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# Holy Family School Newsletter

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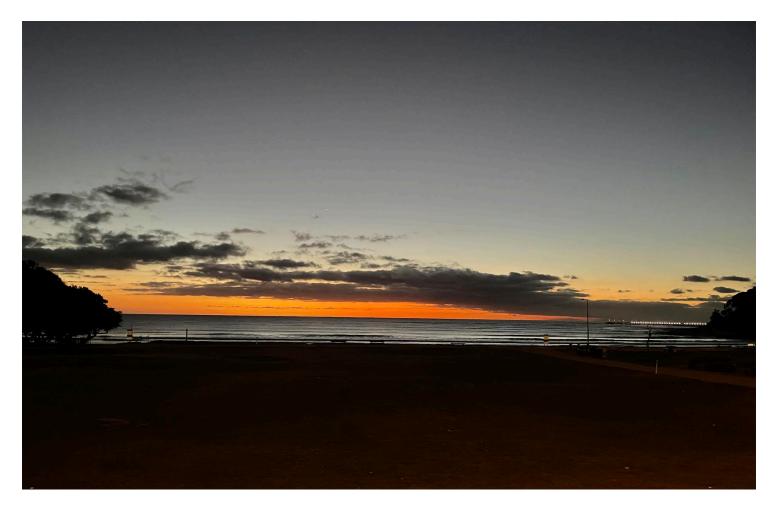
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# **ANZAC Day**

We come together to celebrate Anzac Day.

We remember all those who have died in wars and conflicts around the world, and have made the ultimate sacrifice.

With grateful hearts, we thank all those who gave their lives so that we may live in peace and freedom.

We pray, also, for all those who have served in wars and conflicts, and thank them for their commitment.

We pray that we work together in our own lives to build a peaceful community.



Dear Families,

Welcome to Term 2! I hope everyone was as excited as me to return to school after the holidays.

There are so many things to look forward to and be grateful for.

We have an inclusive community of lifelong learners. Not only are our students learning but also our amazing Teachers, Learning Support Officers and Leaders.

We are continuing on our journey of discovery -

- Cognitive Load Theory
- Building Meaningful Connections
- Explicit Direct Instruction
- Science of Learning
- Science of Reading
- Quality Tier One Teaching Practices
- Behaviour Routines
- Knowledge Based Curriculum
- UFLI (explicit and systematic phonics program)

• PhOrMeS is primarily about sound, letter, morpheme and word-level knowledge and the skills requires to use this knowledge and read, spell and understand words:

PhOrMeS teaches:

decoding
spelling
word meanings
phonemic awareness
handwriting

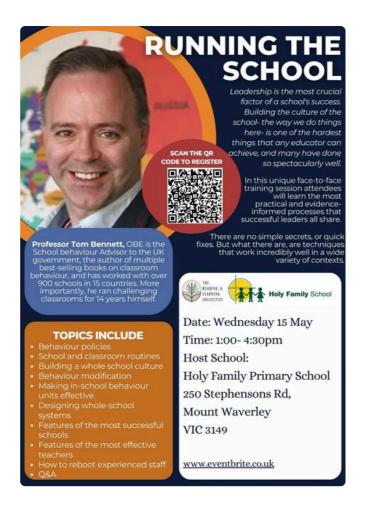
I am pleased to announce that we have two opportunities in the coming weeks for families to find out more about the learning growth at Holy Family.

- Meet the Staff Leadership Team Morning Tea (Tuesday 30th April) 9-10am
- Family Curriculum Evening Explicit Direct Instruction/Mathematics/Spelling (Tuesday 7th May) 6-7:30pm

# Running the Room (Tom Bennett) Professional Learning

Tom Bennett will be hosting his only Melbourne Professional Learning for Leaders in Melbourne Catholic Primary schools at Holy Family on Wednesday 15th May. He is the School Behaviour Curriculum Advisor to the UK Government.

Our school has already embarked on this learning so we are looking forward to learning more on this day to improve the learning environment for staff and students.



## **ANZAC Day Ceremony**

Thank you to Mrs Pejic (Religious Education Leader) and our school choir for leading our ANZAC Day service.

This was a pryerful and reflective time for our community to express gratitiude and hope for those people impacted by war.

# **Becoming a Fire Carrier School**

Holy Family is embarking on becoming a Fire Carrier School.

The first part of this process is to involve students, staff and some parents in the development of our Fire Carrier Covenant. FIRE - **Friends Igniting Reconciliation through Education** -

is an initiative of the Catholic Aborignal Ministry of Victoria.

Six of our Senior Student Leaders have been meeting with me to develop the draft of this document. This document will now got to staff and parents (SAC) for input before it is published.

A School Covenant declares the school's commitment to stand in solidarity with First Nations peoples on the path to meaningful reconciliation. They recognise the special contributions that First Nations people and their culture make and acknowledge the rightful position that they should hold within Australian society. Covenants emphasise the ethos and faith belief of Catholic schools and the social justice responses they are committed to make as part of their Christian identity. It is broken up into the three core values of Spirituality; Practical Reconciliation and Justice; and Cultural Recognition and Awareness. Completing a Covenant is an important first step taken by FIRE Carrier schools as part of their commitment to the program and is reflected in practical goals and actions which they strive to achieve in the year ahead.



# <u>Holy Family Colour Explosion Wrap Up</u>

Thank you to our families - we now have \$7,125 to go towards the next stage of our Adventure Playground!

- Total monies raised after costs \$7,125
- Class that recorded the highest fundraising total with \$795 was 3/4 C
   Champions
- Class that fundraised the most based class numbers (just!) was Prep I Outstanding Preps they will have a movie afternoon with popcorn to celebrate.
- Highest individual Fundraiser: Thalia Mangazva
- Highest Fundraising family: the Younane family
- Both families will get the car park for a term and \$10 credits at kids café.
- We had 55 Volunteers on the day and 29 families donated items for the event.
- The student lead stalls created a great atmosphere and the students really enjoyed them.

The event was a very successful community event to start the year – the runners had a great time doing the colour run and the families then stayed on to catch up and enjoy a meal together. The good weather certainly helped.

I would like to thank the committee that made it all possible and the wider parent community for their donations of items and time. A shout out the teachers who attended on their Friday night.

#### **Parents and Friends Committee**

Don't forget to fill out the Operoo form to assist with Friend and Fundraising at our school. Your volunteering of an hour or two during the school term would be greatly appreciated.

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 1st May at 7pm in the staffroom at school.

# **Friday Morning Coffee**



Thank you to those parents who helped out at our Friday Morning Coffee last week.

Hopefully we will get a roster going so a few barista's can be a part of this community initiative.

A note has been sent out on Operoo for you to fill in if you would like to assist between 8:45am-9:30am on a Friday morning in Kid's Cafe.

# **Altar Serving Training**

It is wonderful that we have nine students who will be training with Father Justel, Mrs David and Mrs Pejic to become altar servers at our Friday morning Masses and some other school Masses on a weekend.

Thank you to our families for supporting your child to carry out this special role.

## 2025 Enrolments Open

A reminder to our existing families that enrolments are now open for the 2025 school year.

Please come into the office to receive an enrolment form from Tracey or Rana.

### **Open Days**

Our Open Days are continuing throughout this term.



# Walk to School Day

On Friday 10th May we will be encouraging all families to walk to school as part of National Road Safety Week. Upon arrival at school all walkers will be provided with a fresh piece of fruit. We look forward to seeing many walkers on this day.





# Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

You are warmly invited to our special Mother's Day afternoon tea on Monday 13th May from 1:30-3pm in the hall. A note regarding this has been published on Operoo. Please respond ASAP so we can ensure we have catered adequately. Looking forward to seeing many of you!



#### **Medication at School**

A reminder to all parents that if your child requires any form of medication whilst they are present at school, then the correct documentation needs to completed and delivered to the office with the medication by an adult. NO student should be self administering any form of medication at school. Please see the office for an

administration of medication form if required. This form can also be found on our website.

This does not apply to students who have a current Anaphylaxis, Asthma or Allergy medical plan and medication already supplied to the school for 2024.

# **Soft Plastics Recycling**

Thank you to those families who have volunteered to pick up our soft plastics and drop them to Monash Waste Transfer Station. Please find the roster for this term below.



Week beginning	Family
Monday 15th April	Muto
Monday 22nd April	Baulch
Monday 29th April	Cassar
Monday 6th May	Browne
Monday 13th May	Lim
Monday 20th May	Dumrongpol
Monday 27th May	Mitchem
Monday 3rd June	Wardley
Monday 10th June	Mangazva
Monday 17th June	Jurie
Monday 24th June	Beayni
Drop off point	Monash Recycling Depot- Notting Hil

### **House Cross Country**

Last Friday students in Years 3-6 participated in House Cross Country with the support of our staff, parents and students from Avila College.

It was heart warming to witness the encouragement our students and spectators provided to each of the runners from the starting signal to the finish line.

We wish all the runners who have made it through to the next level every success and look forward to following each runner's journey.

The fastest runners for each age level were -

- 9/10 Year Old Boys Oliver M
- 9/10 Year Old Girls Georgia T
- 11 Year Old Boys Ben H
- 11 Year Old Girls Skylar
- 12/13 Year Old Boys Hayden M
- 12/13 Year Old Girls Sophia R



Congratulations to Blue House for winning the event and everyone else for having a go and trying your best!







# **Congratulations**

On behalf of our school community I would like to congratulate the Budiman Family on the safe arrival of a baby brother for Aaron.

I would also like to congratulate Father Justel on his Graduation from ACU last Wednesday. Our community is very proud of you!



#### **Term Two Dates**

# **April**

Thursday 25th - ANZAC Day (Public Holiday)

Friday 26th - School Closure Day (Staff Day)

Tuesday 30th - Staff Leadership/Parent Morning Tea (9-10am)

# May

Wednesday 1st - Parents and Friends Meeting (7-8pm)

Friday 3rd - Winter Sport Round Robin

Friday 3rd - Open Day

Tuesday 7th - Curriculum Evening (Mathematics & Literacy) All levels (6-7:30pm)

Thursday 9th - Open Day

Friday 10th - Walk Safely to School Day

Friday 10th - District Cross Country

Monday 13th - Mother's Day Afternoon Tea

Wednesday 15th - School Photos (Winter uniform)

Wednesday 15th - School Advisory Council Meeting (6pm)

Friday 17th - Winter Sport Round Robin

Friday 17th - Year 4 Avila/Salesian Experience Day

Sat 18th/Sun 19th - Eucharist Commitment Masses
Mon 20th-Wed 22nd - Year 3/4 Sovereign Hill Camp
Wednesday 22nd - National Simultaneous Storytime
Thursday 23rd - Fire Carriers Commissioning Ceremony
Friday 24th - School Closure Day
Monday 27th - Reconciliation Week (Now More Than Ever)
Wednesday 29th - Division Cross County
Friday 31st - Winter Sport

### June

Sunday 2nd - First Eucharist Mass (10am)
Wednesday 5th - Parents and Friends Meeting (TBC)
Thursday 13th - EMR Cross Country
Friday 14th - Winter Sport Gala Day
Friday 28th - Term 2 finishes (1pm)

Wishing everyone a wonderful four day break,

Mrs David (Principal)



# Parish News

# PENTECOST – MULTICULTURAL DAY HOLY FAMILY PARISH – 19<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024 10:00





# Religious Education News

Happy Easter to you all!

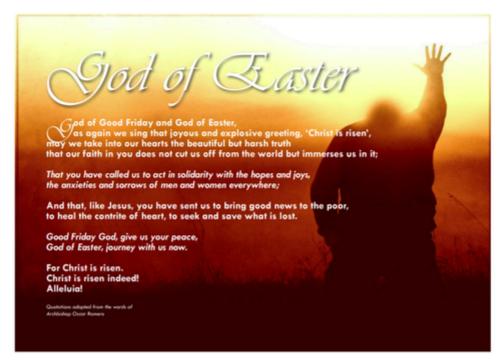
I trust that you have celebrated Easter Sunday, the Resurrection of our Lord, as we are still in the Easter season until Pentecost Sunday which is 50 days after Easter Sunday.

Oscar Romero was the Archbishop of San Salvador in El Salvador. Archbishop Romero was one of the most remarkable figures of the 20th century. He was a tremendous example of a person who was not afraid to lead with the courage, faith and love and stand up for the poor against injustice.

Romero is, in particular, an inspirational figure to hundreds of millions of Catholics around the world. He didn't simply talk about the need to love your neighbour, but courageously named the injustices that plagued his country. He reminded us that Christ is found in people living in poverty, and that we cannot ignore the suffering of our brothers and sisters in need.

We can all celebrate Romero's legacy by following his example: by challenging injustice wherever we see it and by refusing to stay silent about the issues that keep people in poverty.

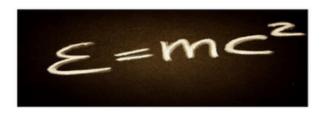
As Pope Francis has declared 2024 as the year of prayer, contemplate this Easter prayer which was written by Oscar Romero.





# **MATHEMATICS**

# **Maths News**



#### Reflecting on Term one .. Moving forward in Term 2

As we walk from class to class throughout the school it is incredible to see the amazing work that is happening in mathematics. Our teachers are embracing the challenge of the "Vision for Instruction' for Catholic schools set by Melbourne Archdiocese of Catholic Schools (MACS) and continue to provide high quality instruction to our students.

At Holy Family we have a strong focus on professional learning for our teachers to ensure our students receive the best possible education.

In term one our Junior teachers focussed on implementing Daily Review and Explicit Instruction principles in the mathematics classroom. This aligns with our whole school annual action plan goal 'To implement evidence based practices in the classroom'

Our junior school teachers attended a professional development day and participated in a programme 'Teaching for Impact in Mathematics'. They were asked to take part in a coaching cycle, receiving some amazing feedback in their achievements so far and steps to move forward.

Moving forward In term two our middle and senior school teachers will participate in the same professional development programme. They will attend a full day of professional development to enhance their knowledge in evidence based pedagogy. Teachers will take part in a professional learning cycle which involves rehearsal, filming of themselves in action, reflecting on their teaching and seeking feedback from knowledgeable others.

As we strive to develop the love of learning in our students, teachers too are lifelong learners.

Jennifer Young Learning and Teaching /Mathematics Leader

# Wellbeing News



# **Bullying Surveys**

In the last week of Term 1, all present students completed our termly school bullying survey. The children are asked to answer the following three statements-

I have been bullied by someone at Holy Family this term- yes/no
I have seen someone be bullied this term- yes/no
I have seen a student show kindness to someone in need this term- yes/no

From the initial survey results, I interviewed all students who answered yes to the first two statements to determine the extent of the bullying.

Some of the incidents have involved-

- -name calling, teasing
- -laughing at others
- -taking equipment from others
- -deliberate annoyance
- -some physical hurt e.g hitting

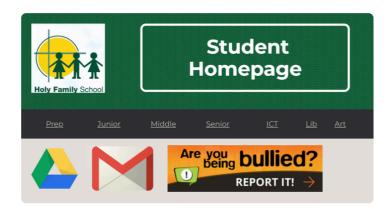
Some of the reported incidents were a 'one off' incident which is not classified as bullying, but those that were repeated behaviours by certain children are being followed up by myself and the classroom teachers. It was great to hear that all students were able to use a strategy they knew to remove themself from the situation.

Overall data from these interviews have determined that 5% of our students experienced bullying, either directly or saw a form of bullying toward another student.

We continually strive to teach our students about how to interact positively with others, and strategies that can be used if they experience ay difficulties when interacting with others.

On a positive note, 90% of our students have witnessed someone showing kindness to another student last term.

We continue to direct our Year 3-6 students to use our online Student Bullying Report link to report any incidents of Bullying that occur, and for our Prep-2 students to report any incidents to their classroom teacher or myself.



### Wellbeing Hour

Our Wellbeing Hour continues on a Friday this term, and for the next few weeks we continue to focus on the following area-

#### **Self Awareness**

- to develop a healthy sense of who you are, and better understand your thoughts and feelings

The resources from The Resilience Project and Respectful Relationships are being used to develop and understand what Self Awareness is for each and every student. Specifically each year level will focus on the following from the Personal and Social Capabilities strand of the Victorian Curriculum.

#### Prep-

Develop a vocabulary and practise the expression of emotions to describe how they feel in different familiar situations

Identify their likes and dislikes, needs and wants, abilities and strengths

Year 1 & 2-

Extend their vocabulary through which to recognise and describe emotions and when, how and with whom it is appropriate to share emotions

Identify personal strengths and describe how these strengths are useful in school or family life

Year 3 & 4-

Identify and explore the expression of emotions in social situations and the impact on self and others

Identify personal strengths and select personal qualities that could be further developed

Year 5 & 6-

Explore the links between their emotions and their behaviour Reflect on how personal strengths have assisted in achieving success at home, at school or in the community.

# Walk to School Day- Friday 10th May

I am currently working with the Wellbeing Leaders to plan for walk to School Day. Watch out for Audiri notifications with updates closer to the event.

Eithne King

Wellbeing Leader

# **CAMP PROGRAM**



### **Holy Family Camp Program**

This term our Year 3/4 students will be attending their annual school camp from Monday 20th- Wednesday 22nd May at Sovereign Hill.

At school, we have started preparing the children for their camp experience. It is imperative that parents respond to the notes on Operoo to ensure we are prepared and have all the information required to ensure your child experiences success on camp.

More information about the camp will come home in the next few weeks leading up to your child's camp.

Here is Sovereign Hill's website if you would like to read a little about the living museum-

https://www.sovereignhill.com.au/

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact me as I am the Camp Coordinator.

Eithne King
<a href="mailto:eking@hfmw.catholic.edu.au">eking@hfmw.catholic.edu.au</a>
Deputy Principal



# Physical Education News

### **House Cross Country**

Congratulations to all the Year 3-6's that competed in our House Cross Country on Friday April 19.

Well done to those students that finished in the Top 10 and have qualified for our School Team that will compete at the District Cross Country on Friday May 10. Congratulations to Waverley (Blue House) who won the overall point score. Thanks to all the parents, staff and Avila students that assisted on the day.

### **Running Club**

Staff, parents, siblings and students are invited to join Holy Family School's Running Club, every Friday at 8am on our school running track. Please enter via the gate by the hall. Beginning Friday May 3.

# **Winter Sport**

If any parents can assist with umpiring/coaching Afl, Softball or Netball please email me on smichelsson@hfmw.catholic.edu.au

#### **Term 2 dates**

May 3 Round 1 Winter Sport (yr 5/6) 9-11am

May 10 District Cross Country (selected students)

May 17 Round 2 Winter Sport (yr 5/6) 9-11am

May 29 Division Cross Country

May 31 Round 3 Winter Sport (yr5/6) 9-11am

June 13 EMR Cross Country

June 13 Winter Sport Gala Day (Yr 5/6) 10am-2pm (note change of date)



# Digital Technologies News

# Getting started with parental controls on devices and accounts



Many digital devices and accounts now come with parental controls.

Here are some examples of the parental control features included in common devices and accounts.

#### Your home wi-fi network

Some wi-fi routers and accounts with internet service providers (ISPs) come with software that allows you to set up parental controls across your whole network. However, you don't always get as much control and monitoring as you get from the tailored software installed on each device. If you would like to learn more about controlling content using your wi-fi network, contact your ISP provider.

#### Apple devices

Apple allows parents to set up family sharing accounts. Family sharing enables parents to share purchased apps and manage their child's device. You can find out more about setting up parental controls at <a href="Apple families">Apple families</a>. The <a href="Apple Support">Apple Support</a> YouTube channel has videos that provide step by step advice.

#### Follow these steps to get started:

In your settings, select your Apple ID and account info.

- Go to family sharing and click on '+Add member' to add a new account for your child.
- Go to Screen Time settings to set limits on apps, block websites and restrict purchases – whenever you change this it will update on your child's device.
- On your child's device, activate the account.





# Auslan

### **New Signing Puppets**

Every 3-4 weeks, students seated at their designated tables will have the opportunity to communicate with one another using signing puppets. We're excited to announce that two new puppets have recently joined our collection. Our students are learning to sign some Anzac words.



### Gain some insights on the Auslan teacher: How I Dropped the Hearing Bomb

Some deaf people sport stylish hearing aids or cochlear implants while many opt for sign language without any assistive devices. Personally, I've got a soft spot for my trusty behind-the-ear device. I was a quiet, smiling baby and hardly cried. The times that I was not quiet was when I had fun banging saucepans and lids together in the kitchen according to mum. Now looking back, it was the vibrations to make up for the lack of sounds. It wasn't until I was two years old, on a swing facing a fence swinging nonstop while dinner was being called out. Mum, the detective, caught on and knew something wasn't 'quite right' when I finally turned around and jumped with fright at her presence. Immediately, she took me to the GP and that was the day I was diagnosed as profoundly deaf.

I went to the audiologists for hearing tests where you press the button for any beeps you hear and then repeat the process. They figured out my hearing range and that's how I became the proud owner of non-surgical, behind-the-ear hearing aids. Fast forward to home, mum turned on the toy train that played music in the backyard and this was startling for me. My first exposure and curiosity into the world of sound.











# **GARDENING CLUB**

It has been a busy couple of weeks in the garden, pulling out all of the tomato plants and huge weeds, afterthey grew so much during the school holidays.

We are preparing the garden beds for autumn/winter planting and will look forward to harvesting some carrots, beans and herbs in the coming months.

There is a lot of mint, sage and oregano in the garden beds, so please feel free to head to The Patch and takesome for your cooking.

After removing the tomatoes, it is always a favourite activity to find worms and bugs.

Please always feel free tocome along and join in on Tuesdays from 11:10-11:50, or any day you have some time and would like to dosome weeding.

Happy gardening!



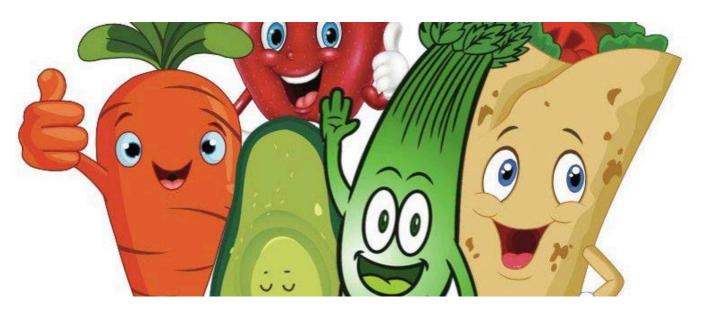


# STUDENT AWARDS

# **WEEK 1 STUDENT AWARDS**

Prep D	Noah Fredericks: For striving to achieve the best presentation of his work.
Prep I	Leo H - for always working hard during learning time and being an amazing listener! Well done!
1/2SG	Luke Gatluk- for fantastic work using conjunctions in your Writing. Well done!
1/2M	Julian Atamian - for writing detailed sentences using conjunctions. You are a super writer!
1/2F	Markiian Melnykov for excellent work with using conjunctions correctly in sentences. Keep up the great work.
3/4C	Zoe Banbury- For being such a great friend and helper to all her peers. Keep being amazing!
3/4M	Annelise Wilton - For showing confidence in all aspects of your learning. We love seeing you flourish!
5/6L	Jimmy Lane - for his excellent reading and always putting his hand up.
5/6S	Sharlene Pramana for excellence in Maths as a result of continued hard work and an excellent attitude!

5/6PD	Gareth Pangawijaya for excellent group work contribution on the		
	appearances of Jesus after Easter.		
Auslan	Cecilia Younane (5/6F) for consistently being supportive and displaying		
	respectful signing style that makes everyone feel included. You're		
	amazing!		
	Genevieve O'Dea (5/6F) for embodying politeness, quiet demeanour, and		
	respect consistently in Auslan classes. Your exemplary behaviour sets a		
	high standard. Well done!		



Kid's Cafe

Term 2 Roster 2024		
		Prepared 27.03.2024
April	Thursday  18 <sup>th</sup> Sandra Filippou  Sarah Lane  Gayla Williamson	Friday  19 <sup>th</sup> House Cross Country  Amelia Younane  Irawati Wardley  Shass Murawski
	25 <sup>th</sup> ANZAC Day	26 <sup>th</sup> School Closure
May	2 <sup>nd</sup> Anne Barnetby Sandra Mayo	3 <sup>rd</sup> Winter Sport Round Robin Nabila Bou Ezz Brooke Banbury
	9 <sup>th</sup> Rachel Camilleri Sarah White	10 <sup>th</sup> District Cross Country Lauren Wilson Rosemary O'Brien
	16 <sup>th</sup> Swapna Ranjith Christine Kemp Rebecca Baulch	17 <sup>th</sup> Winter Sport Round Robin Heather Miller Elly Karmawan Daniela Trettel
	23 <sup>rd</sup> Yessy Hanjaya Chris Beayni	24 <sup>th</sup> School Closure
	30 <sup>th</sup> Sandra Filippou Liesl Petersen	31 <sup>st</sup> Nicole Mardell Kanchana Pethiyagoda
June	6 <sup>th</sup> Sarah Cox Rachele Clarke	7 <sup>th</sup> Siela Giummarra Lauren Wilson
	13 <sup>th</sup> EMR Cross Country Swapna Ranjith Irawati Wardley	14 <sup>th</sup> Winter Sport Gala Day Amelia Younane Maree Allan
	20 <sup>th</sup> Yi Rang Jung Claire Attwood	21 <sup>th</sup> Heather Miller Kristen Beayni
	27 <sup>th</sup> Gayla Williamson Elly Karmawan	28 <sup>th</sup> Final Day of Term Finish 1 pm

WhatsApp link: https://chat.whatsapp.com/HKVbNiqLcDVC1sQ50mINY0

Or text Jaclyn to add you to the group



What's happening in our community?



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# PECIALISED CHESS COACHING

Since 2002, we have been providing our popular Chess For Schools program in schools throughout Melbourne and Greater Geelong.





'Children love attending Phil's chess classes as he actively fosters their sense of wellbeing and motivation to learn more'.

Rob Horwood Principal, Stella Maris Primary, Beaumaris.

#### HOW CAN CHESS BENEFIT YOUR CHILD?

Educational: Improved IQ, critical thinking, concentration, analytical skills, memory. Social: Develop new friendships, social interaction skills, sportsmanship. Emotional: Confidence, self esteem, resilience through winning/losing games.

#### **CLASS STRUCTURE:**

Different lessons are taught each week from a structured syllabus ranging from tactics, strategies, master openings, traps & special moves. After the lesson children are paired up in a fun tournament playoff. Prizes are awarded to the top 3 players at end of term.

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#### **CLASS DETAILS - HOLY FAMILY PRIMARY**

DAY

TIME

LOCATION

DATES

COST

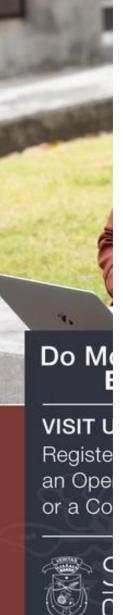
Thursdays

3.15pm - 4.10pm Gathering Room

2 May to 20 Jun

\$138 per child/per term

"Alex loves chess club and gets very upset if he misses a session. His chess has definitely improved and his teacher, Anitia feels that it helps with his math in class in terms of concepts and thinking. Keep up the great work!" Katrina Lambert: Hampton Primary School



FOR YOUNG W