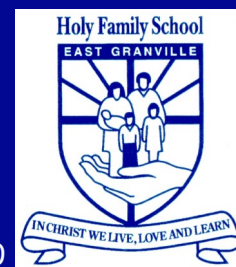


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You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind This is the greatest and the first commandment.

—MT 22:37-38

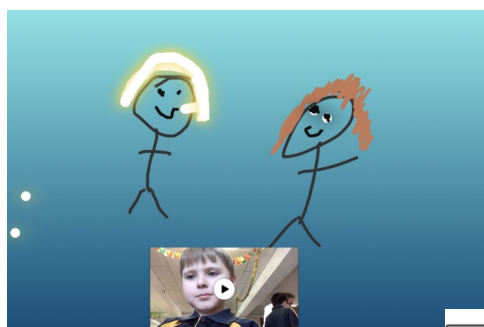


This term, Year 2 has been unpacking the driving question 'How can we show love towards our neighbours?'

We were asked to discreetly show love and kindness to our neighbours. As part of this process, we blogged our journey of challenges and successes using Seesaw. We learnt that sometimes it is hard to show kindness to our neighbours for whatever reason but that doesn't mean we just give up, we have to show grit and determination to show love, just like Jesus did.

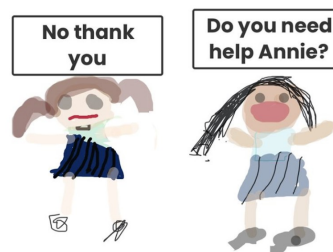
Check out some of our blogs here!

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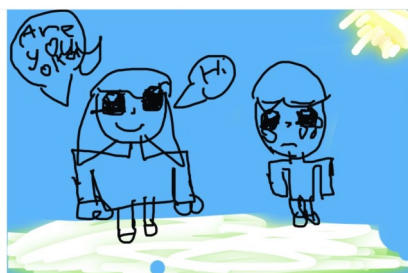


cleans the floor

i am helping my mum to do chores



Amen



I moved spots when someone was alone

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From the Principal...

Dear Parents and Friends,

Christmas Message



Advent is a time when we need to prepare ourselves spiritually in order to fully understand and share in the joy of Christ's arrival. Jesus came into the world in a very simple and humble manner. We should strive to find God in the simpler aspects of our lives. Advent is about the expectation of hope. We need to be aware of the daily opportunities to focus on the deeper convictions that will give us a renewed sense of joy and happiness. Let us be inspired to be kind and compassionate. In sharing a smile, a caring word or some small act of kindness, we will find peace at Christmas and throughout the year.

I would like to take this opportunity on behalf of the staff and myself, to wish each and everyone in our Holy Family community a very Happy and Holy Christmas and a safe holiday.

Farewell to Staff & Year 6 Leaders

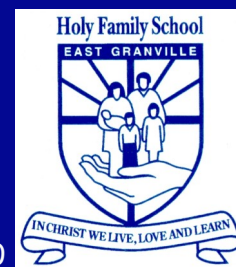
On Monday evening our Year 6 class of 2020 graduated from Holy Family Primary School. I would like to once again congratulate this group of school leaders who have risen beyond all expectations of leadership throughout a very challenging year. The staff and school community of Holy Family wish them every success as they progress to high school in 2021. Both their parents and their teachers are extremely proud of the young people they have shown themselves to be. Thank you to all their parents for your guidance and support of the children and your willingness and trust in us, the staff of Holy Family. Thank you to our Parish Priest, Fr Andrew for celebrating Mass for our graduating class, being able to celebrate Eucharist as a community was a wonderful way to commemorate this special occasion.



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As mentioned in the Week 8 Newsletter we are farewelling some staff at the end of the week. The following staff have secured positions in other schools or will be undertaking other pursuits in 2021; Mr Andrew Baker, Mr Tim Greaney, Miss Maree Mekdessi, Miss Melyssa Mellee, Miss Isabella Abi Kabalane and Mrs Susan Chalita. Thank you to this great group of educators for their contributions to Holy Family. We wish them God's blessings wherever their life journey takes them.

Staff List 2021

Principal: Mrs Fortini

Assistant Principal: Mr Bawden

REC: Mrs Donlan

Coordinator 2: Mrs French

Instructional Leader: Mrs Ardus

Kindergarten: Miss Eid, Miss Cobol and Miss Boutros

Year 1: Miss Nelson, Mrs Bratby, Mrs El Hawzi

Year 2: Miss Lianos, Mr Eid

Year 3: Mrs Micelli, Miss Vo, Mrs Elias

Year 4: Miss Takchi, Mrs Chiha, Mrs Van Eyk, Mrs Doherty, Mrs Eid

Year 5: Miss Dalger, Mr Puumalainen

Year 6: Mrs Kari, Miss Khoury

Diversity Support: Mrs Wallis-Baker

Teacher Assistants: Mrs Celik, Mrs Kanbour, Mrs Younan

Office: Mrs Ali & Miss Keane

Community Liaison Officers: Mrs Rizk & Miss Un

Speech Therapist: Mrs Tate

Counselor: Mr Melooco

Library: Mrs Gordon

Cleaner: Mrs Borg

Maintenance: Mr Beardsley

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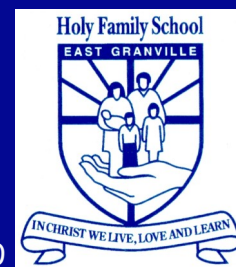
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2021 Return Dates

We look forward to welcoming all our students back to school in Term 1. Students Years 2- Year 6 return to school on **Thursday 28th January**. First day of Term 1 for Kindergarten and Year 1 is **Monday 1st February**.

Colour Run Fundraising

Yesterday all the prizes the students achieved by raising \$10 or more for the Colour Run were issued. Congratulations Danny Awad in Year 3 who was our champion fundraiser in 2020. Danny was able to individually raise an amazing \$1,914. Year 3 Amber was the class who raised the most money, a total of \$3,491. Congratulations to everyone who helped raise an astounding \$24,381.



House of Welcome Appeal

Thank you to everyone for your unbounding generosity in supporting this appeal initiated by Year 5



Family News

Congratulations to Maroun, Charbel and Elio Dib. They welcomed a baby sister, Veronica, to their family on 1st December, 2020.



May God grant you the light of Christmas
which is faith:
The warmth of Christmas which is love
The all of Christmas which is Christ
Wilda English



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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BIRTHDAY WISHES !

Congratulations to the following students who celebrated their birthday in October & November



Nicholas Achi	Taef Alger	Isabella Bazevski
Amelia Cagiloaloe	Brandon Commodore	Patrick El Katrib
Jeremy Georges	Oscar He	Mia Houshmand
Gabriel Katrib	Abellyn Lagivola	Pamil Limbu
Sukkum Limbu	Makayla Merhi	Rebecca Moussa
Charbel Nakhoul	Isabelle Pandit	Mark Sorojevic
Michael Sukkar	Rachelle Tawk	Ava White
Huien Xue	Ryan Xue	Leo You
Bennet Adhikari	Jason Chen	Kayleen Davis
Jamee El Kady	Angelina El Katrib	Jaylen Fonua
Joachim Halapio	Natalie Isaac	Diwas KC
Santi Khouri	Ashwin Kumar	Mimsa Limbu-Walung
Mariah Manolis	Jomari Gavin Matro	Miriam Nohra
Nolan Rai	Norah Rai	Stefan Rose
Cloud Sila	Ghattas Sukkar	Caterina Valore

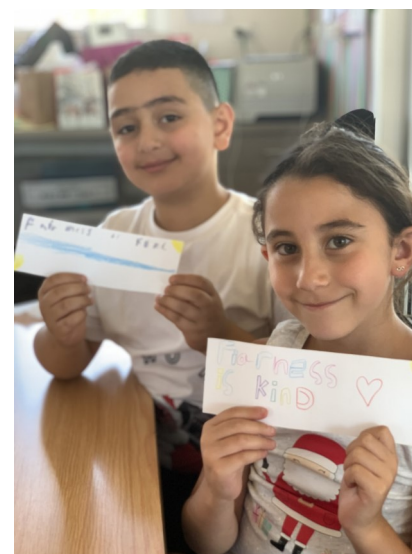
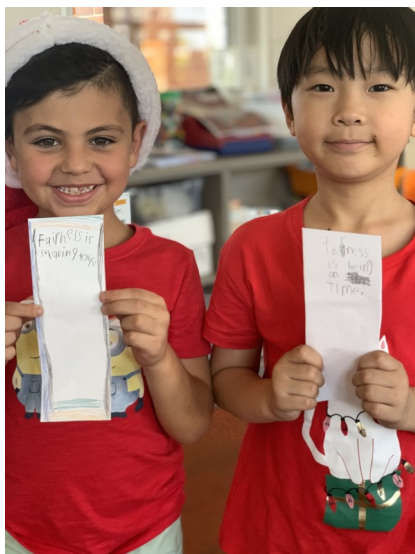
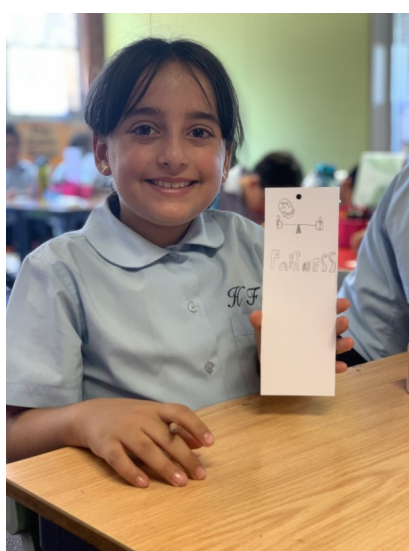


Last week in PBS4L...Equality & Fairness!

We often hear our students say 'It's not fair!' in our classroom and on our playgrounds.

This week our students learnt about the importance of sharing materials, games at recess, or how much time a teacher spends with a student.

Our students reflected on times they have demonstrated fairness and created bookmarks to take with them into 2021!



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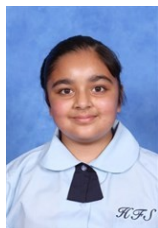
Etan Anwar	Fabiyan Anwar
Mariyan Anwar	Mia Bartolome
Nicholas Bitar	Niki Chen
Nicolas El Chediac	Christian El Khoury
Chris Georges	Suzanna Hannouch
Joe Helou	Rania Marcos
Jeremiah Nakhoul	Rylan Roebeck
Karylle Siron-Swainson	Leo Valore
Tyson Vu	Nuoxi Wang
Mia Xue	





YEAR 6 2020 | OUR PERSONAL PHILOSOPHIES

Pia's Personal Philosophy



God gives us abundant decisions to make, although, as humans and children of God we make wrong choices. So, through the Lord's love and mercy for us he gives us chances to redeem ourselves by giving us more decisions to make, so that we can become the best version of ourselves. If we were simply ethical before doing something we would not suffer, we would be happy and never regret. If we are simply being ethical before making a choice we can redeem ourselves, we can become the very best version of ourselves, we can become a better person, we can together make a difference in the world. Being ethical can greatly aid you, stop to think and you can change your path of life. The philosopher Aristotle once said that, 'The Law is Reason, free from Passion'. This means that the law was created using Reason. I believe that we should also apply this same rule to our life. We should reason about the actions and decisions we take in life. Eg. We should not apply rules and values to our lives just because others have, instead we should reason and think about it first.

A Bible passage that I live my life by is "Come now, and let us reason together," Says the Lord, "Though your sins are as scarlet, they will be as white as snow; Though they are red like crimson, They will be like wool".



Daniel Personal Philosophy

I believe that people should treat others as equals because we are all unique in a different ways and that people might have things going on at home. For eg: something might be happening to a family member, and sometimes that negative attitude could follow that person to school and affect others. So if you achieve something don't go and show off your own ego. I also believe that "No man's knowledge here can go beyond his experience" – John Locke teaches me to not assume things and only say something if you know you're right/seen it with your own eyes. "No man's knowledge here can go beyond his experience". I believe that people should not boast about an achievement because some aren't as fortunate.





Iva Personal Philosophy



I believe that we should all be treated the same even if the person you're helping has a bad reputation, gets bullied or has done bad things because we all have our differences. People do things for reasons, maybe not good reasons but they would do it for a reason. It could benefit themselves or others. Even though this is true, people don't deserve to get bullied or put down.

My 5 values are; **Independence**- I believe that I am independent (and I try to be independent) because I never want anyone to influence my opinion. When I believe something or have my own opinion, and I tell people what I think of something, they will tell me their opinion and tell me why their opinion is better. A thing that not a lot of people know about me is that I am a person that gets influenced easily. **Friendship**- I believe that having friends is a big value of mine because in the past (mostly last year) I didn't have as many friends as I do now and having friends has influenced me a lot. **Creative**- I believe I am a person with big ideas, but I don't express that as much as I should.

Love- Love is a big value of mine because I believe that love is in most things. To me, love is such a big thing because I believe that God is love because God is everything. Love also lasts forever and I believe it plays a huge part in humanity.

Family- My family influences me everyday. My family plays a huge part in my life and they're my most prized possession. My family also plays a big part in who I am today.

A **Bible** passage that I live my life by is. "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is no male and female, for you are all one in Christ Jesus". This Bible passage teaches me that no matter who we are we are God's people, even if we have done wrong things or have a bad reputation. This also teaches us that you are your own person and you can make any decisions you want. I am influenced by my family because my family has played an important part in my life and has also made me the person I am today. They have influenced me my whole life and they continue to do so everyday. They help me make the right decisions and they help me overcome my fears. They have supported me my whole life.



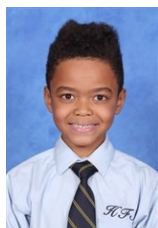
Jerry Personal Philosophy

I believe that we all should have our own opinions to say and not let others change your opinions. One of my five values I chose is family because they help me with every situation and push me to be better. The other values I have is kindness, respect, empathy and compassion.





Taonga- *Personal Philosophy*



I believe that girls can do what boys do because a lot of people say that girls can't play sports when they most definitely can. My first value is Spiritual because I love the Lord and he is always standing beside me. My second one is adventure because I love the outdoors and Mother nature. So, we should embrace what we have!

My third value is Seperson. I love going on hikes and I just love the outdoors and it is a gift from God. My fourth value is family because they are always by my side whether we have just had a fight or something else. The last value is love because I love my family just as much as I love my friends.

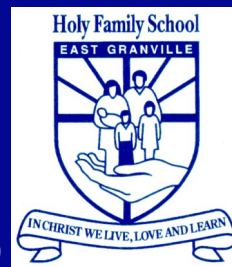
The Philosopher Mary MacKillop once said "never see a need without doing something about it." This is important because a lot of people say that girls can't do what boys do when they can.



Jacob Personal Philosophy

I believe that everyone deserves a right to vote because it's not fair to all those people who are not able to contribute to voting. Courage is so important to me because it makes me feel strong and it lets me speak my mind so that I can have a say. Honesty is important because it helps me do the right thing even if I lose things. Health is also an important value because it will make you be aware if your health is bad or if it is good, it will also keep you alive for a while because eventually people die. Family is so important to me because they have supported me even through tough times and have encouraged me to be the best I can be. My family pushes me to be better everyday and to go beyond my limit, to improve on what I do everyday. Plato once said "only the dead have seen the end of war". This means that the dead have seen the end of war because in heaven war isn't tolerated and it means that unless we find peace with one another war will still occur. I am influenced by my family because they are always there for me whenever I feel lonely or whenever. A passage I admire is "if you are lazy you will never be successful but if you help out and not be lazy then you will be successful". This teaches me that if you are successful, you can achieve your goals.





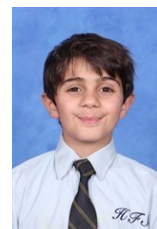
Suzanna - Personal Philosophy

My philosophy is everyone should love themselves for who they are, people should care about what is on the inside and not what is on the outside and always try even when you have nothing. "It is better to have wisdom and knowledge than gold and silver", this proverb influences me to know more and value knowledge.

One of my values is family because I believe that you should love your family before anything else. Another one is respect because I think it teaches me to be nice to all and not judge other people. My sister influences me because she always helps me and always reminds me to never give up.

Lucas Personal Philosophy

I believe that we should be kind and nice to other people and don't judge a book by its cover. I also believe helping people that are in need of helping. We are Jesus people and we need to help people even if we don't like them it's the right thing to do.



ISHA Personal Philosophy



I believe that family is a very important value because I love my family and they treat me very well. I believe that you should always stick with your family because they love you and that they are very important to my life and they always have my back. I also believe that honesty is very important because you should always say the truth and you should not sin because honesty makes you a better person. I believe that learning is also very important because you have to learn so that you can get a job and make money and live the rest of your life in a place and get food. I think that friendship is also very important because your friends have your back and they make sure you are always okay. Friends also make sure that you're happy and they put a smile on your face. I believe that freedom is very important because everyone should have a turn to say something they truly believe. I believe that freedom is very important because freedom gives you the right to do the right things and to achieve things in life and to never regret things you did in the past.

Eliane Personal Philosophy

I believe that we should be nice to everyone even if we don't get along with them. We should do what Jesus said to do and love one another as we should be loved! My five values are love, respect, family, kindness and empathy.



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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 before the end of Term.

There is prize for the class that returns all their outstanding books first.



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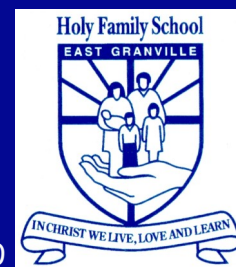
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STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate **Week 8 Term 4** Student of the Week Award recipients :

Kindy	Samuel Nassour	Angel Kovaleff
Year 1	Norah Rai	Ryan Xue
Year 2	Augustine Huang	Aarya Pandey
Year 3	Adrielle Limos	Jeremy Georges
Year 4	Trisha Kumar	Samuel Georges
Year 5	Tiana Nakhoul	Charbel Nakhoul
Year 6	Taonga Tembo-Sievers	Dylan Vu

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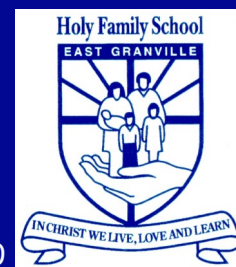
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STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate **Week 9 Term 4** Student of the Week Award recipients :

Kindy	Shivam Ram	Olivia Kurdi
Year 1	Yihan Lu	Amelia Katrib
Year 2	Henry Hu	Joshua Katrib
Year 3	Xavier Kurdi	Derek Custodio
Year 4	Thelma Pearce	Gabriel Aoun
Year 5	Stephen-Toutai Lemoto	Sonia Khawly
Year 6	Lucas Kanaan	Melissa El Hayek

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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 not returning in 2021 must give written notice to the school, 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 **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.

Return to School

Year 2—6

Thursday 28/1/2021

K & Y1

Monday 1/2/2021

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