



# Holy Family Primary School Newsletter

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Term 4

Week 2

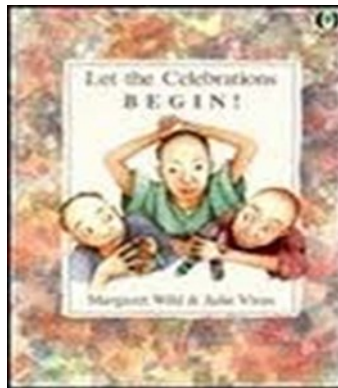
## Religious Education Matters



Mercy Action of the Week  
Pray for the grace of  
Compassion



## Spiritual Nourishment



In Year 6, we have been reading the book called 'Let the Celebrations Begin!' by Margaret Wild and Julie Vivas. This book is set in a concentration camp which holds mostly women and children. The women use all that they have to create toys for the children. The themes of nourishment and self-preservation are highlighted in the book. We have discussed how we can be spiritually nourished and how we can nourish others. In our communication groups we created tableaus representing the characters and how they were spiritually nourished.



The women prisoners took all their time and effort to make the toys for the children with pieces from their clothing.  
- Janis, Chanel and Richard

Showing the steps of a good family member.  
The feelings they are showing are love, joy and comfort.

Latiffany, Aisha and Andre



The women showed love, care and support in planning a celebration for the imprisoned children.

- Jasmine, Justina and John

Nourishing others by showing empathy, compassion and respect.

Mariah, Jonah and Bachir



In the book 'Let the Celebrations Begin!', Miriam tells the little children about her home before she came to this concentration camp and about her wonderful toys she had.

- Jasmine, Justina and John

# Student Awards

*We congratulate this week's Student of the Week Award recipients:*

Kindy	Aiden Oo	Mary Kpaka
Year 1	Makayla Isaac	Tyrell Firmin
Year 2	William Aguer	Rebecca Chen
Year 3	Gabriel Nakhoul	Luke Laolach
Year 4	George Maatouk	Samira Khoury
Year 5	Rita Dib	Lucy Arida
Year 6	Elias Issa	Sam Georges





# **Message from the Principal**

## **Gymnastics Program Begins**

There was excitement in our Parish Hall last week during the commencement of our Gymnastics program. A few students were not able to participate in the program as permission notes had not been returned to school. I ask all parents to ensure that all outstanding permission notes are returned to school by this week.

## **Swimming Program**

Our Swimming program will commence on the Monday 21st November until Wednesday 30th November. This year we will end our program with our Annual Swimming Carnival. You may be thinking that we have already had our carnival this year. You are correct. As of this year we will have our carnival at the end of the year. The reason for the change of term is that, the Cumberland Zone Carnival, which is the next level of competition for our diocese is usually held early in Term 1. This does not allow sufficient time for schools to hold carnivals and select a squad. On occasions, rain delays causes even more frustration when trying to meet the deadline for submitting students who will compete at the next level. The results of individual swimming achievements at his carnival will be used to select the squad for 2017 competing at the Cumberland Zone Carnival.

## **Celebrating 75 years**

A note went out to our community this week appealing for cans of soft drinks, bottles of water and new small toys. I thank our families for supporting this drive and supporting this very significant milestone in our parish history.

Would you like to be a part of our 75th Anniversary celebration?

We are searching for established groups to volunteer their time to perform at our 75th Anniversary of our parish. If you would like to entertain our community at the spring fair, please contact the office and leave your name and contact details.

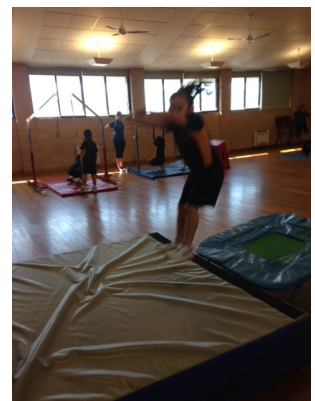
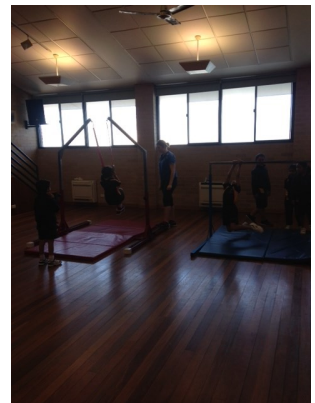
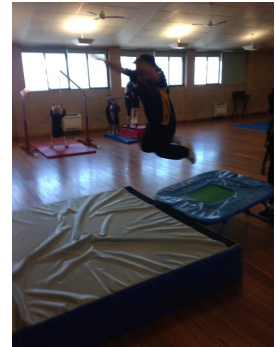
## **Enrolment for 2017**

It is time for the office to begin preparing for 2017. If you will be leaving Holy Family at the end of the year ( not Year 6 students) please contact the office ASAP. We have some vacancies across most of our classes. If you know a family who would like to attend Holy Family, please direct them to our enrolment package on our website. We are still accepting enrolments for Kindergarten 2017.

## **Consistent Late Arrivals**

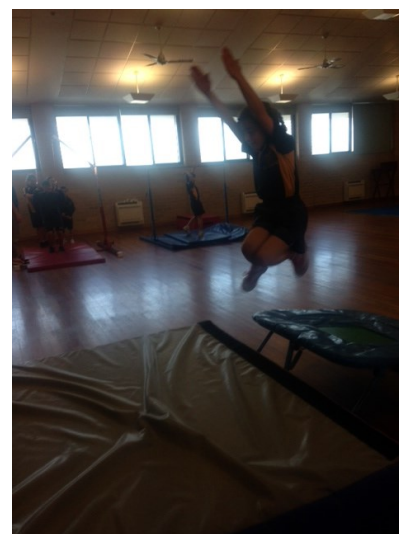
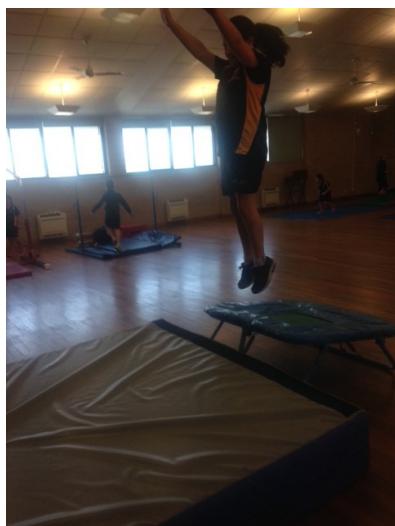
I encourage all parents to make a concerted effort to arrive at school before the morning bell. It is important that the children begin the day without the stresses associated with being late to class each day. During the morning administration time, children are informed of the events of the day and any changes that may occur. Children become anxious if they are not sure of what is happening throughout the day. I urge parents to comply with this request. We all care about what is most important - your children.

# Gymnastics Program Year 1





# Gymnastics Program Year 2



## Calendar

October 2016

Friday 21st

Year 4 Art Gallery Excursion



### *Birthday Wishes!*

*Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their birthday this week*



Amelia Cagiloaloa	Brandon Commodore
Johnathan Chakoush	Rosie Faddoul
Gabrielle Foketi	Charbel Nakhoul
Mina Nohra	

# Book Club



Book Club orders No 7 is due on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2016.  
Orders will be distributed around 1<sup>st</sup> November

Years in Reading  
Mrs Gordon



## Lost clothing

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

## School Fees

School Fees are now over due.

**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.*