



HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 3 28 October 2024

EVENTS

THIS WEEK 3

Monday

Pupil Free Day

Tuesday

Socktober Day

**Good Choice Beads
Workshop Year 2 - 6pm
(Religion Room)**

Wednesday

Year 5/6 Excursion

Thursday

Year 5/6 Excursion

Friday

Year 5/6 Excursion

**K-2 Beetle Show
Excursion**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Last week, our incredible athletes competed at the NSWPSSA Athletics Carnival at Homebush, showcasing their talent and dedication. Our relay team, featuring Nate Calabro, Arlo Cassidy, Hayden Jones, and Jack Burt, put on a stellar performance, running an impressive time in their race. Special congratulations to Nate Calabro for achieving a new personal best in his 800m race! Additionally, we are delighted to announce that Seth King set a new record in the TF21 Junior Boys Discus—a remarkable achievement for him and our school. Congratulations to all our competitors; we are so proud of you!

Last Friday, our school oval was transformed into a colourful scene for the P&F's annual Colour Run! Students, staff and families came together for a fantastic afternoon filled with colour, laughter, and even a bit of slime. A huge thank you to our P&F team for their incredible efforts in organising this successful fundraiser. We look forward to announcing the final amount raised for our library upgrade in the coming weeks.

This Wednesday, our Year 5/6 students are off to the Great Aussie Bush Camp at Tea Gardens for a three-day adventure. I am delighted to be joining them on this excursion, which promises plenty of fun, learning and team-building activities.

Our infants classes are equally excited for their upcoming excursion! On Friday, they will travel to the Orange Civic Theatre to encounter larger than life beetles, stick insects and other bush critters while finding out about the uncanny nature and delicate balance of the bush environment. This will be a fantastic opportunity for our young students to engage with real life insects in a new and exciting way and they are eagerly anticipating this special day.

Denise Gersbach
Principal



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★ Star of the Week ★

Poppy Lawryk is the Star of the Week for demonstrating our Core Values (In Praise, Love and Trust) and for always being kind and hard-working.

Interview with Poppy



What is your favourite subject?	Mathematics
In your free time, what do you like to do?	Play sport
What is your favourite food?	Butter chicken
What do you like most about our school?	The oval
What are your strengths?	League Tag
What would you like to be when you grow up ?	A doctor

Term 4 Week 3: Manner of the Week (From our Core Value - FAITH)

➤ Loyal and True to Your Promises

This fortnight's challenge is to conduct some research and **highlight** the correct answers.

Mathematics Vocabulary Quiz:

1) What does product mean in maths?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The result of subtraction b) The result of addition c) The result of multiplication d) The result of division
2) What is the denominator in a fraction?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The number below the fraction bar that shows how many parts the whole is divided into b) The number above the fraction bar that shows how many parts are considered c) The number you multiply by d) The number you divide by
3) What is the numerator in a fraction?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The number above the fraction bar that shows how many parts are considered b) The number you add by c) The number you subtract by d) The number below the fraction bar that shows how many parts the whole is divided into

4) What is an angle?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The measure of space between two lines that meet at a point b) The measurement of the length of a line c) The distance between two points d) The number of sides on a shape
5) What is a prime number?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A number that can be divided evenly only by 1 and itself b) A number that is divisible by any other number c) A number that can be divided by 2 d) A number with multiple factors
6) What is the difference?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The result of division b) The result of subtraction c) The result of multiplication d) The result of addition
7) What is a quotient?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The result of addition b) The result of multiplication c) The result of division d) The result of subtraction
8) What does factor mean in maths?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A number added to get a sum b) A number divided to get a quotient c) A number that is multiplied by another to get a product d) A number subtracted to get a difference
9) What is a perimeter?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The space inside a shape b) The distance around the outside of a shape c) The length of one side of a shape d) The number of corners a shape has
10) What is a sum?	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) A division problem b) The result of multiplication c) A subtraction problem d) The result of addition



If 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 answers on a piece of paper and hand it to me any time this week.

**I hope everyone has a great week.
Andrew Berger**

Religious Education

Twenty-Ninth Week in Ordinary Time

Last week our Stage 3 students attended the Catholic Mission Socktober Launch Liturgy at Red Bend Catholic College. Students from other diocesan schools participated as well. The gathering began with a shared morning tea, which was followed by the liturgy in the chapel. Our Holy Family students were very reverent during the liturgy. After the liturgy, all the students enjoyed some games organised by the students of Red Bend. A few sausage sandwiches later everyone hopped onto their buses and made their merry way back to school. All-in-all it was a wonderful way to kick off Socktober.

<https://www.socktober.org.au/about/how-socktober-works>

***Socktober Shootout on Tuesday, 29th of October.
Students can wear crazy socks for a gold coin donation.**

Day of Prayer-24th October

In preparation for the 2025 Jubilee Year, Pilgrims of Hope, Pope Francis declared 2024 as a Year of Prayer, with a special focus on the Our Father. As Pope Francis shared, this Year of Prayer invites us to "rediscover the great value and absolute need for prayer - in our personal lives, in the life of the Church, and in the world." It also calls us to unite in prayer for peace and unity.

Catholic Education Wilcannia-Forbes culminated the Year of Prayer with a special **Day of Prayer**. Throughout the day, on 24th October, students of Holy Family had the chance to explore different types of prayer, focusing on themes such as peace, kindness, and gratitude. These reflective and engaging prayer encounters gave students the opportunity to deepen their connection with God and others.

Click to view [UNDERSTANDING THE OUR FATHER \(1\).mp4](#)

Feast of All Saints-1st November

Feast of All Souls-2nd November

Click on the links below for information and family activities on All Saints Day and All Souls Day-

[FAITH IN FOCUS - NOVEMBER.pdf](#)

[GUIDED DISCUSSION QUESTIONS AND FAMILY REMEMBRANCE PRAYER.pdf](#)

Sacrament of Penance (First Reconciliation):

7th November, 6pm, Holy Family Church

All Catholic students in Year 2 are offered the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Penance (First Reconciliation) on 7th November, 6pm, at the Holy Family Catholic Church. A note with further details will be sent home shortly.

Thursday, 7th November, Sacrament of Penance (First Reconciliation)	6pm, Holy Family Church	Stage 2 Catholic Students
Thursday, 28th November, Year 6 Graduation Mass	6.00pm Holy Family Church	Stage 3
Wednesday, 4th December, Kindergarten Liturgy	12:15pm Chapel	Early Stage 1

I hope everyone has a wonderful week.
Beverly Berger



P&F

COLOUR RUN

WHAT A BLAST!!

The smiles on the children's faces on Friday during Friday's colour run made all the work that goes into organizing these events all worthwhile. So far you have all helped to raise \$14,932.45 so far of our target of \$20,000. Don't forget, all funds raised will go towards relocating and upgrading the school library. Fund raising closes on the 1 st of November, so only a few days to go. Remember also, the more you raise the more prizes you get to choose from. Prize ordering opens on 1 st of November.

Well done to KJC for the highest fund raising class, raising \$3,968.23 and winning the VIP tent on the day.

Thanks to Mrs. Jones, Mr. Hanstock, Mr. Somers, Mr. Berger and Mrs. Gersbach for being such good sports and getting slimed or colour bombed on the day.

A big thank you also to Parkes Tyrepower, Parkes Little Athletics, Parkes Spacemen, C&S Stockfeeds and the Gillingham's for donation of items for the obstacle course and DJ Sam for keeping the music pumping throughout the event.

Many thanks also to the Parkes Headquarters branch of the NSW RFS for the fire truck and fire fighters on the day and all the helpers who helped throughout the event and with setup and pack up. We could not have done it without you.



ASSEMBLY AWARDS

Week 2

AWARD	CLASS	STUDENT NAME
Student of the Week	KJC	Archer McWilliam
	1S	Dave Jeffress
	2CH	Tyler McPhee
	3NC	Kevin Jiang
	4W	Arlo Cassidy
	5/6B	Emerson Kaden
	5/6H	Lillian Townsend
	5/6N	Niamh McTiernan
Recognition of Learning Award	Infants - 1S	Everleigh Albert
	Primary - 5/6H	Jermy Varghese
Consistently Following School Rules (based on Manner of the Week, Environment and Uniform)	Infants - 2CH	Angus Walker
	Primary - 3NC	Curtis Arndell
Playground Behaviour Award	Infants - KJC	Ellie Gersbach
	Primary - 4W	Max Crowe
Leadership Award	Infants - 1S	Mavis Jordan
	Primary - 5/6N	Stanley Drooger
Living the Gospel Values	Infants - 2CH	Sophie Ross
	Primary - 3NC	Seth Toomey

Notes

GOOD CHOICE BEADS

**Year 2 students and Parents
please join us on
Tuesday the 29th of October 2024**

**In the
Religion Room
at**

6.00pm

**Together we will spend some time
making some good choice beads.**

Please RSVP Here



STUDENT AMBULANCE COVER CONDITIONS

Student Ambulance Cover applies to transportation following a student accident, not an illness or medical condition. School policy is to call an ambulance in the event of a serious injury or illness (e.g. severe asthma attack, anaphylactic reaction, seizure etc). If your child has a pre-existing medical condition that falls into this category, please be aware that the cost of the ambulance may be at the parent's expense if you do not have family ambulance cover.

BUCKLE UP AND BE SAFE! Road Safety with The Wiggles and Transport for NSW

Transport for NSW has partnered with The Wiggles to create '[Buckle Up and Be Safe!](#)', song to help little passengers stay safe in the car and get them excited about buckling up.

The song promotes Transport for NSW's "They're counting on you" message, and encourages the correct use of child car seats. I'm counting on you:

1. Have you got the right car seat?
2. Have you fitted and adjusted it correctly?
3. Do you know how to check it properly?

Did you know that two in three child car seats are not being used correctly? This greatly increases the risk of serious injury. When children are correctly restrained in approved child car seats they are less likely to be seriously injured or killed in a car crash, so it's important to give parents and carers as much information as possible so they can make an informed decision.

To make the safest choice, compare more than 200 different types of child car seats and find Authorised Restraint Fitting Stations, visit [Child car seats](#).



Holy Family School Parkes

Kindergarten Transition Enrolment

Start Your Child's Learning Journey.

Our 2025 Transition Program is now available from Term 1 to Term 4 for children starting Kindergarten in 2026.

[Register Now](#)

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Program Feature:

- ✓ FREE - NO COST
- ✓ STARTS TERM 1 - 19TH MARCH 2025
FINISHES TERM 4 - 10TH DECEMBER 2025
- ✓ EVERY WEDNESDAY 9 AM - 3 PM
- ✓ TERM 4 IS FOR STUDENTS WHO ARE ENROLLED FOR 2026 KINDERGARTEN
- ✓ CHILDREN WILL BE PROVIDED WITH A FREE HOLY FAMILY SPORTS SHIRT FOR THE PROGRAM.

Notes



Join the Garage Sale Trail this November!

Sell and Clear Out before Christmas or make a Thrifting Date with your besties!

Reuse, Recycle, Repair, Rejig, Restore, Revamp, Refresh, Rework



You can find more information, tips and tricks at www.garagesaletrail.com.au

Notice for Boot Sale Donations of Cooking (for the morning tea and stall)

Please include a list of ingredients with your donations



Bring your cooking to the Holy Family School Hall from 8.00 am **Saturday, 9 November** --- OR ---

Deliver to School Canteen/School Hall, (Albert Street entrance) on **Friday, 8 November 9am-1pm** (Pat - 0408 623 199)

Saturday, 9 November 2024, 9am-1pm at Holy Family Parish School, for multiple stalls, morning tea, sausage sizzle, and raffle. Join the group with your stall, or come along to browse all the stalls at the Boot Sale. All enquiries to Pat McCallum on 0408 623 199 or email badger47@bigpond.net.au



REMINDER

Please return raffle tickets and money to the box near the *Tap and Go* at the Church, and on the entry pew at the Chapel

by 3rd November.

Thank you for supporting this raffle as part of our fundraising efforts. (Return any unsold tickets too, please)

Morning Tea and Sausage Sizzle



Raffle \$500 fuel

Tickets \$1 each

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