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### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MATTERS**

## YEAR 3's Holy Week Prayer Room Reflections



## What are the main messages you took from the prayer room?

To accept Jesus in my life.

To ask for forgiveness when I make a mistake

To think of others

To look after my family

To show love and compassion to others

That Jesus loves me no matter what I do

That Jesus will do anything for me

To love my neighbor

That nothing can break my relationship with Jesus

That anything is possible with God and Jesus

**Bv Nathanael** 



### What was special about the prayer room and why?

When I entered the Good Friday prayer station, I saw the cross and felt a sense of sadness. It was special because it reminded me of Jesus dying for us to make our paradise. I am so thankful for Him.

By Adam

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### **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION MATTERS CONT'D**



## What did you reflect on after you left the prayer room?

Something I have reflected on was Palm Sunday, Holy

Thursday, the Garden of Gethsemane and Good Friday. It was a great experience. Everything felt REAL. It was amazing. My favourite part was when we were pretending to be the donkey walking into Jerusalem, because we were walking on real palm leaves. It made me feel like I was really there with Jesus.

By Ivamere

### How did it make you feel when you were at each station?

I felt very sad because it reminded me of Jesus and how he sacrificed himself for us. When the Year 6 Junior Joeys told me to close my eyes and think, I thought about my family

members who had passed away and that they are with Jesus. I know they are with Jesus because Jesus died for us to create

Heaven so that when we die we can go to Heaven (Paradise).



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### **STUDENT AWARDS**

We congratulate Week 10 Student of the Week Award recipients:

Kindy	William Livingstone	Tay Nguyen
Year 1	Mimsa Limbu-Walung	Sophia Taouk
Year 2	Alvin Khanal	Sonia Khawly
Year 3	Gabriel Rahme	Cadi Jones
Year 4	Myah Abi Kabalane	Kaitlin Commodore
Year 5	Sarah Wehbe	Tatyana Nakhoul
Year 6	Hana Saba	Larissa El Hayek
Year 6	Owen Faddoul	Nathan Bechara



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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

#### A Star in the making!

Anbarasan Mitchell has hit another purple patch in his Golfing career. Last week he participated in the Tyro Tournament at Cumberland Golf Course and in a field of 100 competitors, Anbarasan came first shooting a round of 41. Among his many winnings, Anbarasan was given a Jacket and a Jack Newton hat and golf balls.

Well Done Anbarasan we are all very proud of you!!



#### Dates for your diary

Last day of Term 1 is on Friday the 7th of April. This is not Good Friday. Good Friday is on Friday the 14th of

Term 2 begins on Wednesday the 26th of April. Children to return in Winter Uniform.

#### Whole School Mass

Parents and friends are invited to our whole school Mass on Friday the 7th of April at 9.15 in our Parish Church.

#### **School Holidays**

I wish to sincerely thank our parents and families for your continued support this year. I pray that your family will have a very relaxing break and some quality time together as a family. I am looking forward to the students returning to school on Wednesday the 26th of April with many stories to share. God Bless and be safe.

### **Project Compassion**

Thank you to the families who donated to our Caritas Project Compassion Appeal. Thank you to the Mitchell family who raised \$462.75. Please return all donation boxes by the end of this week or to the parish next week. Monies raised will be sent to Caritas Australia to continue the good works for communities worldwide.

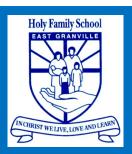
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### **Principal Awards**

Week 10 Term 1

GOSPAL VALUE: RESPECT

Kindy	Akshan Maskey	David Niulala
Kindy	Chanel Davis	Isabella Bazevski
Year 1	Wendy Gaya	Elizabeth Halapio
Year 1	Paleste Manu	Jayden Nakhoul
Year 2	Isaiah Bose	Tyrell Firmin
Year 2	Sulieti Manu	Ryan Dhungana
Year 3	Adam Assan-Larry	Zivelle Seasay
Year 3	Rylan Roebeck	Rachelle Tawk
Year 4	Jonny Silverwood	Edward Hakko
Year 4	Gladys Silverwood	Luke Laoulach
Year 5	Erica Chen	Eleanor Niulala
Year 5	Taylor Yacoub	Lady Love Saulala
Year 6	Owen Faddoul	Shreesha Wagle
Year 6	Mosa Lemoto	Sam Tariu

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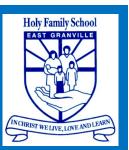




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### LEARNING MATTERS FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

### 2017 Young Journalist Award

Year 5 & 6 students - would you like a chance to win \$200 plus a \$100 stationery pack?

Write up to 350 words about people who are using their God-given talents to help others and build a fairer world in the 2017 Young Journalist Award, brought to you by Australian Catholics in conjunction with Australian Catholic University.



There are many people in our communities who have made the most of the gifts that God has given them, and who are using those gifts to make the world a better place.

It might be someone in your school who uses their gifts to teach others. It might be someone who has put aside a more lucrative career to become a doctor, nurse or social worker among the marginalised. It might be someone who is a passionate advocate for refugees, the homeless, those in prisons, the elderly or other forgotten people in our society.

Find a Justice Hero who inspires you, conduct an interview and write up their story for the chance to win cash and great prizes. Entries close 26 May.







#### **Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards**

A reminder that the 2017 Dorothea Mackellar Poetry Awards are officially open!

The competition runs from March 1 until June 30, with the optional theme of "All Over The World". Submissions must be submitted by email to the school, or to Mr Munday who will send them in.

Make sure you don't miss Australia's oldest and largest poetry competition for school-age students!

For more information, contact Mr Munday.

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# Is your child in year 6? What does their future hold?

The Centre for Emotional Health is recruiting for an exciting project to discover what affects young people's emotional development. We will start with 500 children in Year 6 and assess them every year throughout high school.

#### **FIND OUT MORE**

For more information visit the RAW Project website rawproject.com.au. If you are interested in being involved, please contact the RAW Project on (02) 9850 4080 or rawproject@mq.edu.au

#### HERE ARE SOME OF THE BENEFITS OF BEING INVOLVED IN THIS RESEARCH:

- \$100 plus a "thank you pack" for each yearly assessment
- · A yearly assessment of your child's emotional well-being
- · Opportunities for games, competitions, and prizes throughout the year
- · Information about teenage development

#### Breaking news!

One of our Year 6 students, Galia Germanos, was so moved by a book she read in Year 5 that she wanted to give that feedback to author and ask him to write a sequel. Look what arrived in the mail from Tim Winton yesterday!

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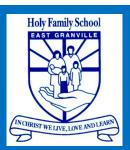
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27 March, 2017

Dear Galia,

Thank you for your very kind and thoughtful letter.

I'm so glad Blueback touched you. It's a book I'm really glad to have written, one that arrived like a gift in a single week. Not every book is as easy and as much fun to write as this one, believe me!

You're right about the messages in the book. I think we forget that we are a part of creation, that we are in a relationship with all creatures and ecosystems and that we're all in this together.

Thanks for your ideas about a sequel. I wonder what Dora's life would be like. To be honest I never really considered writing a follow-up to this story, but perhaps I should have a think about it.

I think someone is looking to make a movie based on the book. If they do, I hope you like it. Until then I hope you keep reading and daydreaming and swimming.

With every good wish,

Tim Winton



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## **School Fees**

Term 1 School Fees are now overdue. If you have not already made payment please do so by the end of this week or in the holidays.

Term 2 Fees will be billed early next term.

Thankyou to everyone that has already paid the school fees.

Please note, payments can be made by cash, cheque, EFTPOS, BPAY or at the Post Office.



### Lost clothing

I ask parents to please label your child's clothing, lunch box and drink bottles. We have many lost items already and it is the only the beginning of the term. Items that are labelled find their way back to their owners.

## **2018 Enrolments**

Kindergarten Enrolment Packages are available from the office for collection. Please notify family, friends and neighbours

wishing to enrol their child at Holy Family.

Enrolment period closes at the end of May.



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### CALENDAR EVENTS

April/MAY	
Friday 7th April	9:15am Whole School Mass
	Last day Term 1
Monday 24th April	Pupil Free Day –NO SCHOOL
Tuesday 25th April	Anzac day-NO SCHOOL
Wednesday 26th April	1st Day Back Term 2
	9:15am Anzac Day Ceremony
Tuesday 2nd May	Diocesan Cross Country Blacktown
Tuesday 9th May	NAPLAN
Wednesday 10th May	NAPLAN
Thursday 11th May	NAPLAN
Friday 12th May	Mothers Day Mass and Stall
Thursday 18th May	9:15am Parent Learning Walk
	Followed by fundraising committee meeting
Monday 22nd May	School Photo Day
Wednesday 24th May	Captivate Band Rehearsal
Thursday 25th May	Captivate Choir Rehearsal
Friday 26th May	Assembly K, 2, 4, & 6 Presenting

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### **BIRTHDAY WISHES!**

Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their birthday this Month



Daniel De Grazia	Finau Fosita
Gabriel Isaac	Derek Custodio
Bernadette Georges	Hiya Saini
Chrisfed Benjamin	Sudip Bhetwal
Euphemia Pearce	Joelle Taouk
Taylor Yacoub	Maria Takai
Ladye Love Saulala	Christopher Aoun
Simon Kanaan	Peter Tabach
Jason Achi	Alana Achi
Intan Sesay	Tyrell Firmin

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### DIOCESAN AND COMMUNITY NEWS



#### Term 1 2017

I would like to introduce myself as "Mel" from Mel's Tasty Bites your school canteen operator. We are a healthy canteen and everything available at our canteens is made fresh daily and is all homemade. We are rated one of the healthiest canteen operators in Sydney. We currently have 17 school canteens around Sydney and we are growing rapidly.

There is a new system we have introduced to our school canteen for online lunch orders called Flexi Schools. You will need to register first. This service is purely for Lunch orders only and we prefer if all lunch orders are now placed on Flexi schools.

For those parents that currently have opened accounts at the canteen, you can continue to use this account but it will be used by students to buy food or snacks off the counter at recess & lunch. You can still have your MTB account at the canteen for this option only - Lunch orders have to be now placed on Flexi Schools website.

There has been a price increase on the menu due to inflation costs from our suppliers.

All Ice creams, jelly's and drinks ordered with your lunch orders are given out when the lunch bag is returned to the canteen. Any recess orders are to be picked up from the canteen.

The new Winter Menu will start at the canteen from week 10 Term 1. There will a lot of warmer foods added to the menu and some old favourites.

You can also download the winter menu from our website or ask the school office for a copy in week 9.

#### Just to fill you in a little about what we have on offer for you;

- We also have an account system, where it runs on credit, you can leave \$20 or more on your own personal account at the canteen, that way your child will never have to miss out on recess or a treat at lunch time. You can also let us know if there are certain items you do not wish your child to purchase...
- Allergy We have a huge variety of food available for students that have allergies. Please go to our website and at the bottom the home page is a link to download the list of food available for all kinds of allergies.

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- Facebook Page: Did you know that we have a facebook page for all parents to follow. Like our page to see the latest updates, photos, job positions, and any specials we have. Find us under "Mel's Tasty Bites Healthy Canteen Operators & Catering Services"
- In Term 2, we will be selling 'Sticky Beaks' Insulated All-rounder Lunch Wallets for your child to receive their lunch in. To purchase, please go down to your canteen and they are available to buy.

There are three types of lunch wallets we are selling in various colours:

#### PRODUCT 1: The Lunch Wallet - A reusable lunch order bag \$10.00

The Lunch Wallet is specifically designed to replace paper lunch bags when ordering from the canteen. It holds more food than paper bags and its sturdy flat base makes them easy to pack and stack. Made from non woven polypropylene (like green shopping bags) it is durable and easy to clean, simply remove base and wipe clean with a damp cloth.

The hygienic zippered pocket is to separate money from contact with food and clearly display the child's order and a transparent pocket displays name & class. When not in use, the lunch wallet folds down into a convenient wallet and fastened closed with a Velcro strap.

### PRODUCT 2: The Insulated All Rounder - An insulated reusable lunch order bag or everyday cooler bag

#### \$12.00 each

Like the Lunch Wallet, the Insulated All Rounder has been designed to replace paper lunch bags when ordering from the canteen but this cleverly doubles as an everyday lunch cooler bag as well. The insulated PEVA lining keeps food and drinks hot and/or cold and the large zipper pocket separates money from contact with food. It also has a transparent pocket to display name and class details.

## **PRODUCT 3: Allergy Orange Lunch Wallet**

Our latest addition to the range is the orange allergy alert lunch wallet. This lunch wallet is specifically for kids with allergies as it has a unique allergy alert symbol printed on the bag.

### Not sure what to do for your child's upcoming birthday?

- We make fresh and homemade cupcakes for your special birthday girl or boy to share their special day with their friends at school. Place your order within 72 hours and a gorgeous tray of cupcakes will be ready for pick up for your little ones special day.
- In summer, we also have a birthday bucket filled with Zooper Doopers for a Student to share with their class on their special day...

We offer many more services, and have specials throughout the week so be sure to stay tuned by Liking our Facebook Page and visiting our website often. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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