

THE HOLY HERALD

HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thanks

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you all as members of the Holy Spirit School community for the past fortnight. It has been an incredibly busy and stressful time for everyone. As a team, if we work together we will come out of the current Covid situation safe and healthy. This has undoubtedly had a severe impact on the well-being of everyone; students, parents and staff alike. As we have continued to say, the health and wellbeing of all members of our community is paramount and will continue to be so.

For those families still in isolation, we wish you all the best with your final test results and please take care of yourselves and we look forward to having our whole school community back on-deck soon.

Staffing

It gives me great pleasure to announce our new IDLT arrangement for 2022. Mrs Nicole Hickey will continue here at Holy Spirit and across the other Albury Catholic schools. In addition, Mrs Sarah Dunlop will move into the role of IDLT here at Holy Spirit. I would like to congratulate both Nicole and Sarah on their appointments and we look forward to working with them next year.

I would like to offer my congratulations to Ms Michelle Tankard who has been appointed as the Assistant Principal of St Patrick's School here in Albury from the beginning of 2022.

I wish to inform you that due to personal reasons, Mr Andrew Flores has resigned from his position of Year 6 teacher at Holy Spirit School, effective from November 8th, 2021. Miss Lauren Clarke will replace Andrew for the remainder of the year. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Andrew for his contributions to Holy Spirit over the past 20 months as one of our Year 6 teachers. I wish him the very best for his future endeavours.

Our school's onsite COVID-safe measures

We understand the anxiety around trying to decide whether to send our children to school or not. We appreciate that you need to make decisions based on what you consider is best for your family.

Our school is continuing our strong focus on keeping our school COVID-safe by following the Catholic Schools NSW and NSW Health's hygiene and safety recommendations. To name a few, the measures we have in place includes the following:

- No visitors on school sites.
- No assemblies
- Keeping our students in their year groups to minimise mixing of students.
- Keeping our classrooms well ventilated by opening doors and windows, and taking advantage of our outside settings when we can.
- Wearing masks indoors unless we're exercising or eating.
- daily cleaning in line with health guidelines.
- From 8 November, all our school workforce and any visitors on site will be fully vaccinated, giving added protection to themselves and those around them who can't yet be vaccinated.

Please ensure that the school has your most recent email address and phone number/s. If you have any questions, please ring the school.

Wellbeing

During this time, it is important to look after oneself as well as those around us. Please do not hesitate to reach out if we can do anything to help you and your children.

2022 Classes: Please contact our school office as soon as possible if you plan on leaving the area next year or are thinking of changing schools as we are in the process of finalising class numbers/structures. Also, if you know of families moving into the area with children planning to attend Holy Spirit in 2022 please ask these families to contact the school.

Canteen: The canteen will remain closed until further notice.

Welcome New Students: Last Monday we welcomed Aseemnoor (4BC) & Avarnoor (2DT) Gill to our school. We look forward to them being part of our Holy Spirit Community.

Thank you again for your continued support during what has already been a challenging and fast-moving school term.

Matt Kean
Principal

HOLY SPIRIT SCHOOL NEWS

SCHOOL HATS



Just a reminder that it is compulsory for students to wear school hats in Terms 1 & 4 of the school year. Please ensure that your child brings their hat with them every day. If they don't bring their hat they will be required to stay in the shade.

VALE

To remember in your prayers...

Oliver's (1PV) Great Grandmother recently passed away. Please keep him in your thoughts and prayers.

"Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted" Matthew 5:4



KEEP CONNECTED



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

St Vincent de Paul- Christmas Appeal 2021

As in previous years, Holy Spirit School have been invited to participate in the Christmas Appeal 2021. This year, individuals and families have been identified as needing special support over the Christmas period.

If anyone would like to donate **new unwrapped** toys for all ages up to 12 years of age, boxes are available in the office that items can be placed in.

·Gifts should remain unwrapped with appropriate age and gender details attached or written on the packaging.

·Should food items be donated it is important that they are well inside the 'best by' and particularly the 'use by' dates (a legal requirement).

Some ideas for food items include Christmas pudding, tea, coffee, milo, fruit cake, jam, pancake mix, cereal, dried fruit, biscuits, pasta, pasta sauce and vegemite.

The boxes will be collected at school by St Vincent de Paul in Week 10.

Thanks for your support.

Thank you for your support also during Mission Day. The students enjoyed laying the money line and trying to work out which line was worth the most. Dwyer achieved the longest line - a massive 42.54m! Money raised by each House was very close, with O'Connell just coming in first. Along with the gold coin donation, a total of \$1,111.60 was raised.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

[Saturday School Mass](#)—23rd October. Thanks to Zara Besford and Rocco Biasin for helping at the last school Mass. Sophie Church did a fantastic job at speaking on behalf of Catholic Mission during Mass and advocating for the poor women and children in Thailand. Well done Sophie!

[Reconciliation](#)

The date for Year 2's First Reconciliation has now changed to Friday 26th November at 2pm OR Saturday 27th November at 5:30pm.

Please keep the following students in your prayers as they prepare for this Sacrament in unprecedented times. Please let me know if your child's name is missing from this list.

Chloe Ackerly, Ethan Darts, Austin Dumlao, Paige Gavin, Cooper Harding, Skyla Newton, Charlotte Quinn. Jayden Valentine, Rocco Biasin, Bonnie Garlick, Heidi Jewitt, Jack Kristo, Isabella Lea, Cian O'Hearcain, Violet Thompson, Lola Tomich, Faisca Wilson.

[All Saints Day - November 1st](#)

From the first centuries after Christ, Christians who died a martyr's death were considered saints, who live in God's presence forever. Every year, on the anniversary of the martyrs' deaths, Christians would visit their tombs and celebrate the Eucharist. This practice grew throughout the centuries to include remembering other outstanding Christians on the days they died. Soon the entire calendar was filled with memorials of the saints. In the ninth century, Pope Gregory IV designated November 1 as the day to remember all the saints living in God's presence.



Regards,
Joanne Davies
Religious Education Coordinator

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Participate in skill development activities and modified games	At least six weeks of fast-paced cricket games
Make new friends and learn new skills including catching, throwing and team work	Every kid gets a chance to bat, bowl and field
All kids get their own blasters pack and wear the colours of their favourite big bash heroes	Wear the colours of your favourite Big Bash heroes in your choice of coloured player cap
All equipment supplied	All equipment supplied



CONGRATS MISS HANNAH!



Miss Hannah recently was announced winner of the Murray Magpies A-grade best and fairest, and finished fourth in the Hume League vote count. What an awesome achievement for the youngest member of the netball team. We are so proud of you and your efforts.

Congratulations from all of us
at Holy Spirit!

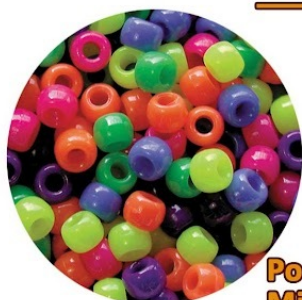


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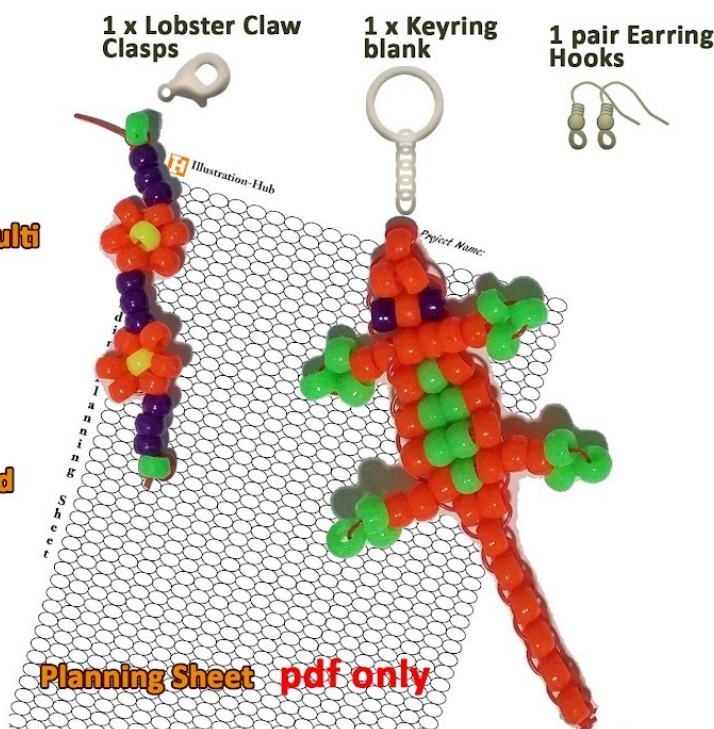
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IMPORTANT DATES

Kinder 2022 Snapshot Sessions:

Tuesday 9th November - 9:30-11 am (Due to the current Covid climate, this session will now be conducted virtually via zoom)

Thursday 18th November - 9:30-11 am

Wednesday 24th November - 9:30-11 am

Kinder 2022 Orientation - Friday 3rd December 9:30-11am

Xavier High School Orientation - Thursday 18th November

Orientation Day for Years 1-6 (for 2022) - Monday 13th December - 9:30-11 am

Year 6 Graduation: Monday 13th December

Last Day of Term 4 (STUDENTS) - Tuesday 14th December



MERIT AWARDS

The following merit awards date back to last term

Kinder	Zachary Q, Elizabeth S, Elkie H, Mack O, Mahir P, Hanisha B, Sophia C
Year 1	Eliza R, Indiana M, Diana V, Lara L, Pippa T, Emily D, Jack I
Year 2	Gurjodh S, Violet T, Charlotte Q, Jackson T, Alexis K, Ruhan M, Cian O, Indiana B, Rocco B, Avarnoor G, Violet T
Year 3	Caleb W, Josiah K, Tex M, Amelia M, Eva S, Imogen P, Ruby M, Xabier S, Tulloch T, Stella S, Jinty L, Josiah K, Judd M, Gurleen G
Year 4	Sukhman S, Daisy I, Mitchell S, Stella P, Oliver C, Blake M, Aiden F, Jake A, Milli O, Charlie T, Solomon M, Gurnoor G, Izabella B, Gabrielle G, Ashton W, Aseemnoor G, Violet M
Year 5	Emily B, Emilia D, Jamieson C, Tanishqa S, Zed M, Odin C, Harry H, Zhiyuan S, Tayton H, Neve J, Sophie S, Stella E, Lewis T, Mackenzie A, Flynn L, Max D, Charlie P
Year 6	Logan R, Edward S



BOOKWEEK
2021



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- ✓ Be 18+ years old

*Many types of income and Centrelink payments are eligible

Here are some of the school costs the \$500 can be used for:



laptops & tablets



uniforms & shoes



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lessons & activities



camps & excursion

For more information, please contact your local Saver Plus coordinator:



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