



### Why do we belong to communities?



We are welcomed by many different people in many different ways. We can also welcome others in many ways.

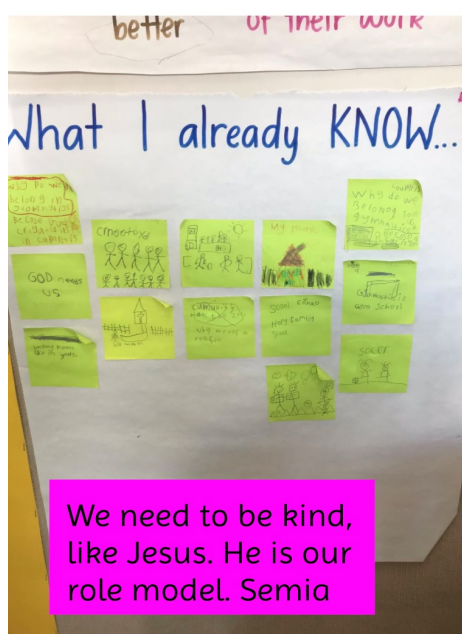
We are currently working on our end product - a video for the Kindergarten students of Holy Family Primary School for 2021! Be sure to check out our facebook page early next term to view these end products!

It's important to belong to a community so that we can have lots of friends.  
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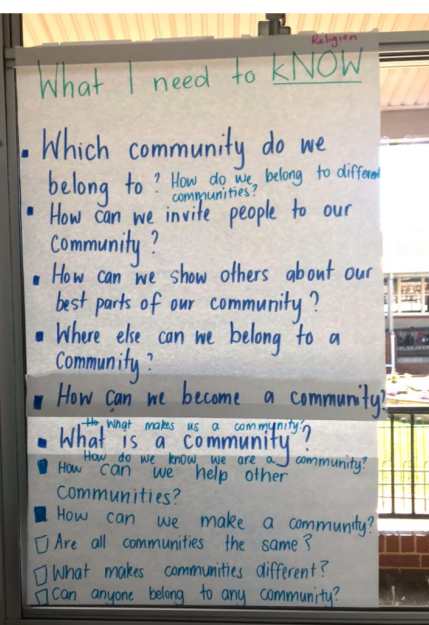
The Church is made up of people that believe in God, like us. Ryan X

As a community we care about each other.  
Elina.

We are learning to create a welcoming video. Tim



We need to be kind, like Jesus. He is our role model. Semia



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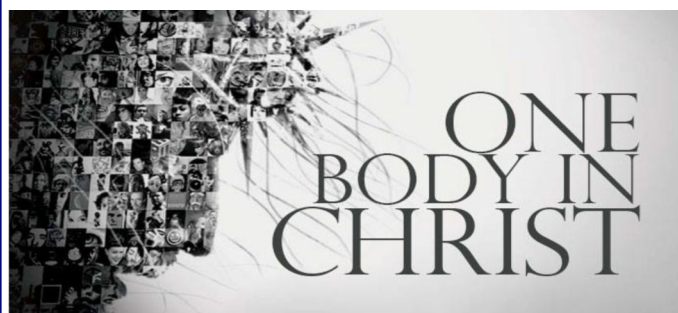
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## *From the Principal...*

Dear Parents and Friends,



As we complete another very busy term I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Kindergarten and Year 2, who on Monday and Tuesday led the school in two different prayer experiences. While both grades drew the community into prayer with them, what struck me was that both focused on the concept that we are the Body of Christ on Earth, in the here and now.

These children, in their smiles, their interactions with their peers and teachers, their focus on learning, their enthusiasm and curiosity reflect the love of Jesus throughout our school community. Our faith and belief in the living Jesus is at the core of who we are, a Catholic community at Holy Family.

In the year that Australian Catholic Schools celebrate 200 Years of Catholic Education, another concept that Year 2 focused on, I'd like to share with you an adapted version of what a Principal colleague shared with his school community.

The following passage is adapted from the National Catholic Education Commission (NCEC) which was established by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference through the Bishops Commission for Catholic Education (Chairperson Most Rev Anthony Fisher OP).

### **Why do we have Catholic Schools?**

Holy Family Primary School contributes to the Parish's mission to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ, offering the Catholic community of Granville an educational foundation for life to the full, meaning the full development of the students - intellectually, spiritually, physically, morally and emotionally. Holy Family fulfils parents' rights in a democratic, free society to choose the schooling for their children which reflects their own values, beliefs and hopes as Australians.

### **Who Catholic Schools are for?**

Holy Family Primary School is for children who, through baptism, have a right to an education in the Catholic faith in a Catholic school. In addition, Holy Family supports parents and guardians who wish to entrust their children's future because of their explicit goals and acknowledged educational quality.

### **What is distinctive about Catholic Schools?**

Holy Family Primary School promotes a particular view of the person, the community, the nation and the world, centred on the person and teachings of Jesus Christ. It challenges students to find, through God, meaning and value in their lives. Holy Family forms an integral part of our church community in which all generations live, worship and

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grow together in Granville. In critiquing our culture, and challenging community values, as an integral part of their Gospel mission, Holy Family aims to be a welcoming and reflective community whose most distinctive sign is the discernment of God's presence in its spiritual life. We promote values which unite Australia by promoting a citizenship infused by a commitment to social justice and encouraging students to develop an international perspective of their own country and how their country can identify and respond justly to its international obligations. Holy Family develops a sense of historical perspective by reflecting on the development of societies and cultures over time, a story of human frailty but of continual efforts to live the Gospel message, giving priority to educating the spiritually and financially poor and being their advocates.

During this time of COVID and our inability to gather, we must always reflect on our relationships with each other and with our God using the lens of our saviour Jesus Christ.

## **Update from CEDP on the Draft New Curriculum for Religious Education**

Thank you for your interest in learning more about our new approach to Religious Education. As every parent would expect, this will be age appropriate for children and young people. Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta is looking forward to sharing an updated version of our Draft New Curriculum with parents and carers in early October. Further details are available on the school website.

## **NEW Online Platform!**

The Diocese of Parramatta recently launched *The Well* – a new online platform that provides free, 'on-demand' inspiration for families, children, young people and faith communities. With over 80 (and growing) videos, podcasts and other online resources, at any time of day or night, you can watch and listen to:

- High-energy children's shows
- Information and reflections on the sacraments
- Recordings of young musicians around the Diocese leading praise and worship
- Thought-provoking discussions from local and international speakers
- Inspirational sharing from young people and young women.

## **School Uniform Update**

In the very near future Holy Family will be changing our uniform supplier from Joseph's Uniforms in Guildford to Oz Fashion, Granville. CEDP is streamlining the number of uniform suppliers across the diocese. Oz Fashion was chosen because of the quality product they supply, value for money, location and the owners support of the catholic community of Granville and the diocese. You may still purchase uniform items from Joseph's at the moment, although some parents have informed me that they were unable to purchase boys summer shirts (sizes 8 or 10). As soon as Oz Fashion officially takes over I will immediately notify the community.

When we return to school in Term 4 children will wear their full summer uniform. All uniforms must be worn neatly and correctly, including the correct socks. Our school rule—No Hat No Play requires students to wear our school hat when outside. These hats are available to purchase at the school office.





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## New Signage

Our new electronic sign on The Trongate is now displaying up to date events and what's happening at school. This is an additional way of communicating with the parent community. Keep watching as this will be updated regularly.

Additional signage was installed yesterday facing Clyde St. These signs are static and announce to the community and general public that we are a catholic school serving the local area.



## Swimming Program

Due to continuing Covid-19 restrictions we have decided to cancel the 2020 swimming program scheduled for Term 4. Early Term 4 we will be sending a survey home about the swimming program asking for parent feedback.

## Privacy Act

A number of parents have contacted the school and expressed their anger that their contact details have been used to be part of a group chat without their consent. I do not know who was responsible for this but it is a breach of confidentiality and privacy. This is not acceptable. I would encourage any members of the parent community who may know who was responsible to speak to the parent or parents and ask them not to do this again.

## Cumberland City Council Book Week Competition

Students are invited to enter the Cumberland City Council Book Week competition for their chance to win one of twelve Book Week Pack prizes (Categories: K-2, 3-4 & 5-6), and have their work displayed. An entry form has been sent home with each student, if they would like to participate. Entries close on Friday, 16th October, 2020 and may be handed in at any of the Cumberland City Council libraries.

## Sick Leave & Documentation

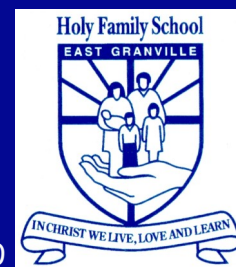
We ask all our families to follow the guidelines below as we value the well-being and health of the Holy Family Community.

- Currently, no student should attend school if they are unwell (Doctor's Certificate).
- Each student who is absent from school or who has been sent home because they have flu-like symptoms, need to see a doctor or must have a COVID-19 test.
- A negative COVID-19 test result must be provided to the school before a student can come back to school. The notification can be a NSW Health or COVID-19 Testing Centre letter, SMS or email and / or a medical certificate.
- Students are not able to return to school until they return a negative COVID-19 result and are symptom free. Doctor's Medical Certificates. We ask that when submitting a skoolbag absentee online for a child that is absent, and a medical certificate has been obtained from the doctor, please forward this certificate to the school email [HolyFamilyEGranville@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:HolyFamilyEGranville@parra.catholic.edu.au)



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## Student Data Validation

As part of our annual system and legal requirements, Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) is asking families to ensure all relevant contact and student information is up to date and accurate for the purposes of communication and providing relevant support to students.

On Monday 19 October, households will receive an email or SMS from CEDP with a link and login details to the Student Data Validation (SDV) form.

Once you have logged in you will be able to verify existing information from the school database and update if necessary. The process should not take more than 15 minutes and will need to be completed by 5:00pm on Friday 6 November.

If you have any questions about the Student Data Validation form, please contact CEDP Community Liaison Team on 9840 5796.

*Intentional Parenting*  
**10** tips to parent with purpose

USE POSITIVE AFFIRMATIONS	INSTILL GRATITUDE
BE PRESENT	EXPOSE THEM TO NEW THINGS
DON'T LET YOUR PERCEPTION BECOME THEIR REALITY	SHOW THEM YOUR FEARS (AND HOW YOU OVERCOME THEM)
TEACH THEM GRIT	REPLACE "CAN'T" WITH "NOT YET"
RESPOND, DON'T REACT	SHOW THEM LOVE 

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*I wish all our students and families a happy and safe holiday.*

Kind regards,  
*Mrs Cheryl Fortini*  
Principal

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

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## Last week in PBS4L...

### We looked at challenging ourselves!

In our peer support lessons we discussed the importance of challenging ourselves.



When there is something you really want to do you need to work hard and try hard.

Students learned that setting and achieving goals is not always easy and there will be hurdles and hitches along the way.

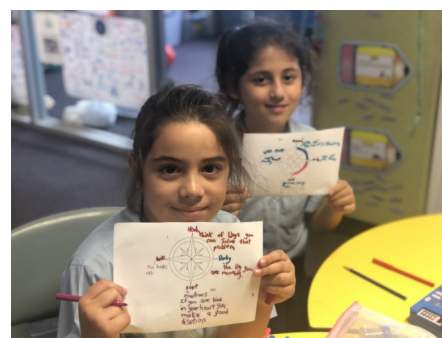


## This week in PBS4L...Standing up for what YOU believe in!



Remember that it is important to make the right decision and treat each other with respect! This is how we are called to act as humans.

Students created a moral compass with the points Head, Heart, Hands, Body and discussed and reflected on how we feel and think!



*Head- Have I used my brain to think all sides of the dilemma?*

*Heart - What are my emotions telling me? How are others emotions going to be effected?*

*Hands - What actions do I need to take to make things right?*

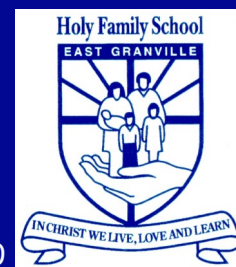
*Body - How is my body feeling? Am I getting warning signs, do I feel calm or am I feeling excited?*





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## STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate **Week 8 Term 3** Student of the Week Award recipients :

Kindy	Nooyi Banares	Jacinta Taleb
Year 1	Animesh Maharjan	Karina Chen
Year 2	Anchit Tiwari	Huein Xue
Year 3	Akshan Maskey	Adrielle Limos
Year 4	Mary Kpaka	Gethyn Griffiths
Year 5	Rushil Limbu	Kelvin Nyakoi
Year 6	Eliane El Ghoubaire	Ivamere Cagiloaloa





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## STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate **Week 9 Term 3** Student of the Week Award recipients :

Kindy	Vinci Yick	Stephen Huang
Year 1	Nolan Rai	Ivana Pradhan
Year 2	Joe Helou	Marcus Senesi
Year 3	Jonathon El-Khoury	Nicholas Bitar
Year 4	Gabriel Katrib	Deon Gergi
Year 5	Anthony Wehbe	Rita El Ghoubaira
Year 6	Caterina Valore	Angelina El Katrib

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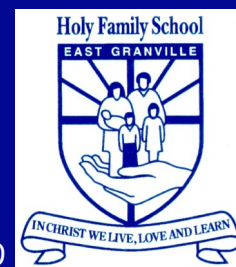
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## Book Week 2020 - Curious Creatures/ Wild Minds



Book week 2020 is still happening although in a slightly different way. The week was moved from August to October by the Children's Book Council and so we will celebrate in week 2 next term (Term 4).

The students in Years 4,5 and 6 will be visited by author Phil Lesnie and those in K-3 will participate in a virtual performance by Perform Education titled *The Greatest Discovery*.

Our fantastic book character parade will still be happening on Monday 19th October. Due to Covid 19 restrictions, classes will sit separately on the playground and parents unfortunately can't join us but the children will be able to parade and move to the music to share their costumes and love of great books. During the holidays, spend some time reading and thinking about what to wear in Week 2!

### News from our Library

It's wonderful to see students enjoying reading books from our school library. Unfortunately we have a large number of books that have not been returned, particularly those that were borrowed before or during our remote learning time.

Please search your cupboards at home and return any library books you find, as it costs the school a lot of money to replace these.

Thank you for your help and we look forward to lots of library books coming back this week and after the holidays.

## Holy Family Primary School Ice Cream Fundraiser



Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> September

At Lunch Time

\$1 per cup

All Money Raised will go towards purchasing resources for our outdoor learning space



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## Absentee Note System

If a teacher marks a student as 'Not Present' an SMS will go out to parents around 12 pm. Please click on the link in the SMS and follow the instruction, there is then no need to send a written note. If you need help please see Miss Keane in the office. All notes must be returned within **7 days** of the absence or the student will be marked as 'Unexplained, unjustified absence'.

**Any students leaving in 2020 must give 10 weeks written notice, a form is available from the office.**

Students **away** or **sent home due to cold or flu like symptoms** must supply negative covid test result or a Doctor's certificate stating why they do not require a test and that they are fit to return to school. Please email these to [holyfamilyegranville@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:holyfamilyegranville@parra.catholic.edu.au) **before** sending them back to school or have them bring them to the office before going into the class room. Thank you for your help in keeping us all Covid safe.

## SCHOOL PHOTOS

Friday 23 October

Envelopes will go home

Week 2 Term 4



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