



We are your community school

Holy Family School is a child safe school that promotes the safety, wellbeing and inclusion of all children.



Experience the benefits of a small, family school

28/06/2019

Term 2 Week 10

Parish Priest:

Fr. Michael Payyapilly

Phone:

(03) 9792-4317

Mass Times:

Saturdays

5:00pm Mass -Spanish

6:30pm Mass

Sundays

9:30am Mass

11:00 Mass

7:00pm Healing Mass

(except in January & October)

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100 Power Rd Doveton 3177

School Hours:

8:45 School Commences

10:00 Fruit break inside

11:00 Children eat lunch

11:15 Play Break 1

11:45 2nd period of lessons commence

1:45 Children eat snack

1:55 Play Break 2

2:30 3rd period of lessons

3:30 Dismissal

Our School Vision

Holy Family School aspires to be a school community where all are celebrated and challenged to be the very best they can be in the image of Jesus with a desire for life long learning.

Hello Holy Family Community.

Term 2! Semester 1! 20 more weeks of school until the end of the 2019 school year! 100 days! 500 hours of class time! Depending on how you look at those phrases, it may sound like the year is whooshing past before your eyes or perhaps you are thinking 500 more hours sounds like forever!

When it gets to this time of the term my head thinks, "I need at least 2 more weeks until the holidays start - there's so much left to do." My body on the other hand says, "Stop eating all that sugar...go back to dancing...go back to yoga take a walk..."

You would think after 30 years of teaching I might have this end-of-term- frenetic-pace-thing all figured out. Well, being an optimist I have decided that I will take a leaf from the mantra we teach children about the learning they may not have achieved – the POWER of YET! In other words, I may not have mastered being chilled out at the end of term yet but I'm certainly going to keep working at it until I do.

So although this week I may be stopping on the way home on the pretext of buying petrol when I have really stopped to buy and eat a chocolate bar before dinner, next term I am going to do some of things the children at Holy Family practise each day, to help restore balance and maintain it throughout the term, especially that last week!. This includes conscious breathing to help with my regulation; brain-breaks to re-energise or create stillness and perhaps I will spend some time in our upstairs calming space to generate a sense of serenity.

The activities I just described are parts of our Wellbeing Practice at Holy Family. It is fabulous to view these in actions as well as other wellbeing procedures. I stopped to observe Circle Time in the Year 5/6 classroom on Tuesday morning. After acknowledging and showing gratitude towards their peers the children discussed classroom issues that concerned them. I was struck by the way they articulated their apprehensions and worries. They spoke clearly, without judgement but certainly with fervour and the demand for their opinions to be heard and validated.

Kudos to the senior teachers who provide the opportunity for their students to have a voice, for the students who are willing to share their thoughts and feelings and to the other students who hopefully listen and realise that what we do and say can have an impact on someone else's right to learn and to feel safe.

Just a final note about learning. Thank you to all the parents who attended interviews on Monday evening with their children. Celebrating your child's growth and progress, and discussing the next steps in their learning is an important part of your child's educational process. Mrs Sykes and Mrs Papas held their first interviews as teachers and did a fabulous job – both by themselves and with the support of their co-workers.

Finally, on behalf of Steve, a very grateful thankyou to the teachers for all the work they have prepared this term. As well as organising the learning for your children they are always open to learning new teaching methodologies to enhance their own practice. For those who got to the end of term without chocolate – well done!

Wishing everyone a wonderful and restorative holiday as we prepare for the next 500 hours of learning. Connie Drossaert



RE News



Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

This week we celebrate The Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, (*Sacratissimum Cor Iesu* in Latin) is one of the most widely practiced and well-known Roman Catholic devotions, taking the heart of the resurrected Body as the representation of the love by Jesus Christ God.

Prayers

Lord, you deserve all honour and praise,
because your love is perfect and your heart sublime.
My heart is filled to overflowing with gratitude
for the many blessings and graces you have bestowed upon me and those
whom I love.

Forever undeserving, may I always be attentive
and never take for granted the gifts of mercy and love
that flow so freely and generously from your Sacred Heart.

Heart of Jesus, I adore you.

Heart of Jesus, I praise you.

Heart of Jesus, I thank you.

Heart of Jesus, I love you forever and always.

Amen.



Blessing of the Bomber Jackets

Last week Father Michael gave the year 6's a blessing as we had received our bomber jackets. I am so grateful and thankful I had my jacket blessed by Father.

All the year 6's received their bomber jackets by their teachers.

Ms Feddersen handed my jacket over to me.

I was so excited to finally get my bomber jacket.

Eric was so happy to have his bomber jacket blessed. He will cherish his jacket and so will the rest of the year 6's

By Faustina Yr6



Community News

Together as One



Monday 15th July
Term 3
Back to School



Thursday 18th July
Whole School
9.15am
HEART Day



Mass



Sunday 18th August
Confirmation
Commissioning
Mass 9.30pm



Monday 19th August
Friday 23rd August
Book Week



Happy Birthday

Congratulations
To
Gwen, Mara, Clara, Paul &
Kephryn

Stars of the Week

Congratulations
to

Jeremy, Ella. L, Karan, Amira,
Veronica, Tishayini, Austin, Gwen,
Amrit, Gabriel, Willow, Faustina
and Ruot

LATE ARRIVALS

If your child is absent from
school could you please call
the office by 8.45am

Thank you
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Student News

On June 13th, 8 students from Year 5/6 participated in the cross-county division round. Everyone tried their best and had a great time. Congratulations to Meayjowk who made it into the Regionals round. Meayjowk was placed in the top 20 on June 20th. Well done to all the Holy Family Students.

By Year 5/6 Tamia & Meayjowk



Condolences

The staff and school community express our deepest sympathy to Mrs Connie Vesco and her family on the loss of their Mother-in-law, Mother and Nonna.



Child Safe



Please have a look at our Holy Family website for our updated Child Safety policies including Privacy Policy.
<http://www.hfdoveton.catholic.edu.au/Childsafety.html>

Please note students are not permitted to have any medication in their school bags. Eg. Ventolin, Panadol etc. All medication must be handed in at the office and parents must sign a permission form for school staff to administer medication.

Suzanne Deefholts



Prep Class Activity

We ended the term with lots of wonderful learning and memories to cherish. In Reading and Writing, we learnt two stories – The Three Little Pigs and the Gingerbread Man. In our room, we had our very own little pigs' houses to re-tell the story. It was also fun to make and decorate the gingerbread cookies! For Maths we learnt a lot about money and how it is used to pay for goods. We set up a little shop and we pretended to be shopkeepers and shoppers. Also, during our Social Emotional Learning time, we talked a lot about self-regulation and ways to calm ourselves down when we get too upset. We made calming down kits which contain stress balls and a glitter bottle. We can't wait what's in store for us next term!

Prep Children

"I like making the gingerbread man." - Gwen Has

"I liked being the shopkeeper." - Wiktoria Bochenksi

"I learnt how to read." - Ejido Lotongol

"I like my Prep class because we always do fun things every day." - Dviti Mallela

