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Date 12 November 2020

Message from the Principal

Dear parents, friends and Father Arsenio

The announcements of last Sunday by our Premier were certainly very welcome. The easing of restrictions has meant several more things have returned to normal. Chief amongst these is the fact that the sacrament of Confirmation can now be celebrated. Please watch out for further information about this important event.

Another positive from the announcement is the fact that we are able to send our year six students to camp. Originally scheduled for earlier this term, Caeleigh was able to secure a booking at an alternate site and it has paid off. It is fair to say that there is a fair degree of excitement with our students as a result. I want to acknowledge Caeleigh's persistence and hard work to get us to this point.

Grades for 2021 are now being finalised. It is most important that you speak with your child's teacher if you require further information or want to know how these placements are made. My thanks to those parents who have already done this. It is really pleasing to see that our overall enrolment will be up next year and we are able to cater for all our students needs in an appropriate manner.

Prep transition has also been permitted albeit in groups of ten. Katherine D'Aloisio is overseeing this crucial initiation to our school for the 2021 preps and their families. We are watching and waiting for the current guidelines to change that we may be able to offer alternate arrangements. Rest assured we will communicate on this as soon as possible.

Have a great week

Duncan



PARISH NEWS

With the easing of restrictions, Holy Spirit Parish is now able to offer weekend masses to a maximum of 20 people in the Church for Saturdays 6pm and Sundays 9am. Of course, strict hygiene and other guidelines are in place and must be observed. Bookings can be made through the Parish Office mobile 0434 224 483. The number of active cases now is really low and a week and a half of no new cases or death. Please keep your prayers up and we are all looking forward to moving on and perhaps being able to travel interstate very shortly especially with Christmas just around the corner.

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Hampers. Once again, we are asking your help to supply Christmas Hampers to the families we visit. We understand what a hard year it has been for everyone but any donations will be greatly appreciated.

If you can't manage a hamper, donations of Groceries, toys & cash would be wonderful.

If you are able to supply a hamper please contact Joan Ward on 0400 621 022 or email joan-ward@optusnet.com.au to tell of your selection. It won't be a problem if 2 people select the same family it will all be sorted out when we organize the deliveries.

Time & date for donations to be dropped off will be advised later. Thank you again and best wishes to you from the St. Vincent de Paul Society

If you have any queries, please contact Joan on: 0400621022 or email: joan-ward@optusnet.com.au. Please see The Word on our Parish website for further details.

Ruth Frangeskakis
Parish Secretary
Holy Spirit Parish
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Spirit Magazine — Issue 12

Click on the link for the latest issue of the Spirit Magazine—

https://www.holyspiritparish.org.au/Portals/3/Documents/Spirit_Extra/spirit_extra_012.pdf



Prayer of the Week



Yesterday was Remembrance Day. It marks the day World War One ended on the 11th hour on the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918.

Each year Australians remember those who have died as a result of war, particularly from World War 1.

The red poppy is the symbol for this day. Many people wear a poppy on their clothes as a reminder of the courage and sacrifice so many people have made in service of their country.

We also acknowledge on this day our responsibility to work for peace, a peace many lives fought hard to achieve.

Red poppies are the symbol chosen for this day because after all the devastation and loss in the battlefields in Northern France, the red poppies were one of the first signs of vibrant new life to appear.

It is a sign of hope to wear poppies when we remember tragic events like wars. Jesus taught us through his life, death and resurrection to always look for hope.

Today we pray....

For the leaders of the world; help them make wise decisions to protect and care for all people.

For each other – that we can continue to learn and grow

For our teachers

For our families

For those who care for the environment

For those people who are struggling or under stress, because they have lost their jobs

For all those who are sick and those who have died

For all soldiers and those involved and affected by war, we remember their sacrifice and the impact it has had not only on their lives but on the lives of their families and friends.

For peace, peace in our world, peace in our communities, in our homes and peace in our hearts.

Lest we forget

SCHOOL NEWS



Congratulations to our Stars of the Week



Week Four Stars

Siena Nicholson, Charlie-Rose Stewart, Athena Huang, Kira Jury, Mira Mogadam, Harrison Shine, Tristan Knight, Christian Binmore, Jessica Wallace, Cleo Fitzsimons, Alex Aitken, Arianne, Schachner, Shannel Attale, Elsie Egan, Malcolm Ong, Scarlett Henriquez, Oscar Gole, Patrick Cronin, Ashley Grey, Ava Versace, Jessica Zhou, Emma Cragie.



St.Vinnies Christmas Appeal

This year for many families has been extra difficult with many facing hardship for the first time due to the Covid 19 virus. Many families within the local community will be spending this Christmas in poverty. We can help put a bit of Christmas cheer and celebration into their lives by donating to the Christmas Appeal.

Each grade at Holy Spirit has been allocated a family to provide goods for. E.g. A family of 2 adults, 2 girls aged 10 and a boy aged 6. The SRC will meet next week with Lauren to organise how to run this campaign in their classroom, so that they collect goods suitable for the particular needs of their family. Your child may come home with a list of some items that they can purchase for the hampers.

The Holy Spirit Community is always generous in these times of great need.

Thank you for your support.

Marianne Condon
Education in Faith Leader

*Remembrance
Day
around the
school*



Dear Parents,

It is wonderful to see that our community is coming together again after what has been a challenging experience for all. We would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your honest feedback regarding your child's learning during the remote learning period in these extraordinary times.

During this new way of teaching and learning, your feedback allows us to see what worked well and what may have been challenging and the ways we may use this information in our classrooms now that we are back at school. Your responses really highlighted how flexible and understanding you were during the lockdown and please know we could not have achieved what we did without your ongoing support.

Thank you again for your patience, commitment and perseverance, in what was a difficult and challenging, yet also a very rewarding time.

Marianne Condon
(on behalf of the Leadership Team)



School Board News

Dear Families

The School Board met on 27 October and it was great to have Fr Arsenio with us. We had an opportunity to reflect on the transition back to onsite learning and the summary of results from the parent survey regarding Term 3 experiences. This feedback will be critical in shaping the remainder of Term 4 and Holy Spirit is very focussed on ensuring appropriate support is in place for the wellbeing of the children and for tracking their progress.

We had an excellent discussion about the need to focus on transition at all levels, particularly encouraging inter-year level interactions to build social connections prior to the end of year, particularly for the junior school – for example Prep transitioning to Grade 1/2.

The School Board was delighted to welcome Andy McKellar (5/6 AG) and Dean McKellar to the meeting to provide an overview of their initiative *Teacher Presence*. This is an innovative platform that is designed to encourage those families who may choose to give a gift of thanks to a teacher at the end of the year, to instead consider making a donation through *Teacher Presence* which supports nominated charities. Andy was also recently featured on 3AW Breakfast – well done Andy! The School Board is strongly endorsing this initiative as it is a “win-win-win” - it not only provides a great way to acknowledge the efforts of staff, your donation supports a charity in need and sets a wonderful example for our children. *Teacher Presence* is an individual teacher driven kindness initiative, so please keep an eye out if your child's class are coming on the journey. Of course, many families are doing it tough so please be reminded that there is no compulsion to give, but if you are in a position to do so, consider www.teacherpresence.org.

Reminder: we have our AGM on 17 November commencing at 7pm via Zoom. All are welcome, but a reminder that only Board members are able to vote. Please let me know if you would like to join the meeting or if you have anything else you would like to discuss (andrew.conway@publicaccountants.org.au).

Kind Regards

Andrew Conway
Board Chair



Teacher Presence

Important Dates

Tuesday 17 November

School photos

Tuesday 24 November

Grade 6 Camp

P&F AGM

Thursday 19 November

Sports Day

Friday 11 December

End of year/graduation mass

Lunch Orders



Please note that we are not able to accept lunch orders at the moment.

Please **DO NOT** order them from the shops across the road.

Invitation to the

Holy Spirit Community School Parents & Friends

Annual General Meeting

Date: Tuesday 24th November

Time: 7.30pm

Zoom details upon request

RSVP: sreyeswolff@hotmail.com

Calendar of Events

Friday, November 13

Book Week

Monday, November 16

HS Science Week

Tuesday, November 17

HS Science Week

2021 Prep Transition- Session 2

Proposed School Photos

7:00pm School Board

Wednesday, November 18

HS Science Week

Thursday, November 19

HS Science Week

9:00am Sports Day - Kaboom Kids Sports Tabloid Event

Friday, November 20

HS Science Week

9:00am Sion - Year 7 2021 Orientation Day

2:00pm Assembly

Monday, November 23

Grade 6 Camp Merricks Lodge

Tuesday, November 24

Grade 6 Camp Merricks Lodge

2021 Prep Transition- Session 3

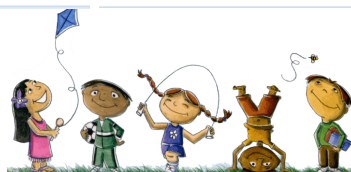
7:30pm P&F AGM/meeting

Wednesday, November 25

Grade 6 Camp Merricks Lodge

Thursday, November 26

Grade 6 Camp Merricks Lodge



MUSIC LESSONS 2021

Dear Parents,

We are looking forward to a great year of music in 2021 despite the crazy year gone by.

All lessons will comply with the School's Covid- Safe protocols.

As in previous years, instrumental music lessons will be offered again at the school in 2021, for students in Grades 2 to 6 and Grades 3-6 only in Guitar

- Group lessons consisting of 4 students per half hour will cost \$170.00 per 10 week term. \$17.50 per student per lesson
- Individual lessons are offered at \$38.00 per 30 minute lesson.

All fees are payable at the beginning of each term.

We will presume that students who already take lessons will be continuing unless we are notified to the contrary. If you wish your child to discontinue lessons we must be given notification by Friday 4th December.

If you wish your child to commence lessons in 2021, please complete the form below and return to school

NO LATER THAN FRIDAY 4H DECEMBER.

INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC LESSON

PIANO ☐

DRUMS ☐

KEYBOARD ☐

VIOLIN ☐

GUITAR ☐

VOICE ☐

I wish my child.....

Grade (currently).....to commence music lessons in 2020.

Parent Name_____

Parent Signature.....

Phone..... Email.....

ADDRESS ENVELOPES TO CHRIS NARDELLA
MUSIC LESSONS



Holy Spirit Netball Club



Holy Spirit Netball Club is seeking expressions of interest from parents of current Grade 1/2 girls and boys interested in playing netball in the Autumn Season 2021, commencing Mid-February. We normally run a 5-week NET SET GO program but due to COVID restrictions we are unable to run it this year. If your child is interested in playing netball you are required to join our zoom meeting on 4 November at 7.30pm.

To register your interest email: hsnetball@gmail.com with the following Information: Child's Name, DOB, Contact details and Class at School. For any further information call - Cath Stone on 0425 850 059.



Thursday 19 November
9.30 - 10.30 am

Visit Our Lady of Sion College in a whole new way and discover how your daughter can embrace life at Sion.

Join us for a live-stream virtual tour of our College via Zoom.

Our Virtual Talk and Tour Mornings will feature a live address by our Principal, Mrs Tina Apostolopoulos, an opportunity to meet the Leadership Team and our student leaders as well as a chance to ask questions.

Visit our website to book.

www.sion.catholic.edu.au

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PSW OUR DOORS ARE OPEN!

We can now officially confirm that our Melbourne metropolitan stores all reopen for trade on
Thursday October 29th at 9am.

To stay open, we need to stay safe.

COVIDSafe restrictions will apply at all stores.



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PSW.COM.AU/STORELOCATIONS**

The Magic Brush

I am Kira and Millie Jury's Mum (prep) and have just started presale for a children's book I have written, what started as a little project to stop my girls whinging about getting their hair brushed has now come to life. If you can relate about the hair brushing tantrums or know someone who can and would love a little book to offer some positivity to the hair brushing time I would love your support. You can order your book on presale here:

https://www.alysbooks.com/Caitlin_Jury.html

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Caitlin Jury



Written by Caitlin Jury
Illustrated by Emily Keam

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THE ROOS WANT YOU!

Come and join us for the upcoming 2020/21 season of junior cricket commencing 13th November at the **East Ringwood Cricket Club**.



We have teams in U10, U12 - played on Friday afternoon 5-7pm

U14, U16 - played on Saturday morning 8.30 - 11am

and also run a great Woolworths Cricket Blast program

for kids 5-8 years of age on a Friday afternoon from 5.30-6.30pm.



REGISTRATIONS NOW OPEN

<https://www.playcricket.com.au/club-finder/club-details?Id=920> Play Cricket at East Ringwood



All new players receive a free playing top with their name and chosen number on the back!

For more information call Peter Baker on **0409 942 533** or Kylie on eastringwoodjcc@gmail.com

Rubie's Deerfield For All Your Costume Needs

Our littlest people have had it tough this year & we hope the Superhero masks provided to your school created SMILES!

At Rubie's, our job is to **inspire your imagination**. Costumes can be found at many Retailers, including Kmart, Big W, Target, Spotlight, Myer, Catch, The Iconic and Toy 'R' Us.

Look out for the yellow and red clown logo!