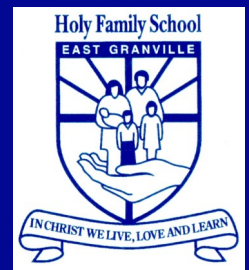


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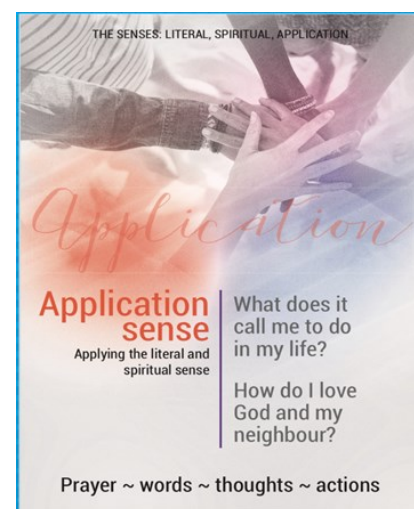
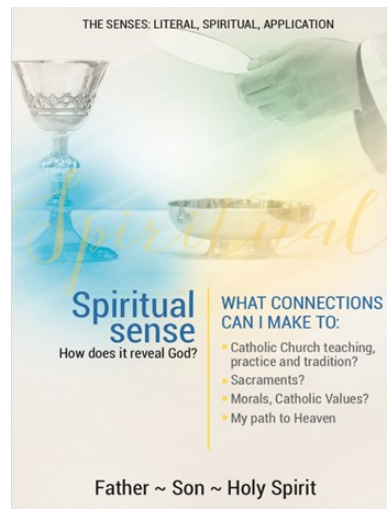
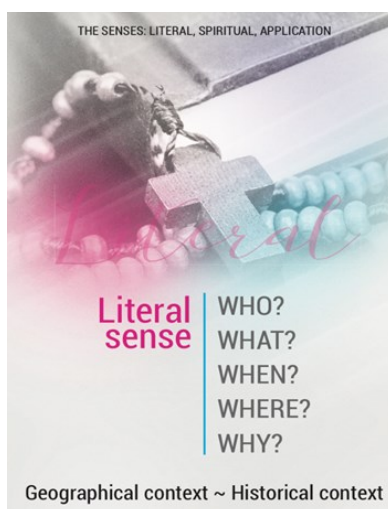
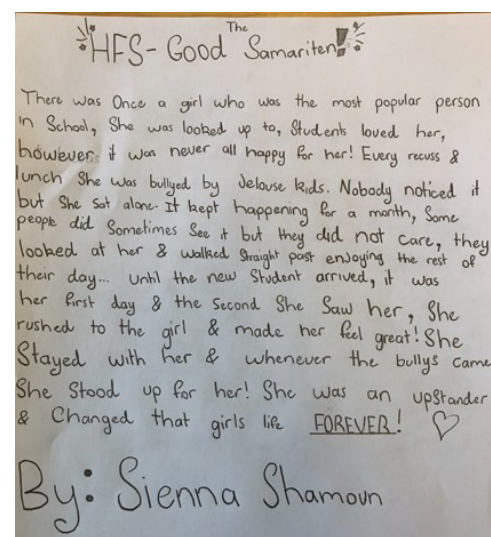
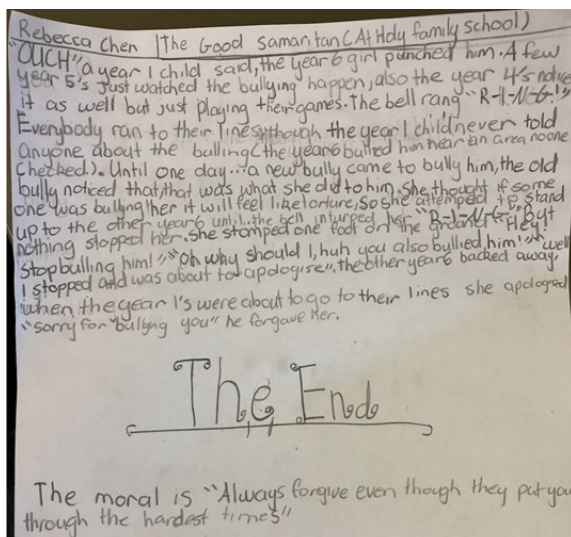
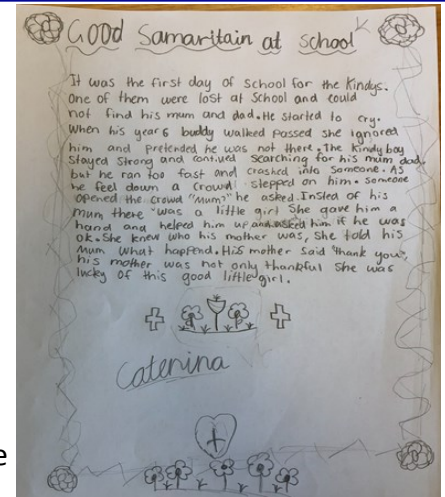
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In Year 5, we have been learning how to show L.O.V.E in our lives via the teachings about the Kingdom of God within Jesus' Parables. The parable we have been focusing on has been *The Parable of The Good Samaritan* (Luke 10:29-37).

In addition to this, we have been learning about this parable using the three senses approach to Religious Education. The three senses approach to Religious Education features the Literal, Spiritual and Application senses.

As part of the Application Sense students in Year 5 have reimagined what *The Parable of The Good Samaritan* might be like if it were to take place within Holy Family.



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Term 1

From the Acting Principal...

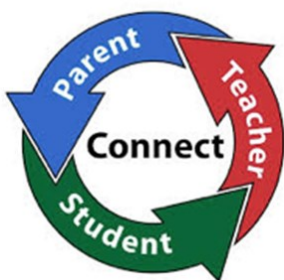
Dear Parents and Friends,

Swimming Carnival

What a wonderful day we had at the school swimming carnival. Congratulations to all our competitors. So many children showed grit in participating in more events than they had originally entered. It was wonderful to see students demonstrating team spirit, joining in the house colour chants and cheering alongside the pool for friends and classmates. Thank you to all the parents who were able to join us on the day, the staff and students really appreciated your support. A huge thank you to Miss Natalie Kehris for her organisation of the day and to the staff who diligently carried out their assigned roles.

A special congratulations to Rhiannyn Griffiths (Year 6) and Mark Sorojevic (Year 5) who represented Holy Family at the Zone Swimming Carnival on Tuesday 12 February. We are so proud of these remarkable swimmers. Rhiannyn will next compete at the Diocesan Swimming Carnival this Friday. Good Luck Rhiannyn!

Meet the Teacher Evening -



Thank you to those families who attended last week's *Meet the Teacher* evening.

Partnership involves parents, families and teachers working together to benefit children. Each recognises, respects and values what the other does and says. Partnership involves responsibility on both sides.

Research has shown that when schools and parents work together the students develop a more positive, engaged attitude towards learning, do better in their learning, stay in school longer, attendance is more regular, behaviour improves and social skills develop.



These formal meetings are not the only time you can meet with teachers. If you ever have any concerns about your child's learning or wellbeing please call the office and make an appointment. It is important that if you ever have concerns you let us know as soon as possible **"we can't do anything about something we know nothing about."**

Who do I see for support at Holy Family?

1. Classroom teacher
2. Stage leader -K,1,2 -Miss Sargent,
Years 3,4 - Mrs Arduis,
Years 5,6 - Mr Baker
3. Acting Assistant Principal - Mr Bawden
4. Acting Principal - Mrs Fortini

5 Important Facts About Parent Involvement

1. Parent Involvement boosts student achievement
2. Parent Involvement is actually a better predictor of academic success than standardized tests.
3. Parent Involvement is defined as "any variety of activities that allow parents to participate in the educational process at home or in the school"
4. Parent Involvement declines as students age.
5. Teachers and Schools can overcome barriers to parent involvement by reaching out and building trusting relationships.

livingtree

Attendance

School attendance plays a critical role in enhancing the lives of students in schools. Every day of attendance adds to a student's achievement and success at school. Schools in partnership with parents are responsible for promoting the regular attendance of students.

Parents are required to send in a signed note explaining the reason for their child's absence when the child returns to school.



WHAT PARENTS CAN DO

EACH DAY MISSED:

- ▶ Puts your child behind and makes it harder for them to catch up
- ▶ Can lead to lower achievement in reading, writing and numeracy
- ▶ Can lead to gaps in learning and social connections

- ✓ **BE FIRM.** Send your child to school every day unless they are sick
- ✓ Develop good sleep and morning routines
- ✓ Schedule appointments after school
- ✓ Avoid taking holidays during term time

Parking

Parking remains an issue around Holy Family. In the interest of student safety, the Hudson Street car park is for staff use only and is closed between 9:00 am & 3:00 pm each day. Parents and friends visiting the school during school hours must enter through the unlocked pedestrian gate near the office. This gate is to remain closed at all times.

As a courtesy to others and to our neighbours, when dropping children off at school or picking them up, parents are asked not to park across driveways. Parents are not to park in the Presbytery driveway at anytime.



Outside the main gates is a designated Disabled Parking space which unfortunately is being used by parent and carers who are not legally permitted to park here. This is effecting one of our families who do have a 'disabled parking permit' and are finding it extremely frustrating that members of our community are not obeying road rules. What message are parents giving their children by parking illegally?



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Parents are also to assist children in observing road rules by using the designated *children crossing* rather than jay-walking across the road amongst the traffic. Student safety is our first priority.

Medication Update

A number of our students require either regular medication or preventative medication that is kept at school. At the end of 2018 most was returned home for the holidays. If your child is in this category of children, please send in new medication immediately with name, dosage etc.

CEDP Parent Representative Council

I am inviting members of our community to nominate themselves for the position of Holy Family member of The Parent Representative Council (PRC) for the Diocese of Parramatta.

The PRC is a volunteer parent organisation that has proudly served the Diocese of Parramatta continuously for more than 30 years. The PRC work closely in collaboration with Bishop Vincent Long Van Nguyen, the Executive Director Greg Whitby and the CEDP Executive Team, Parish Priests, Principals and School Parent Bodies in providing additional support to families throughout their child's learning journey with in the Catholic Education System.

The PRC are looking forward to 2019, their theme for this year is focused on Wellbeing. Meetings and supporting topics will focus on student, parent, family and spiritual Wellbeing. Other key initiatives for 2019 year will be:

Supporting the new RE curriculum. There already is a Parent Advisory Group in place working with the mission team.

Promoting the importance of Catholic Education to politicians in the lead up to the elections for both state and federal.

Putting together a parent submission for the 2020 Plenary Council

Undertake a review on the School Parent Body Constitution

Deliver Parent General Meetings



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The Schools Parent Rep and Alternate Rep will be an important part of the above initiatives and their positions will provide a voice for our community.

If you are interested in nominating yourself for this position or would like to make further enquiries, please contact me by note, email (holyfamilyegranville@parra.catholic.edu.au) or phone (8633 8200).

Kind regards,

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

Mrs Cheryl Fortini

Acting Principal

Environment Incursion

This year the teachers of Holy Family have decided to start some initiatives to solve the playground littering problem and to reduce the amount of rubbish that is created in our school. It is our goal to improve students' awareness and understanding of the impacts of our waste on the environment and to enable them to take actions that protect the environment in our school and at home. During the first weeks of this term all grades have learnt about recycling waste as part of their science and literacy learning. Some grades have participated in an incursion on Thursday of Week 3. In the lesson that was held by a specialist Environment Educator from Cumberland Council students learnt about rubbish that goes into landfills, recyclable waste, compost and garden waste.

Year 2 and Year 4 have participated in a rubbish sorting activity where they separated the rubbish from our school into categories of recyclable rubbish and rubbish that goes to a landfill.



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"Oh no! One cubic metre of rubbish already in one and a half days only!"



Year 4 is sorting rubbish.



A Clean Up crew can go round at the end of eating times to collect rubbish that hasn't made its way to the bins.

Jacob Hallab

I think we can reduce rubbish at our school by having a wrapper-free day once a term.

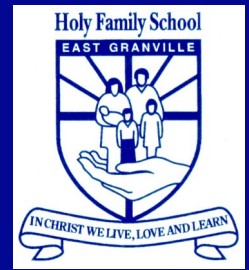
Joel Lum



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Swimming Carnival

It has been an eventful start to Term 1, 2019 with our annual school Swimming Carnival being held on Wednesday the 6th February at Wentworthville Swimming Centre. We had fantastic weather and all staff and students who attended the event had fun and showed great sportsmanship. All students had the opportunity to gain house points by participating in both main pool events as well as novelty races.

The final House results for the 2019 swimming carnival were:

1st Martin (red): 300 points

2nd Kerrigan (gold): 184 points

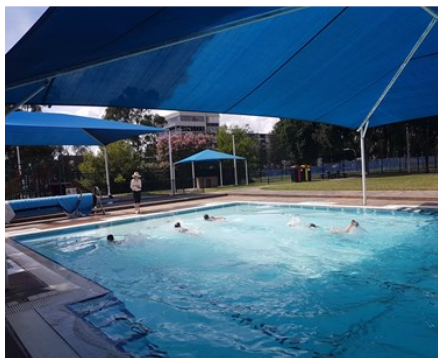
3rd Mackillop (blue): 146 points

4th Stack (green): 104 points

Congratulations to Martin House on winning the overall point score for the day.

Thank you to the parents who provided support and encouragement to the students on the day. Your presence is always so important on these days. Special thanks to Mr Griffiths who was a valued parent helper on the day.

Finally I would like to take this opportunity to thank and congratulate the staff on another successful event. Thank you you for your enthusiasm and dedication to ensuring our students have a safe and great day.



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Congratulations to the 2 students (Mark Sorojevic and Rhiannyn Griffiths) that competed at the Cumberland Zone Swimming on Tuesday 12th February 2019.

A further congratulations goes to Rhiannyn Griffiths making Diocesan which will be held on the 22nd February at Blacktown Swim Center.

Photo Permission

During the year, your child may be photographed or filmed for our school publications, website and/or social media, or other print or electronic media (including third party websites).

If you do not wish for your child's photo to be used on any of these publications please notify the office immediately.



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HOLY FAMILY**

 **Like @ HOLY FAMILY
PRIMARY SCHOOL, EAST
GRANVILLE**

**Our page will update you on the learning
that takes place and school events**

This is the perfect opportunity to teach
your children how to engage with social
media in a safe way!
Just like the classroom, online we are
SAFE, RESPECTFUL LEARNERS.



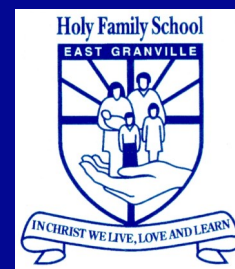
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STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate **Week 2** Student of the Week Award recipients :

Kindy	Nolan Rai	Tony Elbayeh
Year 1	Gavin Matro	Amila Feketi
Year 2	Nicholas Bitar	Natalie Zheng
Year 3	Deon Gergi	Elizabeth Halapio
Year 4	Isabelle Pandit	Marvin Nassif
Year 5	Rebecca Chen	Daniel Yaacoub
Year 6	Ethan El Katrib	Edward Hakko



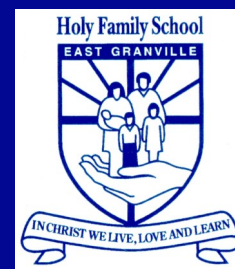
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STUDENT AWARDS

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

Kindy	Jordan Vu	Elina Ding
Year 1	Michael Commodore	Pamil Limbu
Year 2	Isaac Hakko	Jake Borg
Year 3	Jeremiah Nakhoul	Abby Lagivola
Year 4	Isaiah Bose	Taef Aljerf
Year 5	Elaine El Ghoubaira	Jason Achi
Year 6	Elizabeth El Boutty	Simon Kanaan



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Get involved in the School Banking program.

Holy Family Primary School is excited to offer the Commonwealth Bank School Banking program to all students.

School Banking is a fun, interactive and engaging way for young Australians to learn about money and develop good savings habits. Children who deposit money into their Youthsaver account through School Banking earn Dollarmites tokens, which they can save up and redeem for exciting rewards.

The rewards available during 2019 are:

Scented Stackable Highlighters

Snowy Origami Set

Icicle Slapband Ruler

Yeti Fluffy Notepad

Arctic Owl Fluffy Keyring

Scratch Art Cards

Water Skimming Bounce Ball

Polar Pencils & Pencil Toppers



School Banking is also a great fundraiser for our school. Our school receives a Regular Savers Contribution of \$5 for every 10 deposits processed per student as well as an Annual Contribution which is based on the number of students who made at least one School Banking deposit in the prior year.

Getting involved in School Banking is easy!

All you need to get involved in the School Banking program is a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account. You can open an account for your child in one of two ways:

1. Online

Visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking and click on the link to open a Youthsaver account.

2. In branch

Visit a Commonwealth Bank branch with identification for yourself and your child, like a driver's licence and birth certificate.

If your child has an existing Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account they can start banking straight away. They just need to bring their deposit in every week on School Banking day using their Dollarmites deposit wallet.

School Banking day is **Tuesday**. Each week you need to **give bankbook to class teacher**.

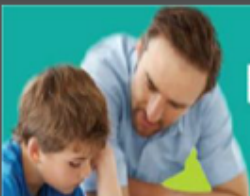


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HELPING YOUR CHILD MANAGE ANXIETY



Learn effective way to deal with child anxiety and positive behavior practices
What can you do?
How is the Catholic Education Department Parramatta (CEDP) helping?



Our guest speaker for the evening is:


Anoushka Houseman

Clinical Psychologist
Wellbeing Coordinator - Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP)


Register FREE now: www.prc.catholic.edu.au

Monday, 4th March 2019
Doors open: 6:30pm for 7:00pm (2 hours)
(PRC AGM- will be held prior to guest speaker)
St Patrick's Primary School: 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown
Light supper and refreshments will be provided and
a lucky door prize will be up for grabs!

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CERDON COLLEGE MERRYLANDS

Aspire to Great Heights



Open Day

Tuesday 5 March 2019
Come along anytime between
4:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Sherwood Road Merrylands
Phone: (02) 8724 7300

**Enrolment Packages available
for Year 7 2020 and 2021**

ENROLLING NOW FOR 2020

Catherine McAuley



Catherine McAuley is a Catholic girls' secondary school, located at Westmead. Our broad curriculum encourages young women to pursue independent lifelong learning.



OPEN NIGHT

Tuesday 12 March 2019 4.00pm - 7.00pm

This school open event will give visitors the opportunity to tour the school and view facilities as well as meet our School Principal and School Leadership Team.

CONTACT OUR SCHOOL ON 9849 9100 FOR AN ENROLMENT PACK. APPLICATIONS CLOSE 22nd MARCH 2019

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Delany College
GRANVILLE

ENROL NOW

OPEN DAY Friday 8 March 9am - 10am
and 3pm - 6pm

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www.delanygranville.catholic.edu.au

HFS Important Dates		
Week	Date	Event
4	Thursday 21/2	Opening School Mass 9:15am
		Year 6 Commissioning 10:00am
5	Wednesday 27/2	Year 6 Delany College Learning Day
	Friday 1/3	Ice Block Fundraiser 9am
6	Tuesday 5/3	Open Day 10 am—11 am
	Tuesday 5/3	Parent Learning Walk
	Wednesday 6/3	Ash Wednesday Mass 9:15am
	Friday 8/3	Whole School Assembly Grades 1, 3, 5,6

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