Hello Everyone,

**CELEBRATING 75 YEARS!**

The school has a number of events to help celebrate our 75th Anniversary. The first one occurs on Thursday 11th September, when we are having a ‘Back to 1939 Day’. Children will be encouraged to learn in a 1939 classroom using the technology of the time.

The second activity is a whole school picnic day at Funfields Whittlesea. This is occurring on Thursday 20 November. Due to the cost of the excursion/picnic, consent forms are being sent home today.

The final activity is a special Mass on Sunday 30 November.

**First Communion**

Last Sunday, fifteen of our Year Four students made their First Communion. The children all did very well in the roles they were given and treated the whole sacrament with reverence. The choir sang beautifully and the whole mass was a pleasure to be a part of. The teachers who prepared the children did an amazing job. The second instalment is this Sunday, as another twenty two children make their sacrament.

**Author/Illustrator**

This week we had the pleasure of being spoken to by David Miller, an author/illustrator. He has written a number of picture story books and he showed the children how he crafted the 3D designs, mainly using paper and scissors. The children then, very enthusiastically, and armed with a pair of scissors, created their own designs. It was a particularly useful incursion.

**Book Week Parade**

Today, we had our annual Book Week Dress Up Parade in the hall. There were all sorts of characters present, and once again, I think the staff get as much joy out of dressing in character as the children.

**Mad on Music**

MOM’s yearly concert showcasing the children’s ability on a keyboard or with guitar, will be in the hall next Thursday evening, commencing at 7.00pm. The children are extraordinary in their mastering of the instruments.

**New Website**

Our website has undergone a makeover recently. It appears brighter and contains information that is relatively easy to navigate. I’m asking you to have a look and please remember that the weekly newsletter is in the Parent Information section and also on the school app. More updates are in the process of being added.
Surveys
Thank you to the families who were asked to complete an Insight SRC survey on the school’s current position. If you haven’t yet completed yours, could you please do so tomorrow, by returning it to school as a hard copy or alternately, complete it on-line.

David Delaney
Principal

FROM THE REC
Congratulations to our second group of Year Four Communicants.
This Sunday we have twenty-two Year Four children receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist. Once again, these children have been preparing in the classroom with great enthusiasm and we are confident that this week’s celebration, will be as prayerful and respectful, as last week’s beautiful ceremony. As Mr Delaney has already mentioned, thank you to all those people who have been part of the preparation.
I would personally like to thank Natalie Oman for her great work with the choir.

Sunday’s Communicants are:-
Max D       Bridget G       Jacob G
Lua C       Snehita A      Montana T
Dante M     Olivia M       Natalia F
Izabella F  Nicholas P     Nikolai M
Vivian D    Samuel A       Julian N
Alexander N Ariana P       Jack R
Dakota T    Chelsea T      Luca C

Mark Tierney
REC

EMA – 2ND INSTALMENT
Just to advise that the second instalment of EMA has been received. If you chose to have your payment credited to your bank account, this should have already happened (from the Education Department). If you chose a cheque payment, these have been sent home via your child today in an envelope, and for families who chose the option of the school directly receiving the payment, your receipt has either been sent via email or is in your child’s bag today.

BOOKCLUB
Bookclub order forms and money are due back TOMORROW if your child wants to order.

DAFFODIL DAY
A BIG thank you to the Holy Name Community for their support so far for Daffodil Day. Our final day to sell is tomorrow, before and after school. All merchandise for a gold coin donation.
P&F HOT FOOD DAY

Today, a Hot Food Day notice (yellow) was sent home to ALL students. This term, we are offering a pie, pastie, sausage roll lunch OR the alternate lunch order of Sushi.

As usual, if your child does not wish to order, please just send them with their normal lunch on the day. **No** late orders accepted and correct money must be enclosed with the order (any extra money enclosed will be treated as a donation).

**Please make sure you write your child’s name, grade and ‘Hot Food Day’ on the envelope and that you SEAL up the sides so the pesky little $2 coins don’t slip out OR better still, use a plastic snap lock bag.**

**All orders are due back to school by Friday 5th September**

PS  If you can help on the day with packing and delivering the lunches to the classrooms, please just go to the hall on hot food day after drop off.

BOUNCE BACK AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to this week’s bounce back winners:-

PrepB  Asroosh A
PrepH  Oliver D
1B    Mia A
1Z    Parissa F
2C    Julia P
2N    Dana O
3D    Siena B
3G    Ada S, Makaio D
4B    Chris D
4F    Isabella L
4P    Elli P
5G    Luc N
5M    Saman P
6L    Tasso K
6M    Raymond N

75th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS

For our “Back to 1939 Dress Up Day”, on Thursday the 11th of September (more detailed information to follow in a later newsletter), we are still seeking any old treasures such as old slate/black boards, fountain pens, old ink bottles, readers or treasures from years gone by, that we could borrow for an exhibition. If you are willing to loan these items to us for a few weeks, please send a note to school with your child, informing us of what you have to share. This will be a day where students can dress up and experience what school was like in the olden days! Thank you,

Susan Mitchell (Learning and Teaching Leader) and the 75th Anniversary Committee

LUNCH TIME CRAFT ACTIVITIES

To celebrate Book Week, students were busy cutting, gluing and beading these cute bookmarks!

Lunchtime Craft is held every Monday and Wednesday at first lunch in the ILC and is an optional activity for students.
VICTORIAN PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE
With just over three weeks to go, before the Challenge ends, Holy Name students have now read over 2,900 books to date – an awesome effort!

Parents, please remember to log in your child’s reading books by SEPTEMBER 5th!

Congratulations to the following amazing readers who have completed the Challenge, and earned an additional 10 points for their house:

Alexandra M – 1Z
Nikolas A – 2N
Zara B – 2C
Sepehr P – 4P
Angelique A – 4P
Luke C – 4P
Snehita A – 4B
Carla S – 5M
Sofia I – 5M
Saman P – 5M

P&F NEWS

Father’s Day Breakfast - FRIDAY 5TH SEPT - 7.30 to 8.45AM!
An invitation is in your eldest child’s bag today! Make sure you fill in the details and return the slip to the teacher!
No cost involved! Just lots of fun with your child/children!

***Fete News –
Fete - Sunday 16 November***

***TODAY, in your eldest child’s bag is.......***
Our latest Fete newsletter!
Don’t forget to check it out!

**Also, if you’re still considering donations for the Auction, please drop them off at the office. Donation forms are also available at the office.

HOLY NAME MAJOR RAFFLE 2014 –
Keep an eye out for Holy Name Raffle tickets next Thursday 28 August.

HOW WOULD YOU LIKE TO WIN a $2,000 helloworld Eltham Travel Voucher OR a $1,000 RACV Resorts Travel Voucher OR a mobile phone and VISA Gift Card package OR a midweek family portrait sitting OR a Nicole Fendel necklace?

With a total prize pool valued at $3,924, this year’s Major Raffle is HUGE!!!!! Raffle tickets will be sent home to all families next Thursday! With some great prizes on offer, we encourage you all to purchase tickets, even sell them to family and friends, to raise funds for our school. The raffle will be drawn on Fete day.

Calling all ‘Green Thumbs’...
We’re seeking ANY type of plant to sell at the Fete. Please contact Amanda Ho-Pham (P&F member) on 0423 436 663 or email amandahopham@gmail.com to make arrangements.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Victorian WorkCover Authority Competition – ‘Dream Day with Dad’
The most important reason for staying safe at work isn’t work at all, and the main motivation for many workers to stay safe is their FAMILY… The VWA is hosting a competition to encourage students to share what they would do on their Dream Day with Dad, by thinking about the idea and then representing it on paper through a drawing, painting, story or poem. Your child’s Dream Day with Dad entry can be submitted via the parent or guardian, by taking a photo of the entry and uploading it to dreamdaywithdad.com.au Entries will be judged based on creativity and imagination and the winner will receive a Dream Day with Dad to the value of $1,000. VWA will organise an unforgettable day with Dad. This could include going to the footy, visiting the Aquarium or enjoying rides at Luna Park! For more information on the VWA Father’s Day competition, visit dreamdaywithdad.com.au

St Monica’s College Epping
Invites primary school families to an Information Evening on 2 September, at the Theatre of All Nations, Dalton Rd Campus commencing 7.30pm. Tours of the Junior Campus begin at 6.30pm from the LOTE Centre, and the last tour leaves at 7.10pm. For further information please contact the College Registrar, Mrs Enza Sinipoli on 9409 8444 or email registrar@stmonicas-epping.com Enrolments are currently being accepted for Year 7, 2016 – 2017. 2016 enrolments close Friday 27 Feb 2015. HORIZONS Accelerated Learning program is offered at Year 7 level.

St Gabriel’s Theatre Group
Announces Auditions for ‘Annie’. Auditions will be held on Sunday 31st August commencing 7.30pm in St Gabriel’s Hall, Viola St, Reservoir. Everyone who comes along is guaranteed a place in the production. Family groups welcome. The purpose of auditions is to identify people for the Principal roles. The group rehearse from 6.30pm til 9.00pm on Sunday evenings, the performances are staged in the last week in November. (You don’t have to attend St Gabriel’s to be involved).

AFL Victoria Holiday Programs
Inviting all boys and girls aged 5-12 to come and join us in a footy fun day this September!
The AFL Victoria School Holiday Programs introduce boys and girls to the basic skills of Australian Football. The program is a fun and inclusive program and includes football skills and drills, mini games and a ‘Finals Footy Fever’ experience. Check out the flyers around the school for location details or for more information or to register please visit http://www.aflvicholidayprograms.com.au/

Reflection of the Week
Even if I knew that tomorrow the world would go to pieces,
I would still plant my apple tree.
Martin Luther

With today’s newsletter the attachments are:
- Parish News to eldest (white)
- Old Fashioned School Picnic permission notice to EVERY student (on blue)
- P&F Hot Food Day notice to EVERY child (yellow)
- Father’s Day special breakfast invitation to ALL families via ELDEST child (white)
- Fete newsletter to all families via eldest child (white)
EXTEND OSHC at Holy Name School

Our weekly recap
Wow what a week it has been, with the weather starting off being cold and towards the end of the week becoming more like Spring weather! We took advantage of this by playing outdoors kicking a football or soccer ball or just playing in the school playgrounds. We stayed outdoors as long as the weather allowed us and the children just loved it. This Friday we will have Daniel Piscioneri giving the OSHC children a lesson in Soccer Drills. I can’t wait!

I wish to thank Extend for purchasing a gorgeous Big Doll House and the children are loving it. In coming weeks we will be building furniture to go with it too. – Anna Maria

Next week’s activities:
Monday 25 August:
**Surprise Junior Chef Cooking Experience**

Tuesday 26 August:
**Cooking - Genevieve’s Raspberry Muffins**

Wednesday 27 August:
**Parissa will be teaching us the ‘Vegetable Soup’ game**

Thursday 28 August:
**Tennis Match / Snake and Ladders Outdoor playing**

Friday 29 August:
**Crepe Paper Art**

Kids Club Competition
**NOW OPEN FOR ONLINE VOTING!**

Visit extend.com.au to vote!
A big thank you to all the children who entered and put in so much hard work into their impressive Kids Club entries. Judging each entry was extremely tough but we’ve narrowed it down to the shortlisted winning entries.

Make sure you head to our website to vote!
Voting ends: **Friday 5 September 12.00pm**

Spring School Holiday Program bookings
**NOW OPEN at a School near you!**

Monday 15 Sept to Monday 13 Oct 2014

We have heaps of jam-packed activities and incursions ranging from Arts & Crafts, Cooking, plenty of games and sports and lots of Spring activities! We are also now offering Excursions! Visit the Extend website at extend.com.au for program timetables, booking forms, and activity descriptions.

Bookings close Friday 5 September – book now to avoid disappointment.

ONLINE BOOKINGS: extend.com.au
CALL OUR OFFICE: 1300 366 437