Hello Everyone,

This hot stretch is tiring for both the staff and children. If the temperature reaches 32 degrees, the children stay in their air-conditioned rooms for the breaks. We encourage them to drink lots of water and not run around too much. The Preps will particularly feel it and you may consider a rest day if they’ve had it.

**Swimming**
Mr Hartnett and I took our eight remaining swimmers to the third stage of the swimming competition on Wednesday. They were competing against private school children with schools which have their own pools, but our students acquitted themselves really well. It was a pleasure to be with these great children.

**Parent Teacher Interviews**
This afternoon and night, we are hosting our first parent teacher interviews for the year. This is an opportunity for your child’s teacher to report back on their start to the year, testing results and goal setting moving ahead. The Federal Government require us to report your child’s progress on four occasions throughout the year. We have two interviews and two written reports.

**Labour Day Holiday**
School is closed next Monday for the Labour Day public holiday.

**St Patrick’s Day Mass**
Next week is Catholic Education Week and a highlight is our school leaders and eight other students, who have art work at the art show, attending Mass at St Patrick’s Cathedral. This is a mass that they would rarely experience, with most Melbourne schools represented, and presided over by Archbishop Hart.

**Hot Food Day**
Next Friday is our first hot food day for the year. We will need many helpers in the morning from 9.30am, putting the orders together in the hall. Also, if anybody is able to help a dad cook the sausages, this would be greatly appreciated. You will require a current “working with children” check.

**End of Term**
Term One concludes at 1.00pm on Thursday March 24. After school care will be available from this time but bookings are essential.
**Student/Family Verification Forms**
Today, at the parent teacher interviews, the teacher will give you a print out of your child/ren’s verification details. We do this every year for every child, and any changes made are then updated on our records and the print-out is kept in your child’s student file. All signed forms are due back please by Tuesday 15th March to your child’s classroom teacher. Please make sure you sign the verification, even if there aren’t any changes.

**Please note that under parent email addresses, it could be that the email address listed is for the other parent. This is because the email address you chose for your account statement is the one used for the fee payer, (our computer system only allows ONE parent to be flagged as the fee payer, unless there is a split family with 50% fees for each parent).**

**ALSO There is no need to write the address, employer or occupation of ANY emergency contacts. We only need their phone numbers.**

**House Colour T-shirts**
We now have a full range of sizes and colours again in our house colour t-shirts. They are on sale for $8 each at the office. We expect all students to be wearing the plain house t-shirts.

**Prep 2017 Information Evening**
On Monday 21 March starting at 7.00pm, is an information session and school tour for new families requiring Prep in 2017. Existing families in the school can get an enrolment form from the office.

**Palm Sunday – Peace Rally 2016**
The Parish and School invite all school and parish families to join us for the Palm Sunday Peace Rally. We will attend the St Patrick’s Cathedral Prayer service 1:00pm – 1:30pm, and then continue to the State Library – rally begins at 2:00pm.
It would be great to have a group attend from the Holy Name community. If you would like to travel in a group, just meet at Holy Name Church by 12noon to take a tram in to the Cathedral. If you have any queries, please feel free to call Natalie Oman for details on 0425 794 053.
Hoping to see lots of families there.

**Class Representatives**
We are still seeking reps for 5D & 5N.
It would be a pity if the two grades don’t have a rep this year...
If you’re not sure what’s involved, please see me or Leanne in the office.

David Delaney,
Principal

**P&F CASUAL CLOTHES DAY**
On Friday 18th March, to coincide with hot food day, there is a casual clothes day for students. The cost to wear casual clothes is a gold coin donation, which will be used for Fete resources. There is NO theme.
MR CATALANO IS DOING WORLD’S GREATEST SHAVE!
Today, 34 Australians will be given the devastating news that they have blood cancer, and they’ll turn to the Leukaemia Foundation for help.
If you can, please sponsor me and help support families and continue the urgent search for cures.
Getting sponsored to shave your hair is an extraordinary way to help people with leukaemia, lymphoma and myeloma, but I can’t do it alone. **Help me make the most of my hairy sacrifice!!!**
Check out my page at the following link for sponsorship details https://goo.gl/mwLTWs
Thanks everyone!

WINTER JACKETS
We are no longer able to purchase the Rainbird winter jackets, however, our uniform provider, Academy Uniforms, have ordered a different jacket for us (navy blue with our school logo embroidered). The jackets will ONLY be available from Academy ($49.50 each). They look like a great jacket (a bit less bulky than the rainbirds).
**We have a FIRE SALE on our last few rainbird jackets at school, selling from the office at $25 each. We have 5 small & 7 large... Sorry, no medium left**

BOUNCE BACK AWARD WINNERS
Congratulations to this week’s bounce back winners:
PrepD   Shaan C
PrepI   Federico F
1B      Catherine B & Carmelo L
1Z      Adam S & Mariella C
2C      Benjamin S
2M      James A
3F      Alexander K
3G      Oliver N & Mykayla A
4B      Amelia F
4C      Zara B
5D      Olivia C
5N      Alyssa L
6K      Damian D
6L      Bridget G
6P      Dominic N

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

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB
If you wish to order, please return your form (and money) by TOMORROW, Friday 11 March to your classroom teacher.
**SAMARITAN HOUSE STUDENTS**

Are seeking donations of children’s bikes and helmets which are no longer needed at your house, for the Exodus Community to pass to needy families in the West Heidelberg area. The bikes and helmets **must** be in good working order please. Any size or shape bike donation will be gratefully received from next Monday for two weeks.

You can leave them near the ramp outside the school office entrance, just put them behind the brick wall, and Samaritan students will collect them each morning.

Thank you for your support,
Samaritan House Students

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**ASTHMA AND/OR ANAPHYLACTIC 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.

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**SPORTS REPORT**

Congratulations to Jessica G, Ella D, Zara B, Talia D, Dana O, Venice A, Angelique A & Makaio D, who yesterday represented our school in the Northern Metropolitan Regional Swimming Championships at Northcote Aquatic. All students swam brilliantly at the preceeding level to the State Championships, a fantastic effort by all. Thanks to all students who participated this year from the Swim trialling process onwards.

Our Grade Sixes complete the home and away summer interschool sport season tomorrow, with all teams exceptionally well placed.

Cross Country is the next marquee event open to trialling for all Grade four, five and six students, which will get underway in Term Two, which is shortly approaching!

Mr Ryan Hartnett
Physical Education Teacher

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**2016 VICTORIAN PREMIERS’ READING**

The Victorian Premiers’ Reading Challenge is now open and Holy Name is excited to be participating once again! The Challenge is open to all Victorian children from birth to 16 years in recognition of the importance of reading for literacy development. It is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of books.

*A letter and consent form about the Challenge went home today.*

If you would like your child to participate, please return the privacy and consent form to your class room teacher.

If there are any queries regarding the Challenge, please contact Angela Gangi, Reading Challenge Co-ordinator on angangi@hnpe.catholic.edu.au
**WEARING CORRECT SCHOOL UNIFORM**
Please make sure your child is not wearing bracelets (leather, string or beaded) to school. They are NOT school uniform. They will be told to remove them and put them in their school bag.

**HOUSE COLOUR T-SHIRTS FOR SALE AT THE OFFICE @ $8 EACH**
We now have a full supply of our house colour t-shirts.

**CHESS CLUB EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**
If your child is interested in participating in the beginner or experienced chess group lessons, please fill in the form and return it by TOMORROW. *Please do NOT send any money yet.*
Geraldine Sloan, Chess Club Co-Ordinator

**SENDING MONEY TO SCHOOL FOR SPECIAL EVENTS**
When sending money to school, please either use a snap lock bag, with your child’s name, grade etc. written on the front OR if you are using an envelope, please seal the top edges OR wrap the coins in a little bit of alfoil or gladwrap first.

**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.*

**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. Just a reminder that the ordering system *really* does close at 8.30am!

**THANK YOU FROM**
Maria Kolimackovski and the Mascaro family for the fantastic support, flowers, food and attendance at the rosary and funeral for Maria’s father last week. Thank you also to the Grade Three families who donated $80 to the Cancer Council in his memory.

**PARISH THANKSGIVING**
Please contact Carolyn 9471 0832 to pay by credit card over the phone, or drop back your envelope to the Parish.
SEEKING A FETE ARTWORK GRAPHIC DESIGNER/ILLUSTRATOR
The P&F Fete Committee is seeking the voluntary services of a graphic designer and/or graphic illustrator to design artwork for this year’s fete. If you have what it takes to design outdoor advertising boards, flyers, posters and website banners that will promote the fete throughout the Holy Name Community and local area, please email melanie@meehandesign.com.au to receive the design brief. Design submissions close 13 April 2016. Thank you, Melanie Meehan (0411 777 078).

also
We now have our Food Co-Ordinators – Silvana Cassar & Anna Cafasso
Thank you to all our Fete volunteers!

CASUAL CLOTHES & HOT FOOD DAY DATE - FRIDAY 18 MARCH
We are having our first casual clothes day to raise money for the Fete in November. There is no theme to dress in, just normal casual. The cost is a gold coin donation to the teacher upon arrival at school.

ALSO A reminder about Hot Food Day (or Sushi) on Fri 18 March. We need lots of helpers please. Meet at the hall after drop off. Thank you!

P&F EASTER EGG CHOCOLATE DRIVE
Thank you to those families who have already sold their box of chocolates and to the families who have taken extra boxes to sell. Just a reminder that any unsold chocolates & money are due back to school by Thursday 17th March.

**If you require extra boxes or if you would like a special box made up with just Easter egg packs or a goodies box, please let Leanne in the office know.

**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

2016/2017 EDITION OF THE ENTERTAINMENT GUIDE
The 2016/2017 edition of the Entertainment Book is coming your way. Today, your child would have received a flyer giving you the chance to pre-purchase the new edition or alternatively advise us not to send you home a copy. The books will be going home to all families on Thursday 21st April (Term 2). For the families who pre-purchase, there are bonus vouchers to receive. Please return your slip by Friday 18th March.
Reflection of the Week

Memories of our lives, of our works and our deeds will continue in others.

.............Rosa Parks

With today’s newsletter the attachments are:
- Parish News to eldest (white)
- Premier’s Reading Challenge notice & permission form to EVERY student (white)
- P&F Fundraising Entertainment Guide notice & Opt out slip to eldest (blue)
- Prep Easter Fun in the Park picnic invitation to ALL preps (white)
- Grade 2 Parent Morning Catch-up to ALL Gr2 parents (small white)

Holy Name Parish
Holy Week and Easter 2016

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Calendar of Known Dates
Reminder - some dates may need to change & dates will be added

TERM ONE
LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY MON 14 MARCH
P&F HOT FOOD & CASUAL CLOTHES FRI 18 MARCH
PREP 2017 INFORMATION EVENING MON 21 MARCH
END OF TERM ONE THURS 24 MARCH (1.00pm finish)

TERM TWO
TERM TWO COMMENCES MON 11 APRIL
GR3&4 GYMNASTICS COMMENCES FRI 15 APRIL
SCHOOL PHOTOS TUES 19 APRIL (2nd week Term 2)
ANZAC DAY (PUBLIC HOLIDAY) MON 25 APRIL
MATHS NIGHT WED 27 APRIL
NUDE FOOD DAY TUES 3 MAY
LIFE ED VAN STARTS THURS 5 MAY
MOTHERS’ DAY PRAYER SERVICE THURS 5 MAY (evening 7pm)
NAPLAN TUES 10 TO THURS 12 MAY
YEAR FOUR CAMP THURS 12 & FRI 13 MAY
SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS MON 16 & TUES 17 MAY
CROSS COUNTRY WED 18 MAY
YEAR SIX CONFIRMATION SUN 22 MAY
NUDE FOOD DAY TUES 7 JUNE
QUEEN’S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY MON 13 JUNE
MID YEAR REPORTS GO HOME FRI 17 JUNE
END OF TERM TWO FRI 24 JUNE (1.00pm finish)

TERM THREE
TERM THREE COMMENCES MON 11 JULY
GRANDPARENT’S DAY FRI 29 JULY
NUDE FOOD DAY TUES 2 AUGUST
PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS THURS 25 AUGUST (1.00pm finish)
YEAR FOUR COMMUNION SUN 28 AUGUST
FATHERS’ DAY BREAKFAST FRI 2 SEPT
NUDE FOOD DAY TUES 6 SEPT
END OF TERM THREE FRI 16 SEPT (1.00pm finish)

TERM FOUR
TERM FOUR COMMENCES MON 3 OCT
NUDE FOOD DAY TUES 4 OCT
SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY MON 31 OCT
MELB CUP DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY TUES 1 NOV
PREP 2017 INFORMATION EVENING WED 2 NOV
FIRST PREP ORIENTATION SESSION TUES 8 NOV
REMEMBRANCE DAY FRI 11 NOV
HOLY NAME FETE SUN 13 NOVEMBER
SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY MON 14 NOV
SECOND PREP ORIENTATION SESSION TUES 15 NOV
THIRD PREP ORIENTATION SESSION TUES 22 NOV
PREP TO TWO SWIM PROGRAM BEGINS MON 5 DEC
NUDE FOOD DAY TUES 6 DEC
CAROLS NIGHT THURS 8 DEC
END OF YEAR REPORTS GO HOME FRI 9 DEC
YEAR SIX GRADUATION EVENING TO BE ADVISED
PREP TO TWO SWIM ENDS FRI 16 DEC
END OF SCHOOL YEAR FRI 16 DEC (1.00pm finish)
Extend OHSC at Holy Name Primary School

AUTUMN HOLIDAY PROGRAM
BOOKINGS ARE OPEN AT A SCHOOL NEAR YOU!
Book by the deadline to take advantage of lower rates!
VIC & QLD booking deadline: Friday 18 March

We have heaps of fun activities planned these school holidays and can't wait for you to attend! Create a diorama of the Amazon jungle, mould an autumn leaf dish out of clay, and participate in lots of group games including a time challenge and secret agent maze! Join in on all this and more at Extend’s Autumn Holiday Program. To check out what’s on and where your local program is, visit our website at extend.com.au and book via the Parent Portal.

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.

Most enjoyed activity of the week
This week has been an interesting week regarding weather. Hot, humid and pleasant the next. So whenever it was possible, we went outside, while some days we had no choice and needed to stay indoors due to the weather being too hot.

Easter Bunny Colouring Competition. Having 1st, 2nd and 3rd Prize announced on Tuesday 22nd March.

**Please remember LAST DAY OF TERM is 24th March...
For catering Purposes, please book if you require the Program. 1:00pm finish...

Activities
Monday 14th March
PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Tuesday 15th March
Stencilling with Chalk/Sand Art gluing
Wednesday 16th March
Pipe Cleaner craft/Easter Colouring Sheets
Thursday 17th March
Ice Pole sticks treasure box/St.Patrick's day shamrocks
Friday 18th March
Making Dream Catcher/St.Patrick's Word Finder