

NEWSLETTER

Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School

Week 11, Term 1

Principal's Reflection

Dear Families,

What a fantastic Term 1 we have had at Holy Spirit School. I have been delighted to see how our new students in the Community of Learners, Transition and various other year levels as well as our new staff, have settled into our school. It is a real credit to the school the way the existing staff, students and families have welcomed new members to our community.

Reflection

"you will come to know the truth, and the truth will set you free."

- John 8:32

In class and through assemblies this week students have been learning about Holy Week. Holy Week – is a very significant event for Catholics and for the whole Holy Spirit School community. We have been remembering all the significant events of Holy Week - The celebration of Palm Sunday and Jesus' entry into Jerusalem, the events of Holy Thursday and the moment that Jesus washed the feet of his disciples - a very powerful ritual where we are reminded of Jesus' love and service for others. We also remember the Last Supper- the last meal the disciples had together with Jesus. Good Friday - the day Jesus died has also been discussed with the students.





As we lead into our upcoming Easter holidays I have been reminded of the powerful symbolism of the Paschal candle. The candle bears the symbol of the cross – an empty cross. This symbol reminds us of the risen Christ. It is a symbol of life. At Easter we celebrate life and with that, hope. Let us remember this as we go forward and live each day full of the hope and joy that is celebrated on Easter Sunday.

I would like to thank the school community for the support of **Project Compassion** throughout Lent, particularly today with the way that the students have involved themselves with Crazy Sock and Hair day. Also, a reminder that all Project Compassion Boxes that are at home need to be returned to the school by Friday.







Next term on **Wednesday 24th April (Week 1, Term 2)**, we will be acknowledging ANZAC Day with a service commencing at 11am. We encourage members of our wider community who are serving or have served Australia or New Zealand in our Defence Forces, including Grandparents, Aunties, Uncles, other family members or friends to attend our special ANZAC day service and join us for morning tea after the liturgy.

God bless you all and keep you safe over the holiday break.

Mr. Simon Duffy

Principal



Congratulations to the following students:

* T/1, Rm.8 - Ellena Novak & Will Chappell

* T/1, Rm.9 - Gabriella Kariotis & Francis Williams

* Year 1/2, Rm.4 - Charlize Chin-Salandanan

& Hollie-Ann Kennedy

* Year 1/2, Rm.6 - Aavyan Adhikari & William Stokes

Year 2/3 Rm.15 - Lucas Jaravata & Jarrah Livesley

* Year 3/4 Rm.17 - Payton McMahon & Marc Tedcastle

* Year 4/5, Rm.12 - Jacinta Byrne & Grace Okere

Antonis Michael & Maria McCarthy

Ben Wallace & Kostandinos Kariotis

Chloe Duffy & Kevin Jimmy

Miguel Buhatin & Nikita Woolley

* Sport Award - Elliana Droste & Taluga Adakpoku

The **MJR** (Making Jesus Real) Award is presented to a person who puts enthusiasm, energy and happiness into our school and is a team player.

This week's MJR Award goes to:

Brandon Seiler

Happy Birthday to the following Students who celebrate their birthday in

Week 11:

* Year 5/6, Rm.2 -

* Year 5/6, Rm.10 -

* Art Award -

* Indonesian Award -



• Lenny Wilson

Hugo Commons-Fidge

SPECIALIST CLASS TIMETABLE

CLASS	THE ARTS	INDONESIAN	PE	LIBRARY
RM 8	Tuesday	Thursday	Tuesday	Thursday
RM 9	Tuesday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Thursday
RM 4	Tuesday	Thursday	Tuesday	Monday
RM 6	Tuesday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Monday
RM 15	Wednesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Tuesday
RM 17	Wednesday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Friday
RM 12	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Wednesday
RM 2	Tuesday	Wednesday	Wednesday	Friday
RM10	Wednesday	Wednesday	Tuesday	Tuesday

TERM DATE\$ 2019

TERM	DATES			
Semester One, 2019				
Term 1	Thurs. 31 Jan - Fri. 12 April			
Term break	Mon. 15 April - Fri. 19 April			
Term 2	Tues. 23 April - Fri. 28 June			
Semester break	Mon. 1 July - Fri. 19 July			
Semester Two, 2019				
Term 3	Tues. 23 July - Fri. 27 Sep			
Term break	Mon. 30 Sep - Fri. 11 Oct			
Term 4	Mon. 14 Oct - Thurs. 12 Dec			

OSHC BOOKINGS, CANCELLATIONS, CHARGES & CHANGES

Cancellations or bookings must be made in writing at least 24 hours in advance for a normal rate of \$25 to apply and for cancellations not to be charged (Before 2:30pm for ASC and before 7am for BSC the day prior of booking or required booking). Bookings made less than 24 hours in advance will be charged \$35 per child.

Vacation Care enrolment forms received after the submission date will incur an additional cost of \$50 per child.

Vacation Care requires 48 hours (before 7am, two days prior) in advance written notification for cancellations.

The *Change of Bookings* Form can be obtained from the front office and from the OSHC building. All bookings and cancellations must be in writing and made through the front office. Email accepted, please email: admin.holyspirit@nt.catholic.edu.au

A \$50 late fee (plus \$1 per minute) per child will apply if your child is collected after 5:30pm.

As per the Terms and Conditions on the OSHC enrolment form, public holidays will be charged if the front office has not received a cancellation of booking for that date.

Students who have not been collected by 2:45pm will be sent to OSHC to ensure supervision. Once a child is signed in at OSHC the casual rate will be charged.

Emergency contacts and people approved for collection of children must show identification when collecting students from OSHC and be of at least 18 years of age.

LOOKING THROUGH THE WINDOW

Year 1/2, Rm. 4 with Miss Williams

Throughout the term, students in Room 4 have been exploring the amazing world of Mini-beasts. We have gone on a Schoolyard Safari, where we've discovered many different, tiny creatures living in our school. We have looked at their behaviours and learnt about the physical appearance of worms, snails and ants. This week, in anticipation of our excursion to see the Spider Exhibition at the Darwin Museum, Room 4 have been learning about spiders. We've had a lot of fun creating our own creepy-crawly spiders.









SNAPPY SIX

Name: Ms. Sinéad Favourite Colour: Blue Favourite Food: Tapas

Favourite Book: A Thousand Splendid Suns -

By Khaled Hoseini

Favourite Sport: GAA – Hurling and Football
What do you like best about Holy Spirit School?
That I feel welcomed and encouraged each day, by both

students and staff.



Year 4/5 Teacher

SNAPPY SIX

Name: Miss Kelsey Favourite Colour: Purple

Favourite Food: Mum's Cooking!

Favourite Book: I love reading lots of different books. Bright, funny and exciting picture books

are fun to read.

Favourite Sport: Basketball and Netball

What do you like best about Holy Spirit School?

The friendly, caring and enthusiastic nature of everyone at school. I look forward to coming to school every single day

\$CHOOL, O\$HC, AND COL FEE\$ NEW\$

The school is changing the administration and finance systems this year and as a result the 2019 School Fees invoices will not be sent out to families till April/May. Families can still enquire as to how much school fees will be to start their payment plans.

If you would like to pay your account through internet banking please see the school account details below:

National Australia Bank

Account Name: Holy Spirit School

BSB No. 085933

Account No. 398951673

Ref: (Child's First Initial) . (Last Name) FEES/COL/

OSHC

Example: J Smith FEES

You can also visit the front office in person or call 89 273 411 to make a payment over the phone

Please contact the Finance Officer as soon as possible if there are any difficulties meeting payment commitments.

BACK TO SCHOOL VOUCHER

Have you used your child's "Back to school" voucher? It is worth \$150 and can be used against the Book and Service Levy within the fees or uniforms. Valid till the end of Term 1, 12th of April, 2019. Available at the Front Office.

FRONT OFFICE HOLIDAY HOURS

Office hours will be 8:30am - 3:30pm.

As there will be only be a small number of staff at the school during the break, we ask that you please call the office before coming in to ensure we are open for your visit.

PASTORAL CARE & WELLBEING

Student, staff and family wellbeing is a focus and priority here at Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School. To keep you all informed, we have decided to include weekly updates regarding wellbeing, as well as support policy and procedures that we have in place here at Holy Spirit.

In November last year, the Australian Government, in partnership with *Beyond Blue*, recently launched *Be You*, an online platform that provides educators with tools and strategies to support the mental health and wellbeing in our school. More information about this will be included in our newsletter each week.

Our *Vision and Mission Statement* is central to our school when implementing policy and procedures to our school. A copy of this statement is provided below.

We encourage you to take the time each week to discuss this as a family. Please do not hesitate in speaking with classroom teachers or members of school leadership for clarification.

Kind Regards,

Kelsey, Fíona, Dell, Sínéad, Mary & Paula Pastoral Care & Wellbeing Team

Holy Spirit Vision and Mission Statement

Holy Spirit Catholic community is inspired by the gift of the Catholic story and tradition, encouraging all members *to live, to love and to grow in Christ.*

Holy Spirit Catholic School is committed to developing the fundamental value of each person. Through sharing and living the Catholic story and tradition, we foster learning that enables students, families, school and community to engage in a collaborative partnership for a life-long journey of education.

- Our students learn in an atmosphere which integrates Gospel values with their life and learning. They are valued as unique individuals working to achieve their potential spiritually, academically and socially.
- Our teachers are committed to providing a quality Catholic education based on Gospel values in partnership with the parish and parents/carers. Their priority is to support students achieving their potential.

PC&WB Update 7:

Reward Afternoon

Reward Afternoon takes place on Friday of Weeks 5 and 10 of each term. Students are rewarded for positive behaviour in both the classroom and playground. Positive behaviour identified and recognised by staff for students supporting our Positive School Support Policy and Agreed Practices will participate in Reward Afternoon.

Classroom teachers will negotiate with their class an activity of their choice to participate during *Reward Afternoon*. Parents/carers will be informed of planned activities through *Class DoJo* or letter. Activities/lessons that can be used for *Reward Afternoon*:

- Watching a movie (G Rated)
 - * Where PG, parents/carers informed of movie to be shown and written consent required)
- · Organised class party
- Water play (slip and slide at school)
- Excursion to Casuarina Pool
- · Sport activity
- Technology afternoon (students invited to bring in devices from home)
- Shared activity with Buddy Class or year level group
 - Other:

Students who receive three *Red Cards* or more within the five weeks are not permitted to participate in *Reward Afternoon*. Where this occurs, *Incident Report/Red Card* and notification provided to parents/ carers to keep all informed.

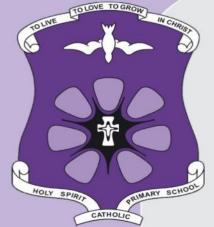
During this time student's work with Principal/Deputy Principal to complete *Community Service* projects around the school. Please refer previous update for further details as required.





7:00 am - 8:00 am

The Mothers Day stall will have a variety of gifts valued between \$2.00 and \$5.00 for purchase and will be open prior 9:30am through to 12:30pm



40th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

We welcome past and present students, families and staff to join

Holy Spirit Catholic Primary School to celebrate our 40-year Anniversary

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Friday 7th June 2019.

Mass at 8:30am at the Holy Spirit Parish Church, followed by morning tea at the school.

School photos and memorabilia from 1979 – 2019 on display

Term 1 Calendar, 2019

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Assembly
Week 11 April 5 th Sunday Lent	8 Palm Sunday Celebration at morning assembly.	9	10 Crazy Sock & Hair Day Gold coin donation.	Last Supper performance and shared lunch 12:15pm	Awards Assembly Stations of the Cross, 10am, MPR REWARD AFTERNOON	Mrs Emma

Term 2 Calendar, 2019

Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Assembly
Week 1 April Easter Sunday	22 Easter Monday	23 Students & staff resume	24 Anzac Ceremony @ 11am	25 ANZAC DAY	26 Awards Assembly NET @ Holy Spirit – Yr 6	Room 12 Year 4/5
Week 2 April/May 2 nd Sunday Easter	29	30	1	2	3 Touch Football Gala @ Fannie Bay	Room 6 Year 1/2
Week 3 May 3 rd Sunday Easter	6 MAY DAY HOLIDAY	7	8	9	10 Mother's Day breakfast & liturgy	Room 10 Year 5/6
Week 4 May 4 th Sunday Easter	13	14 NAPLAN TESTS G&P, Writing	15 NAPLAN - Reading	16 NAPLAN – Numeracy Board Meeting	Darwin Region Track and Field nominations due	Room 15 Year 2/3
Week 5 May 5 th Sunday Easter	20	21	22 Year 5/6 Camp - BOEU	Awards Assembly Year 5/6 Camp - BOEU	24 Year 5/6 Camp - BOEU	Room 4 Year 1/2
Week 6 May 6 th Sunday Easter	27 National Reconciliation Week Assembly Presentation School Photos	28	29 Windows Day @ St John's (Year 6)	30 Bishop's visit & reconciliation	Awards Assembly National Reconciliation activities @ 11:00am	Room 17 Year 3/4
Week 7 June 7 th Sunday Easter	3	4	5 Zone Athletics Carnival @ Marrara	6	7 Holy Spirit Feast Day Mass & Activities – 40 th birthday celebrations	Room 8 Transition / Yr.1
Week 8 June Pentecost Sunday	10 QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY	11	12	13	14 Tennis Gala @ Gardens Tennis Centre	Room 9 Transition / Yr.1

Community Notices





FREE ENTRY www.nt.gov.au





COME AND TRY BALLET - IT'S EXCITING AND FUN FILLED

Darwin School of Ballet is a small dance studio that aims to produce engaged and creative dancers.

We focus on nurturing a love of dance through classical ballet training, positive self-confidence and physical discipline. For information regarding our classes please contact Lisa on heath.lisa@bigpond.com or visit our Facebook page Darwin

School of Ballet



Come and try HOCKEY!



Energy Power

Systems

3 Free Games*

for any Male Junior (9-14yrs)

Training @ Marrara Hockey Centre - Tuesday's 5:30pm - 6:30pm



Contact VICE PRESIDENT (Juniors) -

Ms Chelsea Bevan - 0400 700 861

Email - banks_hockey_club@hotmail.com

http://www.bankshockeyclub.com/





10AM-11:30AM BASKET WEAVING NIGHTCLIFF LIBRARY

10AM-11:30AM BASKET WEAVING KARAMA LIBRARY

3PM-5PM TECH ZONE CASUARINA LIBRARY

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CHILDREN 8 YEARS AND UNDER MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT AT ALL EVENTS. HOLIDAY PROGRAM ACTIVITIES ARE OPEN TO MEMBERS AND NON-MEMBERS. LIBRARY MEMBERSHIP IS FREE TO ALL NT RESIDENTS. THE LIBRARIES ARE CLOSED FOR EASTER LONG WEEKEND.

2PM MOVIE - RALPH BREAKS THE INTERNET KARAMA LIBRARY

LIBRARIES

WEDNESDAY

17 APRIL

THURSDAY 18 APRIL

HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES ARE FREE.