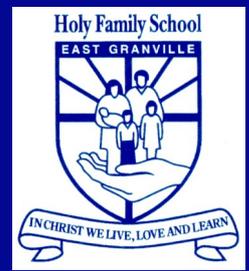


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In Religious Education, Year 3 have been learning about the **Gift of the Eucharist**. This term, Years 3 and 4 will work together to deepen their knowledge to answer the driving question *How and why do I go out to live the good news?* We will focus on making connections to where God is present in our community, What is the Good News and how we as Catholics can become the Good News.

Our students have been engaging in lessons that the Stage 2 team has planned. So far, students have experienced *Good News in at least 6 different ways.*

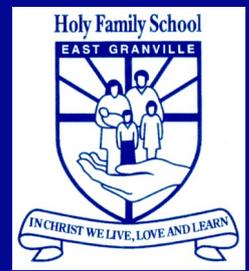
<p>Good News! Type your one-word response too!</p> 	<p>Read the article and create a freeze-frame - hugs. Don't forget to use the iPad! Let someone be a photographer.</p> 	<p>Read the article and create a freeze-frame - Kind July. Don't forget to use the iPad! Let someone else be the photographer.</p> 
<p>Present time! Keep it looking as beautiful for the next groups.</p> 	<p>Q & A. Remember to leave the question cards in two piles for the next teams.</p> 	<p>One word story and record it on an iPad! Remember to leave the iPad for the next groups.</p> 



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From the Principal...

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to Term 3

Welcome back to Term 3! There are many exciting things which have already taken place or are fast approaching that I am sure the students, teachers and parents are looking forward to. For instance, our Grandparents Day, NAIDOC Week Celebration, our Year 6 camp to Canberra. Detailed information will be sent out over the coming weeks!

Permanent Assistant Principal Announced

Congratulations to Mr Stephen Bawden who has been appointed as permanent Assistant Principal at Holy Family. Mr Bawden has been in the acting role since the beginning of the year and is very deserving of the permanent appointment, I am truly blessed to work with such dedicated educators. As we still have Leadership team members in Acting positions CEDP will organise an ad for the permanent position of REC within the coming weeks. Please continue to keep us in your prayers as we work towards attaining permanent stability within the school leadership team.

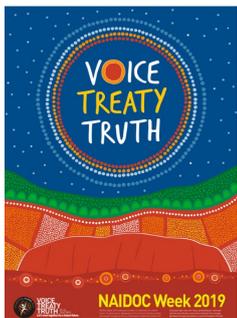
Grandparents Day

WOW! What a wonderful morning of prayer, learning and celebrating we had with our Grandparents last Friday. Events like these really demonstrate that we are truly a family following in Jesus footsteps.

The success and enjoyment of the day was that we came together as a community to celebrate the wonderful gift God has given us in the form of Grandparents. As I told the children, no matter whether we have our grandparents close by, living far away or overseas or if our grandparents live with God in heaven, we carry them with us each day in our hearts and memories, always remembering the love they have shared with us.

Thank you to Mr Baker and the sensational Year 1 students who led us in prayer at our liturgy.

NAIDOC Reflection



During the school holidays, nationally, Australia participated in NAIDOC Week. The National Aboriginal and Islander Day Observance Committee (NAIDOC) Week (7-14 July) is so important. It emerged from the recognition by Indigenous Australians that they were neglected and not listened to, and from their determination to change things. On Monday morning we came together as a community to recognise, celebrate and pray for the wonderful contribution made to Australian society by our Indigenous brothers and sisters, who are definitely the unsung heroes of our nation.

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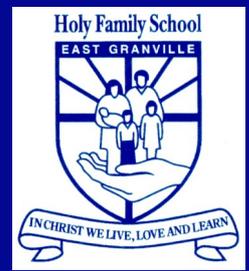
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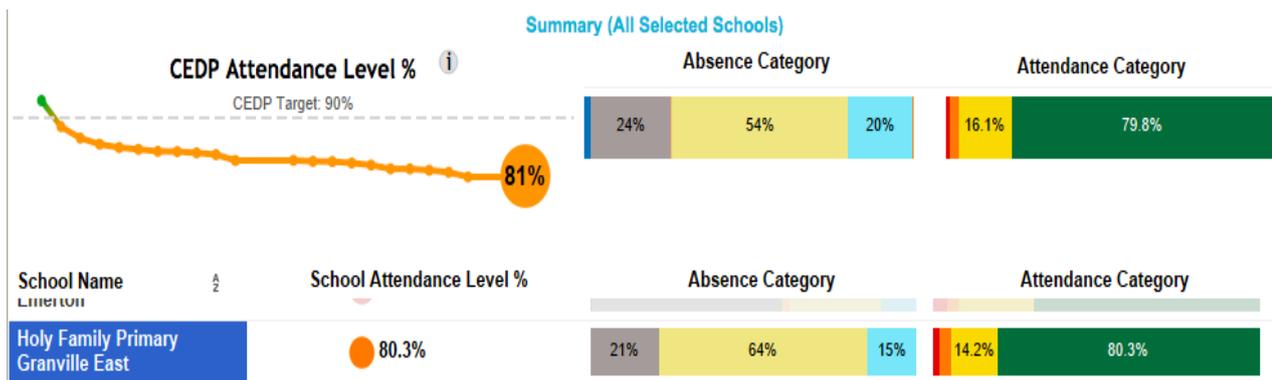
In Need of Prayers

Currently we have a number of staff whose family members are experiencing serious illness and are in need of our prayers, that the Lord will heal and comfort them in their hour of need. I am certain that we are not alone in having family members experiencing ill health, I know that some of our families are in similar circumstances or are grieving for the loss of those they loved and cared about.

Faith, through the action of prayer is what binds us together. Please join the wider Holy Family community in saying the prayer below for all those people.



Attendance



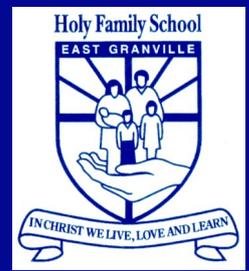
As we begin a new term I urge all parents to make a conscientious effort to get their children to school each day and on time. Looking at the above timetable you are able to see that in our first week back at school we were still below the diocesan average. Children get sick and we know they are unable to attend school but otherwise children need to be at school everyday to maximise their learning experiences. Towards the end of Term 2 I have noticed an increase in the number of families applying for leave. In a few extreme cases this is unavoidable however if you want to take your child on holidays it needs to be done during the allotted school holidays. Another noticing is that there are about 30 students who are consistently late each morning, times ranging from 10mins per day to up to 40mins daily. If this is



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added up at 10mins late each day that 50mins per week. At 40mins a day over a week is 200mins or 3 hours and 20 mins, basically half a day a week those children are missing out on learning. How much LEARNING TIME is your child missing? What impact is this having on their academic and social growth?

Fundraising Committee

Thank you to the mums who were able to attend last week's fundraising committee meeting. We were able to start planning for a very busy term. The next meeting is **Tuesday 20th August**. We have some exciting things planned for Father's Day but for it to be really successful we need as many hands as possible during the planning/ organising stage and at the actual event. All are invited to attend the meeting, any small way you can help will be appreciated.

School Uniform

Students are expected to wear their school uniform with pride but since returning to school this term many students are not wearing the correct uniform. I need parents to support the school in making sure that their child follows school expectations in regards to school uniform.

BOYS' WINTER UNIFORM

Long grey trousers

Blue long sleeve blue shirt with school logo (new style) and school tie

Black school shoes with grey socks

Navy blue school jacket

School Hat* (new style)

GIRLS' WINTER UNIFORM

Blue long sleeved blouse with school logo (new style)

Navy blue culottes (new style) or navy blue trousers.

Black school shoes with navy blue tights

Navy blue school jacket

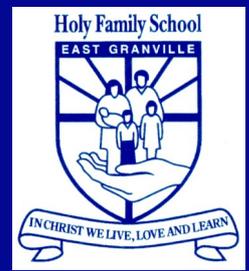
Navy blue hair accessories

School Hat* (new style)

Please read carefully as these are the only items that children are supposed to be wearing. On really cold days students may wear a parka but it must be navy in colour. This also applies to scarves and gloves.



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The following are not allowed nor are they part of the school uniform.



Also we have a growing mountain of lost property including jackets and hats. Please see if these belong to your child. All parents are asked to label their child's belongings with their names. Remember after a number of washes these tend to disappear and you will need to do this again.

New Initiative- Early Bird Reading

We have continually stated and promoted the importance of reading to our students for pleasure. Mrs Kari and Miss Nelson also believe the importance of reading, coming to me last term to ask if they could start an Early Bird Reading session three days a week for those children who arrive early to school. My response was YES! The sessions will be held in the Library Monday, Wednesday and Friday mornings from 8:20 to 8:40am. Come along and enjoy storytime. Parents are also invited to join their children.

Kind regards,

Let us remember that as many hands build a house, so many hearts make this school.

*Mrs Cheryl Fortini
Principal*



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STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate **Week 1 Term 3** Student of the Week Award recipients :

Kindy	Aawahang Angbo	Sidney Bose
Year 1	Makayla Merhi	Jade Sikimeti
Year 2	Daniel De Grazia	Anthony El Hayek
Year 3	Jacob Hallab	Joel Cum
Year 4	Elias El Kadi	Jamee El Kadi
Year 5	Macele Taliu	Caterina Valore
Year 6	Rhiannyn Griffiths	Luke Laoulach



ACARA Collection Student Background Data Notice:

The Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) collects data from schools to determine the Index of Community Socio-educational Advantage (ICSEA). CEDP is currently working to provide relevant details to the Catholic Education Commission of NSW. Data collected is de-identified of personal information.

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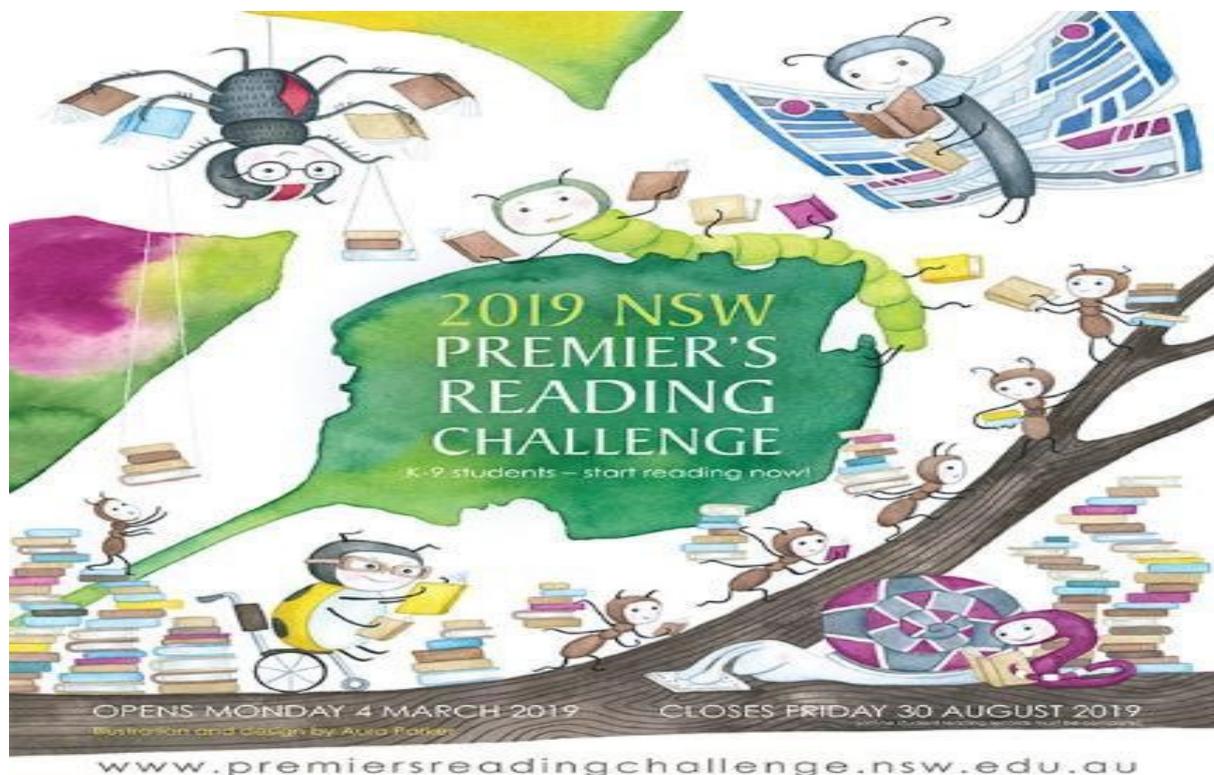
Students from our school will soon be undertaking (or have recently undertaken), an education tour of the national capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.



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Congratulations to the students who have completed the challenge.

The other students should be well on their way to completing the required number of books as you only have 5 weeks to the closing date of 30th August.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB Issue 5

Book club has been distributed to the students.

Orders due on Friday **2nd August**

Yours in reading

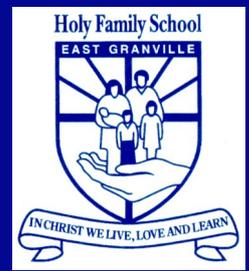
Mrs Lyn Gordon



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SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to everyone that has already paid their school fees.

School Fee Statements have been mailed by the Catholic Education Office.

If you have difficulty in paying school fees or have not received your statement please contact Miss Ali to discuss the matter. Thank You

Payments can be made by cash or EFTPOS at the school office before 3.15 PM each day or via BPAY or at the Post Office.

Kindergarten! ... here I come!



Holy Family School is currently taking 2020 enrolments for Kindergarten. Enrolment packs are available from the school office. Please notify family, friends and neighbours wishing to enrol in Holy Family. If you have a sibling at the school please return your forms ASAP to secure a position.



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HFS Parent Calendar - Term 3, 2019		
Week	Date	Event
2	Mon 29/7	Naidoc Week Celebration
	Tue 30/7	Stage 2 Soccer Gala Day
	Thu - Fri 1 & 2/8	Yr6 Canberra Excursion
3	Thu 8/8	9:15 - 10:15 Feast of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop Mass
		10:15 - 10:45 Student Led Conferences
		10:45 - 11:30 Picnic Morning Tea
4	Thu 15/8	9:15 - 10:00 Feast of the Assumption Mass
5	Mon 19/8	Yr5 Excursion - Belgenny Farm Camden
	Tue 20/8	9:00 Parent Fundraising Committee Meeting
		2:10 Bookweek Parade
	Thu 22/8	6:30 - 7:30 Sacrament of First Reconciliation
	Fri 23/8	2:00 Whole School Assembly Years 1, 3, 5 and 6 presenting
6	Mon 26/8	8:30 - 9:30 Father's Day Gift Wrapping
	Thu 29/8	Yr6 Mini Fete
	Fri 30/8	7:30 - 8:30 Father's Day Breakfast
8:45 - 9:15 Father's Day Liturgy		
7	Tue 3/9	9:10 - Yr2 & Yr4 Parish Mass
8	Wed 11/9	9:10 - Yr1 & Yr5 Parish Mass
9	Tue 17/9	9:10 - Kindy & Yr6 Parish Mass
	Fri 20/9	2:00 Whole School Assembly Years K, 2 and 4 presenting
10	Mon 23/9	Staff Curriculum Day (Pupil Free Day)
	Tue 24/9	9:10 - Yr3 Parish Mass
	Fri 27/9	End of Term 3
	Sun 29/9	12:00pm - Sacrament of First Holy Communion

