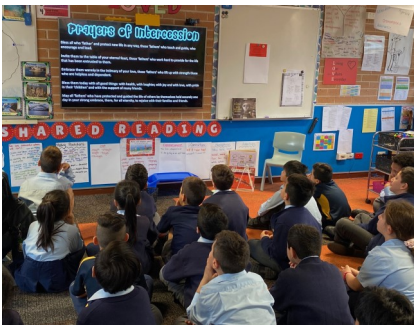


## RE Learning in Year 3



This term, Year Three have been working towards answering the Driving Question, "What signs and symbols can help us encounter God?".

Through student investigations, we have come to the understanding that signs and symbols can be represented in many different ways and could mean more than one thing.

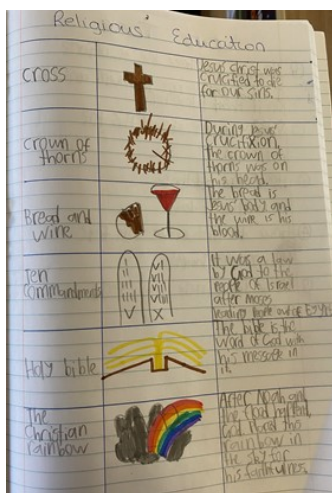
Here are some of our discoveries:

"A symbol can mean more than one thing because they are similar to homophones. For example a cross. It can be on a first aid kit, an ambulance sign, the addition sign in Maths or the Cross that Jesus carried" - Akshan M.

"It depends which symbol it is. For example, a heart can mean love or the heart inside your body" - Natalie I

With this understanding, we are currently investigating what signs and symbols are related to God through reading Scripture, research and collaborating with one another. Using this learnt knowledge, Year Three will be designing a personal badge to represent how they are following Jesus' footsteps.

Stay tuned for the rest of our learning on what signs and symbols can help us encounter God...



### From the Principal...

Dear Parents and Friends,



### National Child Protection Week: Putting Children First

We all play a part in keeping children and young people safe and ensuring they can live and learn in a safe environment. This National Child Protection Week (6 to 12 September 2020), we pledge **commitment to listening to the voices of children and young people and remaining vigilant to their safety and wellbeing.**

In support of the National Child Protection Week theme, "Putting Children First", and in line with the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards, Catholic

Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) is committed to the establishment and implementation of child safe systems, policies and procedures.

The aim is to have in place practices that are proactive and preventative in nature, providing children and young people with school environments where they are safe, informed, participate, and where the adult community, working together with children and young people, work towards making this happen.

Recently, CEDP have moved from what was primarily Child Protection to Safeguarding, which requires us to do things differently, enabling a greater level of proactivity, children's voice and building all-round knowledge for what is safe behaviour when working with students and children. The CEDP Safeguarding team's role is to support the implementation of the Standards, to manage concerns raised about employees, Working With Children Checks (WWCC), and to provide training, education and support to the CEDP community.

By providing the community with the knowledge, support and procedures to keep children and young people safe we are equipping everyone with the tools and skills needed to be ambassadors of child safety! Throughout 2020, CEDP's Safeguarding Team have been working on many projects to align with the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards.

Check out [www.parra.catholic.edu.au/About-Us/Building-Child-Safe-Communities](http://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/About-Us/Building-Child-Safe-Communities) - after all, what's more important than the knowledge to help keep children and young people safe!

### Maternity Leave

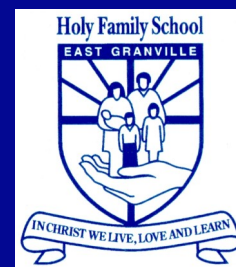
Beginning next week, Mrs Diane Michael will be on maternity leave awaiting the safe arrival of her second child. We wish Diane and her husband all God's blessings for their growing family.

Mrs Vanessa Elias will be teaching Year 5 Monday to Thursday. We welcome Mrs Lisa Frangie to Holy Family as she teaches Year 5 on a Friday for the remainder of the year.



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## Canteen

We are a very lucky school to have a canteen which operates five days a week. Our students are able to access the canteen before school, recess and lunch time. I have asked Fiona Feher- Hegarty (Canteen Operator) to reduce her time at recess and lunch by 10 minutes, as many of the children have been purchasing items right on the bell. They then got upset when their teachers asked them to put the food away as it was now learning time. The children have adequate time to purchase food from the canteen at recess and lunch, this change will allow them to enjoy their purchased food and drinks, have time to play and be ready for learning at the right time.

## Road Safety

Many parents would be aware that the Council Parking Rangers have been frequent visitors around the school over the past few weeks. Their presence has meant that all motorists, parents as well as the general public obey road rules for a school zone, including parking.

One issue that the school has been informed about in regards to parking is that it was noted by the rangers that some people were saving parking spots for other parents, waving on other people who wished to park in the space. We are all very aware of the limited amount of parking on The Trongate and surrounding streets. Please be respectful of one another and allow anyone who is fortunate to arrive and find an available parking space to have it.

## PBS4L/ LOVE Program Launch Day

We are so excited about the surprises planned for the students of Holy Family as we engage in our official launch of the PBS4L/ LOVE Program this Friday.

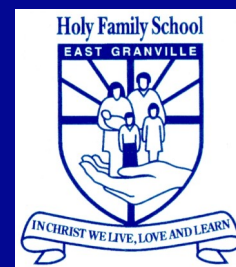
Over the past twelve months we have worked as a school community developing and implementing our PBS4L/LOVE program, working with Teacher Educators from CEDP, listening to student, teacher and parent voices as we have constantly evaluated and refined the program so that it best suits the needs of our students at Holy Family.





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Our original intention was to have this as a very community based day of celebration, but due to current COVID-19 restrictions we are unable to have our parent community join us. However if you go to the Holy Family school Facebook page on Friday, we will be live streaming events throughout the day and posting lots of photos. This is a great opportunity to share your children's school experiences with family and friends.

## ***Father's Day Liturgy & Father's Day Stall***

I am sure that all our dad's, grandfather's and father figures enjoyed the gifts that the children purchased at last Friday's Father's Day Stall. The students were very excited about purchasing their gifts and telling their teachers about the wonderful presents they bought.

## ***TikTok***

During this period of COVID-19 Tiktok has become extremely popular across the world and members of the Holy Family community are no exception to viewing and posting on this social media platform. Across all news platforms yesterday Tiktok was in the spotlight again due to the disturbing posts placed on it.

This was very timely as I wished to bring the use of Tiktok to parents' attention as we had an issue in one of our grades this week regarding posts being put up about other students in the school. Tiktok users should be 13 years and over, therefore none of the students at Holy Family should be using this platform. If you as a parent allow your child to view and post on Tiktok I urge you to be very aware of what they are viewing and posting.

## ***Congratulations ~ Year 5 Winners***

Some of you may know as this news was posted on our Facebook page Monday evening but congratulations to Tiana, Annabelle and Mirah who were amongst some of our Year 5 students who participated in the Featherdale Threatened Species schools challenge. This supported the great learning that has been happening in Year 5 throughout this term. Well done girls! We are very proud of your achievement. They have been awarded a 30 minute Virtual Lesson for their class.

Kind regards,

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

*Mrs Cheryl Fortini*  
*Principal*



### The Athletic's carnival

After a very long wait it was finally time for the Athletics carnival. Excited chatter filled the whole school, and it was a day full of sport, competitions and more. The carnival was to be hosted at school, it was something new and exciting because it gave the Year 6 leaders multitudinous opportunities to grow their leadership skills. Although we had different activities we still had fun rotations including ball games, 100 meter race, relays and finally the long jump. The infants got to participate in other events such as relays, 70 meter races & ball games.

The last event was the Student vs Teacher races. During the first race (Yr 3- Yr 6 + teachers), Yr 6 managed to win by a few milliseconds. During the second race (Kindy - Yr 2 + teachers), the teachers finally achieved their victory.

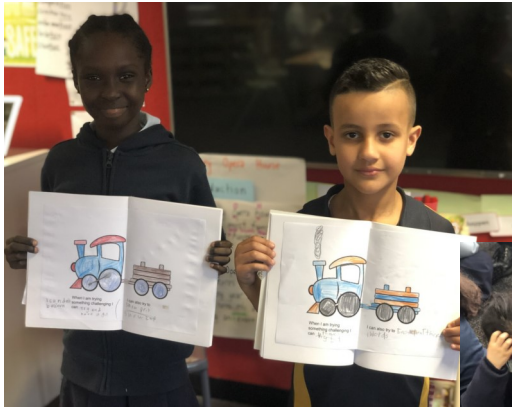
It was a hot day, and helpers for the carnival had to work very hard, but at the end of the day they had done a marvellous job. A special thanks to our Year Six helpers who made the day run very successfully.

By Sukkum, Caterina & Sienna



## Last week in PBS4L|LOVE...

Last week in Peer Support groups, students explored what it means to show perseverance. Holy Family students were able to reflect on when they have experienced a challenging situation.



## This week in PBS4L|LOVE...

On Friday, the 11th of September, we will be having our whole school **PBS4L Launch Day**.

The students will participate in:

- Whole School Aboriginal Smoking Ceremony and Prayer
- 'Play On' Activities
- Visit from Jarrara people
- Peer Support Lesson: Creating their own owl mask



This will be live streamed and posted on our facebook page throughout the day, so make sure you tune in.







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PRESENTS:**

## PBS4L/LOVE LAUNCH

**September 11th, 2020  
Normal School Hours  
On School Grounds**



**Students need to:**

- Wear their sports uniform
- Bring a special lunch/treat to enjoy during their picnic
- A towel or blanket to sit on during the picnic



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## STUDENT AWARDS

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

Kindy	Justin Wang	Ava Elali
Year 1	Manav Kumar	Liana El Katrib
Year 2	Jingxuan Yu	Petra Fonua
Year 3	Isaac Hakko	Akshan Maskey
Year 4	Leah El Chediac	Alex Faletau
Year 5	Jordan Ghosn	Catherine Kpaka
Year 6	Caterina Valore	Alana Achi





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## STUDENT AWARDS

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

Kindy	Timoci Visei	Shane Shrestha
Year 1	Jiesen Lin	Rayan Basnet
Year 2	Rebecca Moussa	Bon Senesi
Year 3	Xavier Kurdi	Gariel Isaac
Year 4	Mia Xue	Abellyn Lagivola
Year 5	Anthony Wehbe	Charbel Nakhuol
Year 6	Rania Marcos	Nicholas Anjoul

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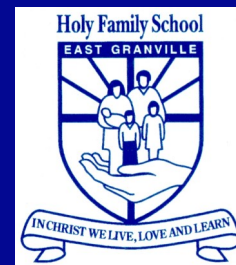
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### Featherdale Threatened Species Challenge

This term Year Five is answering the question “How can we keep species alive?” Related to this learning, students participated in the Featherdale Threatened Species Challenge which invited students from all over the country to design a habitat for an endangered species and write a report about their chosen animal. We are delighted to announce that *two of our groups were announced as winners of the competition. Congratulations to Tiana Nakhoul for her submission about the antechinus and Mariah Manolis and Annabelle Wehbe for their submission about the Greater Bilby. All winning entries receive a 30 minute virtual education session for their class, so Year 5 are looking forward to that in the coming weeks.*

We are very proud of these students and the fantastic work they put into designing and making these enclosures and writing their detailed reports.

You can view their amazing submissions on the Featherdale website using this link:

<https://www.featherdale.com.au/tssc-2020/>

Well done girls!



### Catherine McAuley Westmead

#### Enrolling Now for Year 7 2022



Contact the school on 9849 9100 or visit our website for an enrolment pack. Applications close end of March 2021.  
For enrolment criteria please refer to our school website.

Tours of the school campus will be held in Term 4 - Tuesday 10th November & Friday 4th December 2020.

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## BIRTHDAY WISHES !

Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their birthday in September



William Aguer	Amensa Angbo
Nicholas Anjoul	Olivia Burke
Charbel Dib	Sebastian El Khoury
Lachlan Feher-Hegarty	Mary-Fay Kanaan
Angel Kovaleff	Manav Kumar
Solomone Lemoto	Stephen Lemoto
Christina Lin	Akshan Maskey
Azalea Maskey	Jayden Nakhoul
Tiana Nakhoul	Sescil Nyakoi
Zivelle Seasay	Sienna Shamoun
Pia Sharma	Grace Shi
Shane Shrestha	Brian Sikimeti
Jade Sikimeti	Laura Spina
Timoci Visei	Dylan Vu
Daniel Yaacoub	Jack Zheng





## 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.**

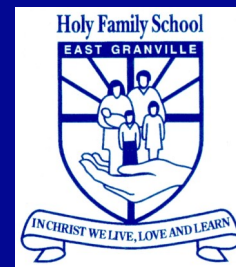
Students **away** or **sent home due to cold or flu like symptoms** must supply negative covid test result or a Doctor's certificate stating why they do not require a test and that they are fit to return to school. Please email these to [holyfamilyegranville@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:holyfamilyegranville@parra.catholic.edu.au) **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.



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### Fact Sheet for Parents and Caregivers - Explanation of Absences

CEDP promotes daily school attendance. Going to school every day is the single most important part of your child's education.

If your child is sick or absent you are required to notify their school on the first day of absence if at all possible. All explanations to the school must be provided within **7 days** from the first day of any period of absence.

Absences can be explained using one of the following methods:

**SMS: respond with reason to school notification of absence—preferred**

**Online: log the absence directly using *Skool Bag App***

**Email: the school at [holyfamilyegranville@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:holyfamilyegranville@parra.catholic.edu.au)**

**Note sent with your child**

Where an explanation has not been received within the **7 day** timeframe or the explanation has not been accepted, the school will record the absence as unexplained or unjustified on the student's record. The school will not be able to accept explanations which are not received within the 7 day timeframe.

Justified reasons for student absences may include:

*being sick or having an infectious disease*

*having an unavoidable medical appointment*

*being required to attend a recognised religious holiday*

*exceptional or urgent family circumstances e.g. attending a funeral*

Why do I need to notify the school if my child is absent?

Parents of children aged 6 to 17 years are legally required to ensure their children attend school every day or provide an explanation if they are absent. Notifying the school and providing an explanation for your child's absence will fulfil this legal responsibility.

The safety and wellbeing of students are the highest priorities for schools. Parents need to know if their child isn't at school, and schools need to know when and why a child is absent. Notifying the school of your child's absence helps ensure the safety and wellbeing of all children in school.

### What is your responsibility?

**Ensure your child attends school every day**

**Notify the school immediately if your child is absent**

**Provide an explanation for any absences within 7 days**

**Make sure the school has your correct contact details so that you can receive attendance information about your child**

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