Hello Everyone,

**Year Five and Six Camp**
The children are all looking forward to camp next week from Wednesday to Friday. The camp is at Smiths beach, Philip Island and it is an adventure camp. The Year Fives rough it in tents and the Year Sixes have more luxurious accommodation. We need to send a large number of staff for safety and supervision reasons, so next week on these three days, there may be different teachers with your child at times. Every year the staff are so accommodating in volunteering for camp.... it is a really hard slog over the three days, but their professionalism is outstanding. They will all return next Friday exhausted, but thrilled at the opportunity the camp gives them.

**Swimming Carnival**
Yesterday, a large number of children from Years 4 – 6 competed in the Preston District Swimming Carnival. When I first came to the school, we could only field a team of six swimmers; yesterday we could have sent sixty. This is a credit to the families who send their children to swimming lessons, realising how beneficial the training is. The children all competed with enthusiasm and determination. There were some very pleasing results, with ten children advancing to the regional stage, but the overall experience is the winner for all the children who competed. Thanks once again to Mr Hartnett for organising the event.

**Prep Wine and Cheese Night**
Last Tuesday, the Parents and Friends Association hosted the annual Prep Family Wine and Cheese night. It was really well attended, especially with new families to the school. Whilst the children were supervised with popcorn and cordial, the parents mingled and hopefully sowed the seeds of long time friendships with other Holy Name families. Special thanks to Carina, Bernadette and Diana for the organisation of the event.

**Parent Teacher Interviews**
The online booking service is available now for parent-teacher interviews. The website is [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) the code is myujd to choose a time for your Prep to Six child/children’s parent teacher interview on Thursday 10 March. Each interview lasts ten minutes. If there are further items to discuss, you’ll need to reschedule another time. **School finishes at 1.00pm on this day.** If you need After School Care for the early finish, please book asap with Extend.
Welcome to –
Brando (PD) & Martino (3F), and their parents Lucia & Paul, who have moved back to Melbourne after a few years in California. We hope you enjoy your time here at Holy Name. We also welcome back Carmelo L (1B) and his family who have moved back to Melbourne from the country.

Health Plans
If your child has asthma or is anaphylactic, we need a copy of their current health plan. If you haven’t provided an up to date plan or if their plan has changed, could you please inform the school.

School Tours
Enrolment tours for 2017 have already started. If you know of any family interested in sending their child to school here next year, could you encourage them to contact the office and book a tour before the end of term. For Holy Name families with children due to start Prep in 2017, come to the office to collect an enrolment form.

Class Representatives
A big thank you to the following ladies who have volunteered their time to be a class rep for this year -
PD - Celia Date
PI - Siobhan Broxton
1B - Irene Renda
1Z - Julie Mavromihalis
2C - Lemei Wu & Bernadette D’Angelo
2M - ............
3F - Sonia Sardellis & Liz Leos
3G - Marcela Atanasovski
4B - Lina Paolini
4C - Anna Krestev
5D - .............
5N - .............
6K - Carina Mitsinikos & Lina Paolini
6L - Diana Napoletano & Joanna Apostolopoulos
6P - Angela Milenkovska

The reps will soon be organising friendship lists and starting to plan get-togethers for the children and/or parents.

As you can see, we are still seeking reps for the following grades: 2M, 5D & 5N.

It would be great for all grades to have at least one rep.
If you’re not sure what’s involved, please see me or Leanne in the office.

Catholic Secondary School Applications Close Tomorrow
Make sure you get your application in for Year 7, 2017.

David Delaney,
Principal
HEALTH CARE CARD/PENSION CONCESSION CARD HOLDERS
If you hold a current and valid Health Care card/pension concession or are a foster parent OR Veteran Affairs pensioner, you are eligible to apply for the Education Department CSEF (Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund) for your primary school student. CSEF is $125 per year paid to the school and can ONLY be used for camp/excursion/incursion type activities. Application forms are available from the school office and we would like all forms to be returned BEFORE 29 February, so payments can be received around March.

GR PREP TO TWO LITERACY PARENT HELPER TRAINING
At the beginning of the week, a note was sent home to all parents in the Prep, One and Two classrooms regarding being a helper during Literacy time. If you have not done the training before, it will be held on Tuesday, 8th March in the ILC beginning at 9:00am. If you have done the training before, and you would like to help in the classroom, just fill in the slip on the note sent home, letting us know when you can help. We will then get in contact with these parents to let them know when they can start helping. Thank you for all of the interest with helping in the classroom. Parents are a fantastic help for the teachers at Holy Name, helping to free them up for their small group focus sessions. Looking forward to seeing everyone at the training.

**You MUST have a current Working with Children check OR be in the process of applying for one, to volunteer in any capacity at the school. (Collect a form from a post office OR go online to the Department of Justice).**

Thanks
Susan Mitchell
Literacy Leader

2016 ACCEPTABLE USE INTERNET FORMS – GRADE 1 TO 6
If you have not returned the three forms (pages 9,10 & 11) from the Internet Agreement booklet, please do so ASAP to your child’s classroom teacher.

2016 ANNUAL FEES & LEVIES STATEMENT
The levy for this year per child is $285, which has been broken into $220 levy & $65 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 & Six camp ($300), must be paid for PRIOR to the child departing for camp, unless you have made an arrangement with the Principal.

**If you are eligible and have already applied for 2016 CSEF government funding by completing and lodging your form at the school office by Feb 29, we will apply CSEF towards your child’s camp. Just let us know, as you will then only pay the camp levy minus $125.**
CHESS CLUB EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

Today, an ‘expression of interest only at this stage’ chess club letter was sent home to all students. If your child is interested in participating in the beginner or experienced chess group lessons, please fill in the form and return it by Thurs 10 March to the teacher or the office.

Please do NOT send any money yet.
Geraldine Sloan
Chess Club Co-Ordinator

REMINDER ABOUT OUR SMS FOR MINOR HEAD BUMPS

This is a reminder to all new families: if your child receives a MINOR bump to the head or neck, but doesn’t need to go home, for example, a soft plastic ball to the forehead or bump to the head, that at home you probably may not even notice, we send an SMS message to one parent (usually mum) to advise that this has occurred. **We ONLY SMS for minor issues. There is no need to respond.

For any serious bump, knock, illness etc we always ring you immediately and appraise you of the situation (and ask that you collect your child), so please make sure your current work /home / mobile numbers are up to date at the school office.

STUDENT BANKING

If your child would like to open a bank account and deposit some money each week, or every now and again, please see Leanne in the office for an application form.

WEDNESDAY LUNCHTIME

11:00AM - 11:40AM
FOR STUDENTS IN GRADES 4, 5 &6

BOUNCE BACK AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week’s bounce back winners:
PrepD  No award this week
PrepI  No award this week
1B    Zane R
1Z    Alexia M
2C    Vanessa D
2M    Emma P
3F    Martino C
3G    Emily P
4B    Erin T
4C    No award this week
5D    Ryan C
5N    Max R
6K    Phuc D
6L    Natasha S
6P    Areeba A

P.S. Don’t forget to check out our honour board in the Office Corridor
NOTICE TO PARENTS OF GRADE ONE & TWO STUDENTS

Dear Parents,
The Grade 1 and 2 children are settling in nicely. Our focus this term is on encouraging them to develop independence, by walking in to the school building on their own and organising themselves ready for the day. If you have any concerns, we are happy to meet with you, however mornings are not suitable times to address these. Please make an appointment, so a convenient time can be arranged.
Kind regards,
Grade 1 & 2 teachers

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PARENTS & FRIENDS COMMITTEE NEWS

Hot Food Day treat!  Hot Food Day Treat!  Hot Food Day Treat!
This term’s Hot Food Day is a choice of ‘Sausage sizzle lunch’ OR ‘Sushi lunch’.
Each child received a hot food day form today, HOWEVER your child doesn’t have to participate, they can just bring their normal lunch instead.
*** Hot Food Day is Friday 18th March ***
(Money and slip back to classroom teacher please by Wed 2 March.
**No late orders will be accepted and NO change will be given. Any extra money enclosed will be treated as a donation.
As usual, we will need helpers on the morning please. If you can help, see one of the P&F OR leave your name at the office with Leanne.

Fete Committee Vacant Co-Ordinator Positions – Can you help?
They are: Food Coordinator & Communications Coordinator
If you are interested (or would like to ask what is required), contact Vicky Sartor on 0423 719 364 or email vicky@previewblinds.com.au
**We have a Fete Meeting NEXT Wednesday evening (2nd March) at 7pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

P&F Easter Egg Chocolate Drive
Thank you to those families who have already sold their box of chocolates. We still have lots of extra boxes, if you would like to sell more.
**We can also make up special order boxes...... just let Leanne at the office know what you require, and we can make the order up by the next day for you.
**Prizes will be awarded to the families who sell the most amount of boxes during the drive!
Maria Palbas, on behalf of the P & F Committee

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UNIFORM ITEMS FOR SALE AT THE OFFICE
The school office has legionnaires hats only for $10 and replacement sunglasses for $15.

ORDER ACADEMY UNIFORMS ONLINE – academyuniforms.com.au
If you want to order online or by phone with your credit card, Academy will deliver the item to the school for free. If you choose to order online, our password is - reservoir

CLASSROOM CUISINE LUNCH ORDERS – MONDAY & FRIDAY
Go to the website classroomcuisine.com.au and have a look at the great menu offered.
**Don’t forget to log in and update your child’s 2016 grade. Just a reminder that the ordering system really does close at 8.30am! (If your child doesn’t go to school on the day of the ordered lunch, you can simply use the cancel option).**

PARISH THANKSGIVING
Please contact Carolyn 9471 0832 to pay by credit card over the phone, or drop back your envelope to the Parish.

COMMUNITY NEWS
DAREBIN COMMUNITY HEALTH – CHILD DENTAL BENEFIT SCHEME
*Your child may be eligible for $1,000 worth of free basic dental treatment if they are aged between 2 – 17 years AND you receive Family Tax Benefit A or any other relevant Government payments.* If you are eligible for the CDBS there is no out of pocket expenses, Darebin Community Health is based at three locations: Northcote – 42 Separation St. Phone 9403 1200 PANCH Preston – 300 Bell St. Phone 9485 9000 East Reservoir – 125 Blake St. Phone 8470 1111 (hours vary site to site) **Just call one of the locations for further details.**

Reflection of the Week
*No act of kindness, no matter how small, is ever wasted.*

*******Aesop

With today’s newsletter the attachments are:
- Parish News to eldest (white)
- Chess Club Expression of Interest form to eldest (lilac)
- P&F Term 1 Hot Food Day ‘Sausage Sizzle or Sushi’ to EVERY child (beige)
- Welcome to Catholic Education 2016 leaflet to eldest
## Calendar of Known Dates

Reminder - some dates may need to change & dates will be added

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Welcome back!
We hope you have had a fantastic summer holiday and are looking forward to the exciting opportunities that 2016 will bring.

We are looking forward to seeing lots of familiar faces at After School Care and to welcoming lots of new faces as well.

Existing Families
Don't forget to manage your 2016 bookings.

Last year’s bookings do not roll over so log on to the parent portal NOW to secure your bookings for 2016.

You can book for the entire term or year or even book specific dates.

New Families - Enrol online – allow 24 hours
Enrolling is quick and easy! Simply set up your own account online via the Parent Portal. Please note it is government regulation that all children must be enrolled BEFORE attending an Extend service. For information on operating hours and fees for your school, visit your After School Care venue or school website.

Enrol now, pay later
The annual enrolment fee per family of $20 is NOT payable until you first use the service. So why not enrol now so you can access the service later? It doesn't matter if you don't end up using the service, because you won't be charged.

Watch this space throughout the term for regular updates from our Extend team!

PARENT PORTAL: extend.com.au

IMPORTANT NOTICE TO PARENTS
We have mobile phone that you can text or leave phone messages if you need to contact the Educator of the Program for whatever reason during operation hours. Mob: 0439 555 875.

NOTE:
In coming weeks we will be having Children from Santa Maria college joining us in Term 1 to do their Community Service Duke of Ed.