RSL)**

FRIDAY

Pupil Free Day



Daisy Rice – P&F
scholarship recipient

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Star of the Week

Elizabeth Toomey is the Star of the Week for demonstrating our Core Values (In Praise, Love and Trust) and for always being thoughtful and industrious.

Interview with Elizabeth



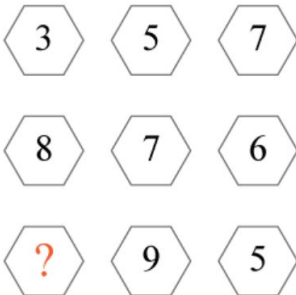
What is your favourite subject?	Mathematics
In your free time, what do you like to do?	Play the guitar and sing
What is your favourite food?	Pasta
What do you like most about our school?	My friends
What are your strengths?	Spelling & Art
What would you like to be when you grow up ?	A teacher

Term 3 Week 9: Manner of the Week (From our Core Value - TRUST)

➤ **Support others to achieve positive results**

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

Which number completes the pattern ?



Which letter is missing in this sequence ?



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

Religious Education

Twenty–Third Week in Ordinary Time

Sacrament of Penance

First Reconciliation - Thursday, 2nd November, 2023

*Year 2 - Catholic students

*6:00pm, Holy Family Parish Church

(A note with further details was sent home last week).



Mufti Mission Day- Thursday, 14th September, 11:00 - 11:45 am

Each class will run a Mission Stall and all funds raised will be donated to the St Vincent de Paul Society.

ALL ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND.



The St Vincent de Paul Society founded in Paris in 1833 by Frederic Ozanam, was established along with those like him who wanted to put their Catholic faith into action.

***Frederic Ozanam**, who was born in Milan, Italy in 1813, as a young student in Paris, had to walk through the poorer areas of the city on his way to university lectures. He was deeply moved by the sight of impoverished families who had been left without income and support after a cholera epidemic in 1832.*

*A comment by an anti-religious debating society opponent: **'You are right Ozanam when you speak of the past! In former times Christianity worked wonders, but what is it doing for mankind now? And you, who pride yourself on your Catholicity, what are you doing now for the poor? Show us your works'** propelled him to action.*

On 23 April 1833 he gathered some friends to plan how they could help the poor. After the meeting, Frederic and his flat mate took their winter wood supply and gave it to a widow.

*Their group was asked: **'What can seven young men hope to achieve in alleviating the suffering in Paris?'**.*

However, with a determined zeal to bear witness to their Christian ethos, the group named themselves after St Vincent de Paul, Patron Saint of Christian charity and worked to assist the poor. Initiated in such humble beginnings, the Society now helps over 30 million people worldwide every day.

We, at Holy Family love to be part of this wonderful legacy. Our Stage 3 Mini Vinnies members enjoy advertising the Mission Days by creating posters and running their own stalls.

I hope everyone has a wonderful week.

Beverly Berger

Assembly Awards

Week 8

AWARD	CLASS	STUDENT NAME
Student of the Week	KJC	Evie Clarke
	1S	Ezra Sloane
	2CA	Curtis Arndell
	3H	Rhys Hetherington
	4F	Max Hackett
	5/6B	Georgia Takiari
	5/6H	Jackson O'Brien
	5/6N	Henry Heraghty
Recognition of Learning Award	Infants - KJC	Frankie Clarke
	Primary - 5/6H	Holly O'Bryan
Consistently Following School Rules (based on Manner of the Week, Environment and Uniform)	Infants - 1S	Aurora Sapkota
	Primary - 5/6N	Aidan Van der Merwe
Playground Behaviour Award	Infants - 2CA	Jack Burt
	Primary - 5/6B	Angus Gillies
Leadership Award	Infants - KJC	Georgie Harris
	Primary - 5/6B	Ari Albert
Living the Gospel Values	Infants - 1S	Aarnav Gautam
	Primary - 4F	Stanley Drooger

Notes

Please note Disco entry fee is \$3

HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL

is having a Term 3

DISCO

Theme:

**WHAT DO YOU WANT
TO BE WHEN YOU
GROW UP?**

VENUE: RSL - UPSTAIRS
DATE: THURSDAY 14TH SEPTEMBER
TIME: 06:00PM - 07:15PM
ENTRY: \$3

DRINKS AND TREATS FOR SALE BY P&F

**CHILDREN ARE TO STAY AT THE UPSTAIRS VENUE FOR
THE DURATION OF THE DISCO AND ARE TO BE PICKED
UP PROMPTLY AT 7:15PM BY THEIR GUARDIANS.**



Parques Little Athletics



Tiny Tots 3-5 years \$60
U6-U17 \$100

**Season begins Monday 9th October 23
at 5:30pm**

High Jump, Shot Put, Discus, Long Jump,
Sprints, Long Distance Running, and more!!

We do it all!



Follow our Facebook page to keep up to date

facebook.com/parqueslittleathleticsclub1

Scan here to register

Bookings open on Monday, 11 September

Sept/Oct School Holiday Activities at Parkes Shire Libraries

Open to children in K-6



PARKES LIBRARY
Creative Constructions with Cardboard
Tuesday, 26 September 2023
Session 1: 10:30am - 12:00pm
Session 2: 2:30pm - 4:00pm
\$2 per child



PARKES LIBRARY
Kids Classic Flicks
Wednesday, 27 September 2023
10:30am - 12:00pm
Classic tickets, 'box' office and popcorn
FREE



TULLAMORE LIBRARY
Junior Mindbenders
Wednesday, 4 October 2023
11:30am - 1:00pm
\$2 per child



TRUNDLE LIBRARY
Science Fizz! Bang! Pop!
Friday, 6 October 2023
10:30am - 12:00pm
\$2 per child

Parkes
Shire Council

PARKES
SHIRE LIBRARY

M&D@ Home Grown Festival - Parkes Fun Theatrical Project

For kids aged 6-13

Parkes M&D Society are seeking young people
to perform at the Parkes Home Grown Festival
on 21 October this year.

There will be two small projects, one involving
singing and dancing, the other a small
scene/skit, with an Alice in Wonderland theme.

**CONTACT LISA RAMSAY
TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST:**

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Notes

PARENTS CHECK THE CHECK



In June 2013 legislation changed, requiring people working or volunteering with children under 18 years to have a [Working With Children Check](#).

The legislated phase-in for existing employees and volunteers in education took place between 1 April 2016 and 31 March 2017. This included people working in private tuition and coaching - many of whom are self employed. This sector will now be subject to the Office of the Children's Guardian compliance program.

What does this mean for parents?

Parents engaging tutors for their children should be asking the tutor to provide a Working With Children Check application or clearance number - then verifying that number online.

Verifying a clearance online is quick and easy, and ensures that a Working With Children Check clearance is current.

[Verify now!](#)

Find out more: [Information for parents about the Working With Children Check](#)

The Certificate for Self Employed People from the old Working With Children Check system is no longer be valid.



HOLY FAMILY PARISH SCHOOL
PARKES



Kindergarten Transition Program

Our 2024 Transition Program is now available
from Term 1 to Term 4 for children starting
Kindergarten in 2025.

- FREE - No Cost
- Starts Term 1 - 20th March 2024, Finishes Term 4 - 11th December 2024
- Runs EVERY Wednesday 8:55 am - 3:15 pm
- Children will be provided with a FREE Holy Family sports shirt for the program.
- Contact the Office to register 6862 1610 or admin.parkes@wf.catholic.edu.au

**Enroll
Now**



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