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- Outlook Diocesan Newspaper

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Dear Parents of Holy Family,

Welcome back to Term 3, a term filled with many wonderful learning opportunities for your children, shared faith experiences and great community events.

Some of the great things that we can look forward to include:

- Liturgical Celebrations for Feast of Mary MacKillop, Fathers’ Day, Feast of the Assumption, Parish Masses
- Parent / Teacher Meetings to discuss your child’s progress and to set learning directions for the second half of the year.
- A visit from Mark Ferguson and the Channel 7 News Team
- Great performances that support learning: Bully Busting Show & Book Week Shows
- Celebrating Book Week
- Celebrating Literacy & Numeracy Week
- Sporting Events—Zone Athletics, Soccer Gala, Netball Gala, Touch Footy
- Year 6 Canberra Excursion
- The return of our Fathers’ Day breakfast
- And the BIG celebration of our 75th Anniversary on Thursday 8th August.

I take this opportunity to publicly thank all staff for the many tireless hours they give to ensuring that activities are well planned and implemented so that all at Holy Family benefit from them.

These ‘special’ events are in addition to the great learning and teaching that happens every day in our classrooms. Our teachers remain steadfast and true in supporting you to give life to your child’s full potential. It is our privilege to work with you in building each child’s personal best, and to build a community where the face of Jesus is alive in all interactions.

Yours in family,

Mrs Sue Guilfoyle
Principal

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Thank you to all families for collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn stickers.

We collected **22,320** stickers.

These have now been submitted and we look forward to choosing some great new resources.

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**2013 - Celebrating 75 Years of Catholic Education at Holy Family School**
United in Prayer: On Sunday, we were very saddened to hear of the death of Mrs Cheryl Moran, a member of the Administration staff at Delany College. Mrs Moran entered eternal life after battling illness since 2010. We unite in prayer with Cheryl’s husband, Peter Moran, the Moran Family and the Delany College community. May God carry each of them in the palm of His hand.

New School Song: To celebrate our 75th Anniversary, we commissioned our favourite liturgical singer / songwriter, Andrew Chinn, to write a new school song. When Andrew was with us on Harmony Day in March, he met with staff and students, to gather ideas and inspiration. The final result is a beautiful reflection of our school, and all that we hold true here at Holy Family.

Our school song, One Holy Family, was recorded by Andrew, Jasmine Achi, Blessing Cocker-Macfory & Isabella Shamoun during the school holidays. It was a very exciting day and we can’t wait to proudly launch this song at our 75th Anniversary Mass on the Feast of Mary MacKillop. Our school song will also feature on Andrew’s next album.

“We are one family, in the palm of God’s hand, One Holy Family, many hearts, many lands.”

Channel 7 News Team Visit
On Thursday we are expecting a visit from Channel 7 news presenter Mark Ferguson, and a news recording team. This visit will be part of the 7News Inspire program, designed to inspire school students in regards to their life choices. This is achieved by sending network news anchors to schools, sharing inspirational sessions where they speak to students on how they got to where they are today.

There is also time for students to ask questions and to share with the Channel 7 team, issues that are important to our young people in the local community. The Channel 7 team will meet with our Year 5 & Year 6 students. Holy Family, Granville East will be the first primary school that the team visit. What a great opportunity for our students.

The only thing that will stop this happening is a late breaking, BIG news story. Fingers crossed for a quiet news day!
Year 4 have ‘Smooth Moves’

As a part of our Science unit ‘Smooth Moves’, Year 4 investigated forces and motion and the effects they have on different objects. Students explored different forces by researching, conducting experiments and listening to guest speakers like Mr Robinson from BOC Gas and CSIRO. Students investigated and explained their inquiry based questions about the different forces used in movies, at home, in gases and in the body, and presented their findings using the IPAD application ‘Explain Everything’.

Check out some of our videos on Edmodo!

I liked our Science unit because I learnt how to use ‘Explain Everything’ really well and I learnt things I didn’t know before. I also really enjoyed visitors coming in and doing hands on activities with us.

Lauren

In Science I really enjoyed how the teachers let us choose the topic we are interested in and I like how we did lots of experiments using different materials.

Hugo

Holy Family School visited by eLearning/Technology Leading Teachers

Our school was visited by 4 elearning and technology leading teachers last week. They wanted to meet our children and see the great work they are doing with ipads and laptops in the classroom. They were very impressed by our students and teachers. Here is what they said.

“I just wanted to thank you personally for taking the time to show us the wonderful things that are happening in your school... you place the learning of your students at the forefront of all that you do. I think that one of the most enjoyable aspects of the visit was the opportunity to meet the confident and articulate kids that you have at your school. It certainly feels like a vibrant and inclusive learning community”. – Mr Swanson, Sydney Diocese

“Thank you so much for your time today and for sharing the wonderful work you are doing at your school in integrating iPads and a range of technology tools in learning. My colleagues from Western Australia and Sydney and Jo and I were very impressed about how it was embedded across the school”. – Mrs Nash, Parramatta Diocese

Mr Butt, Mrs Scalone (Parramatta), Mrs Cimetta (W.A.), Mrs Nash (Parramatta), Mrs Guilfoyle and Mr Swanson (Sydney) after their tour of Holy Family School last week.
## Calendar

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<td>9.10am Parish Mass — Year 1 &amp; 4 attending.</td>
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<td>Brainstorm Bullying Show (no charge to parents)</td>
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### Crunch and Sip – Thank You

Thank you to all our parents for your support of this initiative. It has been great to see so many children bringing a variety of fruit and vegetables to eat during Crunch and Sip.

Just a reminder to pack a small amount of fruit and vegetables (preferably cut) for your child to enjoy each day at 10am.

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### Happy Birthday!

We congratulate Amir Ayoub, John Yacoub, Norm Nakhoul, Grace Chen, and Susana Katoa who celebrate their birthdays this week!

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### School Fee Account

Thank you to the families that finalised their Term 2 School Fee Account in the holiday break. Please be advised that the Catholic Education Office (CEO) has mailed out Term 3 School Fee Statements. All families receive School Fee Statements and if you are currently on an arrangement approved by Mrs Guilfoyle everything remains the same. Thank you.

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### Community News

#### Guildford Leagues Cricket Club

**CRICKET REGISTRATION DATES – 2013**

Guildford Leagues Cricket Club has produced many outstanding players over the years. One of the best has been Jesse Bartlett. Jesse started with the Club in the Under 10’s and has progressed all the way through the grades to become Captain of the A Grade side. Jesse was awarded the Guildford Leagues Sports Person Of The Year in 2012.

Come along and join the friendly Club that supports its junior and senior players. New junior and senior players are always welcome.

**Registration Dates:**

- Guildford Leagues Club Foyer, Tamplin Rd
- Guildford
- Saturday 3rd & 10th August 2013
- 1pm to 3pm

- McCreedy Oval Canteen (behind the Club)
- Saturday 17th & 24th August 2013
- 1pm to 3pm

**Did you know that Junior Players can play in the Senior’s as well?**

**Enquires:**

- Vicki Paterson 0419608311 [Junior Secretary]
- Carol Weaver 0432217595 [Senior Secretary]
- Email: guildfordleaguescricket@hotmail.com

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