

Year 4 Religious Education

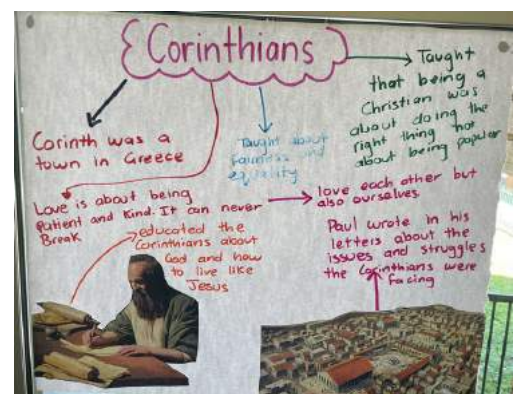
This term in Religious Education, Year 4 has been inquiring into the driving question: **How can we celebrate and express our faith?**

Students have explored different celebrations that take place around the world and the different ways people either celebrate or commemorate a significant event. As a class we have agreed that we celebrate and express our faith by living a life inspired by Jesus and spreading the Good News. As a faith based community we celebrate and express our faith when we attend Mass and receive the Eucharist.



Immediately students made a connection with the Scripture story of The Last Supper as the beginning of the Eucharistic celebrations. Instead of learning about the institution of the Eucharist from one of the Four Evangelists (Matthew, Mark, Luke and John) Year Four has been learning about the Institution of the Lord's Supper from the first letter from St. Paul to the Conthians. To appreciate the purpose of his writing, students inquired into who St. Paul was and why he wrote the letters he did. We were amazed to find out that St. Paul was not always a dedicated follower of Christ and it was through a conversion of heart that he was inspired to share the Good News with others no matter what.

Students have been focusing on the Scripture passage 1 Corinthians 11:23-26. As a class we have identified six keywords that are essential to the passage. These words are **received, bread, covenant, remembrance, cup, and proclaim**. Students have embodied the main idea of the passage and will then use these six words to retell the Scripture passage in their own words.



The next steps in our learning is to comprehend the order of Mass and plan a Mass to be celebrated as a class.



From the Principal's Desk

Book Fair

Wow! Thank you so much to our parents and students and your support of the Book Fair Fundraiser. Your generosity was astounding. It has been a pleasure watching the happy and excited faces of the students as they went in and out of the Book Fair with their parents. The money raised will be used to purchase additional books for the students to enjoy in the library and their classrooms.

At the close of the Book Fair all books purchased but not available will be ordered and distributed when they arrive.

Book Week Activities

A wide variety of activities have been arranged for the students to be involved in throughout the week. Parents can see photo images on our Facebook page each day of students engaging in these. Tuesday was fantastic with so many students and staff dressed up for our character parade. Once again it was also pleasing to see so many parents being able to join us for this event.



Arts Factor ~ Captivate Team

It is very exciting that so many students from Holy Family school will be showcasing their creative skills at the upcoming Band and Drama exhibitions organised by the CEDP Captivate Team tomorrow and next Tuesday.

On Friday 26th August we have over fifty students participating in the Drama Exhibition at Nagle College, South Blacktown with other students from across the diocese. I would like to take this opportunity to thank these students, Mrs Atileh and Mr Puumalain for giving up lunchtimes to practise for this event.

On Tuesday 30th August our Year 6 Band Scholarship students will also be making their way to Nagle College to perform with Holy Family Primary, Emerton, some musical pieces that they have been learning specifically for this performance. They will also be involved in participating in some workshops on the day. I am so proud of all these students and look forward to seeing their performances.

Uniforms

I urge all parents to be aware of the school uniform policy and ensure that your child is dressed in the correct uniform each day. I have noticed that over the last couple of weeks that the standard of uniform has dropped with students in the wrong jackets, a lot of different coloured jackets, scarfs and stockings. Many children are also not wearing their ties which are also part of the winter uniform for boys and girls. Hairstyles are also not always in compliance with the school policy, please make sure that all girls with long hair have it tied back and boys have an appropriate haircut.

Early Dismissal

On Monday you would have received a note asking families to help us out on Thursday 25th August by picking up your children from 2:30pm as the school is hosting a major meeting for CEDP about PBS4L commencing at 3:30pm. We are very honoured to be asked to host this event and showcase the PBS4L journey Holy Family students and staff have been on for the last three years.

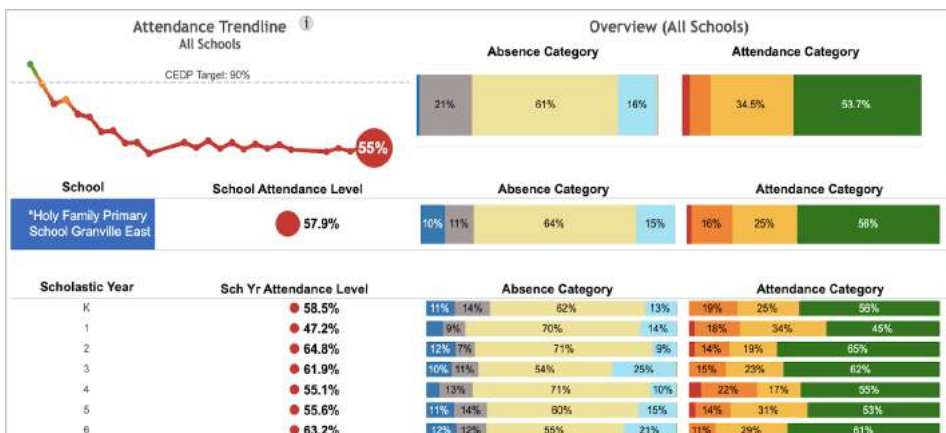
Your cooperation in this matter is greatly appreciated.

Staff News

Mrs Wallis-Baker will be on Long Service Leave beginning next week till the end of term. We wish Mrs Wallis-Baker safe travels as she goes overseas to visit her family and friends.

We also wish Miss Dalger congratulations on her upcoming wedding. Miss Dalger will return next term after an exciting honeymoon.

Attendance



Our attendance numbers are still low as there are still cases of Covid and Influencer A within our school community.

Cheryl Fortini

Religious Education



As you know the first Sunday in September is Fathers' Day. The date when Fathers' Day is celebrated varies around the world. For instance, it is celebrated in Canada, the UK, and the US on the third Sunday of June. Italians, celebrate Father's Day or 'La Festa del Papà' on 19th March coinciding with the 'Festa di San Giuseppe' or the 'Feast of St. Joseph' - the day dedicated to the earthly father of Jesus.

In our Catholic tradition, Saint Joseph is regarded the archetype of the ideal father - humble, responsible, wise and steadfast. Amazingly he appears only briefly in the Holy Scriptures and is given no words to speak in the Gospels. Yet we are drawn to imagine the exemplary character of this 'unseen' and 'unheard' figure therefore focussing more intently on his actions as lessons on fatherhood.

Joseph's important role in protecting and nurturing his family including influencing Jesus' growth and formation can be often under appreciated. As the foster father of Jesus, he loved, cared for, and protected Jesus. As a father-figure, Joseph was also able to pass on to Jesus important values for living, mainly through his role-modelling.

Next Friday (Week 7) we will celebrate Fathers' Day at our morning assembly. We invite fathers, grandfathers and father-figures from our community to join us at 8:50am. This prayer celebration will be followed by open classrooms and a special 'challenge' that we are putting out to our fathers, grandfathers and father-figures who are able to join us.

Invitations will be sent later this week.

I leave you this week with a verse by an anonymous writer that speaks of the cycle of life and the need to love and appreciate our dads.

We look forward to seeing as many fathers, grandfathers and father-figures at our 'Prayer Celebration' on Friday (Week 7).

4 years: My Daddy can do anything.

7 years: My Dad knows a lot, a whole lot.

8 years: My father does not know quite everything.

12 years: Oh well, naturally Dad does not know that either.

14 years: Oh, Dad! He is hopelessly old-fashioned.

21 years: Oh, that man - he is out of date!

25 years: He knows a little bit about it, but not much.

30 years: I must find out what Dad thinks about it.

35 years: Before we decide, we will get Dad's opinion first.

50 years: What would Dad have thought about that?

60 years: My Dad knew literally everything!

65 years: I wish I could talk it over with Dad once more.

FATHER'S DAY



Zone Athletics Carnival

On Friday 19th August a select few of students attended the Zone Athletics Carnival held at Charlie Bali Reserve, Doonside. I would like to thank the following students for their participation, as they represented our school and did us proud:

Zac El-Khoury	Akshan Maskey
Tony Elbayah	Nicholas Achi
Patrick Cruz	Isabella Bazevski
Petra Fonua	Cindy Chen
Izabella Khouri	Deon Gergi
Jacky Chen	Lauren Calloa
Cataliya Gibuma	Brandon Commodore
Abeyln Lagivola	Elio Dib
Brian Sikimeti	

I would like to thank Mr Stephen Bawden, Mrs Rebecca Eid, Ken Beardsley and Dolly Chahin for attending our students and cheering them on.

While we thank all for participating we are proud to announce that some of our students placed in the events and will be attending the Diocesan Athletics Carnival as well as our Senior Boy Relay Team (Akshan Maskey, Deon Gergi, Elio Dib and Brandon Commodore). I am sure they will do us proud on 2nd September when they represent our school at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival.



Holy Family	
Achi, Nicholas — 11 Years	
35	100m ParaAthlete
45	200m ParaAthlete
Gergi, Deon — 11 Years	
93	Long Jump
Holy Family, Male — 0 Years	
9	4 x 100m Relay
Lagivola, Abellyn — 12 Years	
30	100m
Maskey, Akshan — 11 Years	
13	800m
Sikimeti, Brian — 12 Years	
91	Shot Put

PBS4L

This week our students in PBS4L have been looking at following teacher instructions/directions once and once only. This has involved students listening and following teacher directions to create images and practicing classroom routines. One class even had a visitor to help them follow teacher directions and ensure they are focused on all tasks.



On Friday our students will be participating in a bake off with their grades. This is for reaching 400 whole school stamps, so watch out for more photos showcasing our cooking skills.



STUDENT AWARDS

We congratulate **Week 5 Term 3** Student of the Week Award recipients:



Kindergarten	Xavier Bechara	Maryrose Kayrouz
Year 1	Zoe Yacoub	Delisha Karunaratne
Year 2	Christina Lin	Bennet Adhikari
Year 3	Andy Kayrouz	Maroun Dib
Year 4	Emelia Lum	Gia-Huy Nguyen
Year 5	Patrick El Katrib	Mariyan Anwar
Year 6	Brandon Commodore	Samuel Georges

STUDENT AWARDS

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



Kindergarten	Geez Tewelde	Sylvia Wang
Year 1	Aryash Raya	Candice Xu
Year 2	Jonah Katrib	William Issac
Year 3	Tim Chen	Abuk Ngor
Year 4	Catalyia Gibuma	Jade Sikimeti
Year 5	Gabriella Yacoub	Xavier Kurdi
Year 6	Mary Kpaka	Elizabeth Halapio

HFS Parent Calendar - Term 3, 2022

Week	Date	Event
7	01/09	Father's Day Stall
	02/09	Diocesan Athletics Carnival
		Father's Day Liturgy 8:50-9:15am Followed by Open classrooms and Paper Plane making
9	14/09	Feast of the Holy Cross Celebration
	15/09	Infants Celebration of Learning
	16/09	Staff Development Day
10	22/09	Primary Celebration of Learning

Fathers Day Stall & Year 6 Mini Fete - A reminder our school is cashless, please order through the QKR App so the children don't miss out.



Absentee Note System

If a teacher marks a student as 'Not Present' an SMS will go out to parents around 12pm. Please click on the link in the SMS and follow the instructions to respond. If you do not receive an SMS or are unable to follow the link please send a note in with your child when they return. 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 2022 must give 10 weeks written notice to the school, a form is available from the office.

Students **away or sent home due to cold or flu like symptoms** must supply negative covid test results 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 holyfamilygranville@parra.catholic.edu.au **before** sending them back to school or have them bring them to the office before going into the classroom. Thank you for your help in keeping us all Covid safe.

