Hello Everyone,

**Upcoming Events**
As I stated last week, the next few weeks are a hive of activity here at school. Just about every year level will be affected by excursions, camps, swimming or timetable changes. Please consult the diary of events and be prepared for changes to routine.

**75th Anniversary Mass**
Our celebrations for our 75th anniversary culminate this Sunday with Mass at 10.30 followed by an open school. This year has been very special with numerous events, and the children and staff have really embraced this celebration. This was especially evident last Thursday at Funfields. The children had an absolute ball. The weather couldn’t have been better and the children were able to have numerous rides and highlights. The staff were amazing, working tirelessly all day and the parent helpers were terrific. They willingly pitched in and assisted where they could. Everyone who attended really felt fatigued last Friday, but extremely satisfied with the experience. Thanks to the beautifully behaved children, parents and staff; this will be a day the children will remember for a very long time.

**Prep – Two Swimming**
The ten day intensive program starts next Monday at the Northcote Aquatic Centre. We need parent helpers with current Working with Children Checks to assist with the changing of the children at the completion of the sessions. Parents are welcome to watch but must not interfere whilst the program is taking place, the teachers are on call for this. A separate note went home on Tuesday explaining the process, and the timetable.

**2015 School Fees and Levies**
A letter was sent home today via your eldest child, outlining our school fees and levies structure for 2015. We are very conscious to make our fees and levies as affordable as possible and we have a wide variety of payment options. If anybody has any outstanding fees and levies for this current year and you haven’t spoken to me, could these be reconciled immediately.

**Fete Raffle winners**
Congratulations to the winners of the Fete raffle –

1st prize  Matthew Meehan
2nd prize  Vince Mercuri
3rd prize  Kim Meston
4th prize  Julie Nguyen
5th prize  Benjamin Benetti
**Prep Orientation**

Yesterday was our final Prep 2015 orientation session. The two teachers, Meagan Baldwin and Wendy Hoare, spent one and a half hours with their class for next year in the classrooms, and this was a great experience for all. The children seem really keen to start school and the teachers are looking forward to the new year.

**State Election**

Parents are able to vote here in the hall on Saturday in the State Election. This election, both major parties are offering similar incentives to Catholic Education, which is great. Either before or after voting, don’t forget to buy a sausage from our wonderful Parent and Friend helpers.

**Are you moving house over the holidays?**

If your child will be attending a new school in 2015, could you please advise us as soon as possible, either by letter addressed to the Principal, or email to either principal@hnpe.catholic.edu.au OR the office, office@hnpe.catholic.edu.au

Please state what school your child will be attending, so we can send a transfer note if applicable.

**School Advisory Board**

It is with great pleasure that I announce the four new members of the School Advisory Board for 2015. Bianca Azzopardi, Tania Ilijoski, Matthew Meehan and John Mereos, have all volunteered to join the board. It is with much gratitude that I thank the outgoing members for their service to the school over the last few years. As a group, we have achieved much that they should be proud of and they have given me sound advice and wise counsel.

**Christmas Carols**

Due to the 75th Anniversary special events, we have decided not to have a Carols evening this year. The school diary of events over the next month is crowded, and we just simply can’t fit it in this year.

**Diary Dates**

**PREP TO TWO SWIMMING**

MON TO FRI 1 – 12 DECEMBER

**NUDE FOOD DAY**

TUES 2 DECEMBER

**YEAR 4 END OF YEAR FUN NIGHT**

WED 3 DECEMBER (evening)

**YEAR 5 END OF YEAR FUN NIGHT**

TUES 9 DECEMBER

**GRADE 4 CAMP**

WED 10 & THURS 11 DECEMBER

**YEAR 6 FUN DAY OUT**

FRI 12 DECEMBER

**END OF YEAR REPORTS**

FRI 12 DECEMBER

**GRADE 2 END OF YEAR FUN NIGHT**

FRI 12 DECEMBER (evening)

**TRANSITION FOR NEW STUDENTS**

MON 15 DECEMBER 9-11am (not Preps)

**YEAR 1 END OF YEAR FUN NIGHT**

TUES 16 DECEMBER (evening)

**YEAR 6 GRADUATION MASS (7pm)**

TUES 16 DECEMBER (note change of date)

**LAST DAY OF SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS**

WED 17 DECEMBER 1.00pm finish

**YEAR DISCO**

WED 17 DECEMBER (evening)

**STAFF PROF. DEVELOPMENT**

THUR 29 JAN, 2015 (no students)

**ALL STUDENTS RETURN FOR 2015**

FRI 30 JAN, 2015

David Delaney
Principal
PREP TO TWO SWIM BAGS FOR SALE
We have Holy Name swim bags for sale at the office. They are $13 each (not a compulsory purchase, just an item for sale to make your life easier!)

CLASSROOM CUISINE LUNCH ORDER SERVICE
The final day for lunch orders this year is Monday 15th December. Lunch orders resume for 2015 on Monday 2nd February.
(Just a reminder....... you cannot order after 8.30am for same day lunch delivery AND ALSO if you do not receive a confirmation, then your order will not be processed). Thanks to those who have ordered lunches throughout the year.

LIBRARY REMINDER
All library books must be returned to the Library by Thursday 4th December please.
No borrowing after this date for children until next year. All missing/lost books must be paid for, so make sure your child looks carefully for any outstanding books. Thank you,
Gordana, Library Technician

BOUNCE BACK AWARD WINNERS
Congratulations to last week’s bounce back winners -
PrepB  James A
PrepH  Eden B
1B    Gianna P
1Z    Makayla T
2C    Jon P
2N    Remi C
3D    Kyriakos G
3G    Whole Class!
4B    Bridget G
4F    Jamie K
4P    Whole Class! & Montana T last week
5G    Zoe B
5M    Jordan I
6L    Jessica W
6M    Chloe I

LOST PROPERTY BIN
As parents often remark, we have LOTS of items in Lost property which cannot be reunited with their owners, as they are often hand-me downs, with names of students from five years ago, OR most of them have the labels cut off or are illegible. We do our best, but we need you to please label everything.....

MINI VINNIES
We would like to say a HUGE thank you to all the families who donated food in the recent weeks.
Many hampers will be able to be made up for families in need this Christmas. Maureen G, Mary P. and the Mini Vinnies
GRADE FIVE BOWLING NIGHT REPLIES
We have extended the RSVP date for this get-together until next Monday 1st December, so if you haven’t yet RSVP’d, please do so by then.

MAD ON MUSIC KEYBOARD & GUITAR LESSONS 2015
**Grades 2-6** - Enrolments are NOW being taken for Gr 2 – 6 Keyboard & Guitar lessons commencing Term 1. **Grade 1** - Enrolments are NOW being taken for Gr1 Keyboard lessons to commence in Term 2. To save disappointment, please enrol before the end of Term 1, 2015. **MOM do not take enrolments in Term 3 & 4.**

P&F NEWS

ELECTION DAY BBQ
We will be bbq’ing up a storm of sizzling sausages this Saturday when you come to vote at the hall. Make sure you bring some money with you for a sausage in bread or roll. Thanks to our merry band of volunteers who will be at the ready with their Barbie tongs!

COMMUNITY NEWS

St Gabriel’s Election Day Fete - THIS SATURDAY 29th - 9am to 3pm
It must be Fete season for schools........ because St Gabriel’s Primary School, 237 Spring St, Reservoir (enter via Viola Street) is holding one too! There will be rides, jumping castle, sausage sizzle, BBQ breakfast & lunch, cake stall, coffee, lots of market stalls, face painting, art show and lots more!

Keon Park Kindergarten
Welcomes new enrolments. Keon Park kinder is located at 75 Arundel Avenue, Reservoir, and offers local families a pre-school service with highly qualified and experienced educators, large versatile indoor & outdoor play areas, play-based learning, 3 year old program – 7 hours/week and State Government funded 4 year old program – 15 hours/week. Contact 9460 1271 for more information or enrol via the Darebin Centralised Kindergarten Waiting List Office 8470 8105 / 8470 8100 or [kindergartenwaitinglist@darebin.vic.gov.au](mailto:kindergartenwaitinglist@darebin.vic.gov.au)

Reflection of the Week

*Education is learning what you didn't even know you didn't know.*
*Daniel J. Boorstin*

With today’s newsletter the attachments are:
- Parish News to eldest (white)
- SCHOOL FEES 2015 LETTER OF ADVICE to eldest (bright yellow)
- Grade 2 Christmas get-together invitation (to all Gr2 students)
- Catholic Education Today magazine to eldest
- Catholic Education Commission of Victoria funding brochure to all families via eldest
EXTEND OSHC at Holy Name School
New Families –
Have you enrolled in Before & After School Care?

Allow 5 days notice
As part of government regulation, all children must be enrolled BEFORE attending an Extend service. Without a complete and confirmed enrolment (including payment details), children cannot be accepted into the program.

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.

Express Enrolments incur an additional $40
Any enrolments submitted with less than 5 days notice are considered an Express Enrolment and will incur an additional $40. We encourage all families to enrol NOW to avoid paying the Express Enrolment fee.

Submit enrolments to Head Office, not your school office or the service
To ensure your enrolment is processed as quickly as possible, please submit all enrolments to Extend Head Office by email (preferred method) or fax.
Enrol today at extend.com.au

SUMMER HOLIDAY PROGRAM
AT A LOCATION NEAR YOU
Booking deadlines apply and excursions fill fast.
Book now to avoid disappointment at extend.com.au.
All holiday programs are open to primary school aged children from the wider community.

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

REMINDER
Any clothing left at the Program will be put in the Lost Property held at the school in future, so you can directly claim it in the Lost Property Basket.
Thank you for your co-operation.

MUST HAVE HATS AT THE PROGRAM

Summary for week ending 21st Nov
During the week we played Chinese whispers, indoor silent ball, made Christmas items, Pictionary and played a new game called the Giggle Wiggle balance was tested here.
One day was just a chill day, the children were tired from having a great day at the school excursion Funfields.

Next week’s activities:
Monday 1st December
Science Bubble Blowing Activity
Tuesday 2nd December
Christmas CARD Santa Hand Paint Prints
Wednesday 3rd December
Sushi Making Experience
Thursday 4th December
Wetting our feet day
Friday 5th December
Capture the Flag Team Game with Alex P