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# Year 1 Religious Education

This term in Religious Education, Year 1 has been inquiring into the driving question: How are we welcomed into the *church?* In this unit, students are introduced to the sacrament of Baptism as a celebration of their initiation into God's family, the Church. As a class, we explored the scripture story the Baptism of Jesus and we learnt that, like us, Jesus was baptised with water and showed us how to live as sons and daughters of God.

Students had the important role of conducting interviews with their family members about their very own Baptism. Students asked a range of questions and presented an image of their Baptism to share with their peers. This was important to their learning as they were able to compare the story of the Baptism of Jesus with accounts of their own Baptism.

We also had the privilege of visiting Father Andrew at our local parish who shared valuable information about the Baptismal rituals and symbols. Students showed curiosity and accountability for their own learning by asking relevant questions to deepen their own understanding. It was a beautiful experience which we all enjoyed.

To end our unit of work, the students demonstrated their knowledge through a mini project. They had the choice of presenting their knowledge in a creative way such as making a book, poster, comic strip or a video.











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### From the Principal's Desk

#### Mini Fete

WOW! What a wonderful event. Congratulations and thank you to our Year 6 student leaders for organising this wonderful event for the rest of the school community. They clearly put a lot of work, thought and creativity into designing a wide range of activities to engage all age groups in the activities.

I would also like to thank the parent community for supporting this event financially. The Mini-fete raised a total of \$1865.00.



Year 6 are SUPERSTARS!



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### Celebration of Learning

Thank you to all the parents who were able to dedicate some time last Thursday, 15th September. The students were so excited to have the opportunity to share all the amazing learning they had been involved in over the past 10 weeks.

### Holiday Refurbishment

Over the school holiday period until the end of October the Infants toilet block will be gutted and refurbished. This is a necessary update that will benefit our children. We are hoping that the Primary Toilet block will receive a similar upgrade in 2023.

### Today is the last day of Term 3

This has been an extremely busy term. As we begin our school holidays this afternoon, my holiday wish for all our children, families and teachers is a safe and rest-filled break.





Term 4 commences Tuesday 11th October for all students Kindergarten to Year 6.

### Cheryl Fortini









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## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

### **EDUCATION MASS**

This year's CEDP Education Mass was celebrated on Thursday 8th September at St Patrick's Cathedral Parramatta. The Education Mass was an occasion for students of Catholic schools in the Diocese of Parramatta together with Principals, Parents, RECs and Diocesan Priests to celebrate their role in the mission of the Church.



Immediately following the Education Mass 'The Agency Mission Expo' took place. The expo component highlighted the work of Mission Agencies in the Diocese of Parramatta and the various opportunities that schools can engage in.

Schools were invited to inquire into the various opportunities and explore new ideas in Mission for their communities.

Year 6 students from our Faith In Action Team (FIAT) represented HFS alongside Mrs Burke. It was a beautiful celebration of the Holy Eucharist that we attended on what was the Feast of the Nativity of Mary.

We were very humbled to capture a photo of our HFS group with Bishop Vincent.

### FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS - 14th September

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross, also called Universal Exaltation of the Holy and Life-Giving Cross or Holy Cross Day, honours the cross on which Jesus Christ was crucified, the universal symbol of the Christian faith, the cross represents Christ's victory over death.

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Holy Cross Parish, Granville as it is now known was created on 14th September 2020. Holy Family, Holy Trinity and Delany College are the Catholic schools of the Holy Cross Parish.





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#### STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY - FORMATION DAY

On Friday 16th September staff from HFS spent a day of spiritual enrichment at Mary MacKillop Museum followed by a Celebration of the Holy Eucharist at St Mary's Cathedral.

The museum is a ministry of the Sisters of St Joseph and is located on the site in which St Mary of the Cross MacKillop is buried. The Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel is adjacent to the museum and is an integral part of the site.

> The museum is steeped in the story of the growth of the Catholic Church in Australia. It celebrates an ordinary woman who lived an extraordinary and unconventional life. As a woman of faith, courage and hope, she triumphed over adversity and obstacles, responding to the needs of her time.





St. Mary's Cathedral is Australia's largest Cathedral building. This English-style Gothic building constructed of honey-coloured Sydney sandstone, is regarded as the Mother Church for Australian Catholics. Its central Sydney location ensures a strong and visual presence of the church in Australia's largest city.

#### "St. Mary's Cathedral Church is many things:

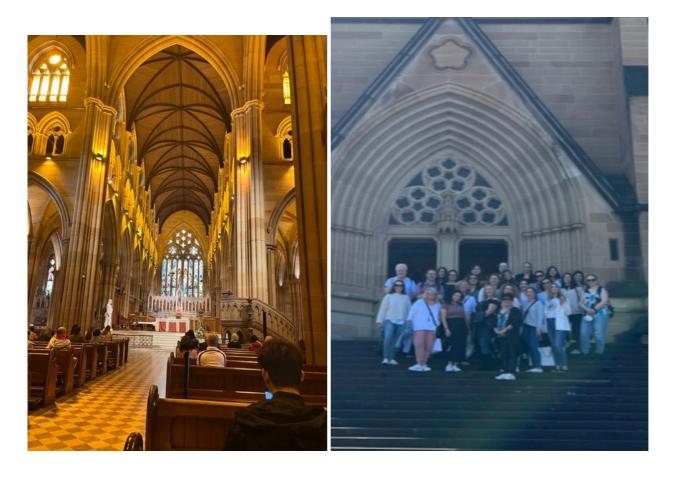
a historic building, an architectural wonder, a monument to the role which Christianity and especially the Catholic faith has played in Australian life from the first days of European settlement and a magnificent tribute to the faith and commitment of generations of Catholics."





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It was wonderful for staff, for some of whom it was the very first time, to celebrate Holy Mass at such a magnificent church.







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### PBS4L

Our students had an exciting week this week with receiving their last rewards for the term. Students yesterday had PLAYON which allowed them to engage in play based activities with their grade. The most exciting part of the day was the staff performance which students received as their final reward for the term. They got to see their teachers put themselves out there and the standing ovation was much appreciated by our students. Let's just say that we did not find the next best artist amongst the teachers.











We cannot wait to see what the students achieve next term!





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### **STUDENT AWARDS**

### We congratulate Week 9 Term 3 Student of the Week Award recipients:



Kindergarten	Lavinia Tomasi	Akuot Agor
Year 1	Filipe Niulala	Natalie Sun
Year 2	Jaylen Fonua	Christian Nehme
Year 3	Semia Wang	Theo Niulala
Year 4	Amen Tewelde	Gavin Matrio
Year 5	Isaac Hakko	Cindy Chen
Year 6	Deon Gergi	Brian Sikimeti







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### **STUDENT AWARDS**

We congratulate Week 10 Term 3 Student of the Week Award recipients:



Kindergarten	Kenai Taulaga	Havanah Diaz
Year 1	Feynman Zheng	Prisha Shrestha
Year 2	Jack Zheng	Elsa-Marie El Khoury
Year 3	Cairee Piniero	Matthew Soussan
Year 4	Marcus Senesi	Henry Hu
Year 5	Fabiyan Anwar	Caitlyn Merhi
Year 6	Celena Achi	Suhang Limbu





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### We congratulate students for the End Of Term Awards

### LEARN DAILY



Kindergarten	Ellie Wu	Felix Ding
Year 1	Sekola Fangupo	Ava Houshman
Year 2	Azalea Maskey	Vinci Yick
Year 3	Animesh Maharjan	Semia Wang
Year 4	Emelia Lum	Gavin Matro
Year 5	Natalie Isaac	Derek Custodio
Year 6	Krista Kumar	Nabil Nassar





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### LOVE RESPECTFULLY





Kindergarten	Akout Ngor	Noah Newstead
Year 1	Vicas He	Natalie Sun
Year 2	Preesha Joshi	Jack Zheng
Year 3	Aarna Puri	Dylan Zhang
Year 4	Jade Sikimeti	Anthony El Boutty
Year 5	Anthony El Hayek	Solomone Lemoto
Year 6	Olivia Burke	Gabriel Katrib

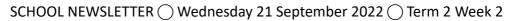




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### LIVE SAFELY



Kindergarten	John Nakhoul	Zara Johnny
Year 1	Olivia Yu	Delisha Karunaratne
Year 2	Gabriella Zappia	Christian Nehme
Year 3	Manav Kumar	Cairee Piniero
Year 4	Tristan Lancaster	Alakor Ngor
Year 5	William Livingstone	Cindy Chen
Year 6	Brandon Commodore	Alannah Feher-Hegarty









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HFS Parent Calendar - Term 3, 2022		
Week	Date	Event
10	21/09	Last Day Of Term
10	22/09	Public Holiday - National Day Of Mourning
10	23/09	Staff Development Day
Term 4 1	10/10	Staff Development Day
1	11/10	Students Return to School

Students are to return in summer uniform.

Uniforms can be purchased from OZ Fashions.

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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 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 2021 must give 10 weeks written notice to the school, a form is available from the office.

#### 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.** 

### 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 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.





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