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Easter is NOT all about chocolate...



In Religious Education, Year One has been looking at the passage 'The Resurrection of Jesus' (Mark 16:1-9). In this passage we focussed on the importance of celebrating Easter with our families because Jesus died on the Cross and rose from the dead for all of us. We need to be more like Jesus and put other people's needs before our own.

It is a special time where we should...

Pray and be thankful.

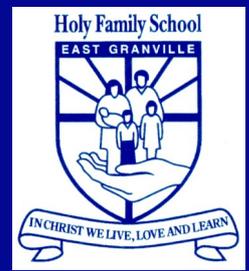


Celebrate with our loved ones.



Think about the love of Jesus.





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Term 2 Week 2

From the Acting Principal...

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome to Term 2

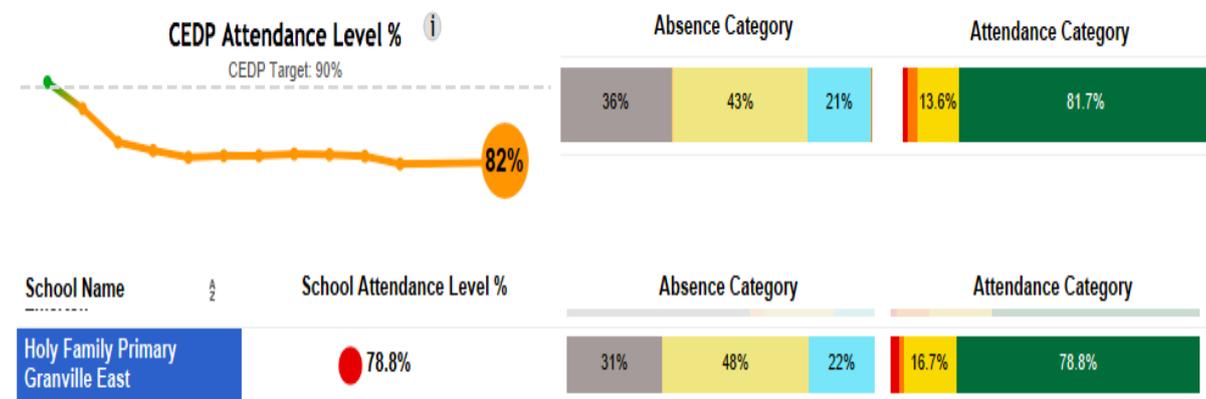
It is hard to believe that we are now in the second week of Term 2. I hope that each of you had a wonderful holiday break and truly blessed Easter with your family and friends celebrating our risen Lord.

Attendance

Every Learner Every Day

Last term I spoke about attendance and the importance of this to your child's learning. This term you will be presented with the statistics each fortnight.

Thank you to our parents for the support and value that you place in your child being at school every day. Regular attendance at school plays a critical role in ensuring that every child has access to the same learning opportunities. When students are not at school, are late, or leave early, they are missing out on so much that this can impact on future learning. Our school average for this year has been 82%. Our target is 90%. Unfortunately attendance in Week 1 of Term 2 dropped drastically to 78.8%. This has a huge impact on your child's learning. We need to get this higher.



Congratulations to Year 1 who continue to show Excellent attendance. We love seeing you at school and look forward to a healthy year where attendance is a priority for every family.

This Term I am introducing a new award which will continue throughout the year. All students with 100% full day attendance at the end of Term will receive a special Attendance Award.

Medication for Students

With the winter months approaching sometimes it's necessary to send students to school while on medication, eg. antibiotics etc.





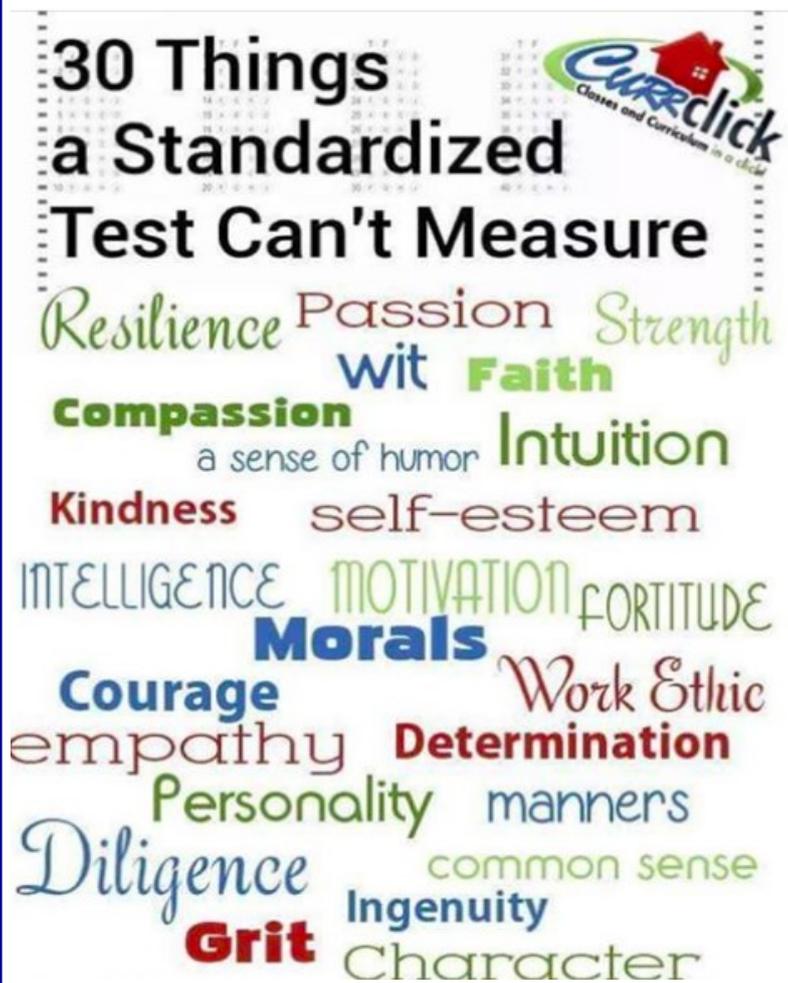
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Parents are responsible for:

- Obtaining the relevant medication forms from the school office, completing and returning these
- Providing the medication in the original labelled container to the office staff
- Ensuring the medication is not out of date and has an original pharmacy label with the student's name, dosage and time to be taken
- Providing a request by parents and written instructions from a medical practitioner for medication that is not obtained on prescription, indicating:
 - Name of student
 - Condition for which the medication is required
 - Guidelines for administration

Naplan



Next week all students in Years 3, 5, 7, and 9 will be sitting for Naplan. In 2019 we hit a milestone where the students will be completing Naplan online with the exception of Year 3 Writing which will be completed by hand.

While Naplan results provide parents and teachers with valuable data about individual students I wish to reinforce that Naplan is just one snapshot of where a student's learning is at, at one given time.

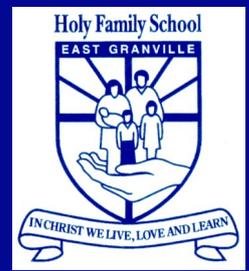
The teachers at Holy Family are continually assessing *for, as and of learning to determine the next steps in your child's learning. Your children also assess their own work and give feedback to their peers on how to move forward. Assessment at Holy Family does not rely on one piece of information but is a continual work in progress.*



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Premier's Reading Challenge

The Premier's Reading Challenge is definitely under way. How many books has your child read? Research proves that reading to your children and reading each day improves knowledge and writing skills. Please encourage your child to register and be part of this amazing challenge. Permission notes available from the Library or Office.



Enrol Now

Spread the word to family, friends and the wider community - Holy Family is currently taking 2020 Kindergarten enrolments as well as other grades. For further enrollment information please contact the school office 8633 8200 during school hours or download an enrolment form from the school Website.

Our next **OPEN DAY TOUR** for prospective parents and their children will take place at HOLY FAMILY on **Friday 17th May 9:30-10:30 am**.

Come along, tour the school and visit our Learning Spaces. If you are aware of any families wishing to enrol their children at Holy Family please invite them to come along. We look forward to welcoming them to our school community.

Project Compassion Donations

Thank you to all students and parents who supported our Project Compassion initiative last term. A total of \$1049.50 was raised. This amount has been forwarded to Project Compassion.

Fundraising

Our main school fundraising event last term was the Easter Egg donation and Raffle. I was overwhelmed by the generosity of our community with the number of donations. The effort was truly awesome. Thank you to each class as they created so many fabulous baskets to be won each day. A total of 71 baskets were raffled, raising a fantastic total of \$1228.00. THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!



Fundraising Events Term 2

Thank you to the three wonderful mothers who were able to attend last weeks Fundraising meeting. We have decided that the main Fundraising events this term are:

- Mother's Day Stall - this Friday 10th May. Great selection of gifts. All gifts selling for \$5.00 each. There will also be a basket of goodies being raffled on the day \$1.00 a ticket. A special thank you to the band of 5 wonderful ladies who gave up their time on Monday morning to wrap all the presents. God Bless you.
- Holy Family School Disco- Friday 31st May **Save this Date**
- Footy/ Sports Team Jersey Day- Wednesday 12th June (gold coin donation)

Mother's Day Celebrations

Please join us this Thursday 9:15 am is celebrate the wonderful gift of Mother's as a school community. God has blessed each and everyone of us a mother, gifted many of us with motherhood. Looking forward to sharing this special celebration through faith on Thursday.

A PRECIOUS MOTHER

Mom you've given me so much,
Love from your heart
and the warmth of your touch.
The gift of life and you're a friend to me.
We have a very special bond which only
comes from God...
I'm sure you agree.

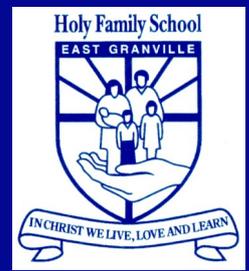
As a child I would say, Mommy, I Love you,
Now you're my Mother so dear
I love you even more with each and
every new year.

If I could had chosen,
I would have picked no other.
Than for you ... to be my lifelong friend
and precious Mother.

~ Author Unknown ~



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Kiss & Ride

The vote is in. Thank you to all the families who participated in the survey regarding Road Safety at Holy Family. We are working on the procedures for the Kiss & Ride to operate safely and effectively. Notes will be sent home next week with more details, expectations and sign up sheets.

Kind regards,

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

*Mrs Cheryl Fortini
Acting Principal*



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DURING SCHOOL
DROP OFF TIMES**

IT CAN COST YOU
FROM **\$187** +
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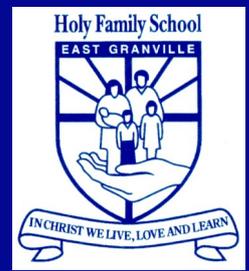


**NO
PARKING
MEANS:**

ALLOWED TO PICK UP
AND DROP OFF FOR
2 MINUTES MAXIMUM
AND DRIVER MUST BE
WITHIN **3 METRES**
OF THE CAR

**FINES IN A
SCHOOL ZONE: FROM \$187 + 2 DEMERIT POINTS**





Canteen News from Aapple a day

Welcome back to Term 2 everyone. The team at Aapple a day have been busy over the Easter break working on new recipes, developing a new menu and sampling new products for the cooler months.

We have decided to include some fun food facts in all new canteen news and on our Facebook page. We have had some fun meal deals already and will continue these throughout the term.

Please check out the canteen notice boards to see changes, additions or daily specials. Please note that specials are not available every day.

Some of our latest additions this term includes:

Twisted Bolognese

Lasagne

Mac N Cheese

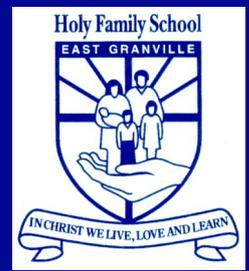
Parents please also remember that lunch bags supplied by the canteen cost 20 cents each.

The Mother's Day stall is on this Friday 10th May. The canteen can offer change but please note that Friday is an extremely busy day for the canteen so please be patient. Canteen customers will be served as a priority.

We wish all the mums and grandmothers a wonderful Mother's Day.

If you have any suggestions or would like to have something added to the menu, please contact fiona@aappleaday.com.au





Trial of new Religious Education Curriculum

2018 saw the launch of a new Learning Framework for Religious Education in the Diocese of Parramatta. The Bishop's own motto 'Duc in Altum' (Go out into the deep) has provided the inspiration for this ambitious project. This new Learning Framework will be the basis of a new approach to Religious Education which will replace "Sharing Our Story" the current curriculum that has been in place for over 20 years.

The process of developing a new Learning Framework for Religious Education has been a co-creation with students, parents, teachers, clergy and system leaders. At the heart of the process was the commitment that the student wonderings about their faith would be the catalyst and the inspiration of the Learning Framework. The new approach is based on an experiential and inquiry based pedagogy and responds to learning elements of the Review of Religious Education that took place in 2014.

The draft Learning Framework for Religious Education is being trailed in Term 2 and our school has taken up the exciting opportunity to be a part of the trial in **Kindergarten**. This will replace the current Sharing Our Story Program for Term 2. All our teachers will participate in a Professional Learning Program for the new Learning Framework throughout 2019 and will be well prepared for its implementation. This is an exciting opportunity for our community to further enhance our approach to Religious Education and promises to offer great learning for our staff and students.

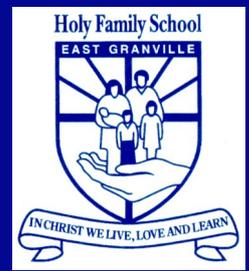
We look forward to sharing this wonderful experience with you throughout the year and will keep you abreast of the details of the trial as it proceeds.



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25 March 2019

The Annunciation of the Lord

Dear Students

Last year your school and all the Catholic schools in our Diocese held their first fundraiser for CatholicCare to help families in our local communities. You did a great job and many families, including families who live on your street, were helped, so thank you!

This year we want to focus on mums, dads and children who are having a hard time. Sometimes mums and dads decide that they need to live separately and that is very hard for children and sometimes makes them feel sad, so they need someone to talk to.

This is where CatholicCare comes in. Counsellors help children talk about how they feel about what's happened and how they can continue to love and be loved by both parents. Sometimes talking in groups with other children can be good as CatholicCare runs groups too.

CatholicCare also run groups for mums and dads to help them put the children first. After doing a CatholicCare course, called 'Keeping Kids in Mind' one dad wrote, 'it hit me like a bus that I wasn't thinking of all the small things I could do to put my daughter first.'

We want to help more and more families and we need you to join in.

Remembering all families in my prayers, I remain yours in Christ

+ *Vincent Long*

Most Reverend Vincent Long Van Nguyen OFM Conv DD STL
Bishop of Parramatta

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Holy Family will be celebrating Family Day next Wednesday 15th May. Students are asked to bring in a gold coin to donate to Catholic Care to help families in our local community who are in need.

There will be a liturgy at school at 2:30 PM

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STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate **Week 10 Term 1** Student of the Week Award recipients :

Kindy	Grace Saulala	Tonia El Kadi
Year 1	Stefan Rose	Anthony El Bouty
Year 2	Charbel Dib	Mel Palisoc
Year 3	Leah El Chediak	Mary Kpaka
Year 4	Chris Georges	Mariah Manolis
Year 5	William Aguer	Elias Helou
Year 6	Michelle Pham	Violet Makdissi



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STUDENT AWARDS

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

Kindy	Izabella Borg	Stella Faletau
Year 1	Victoria Manolis	Tristan Lancaster
Year 2	Jaycee El Kady	Oliva Katrib
Year 3		
Year 4	Clara Marie El Kadi	Rita El Ghoubaira
Year 5	Jacob Abdulbaki	Caterina Valore
Year 6	Julian Georges	Johnny Kayrouz



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BIRTHDAY WISHES !

Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their birthday this Month



Lina Alameddine	Isaiah Bose
Jacky Chen	Karina Chen
Rebecca Chen	Patrick Cruz
Tony Elbayeh	Alexander Faletau
Bechara Ghosn	Jordan Ghosn
Gethyn Griffiths	Isaac Hakko
Henry Hu	Annie Isaac
Makayla Isaac	Cadi Jones
Lucas Kanaan	Haini Kolo
Adrielle Limos	Joanna Lin
Jayden Lizardo	Victoria Manolis
Autumn-Jade McMahon	Alexander Moaga
Gabriel Nakhoul	Kelvin Nyakoi
Setareh Salmani Gandomabad	Madison Saouma
Marie Tawk	Nuoni Wang
Gabriella Yacoub	Natalie Zheng



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SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB Issue 2

Book club brochures for issue 3 have been delivered to the classrooms. Orders are due back on **Monday 13th May 2019**.

Book club orders will be delivered the week of 20th may.

Late orders will not be accepted after this date.

Yours in reading

Mrs Lyn Gordon/ Library Assistant.

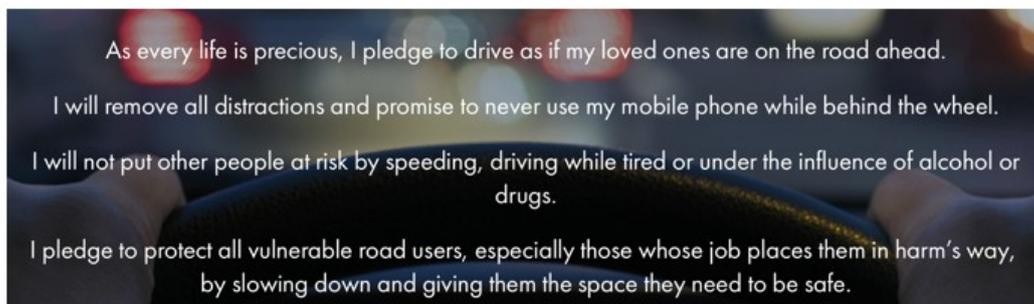


National Road Safety Week
6 – 12 MAY 2019
Drive so others survive

Every year, more than 1200 people are killed and 35,000 seriously injured on Australian roads. National Road Safety Week honours those we have lost and pledges to make the roads safer for everyone.

Please **Pledge** to Drive So Others Survive and display a **yellow ribbon** to show your support for road safety.

You can go to <https://www.roadsafetyweek.net.au> and make the following pledge as we strive to keep all at Holy Family safe:



As every life is precious, I pledge to drive as if my loved ones are on the road ahead.

I will remove all distractions and promise to never use my mobile phone while behind the wheel.

I will not put other people at risk by speeding, driving while tired or under the influence of alcohol or drugs.

I pledge to protect all vulnerable road users, especially those whose job places them in harm's way, by slowing down and giving them the space they need to be safe.



National Walk Safely to School Day

National Walk Safely to School Day is on Friday 17 May 2019. Celebrating its 20th year, it is a campaign and annual event when all primary school children, their parents and carers are encouraged to walk and commute regularly and safely to school.

It is a community event seeking to promote Road Safety, Health, Public Transport and the Environment. You can get into the spirit of National Walk Safely to School Day and look at the activity on *Safety Town Rate the Risk* at home or in the classroom at www.safetytown.com.au to learn about the importance of pedestrian safety.

TOP 5 TIPS FOR PARENTS TO GET WALKING TO SCHOOL

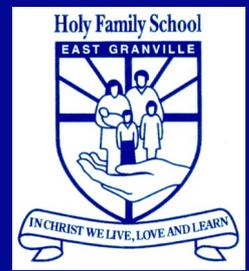
1. Walk some or if you can, walk all the way to school.
2. Get off the bus a few stops earlier and walk the rest of the way.
3. Leave the car at least 1 km away from school and walk the rest of the way.
4. Set your alarm 30 minutes earlier to fit in a walk to school.
5. If you can't walk in the morning, walk home after school.



Any child that walks safely to school on Friday 17 May can see Mr Bawden for a sticker.



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Diocesan Cross Country

Congratulations to all of the students who represented Holy Family today at the Parramatta Diocesan Cross Country.

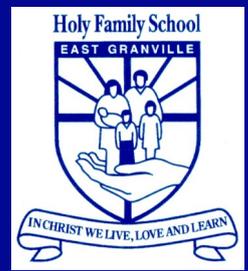
All children finished their 2km and 3km races.

A special mention to Rhiannyn Griffiths (Y6) who finished 45th out of 98, Caterina Valore (Y5) who finished 57th out of 102, Mark Sorojevic (Y5) who finished 45th out of 120 and Jason Achi (Y4) who finished 72th out of 138.

Thank you to the parents who attended to cheer on Holy Family! Also, thank you to Cindy and Ken for their assistance.



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PARRAMATTA

"Come, follow me," Jesus said.
MARK 1:17

"Every vocation is a summons not to stand on the shore, nets in hand, but to follow Jesus on the path he has marked out for us, for our own happiness and for the good of those around us."

POPE FRANCIS, WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS

God is calling YOU to be His priest!

Contact Fr John Paul Escarlan, Director of Priestly Vocations, Diocese of Parramatta
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Anyone can earn stickers to help local schools

The Woolworths Earn & Learn program gives schools and Early Learning Centres around Australia the chance to earn amazing school equipment. In 2017 we had over 15,000 schools and Early Learning Centres involved, and delivered over 300,000 new pieces of equipment to kids all over Australia.

Here's what to do:

- collect** Between 1 May and 25 June 2019, collect as many stickers as you can.
- stick** Stick them on the sticker sheets and give them to your local school or Early Learning Centre. Or drop them into a collection box in store.

Don't forget, you can always download and print extra sticker sheets at woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Need more information?
To read our Frequently Asked Questions and Terms & Conditions visit woolworths.com.au/earnandlearn

Sticker Sheet

Let's stick together with Earn & Learn

Start collecting today

We are excited to be taking part in the 2019 Woolworths Earn & Learn program.

During the previous campaign, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to you.

From May 1st until June 25th 2019, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to **collect on a special sticker sheet**. One is provided to print at home at the end of this newsletter, they can also be collected from the office or they are in classrooms so students can add to them each day.

Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school. Sticker sheets are available from Woolworths online at the earn & learn website.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more!

We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at School.



HFS Parent Calendar - Term 2, 2019

Week	Date	Event
2	Thursday 9/5	9:15 Mother's Day Mass
	Friday 10/5	Mother's Day Stall—\$5
3	14/5	NAPLAN Online Begins for Yr3 & 5
	15/05	Family Day Liturgy 2.30 PM
	16/05	Fundraising Disco Meeting 2.30 PM —All Welcome
	17/5	Kindy 2020 Open Day 9.30 AM
4	20/5	School Photos
	24/5	NAPLAN Online Ends for Yr3 & 5
5	28/5	6pm Parent Forum
	30/5	Parent Learning Walk 9 AM
	31/5	2pm Whole School Assembly—Yr1,Yr3, Yr6
School Disco		
6	7/6	Pentecost Liturgy 2.15 PM
7	10/6	Queen's Birthday Holiday
	12/6	Jersey Day—Gold Coin Donation
	13/6	Yr5 Learning Day at Delany
8	19/6	Athletics Carnival
	21/6	Yr4 Excursion Elizabeth Farm
9	24/6	Reports Sent Home
	26/6	Alternate Athletics Carnival—if 19/6 canceled
		Soccer Gala Day Stage 2
		7pm Sacrament of Confirmation
	27/6 & 28/6	Parent/Teacher Meetings
	28/6	Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass 9.15 AM
	28/6	2pm Whole School Assembly
10	1/7	Parent/Teacher Meetings
	5/7	Yr6 Mini Fete
	5/7	Term 2 Ends

