

This term in Religious Education, Kindergarten has started to explore the driving question, 'How can I show love to my neighbour?'
To start our unit we began with our entry event of a Kindergarten picnic with all the things that Kindergarten loved such as food, our garden and our teachers.



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From the Principal...

Dear Parents and Friends,

Welcome back to Term 4. The children have come back excited about the new learning they are going to undertake during this final term of 2020.

October ~ The Month of the Rosary



October is traditionally known as the month of the Holy Rosary mainly due to the celebration of the feast day of Our Lady of the Rosary on the 7th October. Pope Francis recently implored all catholics to pray the Rosary this month for the intention of finding a cure to this pandemic. Recently reading an article on Cath family.org I read the following that I would like to share with all our families at this time.

Why pray the Rosary?

At heart, the Rosary is a Christ-centered prayer, in which we sit with Mary and contemplate Jesus. Through the rhythmic meditation of the Rosary, we are led to reflect on the events of his life.

Mary is the model of how to love Jesus. She lived her life with her eyes fixed on him. By reflecting on how she loved her son, we can learn how we also can love him and know him. Praying the Rosary is a wonderful way to communicate with our spiritual parents – our Heavenly Father and our Mother Mary. When we pray the Rosary, we are calling on our spiritual parents to comfort, quide and inspire us. So when family relationships get tense, the Rosary is a powerful way to unite with our heavenly family.

Simple ways to pray the Rosary with Kids

The Rosary need not be boring if you bring some creativity to your prayer. Try these ideas to engage your children.

- Let them make their own beads using the key chain plan or even a full Rosary set. Encourage them to make sets for other relatives and friends.
- **Create a sense of reverence** and mystery when you pray as a family, by lighting candles or dimming the lights.
- Get the rhythm for a different experience say the prayers of the Rosary to a rap • beat!

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Have some members of the family lead the prayers, saying only the first half of each of the prayers, with the other members saying the second part.

When your child feels helpless or frustrated about a situation, get him to offer a Rosary. Intentions for the sick and troubled help us to connect with those in distress and alleviates our sense of helplessness.

Integrate the Rosary into your everyday life – say it together in the car on the way to school, while you wait for the train, or when doing dishes.

Don't just race through the prayers, think about the words. The Hail Mary is based on the words spoken to Mary by the Archangel Gabriel and her cousin Elizabeth. These words express the wonder of heaven on earth – God becomes human in Jesus. Ponder the name of Jesus when you say this prayer.

New Parish Name

Holy Cross Parish, Granville was created on 14 September 2020 – the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross – as a result of the merger of Holy Trinity Parish, Granville and Holy Family Parish, East Granville.

The name Holy Cross is the focal point for both churches. It recognises Jesus Christ, as a member of the Holy Family, and the second person of the Holy Trinity. It also links the schools of the parishes and their founders – Mary MacKillop from the Sisters of St Joseph, who took the name Mary of the Cross and the Patrician Brothers whose first school in Sydney was named Holy Cross.

As the parish website says, "The shape of the Cross itself, the two parts which make up one Cross, is a sign of the union of two communities to form a union dedicated to the service of God, to the Church and the wider community."

The parish website states, the new parish is looking forward to the future. "We have a unique opportunity to show that we are proud of our Christian heritage, and more importantly that we are working together for a common outcome. We pray that all of us together will work with a sense of faith, hope, and love under the guidance of the Most Holy Family and the Most Blessed Trinity under the protection of the Holy Cross. We pray that they will bless our efforts and grant us the grace to sustain us now and into the future.'

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Congratulations to our newly formed parish as it embarks on the next steps of the parish's faith journey, serving the faithful in the greater Granville area.

Updated Draft New Curriculum for Religious Education now available online

For several years now, our Catholic community has been working together to update the way we share our faith with children and young people. An updated version of the **Draft New Curriculum for Religious Education** with references to the relevant sections of the Catechism of the Catholic Church is now available on the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta website together with a guide to help community members learn more.

The Draft New Curriculum remains faithful to Sacred Scripture and Tradition while ensuring that the way that the learning and teaching happens is kept up-to-date. When it is launched in late 2021 the Draft New Curriculum will replace 'Sharing Our Story', the current curriculum that has been in place for more than 20 years.

The latest communication from CEDP regarding the New Draft Religious Education Curriculum and a hard copy of the *Guide to learn more, was sent home on Monday for your convenience.*

School Uniform Supplier

As mentioned at the end of last term, Holy Family Primary has entered into a contract with Oz Fashion as our official uniform supplier. With this transition there have been minor alterations to the current uniforms although the style and colour of both the summer and winter uniforms remain the same. School shirts will no longer display *HSF* but replaced by a stylised school crest. The school track suit has also been revamped, both in style and fabric. Two new items added to the school's winter uniform is the inclusion of a knitted school jumper and a school bomber jacket. Hats, school bags and library bags will now be purchased from Oz Fashion.

There will be a transition period of 18 months where students will still be able to wear the current shirts, jackets and tracksuit until you need to purchase new items for your child/children.

We take this opportunity to thank *Joseph's Uniform Shop, Guildford, for their long time association with Holy Family Primary school. Some uniform items are still for sale at Joseph's.* Oz Fashion uniform price lists will be sent home by the end of this week.

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At the one and only Fundraising Committee meeting at the beginning of Term 1 this year it was decided that the school's major fundraising event for 2020 would be a colour run.

While COVID-19 restrictions still include parents not being allowed on school grounds, we have decided to go ahead with this fundraiser so that our students can have a fun filled day towards the end of the school year on Friday 20th November.

We have engaged the services of School Fun Run. Promotional information materials will be sent home within the next two weeks. It is up to individual families if you wish to participate in the fundraising aspect of the day, however ALL children will participate in the day as a PBS4L/ Love program reward.

Student Data Validation

As part of our annual system and legal requirements, Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) is asking **all families** to ensure all relevant contact and student information is up to date and accurate for the purposes of communication and providing relevant support to students. This week, households will receive an email or SMS from CEDP with a link and login details to the **Student Data Validation (SDV)** form.

Once you have logged in you will be able to verify existing information from the school database and update if necessary. The process should not take more than 15 minutes and will need to be completed by 5:00pm on Friday 6 November.

If you have any questions about the Student Data Validation form, please contact our Community Liaison Team on 9840 5796.

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Parking on The Trongate

Since returning to school this term the council parking rangers have been monitoring parent procedures around the school. Please make sure you are following the road rules and in particular obeying the signage regulations around the school. I would like to point out the signage directly in front of the school. See photos below.





In this **first photo** parents are not allowed to stop or park. If you pull up in the disabled space you can only do so if you have a disabled parking sticker, otherwise you can receive a fine.

The second photo illustrates that during the times of 8:00am-9:30am and 2:30pm -4:00pm this is a drop off & pick up zone, meaning parents are not allowed out of the car, children get out and parents drive off and reverse in the afternoon. This area should run according to the same procedures and rules as Clyde St pick up.

Please follow the rules to ensure the safety of all students and as a courtesy to other parents.

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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Alexander on 0417 655 309 or send an email to balexander2@parra.catholic.edu.au to secure a position.

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We reached 500+ tokens and received a whole school reward. Students enjoyed their whole school Movie Afternoon. Kindergarten to Year 2 watched 'The Secret Life of Pets 2', while Year 3 to Year 6 enjoyed 'Lion King'.



Thank you to our students and teachers for their hard work last term.



This Term...

We want to do the same and more! As a whole school we are aiming to reach 600 tokens...and WOW do we have a surprise for our students! So remember to achieve this we have to LIVE SAFELY, LOVE RESPECTFULLY and LEARN DAILY!

In Week 1 in PBS4L...Courage: it's okay to say "no"

Students learnt that courage is:

- Doing something that is difficult for you, despite feeling worried about it.
- Facing a hardship without giving up
- Doing what has to be done, when it has to be done, despite not liking the consequences.





This week in PBS4L....Managing our Feelings!

We looked at Managing our Feelings. We discussed that everyone has feelings! Our students learnt that they need to be the boss of their own feelings.

"If your unpleasant feelings control you, they can hurt you and hurt others.

We need to find a good and safe way to express your feelings"

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The Western Sydney Vinnies Community Sleepout is going virtual and seeking your support to assist those in need our local community.

On Friday 23 October, participants across NSW will sleep out at home in their cars, backyards or couches and come together in a state-wide effort to help those in regional communities who are doing it tough.

From the devasting droughts to the brutal bushfires and now a global pandemic, townships far and wide across NSW have been hit hard. It's why we need your help more than ever.

The night will be live streamed connecting participants from twelve locations across NSW. That means everyone can sleep out - no excuses! And we'll be doing it together as an entire state. JOIN NOW and register as a team with your family, school, sports club, business or join as an individual.

All funds raised from the Western Sydney Vinnies Community Sleepout will go towards three Western Sydney Vinnies Hubs, providing vital support to those experiencing hardship and disadvantage in our local community. Proceeds will also help fund the Western Sydney Vinnies Van, offering food and drink and some basic amenities, social interaction, and a listening ear to those in need in Mount Druitt and Parramatta.

To join or donate visit www.vinnies.org.au/communitysleepout



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Always Was, Always Will Be

This year, NAIDOC Week recognises that First Nations people have occupied and cared for this continent for over 65 thousand years, with Always Was, Always Will Be. Join us in celebration with a range of different programs and activities celebrating our local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander history and culture.

All programs are FREE unless otherwise advised.

Cumberland City Libraries

Cumberland City Libraries are celebrating NAIDOC week by offering FREE activities for all.

Storytime

Tuesday 10 November and Thursday 12 November

Join our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander themed Preschool Storytime sessions.

You can find these on the Cumberland City Council Library Service social media pages, or our YouTube channel: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCcWqNd 0C-KTNGWaLl47Ax-w

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Craft

9 November to 13 November

Come into your local library from 9 to 13 November and pick up a NAIDOC 2020 Poster colouring-in for you to take home w.gov.au/library for library opening times.

Movies and Documentaries

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Use your Cumberland City Council Library card to access free Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island movies and documentaries in the convenience of your own home.

https://beamafilm.com/search/indigenous

Head to the NEW Granville Centre or join ONLINE for Online and The Granville Centre these FREE activities.

Cultural Safety Training Webinar

12 November 2020 1pm - 5pm Free

A workshop for Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal workers who want to improve the way they interact and work with Aboriginal communities, facilitated by Sigrid Herring (Aboriginal Educator and Trainer).

Book online via www.Cumberland.nsw.gov.au/Naidoc

Traditional Jewellery Making Workshops

Tuesday 3 to Thursday 26 November 10am - 11am Free

Join Cleonie Quayle in the new Granville Centre, or online via ZOOM, in this free 1 hour workshop where you'll create unique pieces of Aboriginal-inspired jewellery. Choose from making Quandong bracelets and necklaces, Aboriginal paper covered earrings, fabric bangles and much more. No previous experience in design or lery making is required. All Materials supplied.

Book online via www.Cumberland.nsw.gov.au/Naidoc

We Are Here, Darug Are Here Art Exhibition Ngaliya Diyam

November 6, 2020 to January 4, 2021

The Granville Centre Art Gallery

Ngaliya Diyam. We Are Here, Darug Are Here, Aboriginal peoples are here - they never left. Co-curated by Dennis Golding and Rebekah Raymond, **Ngaliya Diyam** (We are Here) celebrates strength and resilience through the art of local Darug artists and artists from other language groups and nations who call Darug nura home. This exhibition highlights stories of Country, and the many cultural identities and practices of our peoples.

For gallery opening times visit: Cumberland.nsw.gov.au/Naidoo

NAIDOC Week Educational Resources

Looking for an educational activity or would you like to learn more about NAIDOC Week 2020. Always Was, Always Will Be? Go to www.Cumberland.nsw.gov.au/Naidoc and take a look at the many links below and find some great resources at your fingertips.



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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 as soon as possible.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

Friday 23 October

Full Summer Uniform

Envelopes went home Tuesday

Please see the office for spares

Or sibling photo envelopes.

To be returned Friday

Online payments preferred

If paying cash please <u>do not</u> return envelope until Photo day





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STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate Week 1 Term 4 Student of the Week Award recipients :

Kindy	Bennet Adhikari	Christina Lin
Year 1	Abuk Ngor	Leo You
Year 2	Mary Kanaan	Makayla Merhi
Year 3	Jaycee El Kady	Nicholas Achi
Year 4	Anushka Raya	Mimsa Limbu-Walung
Year 5	Anweshi Ghale	Taef Aljerf
Year 6	Rachelle Tawk	Daneil Yaacoub

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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 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 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.

'Socktober Mission Day

Thursday 29 October

Raising funds for

Catholic Mission

Gold coin donations

Students invited to wear crazy socks and a jersey or the colours of their favourite sporting team.





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School Canteen **Open** Daily

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