

# The Holy Herald

Holy Spirit School Newsletter



## Term 1 Week 4 – 19th February 2020

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### Tackling waste at Holy Spirit

Penny and Ashlee visited our school last week, assisting our students in the understanding of reducing, recycling and reusing our waste at school and home. Students in years 1-6 participated in practical, fun and informative sessions in which they sorted rubbish bins into appropriate bins.

In the coming weeks, all students will participate in a bin audit and attend a tour of the Albury Wodonga Waste Management facility.



## HSS Swimming Carnival 2020

Last Monday 10th February our school held its annual swimming carnival at the Albury Swim Centre. Despite experiencing a mixture of weather conditions the students swam their best and displayed great sportsmanship throughout the day. A mixture of 25m, 50m, 100m and 200m events were held. A huge thank you to the parents and grandparents for your help throughout the day. Special thanks to Mr Turner who ran his first swimming carnival as the sports organiser at our school this year. Successful students will represent our school at the Albury Deanery Carnival on Wednesday 26th February at the Albury Swim Centre. A separate note will go home to these students.

### AGE CHAMPIONS

JNR GIRL - Emily Bullivant

JNR - BOY - Zed McPhee

11YR GIRL - Abigail Roennfeldt

11YR BOY - Logan Russell

SNR GIRL - Amelia Brigden

SNR BOY - Oliver Ackerly

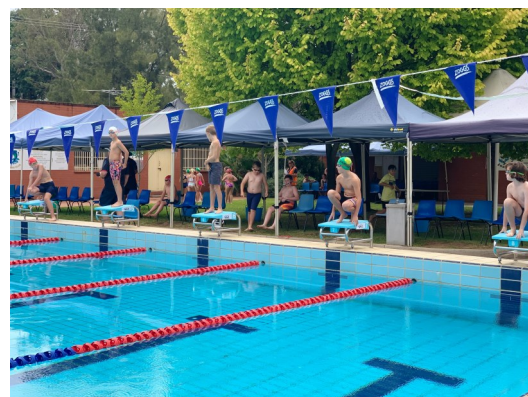
### House Results

1st- O'Connell - 475

2nd- Esler - 463

3rd - Dwyer - 437

4th - MacRae - 366





## **“SETTING GOALS.....”**

“Individually we are but one drop. Together we are an ocean.” (Ryunosuke Saturo)

With the ending of one year and the beginning of another, it is certain that you’ve noticed the avalanche of the year’s “best” and “worst” lists. They are everywhere, from newspapers and magazines to television shows – even the financial pages. While it’s fun to look back and reminisce, let’s talk a little bit about a more productive way of looking at where we are.

Our school, staff and students, purposefully set goals for ourselves, in order to unlock the energy and creativity inside each of us. When we set a goal, we cause a “gap” for ourselves – between the way things are and the way we want them to be. It is in our nature to want to close that gap. A primary job of our creative subconscious mind is to keep us like we know we are. Setting a goal changes how we “know we are.” We must close the gap to maintain our sanity.

In order to close that gap, to make the outside picture match the inside picture of who we know we are, our creative subconscious turns on enough energy and creativity to make it happen. We either get drive and ideas to move toward what we want in the future, or ideas and drive to stay where we are. Herein lies the danger of spending too much time looking back at the past.

You see, human beings are picture oriented and we move toward the strongest picture. Our natural tendency is to maintain our current idea (picture) of who we are. In order to change, we need to make that future picture (goal) stronger and more attractive than the one that shows us staying put. By constantly reminding ourselves of our past, we lock onto the old picture and lose the drive to move forward.

Give a little thought to this today and this evening, and we will take another step tomorrow.

Throughout the holiday period, I took the time to read for pleasure and take the opportunity to immerse myself in some of the great sporting events that take place across Summer. With the Australian Open being played in Melbourne I came across a short passage about Roger Federer, Swiss tennis legend. Roger Federer focuses his whole world on 3 words - humility, gratitude and humour. Listen to any interview with him and the first thing he does is praise his opponent (humility). Second thing ‘so lucky to be here’ (gratitude), third thing self-deprecating humour the swiss giggle. These 3 words have nothing to do with tennis but everything to do with his perspective on life.

I was challenged as a leader to consider what 3 words would define me, how I want to lead at HSS and what I want to be known for. Even in reflection, I am still grappling with this. What drew me in with Roger’s thoughts, was the chance to spend some time and wondering what would each child, parent and staff member define themselves by. I wonder what your three words would be? If we each take the time to at least reflect we can only make Holy Spirit a more vibrant learning environment for all.

### **Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)**

As a school, we want to be proactive in teaching our students positive behaviours. At Holy Spirit, we are actively participating in a targeted program, “Positive Behaviours for Learning” or “PBL”. We are using this program to help our students have a safe, positive learning environment and to provide consistency across our school Kindergarten to Year 6. A flow chart is accompanying this newsletter with more information on how we will be unpacking the program.

At Holy Spirit we have 3 expectations that the students are familiar with:

#### **RESPECT SELF**

#### **RESPECT OTHERS**

#### **RESPECT PROPERTY**

You will see these expectations posted throughout the school. Teachers will be explicitly teaching these three expectations to our students for all areas of the school (classroom, playground, assembly, etc.). To reinforce these expectations, your child/children will be receiving individual ‘Spirit Tickets’ and be rewarded for living the three expectations on a weekly, termly and yearly basis. In the first week of school we started awarding ‘Spirit Tickets’ and many year levels had their first ‘WEST Time’ that week.

While our focus remains to affirm positive behaviours, we have outlined a structured process for those students who hinder their own and the learning of others. This structured process is outlined in the flow chart and will be explicitly introduced to the students prior to ‘The ‘Coaching Conversations’ being implemented across the whole school, starting on Monday of Week 6. This is a new process we are implementing, as stated on the flow chart will be reviewing the ‘Coaching Conversations’ at the conclusion of Term1.

### **Staffing**

There has been a change in structure to our Year 2 teaching team. Mrs. Luci Emmett has tendered her resignation from Holy Spirit School, effective from the 4<sup>th</sup> of March. Ms. Kerrie White and Mrs. Leanda Meares, who are already members of the Year 2 teaching team will be teaching in each of the homerooms on a full-time basis, Mrs. Meares in 2EM and Ms. White in 2WM. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs. Emmett for the contributions she has made to Holy Spirit School over the past four years.

### **‘Get to Know’ sessions**

As advertised last week ‘Get to Know’ sessions will take place on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> of February from 1:30 - 6:30 pm. Parent engagement in learning is essential to improved outcomes for students of all ages. Schools and teachers can support parent engagement by building partnerships to connect learning at home and school.



## Holy Spirit Parish 50th Anniversary Itinerary

### FRIDAY

9:30 - SCHOOL MASS

10:30 - 1 pm. OPEN DAY

7-9 pm: WINE & CHEESE NIGHT - Neat and Casual Dress, \$15 covers food and wine.

### SATURDAY

3-5 pm: OPEN AFTERNOON & digging up of Time Capsule (buried in 1995)

7 pm FORMAL PARISH DINNER (BYO drinks) booking required: <https://buff.ly/2w7vQ7F>

### SUNDAY

10 am PARISH MASS

### UPCOMING DATES

School Photos 9th March



## Religious Education

### Lent

The season of Lent begins on Wednesday 26th February with Ash Wednesday Mass at Holy Spirit Church at 9:15am. We mark Ash Wednesday as the first day of Lent, the time of reflection and penitence leading up to Easter Sunday. Clergy all over the world dispense ashes, usually made by burning the palm fronds distributed on last year's Palm Sunday, making the sign of the cross on the bowed foreheads before them. As they "impose" or "dispense" the ashes, the priest reminds us of Genesis 3:19: "For dust you are and to dust you shall return."

### Holy Spirit Parish Anniversary

50 years ago, Father Patrick O'Connell was asked by Bishop Carroll to begin a new parish in Lavington. The first Mass in the parish was celebrated on Sunday February 1st 1970 in the Old Scout Hall in Mutsch St with seventy people in attendance.

One month later at a Parish meeting, it was suggested by Mr Cromarty that the Parish be called Holy Spirit. The official opening of the Holy Spirit Parish was celebrated on Pentecost Sunday May 17th 1970 with Bishop Carroll and 350 people in attendance.

Holy Spirit School opened the following year in 1971, with 80 kids in Kinder, Year 1 and Year 2. Fees were \$1.00 per family per week!

This weekend we celebrate Holy Spirit Parish 50 year Anniversary. It begins with a Mass at 9:30am on Friday, followed by an open day for past and present students and parishioners. Please come and join us celebrate!



Old Scout Hall in Mutsch Street



1971-72— whole school photo

Joanne Davies

Religious Education Coordinator



## BINGO ROSTER...

**19th February**

**Caller 6**  
Nuala Jewitt

**Team 4**  
Cheryl Brigden  
Jodie Thomas

**26th February**

**Caller 1**  
Maree Brosolo

**Team 5**  
Darcy Irving  
Ben Taylor

**4th March**

**Caller 2**  
Natasha Ziegel Fry

**Team 6**  
Luci Emmett  
Kirrilly Holmes

# GIRLS AUSKICK

**ALBURY GIRLS AUSKICK**  
Monday's, March 16 - April 6 | 3:45-5pm  
Noreuil Park Oval

Join the awesomeness at our NAB AFL Auskick girls four week program for only \$46  
PLUS you'll receive an awesome Auskick pack  
**REGISTER NOW** visit [play.afl](http://play.afl) - search your suburb and select Albury - Girls Auskick



With the AFLW kicking off last week an after school girls Auskick program will run in Albury in Term 1. This will run for 4 weeks on Monday nights @ Noreuil Park Oval from 3.45pm. Registrations are now open.

Chloe Beck  
Development  
Coordinator—  
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## MERIT AWARDS

<b>Year 1</b>	Cooper Harding, Koa Mullavey, Isabella Lea, Zahra Briggs, Ruby Barnett, Vinuka Amaranyake, Madeline Nevinson, Cian O'Hearcain
<b>Year 2</b>	Cooper Antone, Zoey Taylor, Caleb Warburton, Adele Braybrook
<b>Year 3</b>	Daisy Irving, Jaxson Brown, Fynn Tomalin, Stella Post,
<b>Year 4</b>	Stella Eysers, Mackenzie Anstis, Adena Manibod, Toby Harris
<b>Year 5</b>	Eve Hunt, Emmett Holmes, Kaleb Walsh, Thomas Besford, Roxi Harrison
<b>Year 6</b>	Aliera Tucker, Allira Graham, Sienna Thomas-Bottrell, Chloe Harris, Taylah Westblade



If you have a couple of hours or more a week to spare and would like to fill it doing something to help save lives

### WE NEED YOU!

We need truck drivers, driver assistants, balers, sorters and retail assistants at our Albury or Wodonga Op Shops.

Funds raised in our Lifeline stores go directly to keep our local 131 114 Crisis Support Services operating.

Over 90% of Lifeline Albury Wodonga is volunteer based and we need more of you to keep providing this vital service.

Call Retail Manager Carol on **02 6021 6397**  
to find out more about how you can help.



## Come & Try Hockey

**Come along & give hockey a go**

Ages 5-10

On Saturday  
from 9.45am - 11am  
15 Feb, 22 Feb,  
29 Feb, 7 Mar,  
14 Mar & 21 Mar

Register online at  
<https://www.haw.net.au/>  
(click on the TigerMoth)



Albury Hockey Centre  
Alexandra Park  
Cadell St, Albury  
02 6041 3417  
[admin@haw.net.au](mailto:admin@haw.net.au)

\$60 - Refund of \$20  
(when shirt is returned)



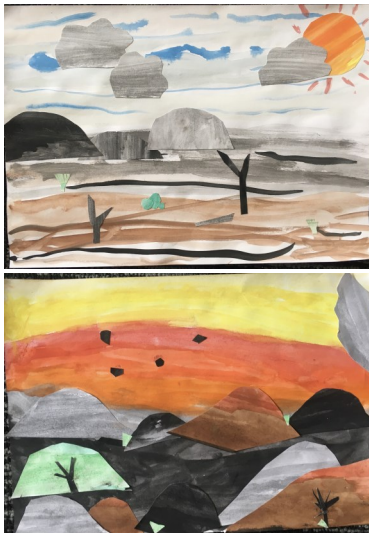


# Welcome to Year 5 2020



We have had a great start to our year and have been lucky enough to welcome to our group 3 new students: We welcome Bibek, Arthur, and Ebony.

Each Thursday we have enjoyed spending some time with our buddies in Kinder doing different activities out on the oval and inside the classroom.



In Creative Arts / Religion, we have been experimenting with the water colours and have created our own landscapes depicting the devastating impact of the recent bushfires on our local and surrounding communities. We send our prayers to all those impacted.

## Respect - Self - Others - Property

A big part to the start of our year has been lots of discussions and activities relating to our 3 School Expectations: Respect Self, Respect Others and Respect Property.

Respect Self—Alex: wear the right uniform, Kaleb: focus in class and listen, Emma: always try your best.

Respect Others—Will: shake hands after a game, Barinder: be welcoming of others, Lauren: talking nicely to others, Michael: smiling and saying hello.

Respect Property—Zali: picking up rubbish, Sam: putting things away after you use them.

We have enjoyed our first 3 weeks and look forward to the rest of the year!

