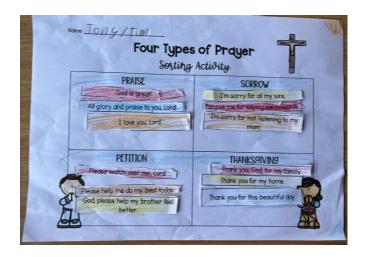


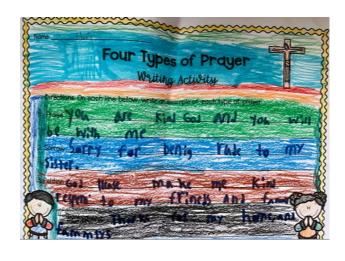
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Religious Education

Year 3's inquiry question this term is, 'How can we deepen our relationships?'

Students have been learning the importance of prayer as a way to communicate and strengthen our relationship with our loved ones, friends and God. Through the four different types of prayer; Praise and worship, Sorrow, Petition and Thanksgiving, students are able to ask God for mercy and forgiveness, thank God for his many blessings, ask God for something e.g. healing or courage and intercede when someone is sick or suffering.



















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From the Principal's Desk

Lord, help us to be thankful for one another. Help our children to be thankful for each other, for our families to be grateful for each member and to pray for one another continually. Our gratitude for one another will bind us together as a community, and our prayers for each other will further unify us in gratitude and love.

Book Fair

Thank you to all our families who supported our Book Fair in Weeks 5 and 6, your generosity was amazing. I hope the children are really enjoying reading their new books. We sold a total of \$4470.00 books and from this the school earned \$1341.00. This allows the school to purchase books and other resources from Ashton Scholastic. We will be ordering these shortly and adding them to the library and classroom collections.

Mini Fete

This Friday, 9th September, will be the last day to purchase Mini Fete Token Cards on the QKR app. Each \$5 Token Card has a value of 10 tokens to spend on a variety of stalls and no cash will be accepted on the day. The Holy Family School Mini Fete will be held next **Wednesday 14th September Week 9**. On this day, students K-5 are asked to wear their sports uniform and **Year 6** is permitted to wear sensible casual clothing with closed shoes. The Year 6 team would like to thank our Holy Family School community for all of your generous donations.

Celebration of Learning

If you had noticed on the Term Calendar we had advertised Celebration of Learning events, Infants in Week 9 and primary in Week 10. These were replacing the previous school assemblies held twice a term in the hall (prior to Covid). Our aim of the new format of Celebration of Learning is to allow our parents to visit their child's classroom and walk alongside their child to hear about the learning that has occurred throughout the term.

All parents are invited to attend the school on **Thursday 15th September**, **9:15am - 10:15am** to join their children in celebrating their learning achievements throughout the term.

Staff Development Day

A reminder that next **Friday 16th September** is a Staff Development Day. There will <u>not be any staff on site that day</u> as the staff will be engaging in our annual Spirituality Day at Mary MacKillop Place.

TeachMeet

A fortnight ago Holy Family staff hosted TeachMeet for PBS4L, welcoming over a hundred colleagues from across the diocese to see our PBS4L journey. The comments received on the day and afterwards were extremely positive. I would like to thank all our families for your understanding on the day and your cooperation in picking up your children earlier. It definitely helped us in our preparation and making sure we could accommodate the high number of vehicles entering the site.











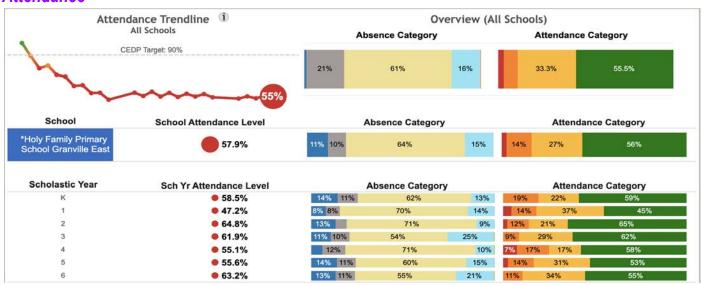


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Education Mass

This Thursday 8th September some of our Year 6 FIAT Team, Mrs Donlan, A parent rep and myself will be attending the diocesan Education Mass at St Patrick's Cathedral. This Mass is an important occasion for students of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Parramatta to gather with Principals, parents and carers, RECs, Mission Agencies and Diocesan Clergy to celebrate their role in the mission of the Church.

Attendance



As you can see we have dropped in our attendance rate since the last time the data was shared although we are currently sitting above the diocesan average. Please ensure that your child is at school everyday unless they have tested positive for Covid or have a doctors certificate for their absence.

Being on time! Leaving on Time!

Another contributing factor to our rate of attendance is the fact that a number of students are arriving late to school and leaving early. Supervision of students commences at 8:15am. All students are encouraged to be at school no later than 8:50am when the morning bell rings. This way students are able to proceed into class with their peers and commence their learning. The final bell goes at 3:10pm. Supervision of students finishes at 3:30pm. I encourage parents to try and make any appointments for their child outside of school hours if possible.

Parenting Support

Here is a link to the Triple P Parenting course website. They are offering Triple P Online for free. It targets parents of children 12 years and under. This is a great resource for families to explore. Triple P are also offering for free, the Fear-Less Triple P Online program for parents as well. https://www.triplep-parenting.net.au/au/triple-p/--

Cheryl Fortini





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PBS4L

Over the last two weeks our school has been focusing on following instructions. As their final task for their learning over the two weeks they were asked to buddy up with another grade to share their learning. What fun each grade had!









This week students have been looking at kindness and acting in the way Jesus taught us. Students created a wordle to showcase what they see kindness to be and what they associate with that word.



This term we have achieved a lot and students have reached and will soon receive all rewards by the end of the term. Watch this space and our social media for more information on these and photos.











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Diocesan Athletics Carnival

Last week, Friday 2nd September, some of our senior students attended the Diocesan Athletics Carnival. We thank the following students who attended and represented our school community: Deon Gergi, Akshan Maskey, Brian Sikimeti, Abellyn Lavigola and Brandon Commodore. We extend a special congratulations to Deon Gergi as he placed 3rd in the 11yrs Boys Long Jump and has been invited to attend the MacKillop Athletics Trial to be held on the 21st September. While not all placed, we appreciate their time and effort and thank their parents for attending and supervising them on the day. We also thank Mr Bawden for attending and helping out on the day. Well done team!













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STUDENT AWARDS

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



Kindergarten	Aaliyah Bushara	Sam Chidiac
Year 1	Christian El Katrib	Waisale Cagiloaloa
Year 2	Gabriella Zappia	Anthony Bitar
Year 3	Aarna Puri	Norah Rai
Year 4	Augustine Ziheng	Arica Wang
Year 5	Mel Isaac Palisoc	David Niulala
Year 6	Abellyn Lagivola	Leonardo Valore











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We congratulate Week 8 Term 3 Student of the Week Award recipients:

Kindergarten	Brianna Adhikari	Universe Pandit
Year 1	Hannah Evelyne	Olivia Yu
Year 2	Santi Khouri	Niki Chen
Year 3	Lucase Zheng	Elina Deng
Year 4	Owen Mao	Alakor Ngor
Year 5	Natalie Isaac	Haini Kolo
Year 6	Mimsa Limbu-Walung	Selemarie Anjoul











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HFS Parent Calendar - Term 3, 2022			
Week	Date	Event	
9	14/09	Feast of the Holy Cross Celebration	
	14/09	Year 6 - Mini Fete	
	15/09	Celebration of Learning 9:15am-10:15am	
	16/09	Staff Development Day	
10	23/09	Last Day of Term 3	
	11/10	Students Return to School	

Year 6 Mini Fete - A reminder our school is cashless, please order through the QKR App so the children don't miss out. This closes on Friday, 9th September.

Free family fun at the Parliament of New South Wales

Friday 7 October 10am to 3pm

Visit us at Australia's oldest Parliament as it opens its doors for **Family Fun Day**, an open day packed with fun educational activities for families with children aged from 4 to 12 years. This year's highlights include:

- cartoon workshop with the award-winning illustrator and cartoonist Eric Lobbecke
- Vote for me! a voting exercise with the NSW Electoral Commission
- an opportunity for you to have a say in our mock committee hearings

There will be many other activities on offer including craft, tours of our historic chambers, roving musicians and more...! (You may even get to meet some very important people!)

Entry is free and the event will be held at **NSW Parliament**, 6 Macquarie Street Sydney. Please use this <u>link</u> to search for directions and public transport options to Parliament House. Auslan interpreters will be onsite on the day.

Bookings Essential

https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/family-fun-day-at-nsw-parliament-house-tickets-410197270077?aff=ebdsoporgprofile

https://www.parliament.nsw.gov.au/visit/events/Pages/Family-Fun-Day-2022.aspx

P: (02) 9230 2047

E: Communityengagement@parliament.nsw.gov.au













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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 <u>must</u> 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 holyfamilyegranville@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.

FEEDBACK and COMPLAINTS

Holy Family, East Granville staff always welcome feedback and ideas from the parent community. If you have any feedback, concerns or complaints please do not hesitate to contact your child's class teacher, Mr Bawden (behaviour) or Mrs Fortini through the school office (86338200), school email address HolyFamilyEGranville@parra.catholic.edu.au, or through Skoolbag App.

The school follows the CEDP Complaints Handling Policy.











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