Hello Everyone,
This is a very weird sensation. This is the first year in thirty-six, that I have had to miss the school camp. The children and staff are being blessed with sensational weather and they are truly having a great experience. We expect them to return around 3pm tomorrow, tired but with many stories.

**Swimming**
It is brilliant that nine children have made it to the third stage of the swimming competition. Seven years ago, we could only take six to the first swimming competition. Good luck to these children next Wednesday.

**World’s Greatest Shave**
Mr Catalano has a very healthy and thick beard. He is prepared to lose this for a great cause, but he needs the school community’s support. Following is his message to you:

*I’m doing World’s Greatest Shave! Today, thirty-four Australians will be given the devastating news that they have blood cancer, and they’ll turn to the Leukemia Foundation for help. 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 leukemia, lymphoma and myeloma, but I can’t do it alone. Help me make the most of my hairy sacrifice. Sponsor me at least $28 today, which can provide a cancer information pack to help a family prepare for the challenges ahead.*

[https://goo.gl/mwLTWs](https://goo.gl/mwLTWs)

**Parent Teacher Interviews**
Next Thursday March 10, the children will be dismissed at 1.00pm. By now, you should all have booked times online through [www.schoolinterviews.com.au](http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au) using the code *myujd*

If you require after school care, contact Extend and book in.

**Fete**
The Fete 2016 committee met last night and the meeting was very productive. This year we will be asking the class reps to be involved with the fete for certain tasks. We need many hands to make the fete a success. It is a full school community event.

**2017 Enrolments and Information Night**
Tours for new families are currently taking place and we have an information evening on Monday March 21st for new families. Current families with a prep for next year, can collect an enrolment form from Leanne.
**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.

*** Latest Camp Update

The weather has been fantastic and all the campers are having fun…

The 5’s had pizza and the 6’s had spag bog, for dinner last night. They have a big day today, with two rotations and surfing. Last night was the penguin parade for the 6’s which they all loved, and the 5’s had a trivia night!

David Delaney, Principal

**GR PREP TO TWO LITERACY PARENT HELPER TRAINING**

It’s not too late to send back the reply slip to be a Literacy helper in the Prep, One & Two classrooms. If you have not done the training before, it will be held next 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, and return it to the classroom teacher. We will then get in contact with you.

**You MUST have a current Working with Children check OR be actively 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).**

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the training!

Susan Mitchell, Literacy Leader

**SENDING MONEY TO SCHOOL FOR SPECIAL EVENTS**

We have had a bit of a hiccup, with some hot food day orders missing pesky little $2 coins, which find their way out of the corners of envelopes and roll around in the bottom of the school bag!

A snap lock bag with your child’s name, grade etc. written on the front is the best way to send in money. If you *are* using an envelope, please seal the top edges OR wrap the coins in a little bit of alfoil or gladwrap first.

**2016 ACCEPTABLE USE INTERNET FORMS – GRADE 1 TO 6**

If you have not returned (pages 9, 10 & 11) from the Internet Agreement booklet, please do so ASAP to your child’s classroom teacher.

**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.

**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.
SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Bookclub order forms were sent home today to all children. If you wish to order, please return your form (and money) by Friday 11 March to your classroom teacher. For those who are new to the school – There is NO obligation to purchase any items from Book Club.

HOUSE COLOUR T-SHIRTS
We have found a new supplier of house colour t-shirts. We expect to have all colours and a full range of sizes in approx. two weeks. Please watch the newsletter for news of their arrival at the office.

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 Thurs 10 March to the teacher or the office. Please do NOT send any money yet.
Geraldine Sloan
Chess Club Co-Ordinator

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! (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.
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).

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At last night’s meeting, we were able to fill one of the last Fete positions. Communications Co-Ordinator - Angela Gangi

**The last position to fill is - Food Co-Ordinator**

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

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

Reflection of the Week

Our prime purpose in this life is to help others.
And if you can’t help them at least don’t hurt them.

......Dalai Lama

With today’s newsletter the attachments are:
- Parish News to eldest (white)
- GrPrep Friendship list notice to all Prep families (white)
- Gr2 Friendship list notice to all Gr2 families (white)
- Bookclub order forms to all students
Calendar of Known Dates
Reminder - some dates may need to change & dates will be added

TERM ONE
LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY MON 14 MARCH
PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS THURS 10 MARCH (1.00pm finish)
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**
In the hot days we did indoor activities in pairs. Trying to keep a balloon above ground with the help of your partner, having only a minute to get to your destination.

Next week we will start on our Easter Bunny Colouring Competition. Having 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Prize announced on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March.

**Activities**
**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March**
Colouring In/Bucket Points with Ball

**Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> March**
Coloured Sand Art/Milk Colouring Experiment

**Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> March**
Sequin Activity/Easter Colouring Sheet Competition

**Thursday 10th**
Rock Painting/Rock Magnets with eyes

**Friday 11<sup>th</sup> March**
Ping Pong Minute to win it