

# HFS Happenings

TERM 4 WEEK 5 1ST NOVEMBER 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

Today our Year 6 students who will commence Year 7 at RBCC next year are attending their Orientation Day over in Forbes. The date for the Parkes High School Year 7 Orientation Day is detailed in this newsletter, however students attending Parkes High next year will attend for a short morning visit on Thursday 11th November. Any parents who have not yet enrolled at either school for 2022 are encouraged to contact Red Bend or Parkes High as soon as possible.

We are excited to now be able to offer our Year 2 Intensive Swimming Program after receiving advice from Catholic Schools NSW regarding the changes to school sport settings from 1st November. Our Year 2 students will commence this program on Monday 8th November for 2 weeks. Mrs ten Cate and Miss Westwood will be coordinating this program for our students.

Important information regarding our end of year celebrations including our Presentation Night, Year 6 Graduation and Year 6 Assembly was sent out to all families via Compass last week and is also included in this newsletter. Please take the time to read this important information.

We are pleased to be accepting a number of new enrolments across the school for 2022. If you are aware of any families considering Holy Family for their child's education, please encourage them to contact us for further information. Welcome to Olivia Milligan who has commenced in 5/6H today.

Wonderful learning continues to occur at Holy Family on a daily basis. Last week students in 1W investigated Mass using balance scales to compare the mass of two objects whilst Kindergarten were inventive when learning about time using a hoop and chalk on the asphalt surface. We are always so proud of how receptive our children are to all learning tasks.

Voting for our 2022 school captains, sports captains and SRC representatives will occur on Monday 8th November. Due to restrictions our Year 5 students will present their speeches via Zoom to our students in their classrooms. Good luck to all students delivering a speech.

Denise Gersbach

Principal

**Monday 1st November  
Year 7  
Orientation day  
(Red Bend)**

**Wednesday 3rd November  
-Kindergarten  
Transition**

**Wednesday 10th November  
-Kindergarten  
Transition**

**Wednesday 17th November  
-Kindergarten  
Transition**

**Monday December 6th  
-Presentation  
Assemblies**

**Monday December 13th  
-Year 6  
Assembly**

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# Assistant Principal

## Star of the Week

Mary Nguyen is the Star of the Week for demonstrating our Core Values (In Praise, Love and Trust) and for always being kind, friendly and helpful.



### Interview with Mary

Favourite subject	Art
Favourite pastime	Drawing
Favourite food	Ramen
What do you like most about our school?	I have many great friends at school
What would you like to be when you grow up ?	An Animator

**Listen to the opinions of others and act sensitively**

**This week's challenge is a Maths Puzzle-**

$$\begin{aligned}11 + 12 &= 32 \\12 + 13 &= 52 \\13 + 14 &= 72 \\15 + 16 &= ?\end{aligned}$$

**Term 4 Week 5: Manner of the Week (From our Core Value - TRUST)**

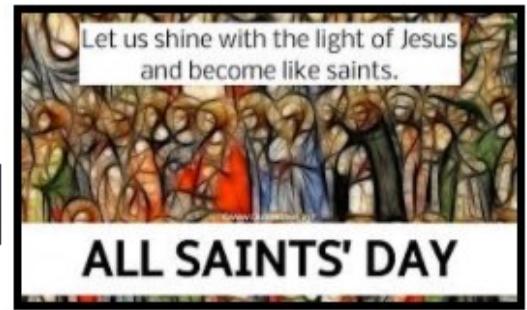
If you solve this problem and there are multiple winning entries, your name will go into a draw. The winner will be drawn out of a hat and receive a prize at our School Assembly via Zoom. Please write your name and answer on a piece of paper and hand it to me any time this week.

I hope everyone has a great week.

Andrew Berger  
Assistant Principal

# Religion

## Thirty-First week in Ordinary Time



The **1st of November** is **All Saints' Day**, a day when Catholics solemnly commemorate and honour the sacrifices, good deeds and legacy of all the saints. Due to Covid restrictions we are unable to organise a Whole School Mass like we usually do, so instead, all classes will participate in a Classroom Liturgy.

**All Souls' Day**, follows on the **2nd of November** and is dedicated to all those who have died.

### Important News- Please note the new dates for these sacraments:

**RECONCILIATION** - Thursday 24th February 2022, 6.00pm (**For 2021 Year 2 students**)

**CONFIRMATION** - Sunday 20th March 2022, 9.30am (**For 2021 Year 5 and Year 6 students**)



I hope everyone has a wonderful week!  
Beverly Berger

### Holy Family Kiss and Drop Zone

A reminder to all parents that the Kiss and Drop Zone on the Albert Street side of school is purely for pulling in, children getting out of the car and the vehicle then driving off. Please assist by ensuring that you do not pull up and park in the kiss and drop zone as this then causes congestion for other parents trying to drop their children to school.

**Important**

### New Canteen menu item

#### **Bacon and Egg Roll**

**\$5.00**



### School Fees

**School Fees are now due. If you do not have a direct debit set up all fees must be finalised by Monday 13th December 2021**

### Parkes High School Orientation Dates for Year 7 2022

**Tour of Parkes High - Thursday 4th November - 9.30am-11.00am (students will walk from HFS with Mrs Brown to attend the tour)**

**Orientation Day - Friday 3rd December - Parkes High School to advise details**

### Update Compass App

If you find that when you order multiple foods on the canteen app (eg 6 Dino nuggets) and it is only submitting one food item please make sure you have the most up to date app downloaded, this will fix any problems when ordering food on the Canteen Compass app.

## School Attendance

Regular attendance at school for every student is essential if students are to maximise their potential. Schools, in partnerships with parents, are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students. While parents are legally responsible for the regular attendance of their children, school staff, as part of their duty of care, monitor part or whole day absences. Schools, in providing a caring teaching and learning environment, which addresses the learning and support needs of students, including those with additional learning and support needs or complex health conditions, foster students' sense of wellbeing and belonging to the school community. Parents are responsible for enrolling their children of compulsory school age in a government or registered non-government school or registering them with the NSW Education Standards Authority (NESA) for home schooling



### 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.

## Stranger Danger

Stranger Danger, a term that is familiar for most adults, exists on the World Wide Web. Paedophiles and other people who may wish to hurt children use the Internet to search for potential victims. Often these people pretend to be someone other than who they really are to establish inappropriate relationships on-line that may result in a physical meeting of some description. The following information guides for parents may be of interest and assistance in ensuring that your children are able to reduce the risk of stranger danger encounters when using the internet:

Online grooming and procuring of children over the internet is the illegal act of an adult or adults making online contact with a child under the age of 16 with the intention of facilitating a sexual relationship. More information is available from the Australian Federal Police which investigates suspected cases of online grooming.

Learn more about how to protect your children from these threats via access to detailed information provided by the Office of the eSafety Commissioner, Australia's peak Cyber-safety Authority.

# **P&F Meeting - Tuesday 9th November - 6pm at the Coachman Hotel**

A designated spot has been created for our fire pit. The fire pit is surrounded by tree stumps and is a lovely place to gather and reflect.



## **Wiradjuri Animal**



**Horse—  
Yarraman**

# Some great work happening in Mathematics in **1W**





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# KIDS TERM 4 SQUASH



FUN



SOCIAL



FRIENDLY

FRIDAY'S - 6 Week Program

Starting 5/11/21

4-5pm - SQUIDGIES / 5-6pm - JUNIOR COMP

- If you used an Active Kids Voucher (or same deal) in Term 3 - Term 4 will be no charge.

Term 4 - Cost is \$5 per Week OR  
use your Active Kids Voucher & receive  
the term fee, racquet, eyewear & bag.

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Parkes Junior District Cricket Association registrations are now open!!!

Competition start date Saturday 6th November 2021

Registration/Training Morning Saturday 9:30am 30th October 2021 at Woodward Oval  
(Bushman Street Parkes)

Active kids vouchers redeemable

If you are having issues registering help will be available on Saturday 30th, in the meantime please contact the association with player nomination.

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Looking forward to the season ahead!

Kind Regards

PJDCA Executive



Please see link below:

Junior Registration

<https://play.cricket.com.au/club/parkes-district-junior-cricket-club/67c909cc-86d8-eb11-a7ad-2818780da0cc?fbclid=IwAR09LKbCQHGEAY04voR48AOjDuyWjzaB5ijOy9nwhsp6JDUb3OVxu6Der4U>

Junior Blasters Rego are now open!!!!

Start Date: Monday 1st November 2021

(6 Week program)

Time: 4pm - 5pm

Venue: Woodward Oval

Click the link below:

<https://play.cricket.com.au/club/parkes-district-junior-cricket-association/a12b4467-8ad8-eb11-a7ad-2818780da0cc>

# **FORBES AFL SPRING SERIES**

Forbes Junior AFL is pleased to announce the AFL Spring Series

- Touch/tag AFL competition for 10's, 12's and 14's age groups.
- Commences Monday evening November 8 at 6:00 at Gaggin Oval
  - Teams are mixed boys and girls
  - Games are played on a rectangle field.
  - Modified AFL rules
  - 8 players per team on the field at any time
- Cost is \$5 per player. Registrations will be done at the ground

This is the perfect way to try AFL, great fun and fitness. Please contact Forbes Junior AFL for more information on 0429 948 390.

