Hello everyone,

**Opening School Mass**
This Saturday night commencing at 6.00pm, we are having our Opening School Mass. It is a great opportunity to get together as a school and parish community and celebrate the start of another school year. We welcome the Preps into our school and give the new school leaders a chance to shine. It would be great to see a full church. The Prep families are welcome to stay behind in the hall for a welcome wine and cheese evening, hosted by our marvellous Parents and Friends Association.

**Swimming Trials**
Yesterday, forty-two children tried out, to make the school swimming team for our upcoming competition in the Preston district. It is fantastic to see so many children able to swim competently and confidently. This is a credit to their parents who have put them through private swimming lessons. I’m confident we will have a very strong team this year. Unfortunately, not every child who trialled will be able to make the team, but we are grateful for their endeavours and encourage them to keep on practising in the hope of making next year’s team.

**School Advisory Board**
Thank you to the people who have contacted me about joining the School Advisory Board. We still have two places yet to be filled. This is a good opportunity for working mums or dads to get involved in the school organisation. We meet at night, four times a year and discuss policies and school procedures. If you are interested or want more information, please contact me.

**Open Morning**
Tuesday February 28 from 9:00 – 12.00pm the school will be open for our school families and also interested families to visit. We are especially encouraging families who are looking for a school for their child in the next few years. Nelson Alexander have very kindly put up four advertising billboards around the area, alerting people to this event.

**2018 Enrolments**
If you have a child due to start school here next year, you can now collect an enrolment form from Mrs Fraser. Once again, if you have a child currently at a local kindergarten, spread the word about Holy Name and encourage parents to book a tour, or attend the Open Morning or Information Evening.
Mrs Bakas’s Room
It has been brought to my attention that children and parents are “cutting through” Mrs Bakas’s Year One classroom to access other rooms. Her room is not a thoroughfare, so I kindly ask that you use the corridors to access other rooms.

Ongoing Parental Agreement Forms
With today’s newsletter, every child received an Ongoing Parental Agreement Form. Please read and complete the form and return it to your child’s teacher by Friday 3 March. All families enrolling at Holy Name must also complete the agreement.

David Delaney
Principal

CLASS REPRESENTATIVES
If you would like to be considered to be a Rep, please let Leanne (not the teacher), know as soon as possible please.

We still need reps for 1B, 1Z, 2C, 2M, 3F, 4B, 4C, 5H & 5M

Thank you to the parents who have volunteered so far –
PF  Susy Perizzolo & Lucy Wilson
PI  Kelly Johnson & Danie Nathan
3G  Kathy Moysiadis & Vittoria Montesano-Sloan
6B  Meri Ristevski & Marianna Kotoulas (& Josie Franco)
6L  Danie De Santis & Leanne Chatziopoulos

Reps are a point of contact for other parents who may have a query about day to day activities scheduled for the Classroom, co-ordinate parent helpers when needed, organise a simple social event (usually once a term) such as a play date in the park, movie & coffee, or a family dinner at a local venue. Reps also let the office know of any births, deaths or marriages!

2017 ANNUAL FEES & LEVIES STATEMENT
If any families have not yet received their 2017 annual fees / levies statement either by email or post, please contact Leanne at the office (office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au) OR Rosemarie, our Bursar (bursar@hnpe.catholic.edu.au).

The levy for this year per child is $235 & $75 incursion/excursion levy on your statement.

Payment methods are cash, cheque, Bpay, direct debit (come in to collect a form), EFTPOS or credit card in person/over phone to Leanne.

Also, the Grade Five ($330) & Six ($340) camp fee must be paid by Tuesday 28 February, unless prior arrangements have been made with the Principal.

**If you are eligible and have already applied for 2017 CSEF government funding by completing and lodging your form at the school office by Feb 28, we will apply CSEF towards your child’s camp, just let us know, as you will then only pay the camp fee minus $125.
CURRICULUM NEWS
CURRICULUM OVERVIEWS
Dear Parents,
In 2017, we will continue to provide a Curriculum Overview for each year level regarding what your children will be covering for the term. Term One Curriculum Overviews have been made available to you this week. With saving precious paper in mind, these overviews will be made available to you through the school app and through the school website. These documents are incredibly important for you, so you know what your child is learning about for the term in all areas of the curriculum. This might promote discussion for you and your child, you can ask them specifically what they are learning about, based on the overview. Please take the time to access these and look through them as a family.

PREP – TWO LITERACY PARENT HELPER TRAINING
The training is this coming Monday, 20 February at 9:00am upstairs in the ILC. This is for parents who have not been trained before. It’s not too late to return your slip to attend. Please send it in tomorrow to the teacher or office. Reminder that all parents volunteering in any capacity at the school must have a current Working with Children check.

For parents who have already done the training and would like to help out again this year in the classroom, just fill in the slip letting us know when you can help (there are spare copies at the office). Parents are a fantastic help for the teachers at Holy Name, helping to free up the teachers for their small group focus sessions. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the training.
**Your classroom teachers will be in touch with you soon if you have already trained to begin helping in the classroom.

FIRST AID TRAINING
On Monday, the entire school took part in basic First Aid Training provided by St. John’s. Two instructors came into the school and took each grade through age-appropriate First Aid Training. This is a free service that St. John’s provides and is a fantastic resource for us as a school to use. I wanted to take the time to let you all know as a parent community about the feedback received by both instructors. They both stated that they were really impressed with the behaviour of all students at Holy Name. They thought the participation from both students and teachers was fantastic, particularly compared to some of the other schools they visit. This is wonderful for us a school to hear, however, it is also important for you to hear as parents. We are extremely proud of our students, and it is wonderful when people from outside the school comment on their behaviour as well.
Thank you
Susan Mitchell
Teaching and Learning, Literacy and Numeracy Leader

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB
Bookclub orders must be back TOMORROW (Fri 17th), if your child wishes to order.
MINOR HEAD BUMPS – SMS NOTIFICATION
If your child has an accidental bump to their face or head, no matter how minor, an SMS is sent to one parent’s mobile phone. (Of course, this happens only if the student reports it to a teacher). It is a **generic** SMS. You do *not* need to respond or call.

*In the event that your child is sick or hurts themselves and needs to go home, we will ring you immediately.*

**It is extremely important that you keep the school office up to date with new phone numbers, work details and home address. This can be done by phone, note or email to Leanne ([office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au)).**

eSmart
**This week’s tip:**
*Have a family internet agreement and clear rules about what information can be put on websites or shared with others, where your children go online and what they do. *Do not* exchange personal information.....*

HOLY NAME HONOUR ROLL
The Honour Roll Certificate winners for this week are:

**PF**
Isaiah R

**PI**
Ruiben K

**1B**
Patrick N

**1Z**
Evie W

**2C**
Gianni D

**2M**
Angelique K

**3F**
The Whole Grade

**3G**
The Whole Grade

**4B**
Julien F

**4C**
Tom M

**5H**
Julia P

**5M**
Bridget C

**6K**
Siena B

**6L**
Ada S

P.S. Don’t forget to check out our honour board in the Office Corridor

LOST PROPERTY BASKET
*Is now located in the multi-purpose area outside Mrs Sloan’s room.* Please *make sure you NAME every item of clothing clearly.* It makes it easier for your child or yourself to find the missing item. Items not named (and unclaimed) at the end of the year form part of the second hand uniform sale. We do NOT throw out lost property, unless the item is mouldy or unwearable.
DO YOU HAVE A HEALTH CARE CARD/PENSION CONCESSION CARD?
If so, come to the school office and complete an Education Department CSEF (Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund) application form for this year. If you were eligible as at the 30th January, 2017 (holder of a current and valid Health Care card/pension concession or are a foster parent OR Veteran Affairs pensioner), you can apply for your primary school student. CSEF payment is $125 per year paid directly to the school and can ONLY be used for camp/excursion/incursion type activities. We would like all forms to be returned BEFORE 28 February, so that payments will be received at school around March.

STUDENT BANKING
Student banking has resumed for this year. If you would like to open an account for your child, please collect a form from the office.

ICY POLE SALES
Icy pole sales have started! Now we just need some hot weather...!
A huge thank you to our wonderful parents who have volunteered to sell. We are able to run five days per week. Just a reminder that if it’s cold or raining, we don’t sell icypoles.

The products and prices are:

***Prices:***
- Icy Twists (lemonade) - $1.20
- Mini Calippo (rasp/pine flavour) - $1.00
- Paddle pops (choc, banana, rainbow) $1.30

Remember: Contrary to what your child may tell you.... children do not have to have an icy pole each day, it is a treat.

Due to severe food allergies, children are NOT to buy for any other child.

** We do not pass on icy pole money left at home.**

STUDENT SUNGLASSES
Please check your Yr1 – 6 child’s sunnies (or ask your child), to make sure their school issue sunglasses are in good condition, i.e. not scratched or broken.

Sunglasses with scratches may lead to eye problems. Encourage your child to clean their glasses at least weekly before going outside. If your child needs new glasses, they are $15 per pair and come with their name engraved, neoprene strap and pouch.

TIME CHANGE TO SECOND LUNCH BREAK
Due to a change of specialist timetable this year, we have changed the afternoon break time. Students will now have second play at 1.30 to 1.55pm. Class begins at 2.00pm. (Previously 1.50 to 2.20pm)

PARISH THANKSGIVING
Please contact Carolyn 9471 0832 to pay by credit card over the phone, or drop back your envelope to the Parish.
BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE
Our Camp Australia Co-Ordinator is Helen, and she is happy to chat to parents about the program offered.

We want ALL families to be enrolled for Before and After School Care, even if you think you may not ever need to use the service. Camp Australia accepts enrolments ONLINE www.campaustralia.com.au. Over the years, an increasing number of families have asked for before school care to make life a bit easier for work commitments and appointments, and now we need people to start using the service.

UNIFORM ITEMS FOR SALE AT THE OFFICE
The school office has legionnaires hats for $11 and replacement sunglasses for $15. Also house colour t-shirts (all colours & sizes @$8 each)

ORDER ACADEMY UNIFORMS ONLINE - academyuniforms.com.au
If you order online (our password is reservoir), or by phone with your credit card, Academy will deliver the item to the school, at no extra cost.

P&F Easter Egg Chocolate Drive!
We are super egg-cited to start our year with the Easter Egg Chocolate Drive. The chocolate drive is always a very successful fundraiser for the school, with all funds raised going towards improving our facilities and resources.

The boxes are coming home NEXT WEEK! If you don’t want to receive a box, return the slip by TOMORROW (17th Feb) to the school office.

As always there will be a prize for the family that sells the most boxes during the drive.

**Help needed please to pack the boxes**
If any parents can help collate the Chocolate drive boxes straight after morning drop off on Thursday 23rd Feb, please come to the hall. All help would be greatly appreciated. Even if you can only spare an hour or so, that would be great!
Thank you in anticipation,
Maria Palbas, on behalf of the P & F Committee

Reflection of the Week
Start by doing what’s necessary; then do what’s possible; and suddenly you are doing the impossible.
Francis of Assisi

With today’s newsletter the attachments are:
- Holy Name Parish newsletter to all families via eldest (white)
- Ongoing Parental Agreement to all students (white)
- Letter to all Gr3 & 4 grades re nut allergies (small white)
**Assembly is on Mondays, beginning 3.00pm.**

Children’s Lunch & Afternoon break times: (note the change)

10.50am – children eat in classroom
11.00 – 11.45am– children play outside & 11.50am class begins
1.30 – 1.55pm - children play outside & 2.00pm class begins

*(If it is raining, or the temperature is 32 and above, all children remain inside under teacher supervision)*

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**PARADE COLLEGE – OPEN DAY – THIS SUNDAY 19 FEBRUARY**

We invite you to come along and view the facilities at our Bundoora & Preston Campuses.

Preston Campus, 8 Clifton Grove - 10am to 2pm
Bundoora Campus, 1436 Plenty Road - 11am to 3pm
Open Day registration via - www.parade.vic.edu.au

**ST MONICA’S COLLEGE, EPPING – www.stmonicas-epping.com**

You are invited to attend a Morning Tea with the Principal. This is an excellent opportunity to see our facilities and to learn more about the values of a Monican Education.

**Dates for Term 1, 2017**
Friday 17 February, 9.30am, Thursday 23 February, 9.30am
Tours commence from The Theatre of All Nations, Dalton Road Campus.
To make a booking online visit www.stmonicas-epping.com
For further information please contact the College Registrar, Mrs Enza Sinopoli 9409 8444 or email registrar@stmonicas-epping.com
Enrolments are currently being accepted for Year 7, 2018 - 2019.
2018 enrolments will close on Friday 17 February, 2017.
2019 enrolments will close on Friday 25 August, 2017.
HORIZONS Accelerated Learning Program is offered at Year 7 Level.

**SIMONDS CATHOLIC SECONDARY COLLEGE FOR BOYS**

Come to our open afternoon at St Mary’s Year 7-10 campus in West Melbourne on Tues 21 Feb from 3.30 - 6.00pm. The Principal, Mr Peter Riordan takes 1 hr morning tours starting at 9.15am during Term time. If you would like to know more about the College or tour dates, go to www.sccmelb.catholic.edu.au or ring 9321 9200. Yr 7 2018 enrolment applications close on 24 March 2017 and Yr 7 2019 applications close on 8 Sept 2017.

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*See over page for calendar dates!*
## Calendar of Known Dates for 2017

*Reminder – some dates may need to change*

*Added dates appear in blue in today’s newsletter*

*Dates added last week are in red*

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SEPTEMBER
Nude Food Day Tues 5
Whole School Production Thurs 14
P&F Hot Food Day Fri 15
End of Term Fri 22 (1.00pm finish)

OCTOBER
Start Term Four Mon 9
Nude Food Day Tues 10

NOVEMBER
Reconciliation Thurs 2
School Closure Day Mon 6
Melbourne Cup Day Public Holiday Tues 7
School Closure Day Wed 8
Prep 2018 Information Night Mon 13
1st Prep Orientation Tues 14
P&F Hot Food Day Fri 17
2nd Prep Orientation Tues 21
Whole School Sports Carnival Thurs 23
3rd Prep Orientation Tues 28

DECEMBER
Prep to Two Swim Program starts Mon 4
Nude Food Day Tues 5
Year Four Camp Thurs 7 & Fri 8
End of Term Fri 22 (1.00pm finish)