

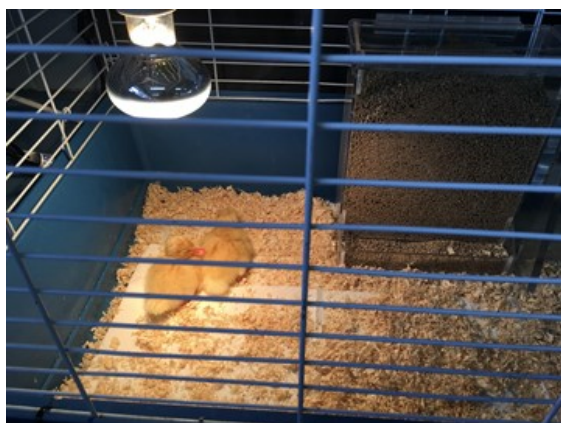
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This term Kindergarten have been learning about the needs of living things and how to care for God's creation. This week Kindergarten has been caring for ducks. They have watched them grow and change from an egg to a duckling.



Kindergarten have also been busy growing plants and caring for them.



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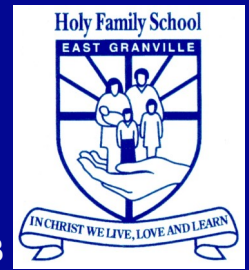
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## From the Principal...

Dear Parents and Friends,



On Sunday the Catholic Church celebrated the birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Franciscan Media provides the following explanation about the meaning and importance of Mary's birth as a significant feast on the Catholic calendar.

*We can see every human birth as a call for new hope in the world. The love of two human beings has joined with God in his creative work. The loving parents have shown hope in a world filled with travail. The new child has the potential to be a channel of God's love and peace to the world.*

*This is all true in a magnificent way in Mary. If Jesus is the perfect expression of God's love, Mary is the foreshadowing of that love. If Jesus has brought the fullness of salvation, Mary is it's dawning.*

*Birthday celebrations bring happiness to the celebrant as well as to family and friends. Next to the birth of Jesus, Mary's birth offers the greatest possible happiness to the world. Each time we celebrate her birth, we can confidently hope for an increase of peace in our hearts and in the world at large.*



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## LOVE Program

As a school community the students have continued to work in their peer support. The following are the expectations the children have explored during the last two weeks:

- We are active communicators with teachers and peers
- We are active participants and listen to everyone's voices
- We are prompt and on time to school and class

### *You are Invited!*

For our LOVE Program to be truly effective we need the support of all parents as equal partners in the education of your children. For this purpose I urge all parents to attend an informative presentation of the LOVE Program on Tuesday evening 24th September, 6:30-7:30pm. A formal invitation will be sent home later this week.

## ACME Mushrooms Fundraising

This week we commenced our ACME Mushrooms fundraising campaign. Families are invited to purchase ACME Mushroom kits online for \$25. Sell these great mushroom kits to family and friends. The more you sell the more money will be raised to purchase resources for our school. Orders close on 30th September



### How to order:

Go to <https://www.acmemushrooms.com/pages/fundraising>

Choose the number of mushroom kits  
Select Campaign type: School / Education group  
Enter your School, Class Name and Student name  
Enter your school Promo code, yours is: Holy Family Primary  
Follow the payment information

The kit will be delivered to our school after the close of the campaign



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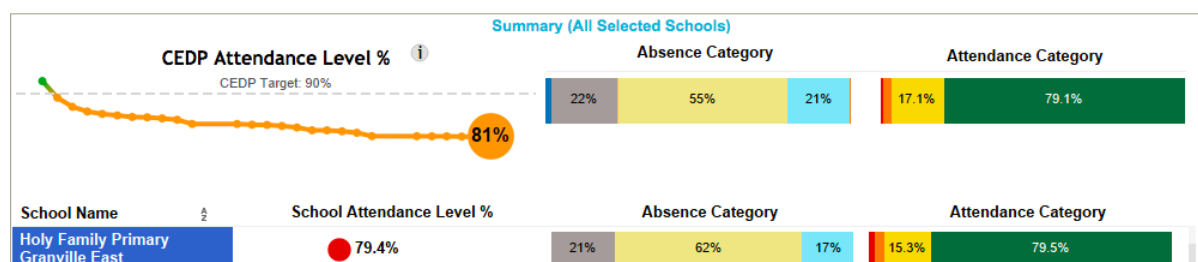




### Why is my Child's Teacher out of Class?

Like professionals in other fields, all teachers are required to keep up to date with current thinking on best practices and new developments in all curriculum areas. From time to time teachers are required to attend professional development opportunities to learn about changes to curriculum, new methods of teaching & learning and other ways of integrating technology. These sessions sometimes occur during the day, after school or in the school holidays. Teachers are also given time during the year to conduct assessments to pinpoint your child's learning needs. Some teachers also have additional responsibilities which benefit the whole school. At times, teachers are also required at Diocesan events, etc. Teachers also have entitlements such as sick leave, long service leave, maternity leave, bereavement leave, jury duty, etc. Consequently, there will be times when your child's teacher is absent from the classroom. On these days the teacher's program and day book is followed. Teachers on a grade work closely together allowing the grade partners to liaise with the Casual teacher so that good teaching and learning continue and routines are kept. We thank you for your support in this area.

### Attendance ~ Every Learner Every Day



We have dropped down a further 0.10% in student absences from the previous fortnight. Can we improve this during the last two weeks of term? **I believe this is achievable but I need all of our parents support to make this possible. Who will take up this challenge?**

Another issue that we are experiencing with the high number of absences is that many parents send their children back to school but do not send in a note giving a reason why the child was away. We have currently **584 Unexplained Absences**. It is a legal requirement that parents provide a reason for student absences. The families that this relates to will receive a yellow note next week with all relevant dates. Please complete, sign and return back to school asap.

### Arriving Late to School

Just a reminder to all parents that children who are late to school in the morning are asked to drop in at the office accompanied by a parent or adult to collect a partial absence pass. This is a Parramatta Diocesan Education protocol that needs to be adhered to. If a student who is late is accompanied by an adult to the office the partial absence is recorded as "explained". If a student presents themselves at the office without an accompanying parent or adult, it is recorded on their attendance record as an "unexplained" partial absence. **Irrespective of whether or not a child is accompanied by an adult on being late to school, they are to drop into the office before proceeding to class.** If they don't, their teacher would have already marked them as absent for the day as office staff not classroom teachers, are responsible for recording late comers to school. Your assistance in this matter will be greatly appreciated and will avoid inaccuracies pertaining to your child's attendance records in the future.



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## **Moving schools**

If your child/children is changing schools and will no longer be attending Holy Family, Catholic Education Diocese Parramatta requires 10 weeks written notice. In this notice you are required to indicate the school your child will be attending.

## **Lost Property and Hats**

Our lost property table, located at the stairs just past the office, is currently overrun with items. At the end of this term any unclaimed property will be donated to St Vincent's De Paul. Please label all students property and ask them to have a look in this area for anything they might be missing.

School hats are available for purchase from the school office,. Due to a price increase from our supplier school hats will be \$20 each.

## **After School Care Options**

I have had a couple of parents approach me about having other options in regards to after school care facilities rather than those that currently service Holy Family. In order to see if this is an issue affecting more families could you please send an email about this to the school office, addressing it *Attention Mrs Fortini*. If I get enough responses then I will have more evidence of this need to move forward with inquiries.

Kind regards,

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

*Mrs Cheryl Fortini*  
*Principal*

## **SCHOOL FEES**

**Thank you to everyone that has already paid their school fees.**

**School Fee Statements have been mailed by the Catholic Education Office.**

**Final Fees were due by Thursday 29th August**

***If you have difficulty in paying school fees or have not received your statement please contact Miss Ali to discuss the matter. Thank You***

Payments can be made by cash or EFTPOS at the school office before 3.15 PM each day or via BPAY or at the Post Office.





## BIRTHDAY WISHES !

Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their birthday this Month



William Aguer	Amensa Angbo
Nicholas Anjoul	Jacob Borg
Olivia Burke	Charbel Dib
Sebastian El Khoury	Lachlan Feher-Hegarty
Eden Feketi	Mary Rose Kaloush
Mary-Fay Kanaan	Manav Kumar
Solomone Lemoto	Stephen Lemoto
Akshan Maskey	Jayden Nakhoul
Tiana Nakhoul	Sescil Nyakoi
Zivelle Seasay	Sienna Shamoun
Pia Sharma	Brian Sikimeti
Laura Spina	Dylan Vu
Daniel Yaacoub	





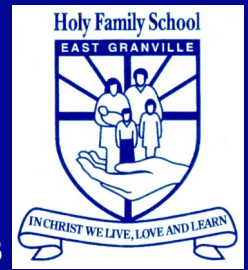
## PRINCIPAL'S AWARD—TEAM WORK

We congratulate **Term 3 Week 6** Principal's Award recipients :

Kindy	Aarna Puri	Tony El Bayeh
Year 1	Alakor Ngor	Simona Zappia
Year 2	Maddison Vu	Aiden Sorojevic
Year 3	Miriam Nohra	Brandon Commodore
Year 4	Jordan Ghosn	Taef Algerf
Year 5	Tayla Kayrouz	Rebecca Chen
Year 6	Chanel Jekki	Olivia Isaac







## Woolworths Discovery Garden

We would like to again ask for your help with the new Woolworths campaign. All our families made such a wonderful effort with the Earn and Learn and we have ordered some great new resources that will be delivered later in the year. A special thank you goes out to **Mrs Shamoun** who went above and beyond to help us achieve our goal.



Woolworths Discovery Garden is all about helping Australian families grow their own fresh vegetables, herbs and flowers!

The best part, The *Discovery Garden* will be in-store and also online!

Customers will be able to collect a seedling kit, with every \$30 they spend in-store or online, while stocks last.

They are also encouraging Australians to incorporate more fresh fruits and veggies into their diet, by also giving away a bonus seedling kit when customers spend \$15 on fresh fruit and vegetables in a \$30 shop in-store.

There are 24 different varieties of herb, vegetable and flower seeds to collect and grow, from thyme, basil and coriander through to kale, spinach and carrots; and violas and pansies.

We encourage families where possible to grow these seedlings at home. If you are unable we would really appreciate the donation of any of these items to the school so that we can add to our gardens.







GRANVILLE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF HOLY FAMILY & HOLY TRINITY

## Under The Holy Cross PARISH PILGRIMAGE RETREAT

As the Church celebrates the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, we will be holding our first annual Parish Pilgrimage Retreat.

Join the Granville Catholic Community as we walk from Holy Family Church to Holy Trinity Church in unity with one another and in honour of the Holy Cross of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Along the way we will pray the sorrowful mysteries of the Holy Rosary, pray in Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, and have a BBQ Picnic Lunch.



**SATURDAY 14<sup>th</sup>  
SEPTEMBER**

- 1:00 p.m. Holy Mass at Holy Family Church
- 1:45 p.m. Holy Rosary Decade at Holy Family Church
- 2:00 p.m. Holy Rosary Decade at Holy Family Primary School
- 2:10 p.m. Begin Pilgrimage Walk
- 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy Chaplet at Missionary Sisters Convent
- 3:15 p.m. Holy Rosary Decade at Holy Trinity Primary School
- 3:25 p.m. Holy Rosary Decade at Delany College
- 3:30 p.m. BBQ Picnic Lunch at Delany College
- 4:30 p.m. Holy Rosary Decade at Holy Trinity Church
- 4:45 p.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
- 5:00 p.m. Sacrament of Penance
- 6:00 p.m. Holy Mass at Holy Trinity Church

**Register at the doors of the Church or at:**  
[www.granvilleparish.org.au](http://www.granvilleparish.org.au)  
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## STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate **Week 6 Term 3** Student of the Week Award recipients :

Kindy	Dylan Zhang	Semia Wang
Year 1	Jason Chen	Henry Hu
Year 2	Akshan Maskey	Cindy Chen
Year 3	Gabriel katrib	Nabil Nassar
Year 4	Ghattas Sukkar	Rita El Ghoubaira
Year 4	Rushil Limbu	Isabelle Pandit
Year 5	Nicholas Anjoul	Amensa Angbo
Year 5	Ivamere Cagiloaloa	Eliane El Ghoubaira
Year 6	Kayla Brown	Chanel Makdissi







## STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate **Week 7 Term 3** Student of the Week Award recipients :

Kindy	Tracy Shi	Ivana Pradhan
Year 1	Sescil Nyakoi	Hana Wardrop
Year 2	Haini Kolo	Caitlyn Merhi
Year 3	Brian Sikimeti	Alannah Feher-Hegarty
Year 4	Isaiah Bose	Cobi Vu
Year 5		
Year 6	Hani Tuakalau	





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HFS Parent Calendar - Term 3, 2019		
Week	Date	Event
9	Tue 17/9	9:10 - Kindy & Yr6 Parish Mass
	Fri 20/9	2:00 Whole School Assembly Years K, 2 and 4 presenting
10	<b>Mon 23/9</b>	<b>Staff Curriculum Day (Pupil Free Day)</b>
	Tue 24/9	9:10 - Yr3 Parish Mass
	Fri 27/9	<b>End of Term 3</b>
	Sun 29/9	12:00pm - Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Students DO NOT attend school Monday 23 September , there will be no teachers on site

**Outdoor  
MOVIE  
NIGHT**

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PRIMARY SCHOOL  
EAST GRANVILLE

**MOVIE  
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TIME  
7PM**

**FRIDAY  
27 Sept.**

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