Term 4 Week 4 - 6th November 2019

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Discovery Time in Kinder using Kinetic Sand and Spheros





Season for Growth



32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 10th November 2019



Some Sadducees—those who say that there is no resurrection— approached Jesus and they put this question to him, 'Master, we have it from Moses in writing, that if a man's married brother dies childless, the man must marry the widow to raise up children for his brother. Well then, there were seven brothers. The first, having married a wife, died childless. The second and then the third married the widow. And the same with all seven, they died leaving no children. Finally the woman herself died. Now, at the resurrection, to which of them will she be wife since she had been married to all seven?' Jesus replied, 'The children of this world take wives and husbands, but those who are judged worthy of a place in the other world and in the resurrection from the dead do not marry because they can no longer die, for they are the same as the angels, and being children of the resurrection they are sons of God. And Moses himself implies that the dead rise again, in the passage about the bush where he calls the Lord the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac and the God of Jacob. Now he is God, not of the dead, but of the living; for to him all men are in fact alive.'

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World Teachers' Day

Teachers encourage minds to think, hands to create and hearts to love." (Anonymous) Friday October 25th was World Teachers in Australia.

When people remember individuals who have helped them, teachers are often at the top of their list. Teachers shine a light ahead to places that students can't yet see: a place where students find their unique talents and use them.

Teachers help students reach their potential. A teacher doesn't just provide lessons and assessments; a teacher is also a motivator, a psychologist, a crowd-control expert, an IT expert, a performer, a nutritionist, a literacy advocate, a nurse, and a recipient of shiny apples and the pure love of a grateful child. Besides the usual note-passing, the occasional disagreement, teachers need to know how to handle the greater challenges that come with 21st-Century living, like the use of social media, family challenges, and explaining complex world events. But most importantly, teachers give unwavering encouragement, guidance and support to the students who pass through their classrooms.

More is expected of our teachers today than ever before. Individualised planning, regular communication, a requirement to consistently update their professional learning to assist in their understanding of your children and how children learn best. The recent CPS Basketball, which I will allude to further on in the newsletter, is a perfect example of this extra effort.

Our roles as teachers in Catholic schools firmly place us as partners in the Church's mission to share the Good News: to invite students into a relationship with Jesus and to form them as Christians who have a sense of themselves and others and who work for a better world for all to share.

As Principal of Holy Spirit, I am proud of our staff. Proud because they are always challenging themselves and one another to provide the best possible opportunities for the children they teach, they seek to understand the needs of children and they aspire to be better teachers each and every day.

Catholic Primary Schools Basketball

On the 26th and 27th of October, we had over 50 of our students participate in the NSW CPS Basketball Competition. It was incredible to see these students play with such commitment and sportsmanship. This would not have been possible without the assistance of the following coaches and managers: Robbie Murray, Shaun Harrison, Stacie Slade, Mel Kean, Cheryl Brigden, Sally Harriot, Ben Smith, Jo Harris, Matt Burt, Emily Harding, Hollie Ackerly, Kelly Huckel and Jo Davies.

We were one of three host schools, with our job being the responsibility of the Wodonga Stadium. I would like to thank the staff for their efforts over the weekend at Wodonga. There were some staff who spent the vast majority of the weekend at the stadium. Special mention must go to Mr Corey Miller for all his preparation in the lead up to and during the event.

Uniform

It is so pleasing to see so many of our students taking such pride in wearing the correct uniform each day to school. Just a reminder, if your child is not wearing the correct uniform could you please write a note to their homeroom teacher.

Matt Kean Principal

School Dates for 2020

Kinder

Best Start Testing: 30th January - 4th February and 7th

February

First Full Day for Kinder Students:

Wed 5th February

Years 1-6

Maths Assessment Interviews:

30th and 31st January

First Full Day for Students:

Monday 3rd February

Important Dates for Term 4

11th and 18th November and Choices

2nd and 9th December

13th November - 3-4 pm Mad About Maths

Year 6 Canberra Trip 13th -15th November

School Disco 22nd November

Infant Swimming 25th - 29th November

Year 3/4 Overnight Excursion 28th - 29th November

Year 3/4 Swimming 2nd - 6th December

School-wide Transition 10th December 9.15 - 10.45am

Parent Appreciation Evening 12th December 6 - 7.30pm

Christmas Carols 16th December 6.30 - 8.00pm

Year 6 Graduation 17th December 6pm

End of Year Assembly 18th December 12 midday

18th December 1pm onwards End of Year BBQ

Last day for students 18th December

Religious Education

St Vincent De Paul-Christmas Appeal 2019

As in previous years, Holy Spirit School have been invited to participate in the Christmas Appeal 2019. This year's Christmas Appeal is "How can a hungry child celebrate Christmas?' with a focus on the tough choices parents have to make when there is not enough food for all the family.



If anyone would like to donate **new** unwrapped toys up to 12 years of age, or 'in date' non perishable food items, please leave these in the front office. Boxes will be available from next week where items can be placed in.

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.

Thanks for your support.



Mission Day

All students and teachers had a fantastic time on Mission Day last week. \$1121.00 was raised. Well done!

First Reconciliation – 16th November, 2019 – 5:30pm

The Year 2 Catholic children have begun their preparations for the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please pray for the following students;

Zara Besford, Jaxson Brown, Patrick Jewitt, Elijah Lane, Abigail Lavakeiaho, Eliza-Kate Maxsted Stella Post, Mitchell Seidel, Charlie Thomas, Jake Archer, Shally Bui, Dustin Carey, Sierra Emerson Max Frauenfelder, Gabriella Glazebrook, Daisy Irving, Ava Linehan, Harry Lubke, Blake McAuliffe, Rory McCarthy, Violet Moran, Tristan Thompson and Ashton Wray, Millah Braybrook.

If your child should be making their First Reconciliation and are not listed above, please see your child's teacher as soon as possible.

Important dates for your calendar

15th November — First Reconciliation Assembly 2:30pm

16th November – Saturday 5:30pm — Year 2 First Reconciliation

23rd November - Saturday Mass – 6pm

14th December—Saturday Mass – 6pm

November, Month of Remembrance

Remembrance day celebration at Holy Spirit Monday 11th November led by Year 6 at 10.50am

In this month of November, we remember those who have left a great impression on our lives. These are saints, friends, relatives and strangers alike. Fellow travellers, we are all human beings on the pilgrim way to eternity. We



give thanks for their presence and example, their mistakes and achievements and their generosity. For in all things they have taught us about life and life to the full. By their actions worth imitating or learning from, their lives have been in the service of humanity, in the sight of God they are each 'precious, honoured and loved.' (Isaiah 43:4) This month of remembrance also includes our memories of war, when untold soldiers made an ultimate sacrifice. Through their sufferings and death, they paved the way for future generations to live in freedom and peace.

God our Father, Your power brings us to birth, Your providence guides our lives, and by Your command we return to dust. Lord, those who die still live in Your presence, their lives change but do not end. I pray in hope for my family, relatives and friends, and for all the dead known to You alone. Eternal rest grant to them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.



Doll Bear and Hobby Show
Saturday 30 November 9.30am—4.30pm
Mirrambeena Community Centre
19 Martha Mews, Lavington

Displays of Dolls, Hobbies and Collectables

Admission Adults \$7.00 Children \$2.00



MERIT AWARDS Kinder Lucy Eyers, Skyla Newton, Supriya Khanal, Zahra Briggs, Paige Gavin, Taiya Hurst, Robyn Spiller, Olivia Charlesworth, Austin Dumlao, Amelia Harvey, Lennie Tomalin, Koa Mullavey, Indiana Byrne, Jayden Valentine Year 1 Lochlan Walsh, Baxter Graham, Hudson Piltz, Chelsea Hope, Rowen Davies, Jinty Lubke, Imogen Phillips, Zanden Heinjus, Jessica Hartles, Elijah Parkinson Year 2 Charlie Taylor, Levi Pumpa, Fynn Tomalin, Jaxson Brown, Elise North, Aiden Fry, Charlie Dunsmore, Zara Besford, Abbey Lavakeiaho, Sierra Emerson, Emilia Russell Year 3 Chelsea Ackerly, Zed McPhee, Bella Killalea, Anton Huerta, Jack Nixon Ava Loveless, Stella Eyers, Lyla Thompson, Emilia Darts, Pretty Bhullar Year 4 Logan Swan, Leroy Martin, Sophie Church, Cooper Kiraly, Morpheus Elston, Emmett Holmes, Lucas Barr, Mitchell Lafferty, Jackson Linehan, Lauren Pfeiffer, Lily McFarlane, Thomas Besford, Amelia Fry Year 5 Lauren Jewitt, Jessica Mercer, Anjelika Nalzaro, Sienna Nicholson Year 6 Paige Moran, Hudson Nagle, Lucy Brennan, Angus Darwent, Angela Protheroe, Millie Norman, Philippa Besford, Jack Harris, Kelly Russell

HOLY SPIRIT IS A NUT-FREE SCHOOL

Foods such as Peanut Butter, Nutella and nutty snack bars are not permitted.

Catholic Primary Schools Basketball Championships

Congratulations to all students who participated in this carnival on the weekend of October 26th and 27th. The behaviour and sportsmanship were exemplary. The students should be very proud of their efforts and achievements.

We had 6 teams competing for Holy Spirit and 3 of our Year 5 boys combining with St Pats Holbrook to make another team. We had two Junior boys and two Senior boys teams. We also had one Junior girls and one Senior girls team.

Congratulations to our Senior Boys Red team who won the Division 2 grand final. Thank you to the coach, Robbie Murray and the Manager, Shaun Harrison for organising and leading such a mighty effort. All of our teams played in at least a quarter or semi final. As you can see, our students represented our school with honour and pride. Well done!

A huge thank you to those many parents and families who supported their children and the school so enthusiastically. It was a wonderful weekend all round.















2019 Racquetball State Titles

Holy Spirit Primary School, Lavington and Mount Waverley Primary School have taken out the 2019 School Sport Victoria Primary Schools Racquetball Championships in a big day of competition last week at the Melbourne Sports and Aquatic Centre.

Both Holy Spirit teams won the North East Regional finals played at Wodonga early in the month resulting in their place in the State finals competition in Melbourne where they finished 1st and 3rd respectively.

Photo: Girls team: L to R - Isabella Clark, Philippa Besford, Amelia Brigden

Boys team: L to R- Jack Harris, Cody Gardiner, Cooper Liescke.

Coaches: Ross Falconer and Cheryl Brigden (Absent from photo Kevin Quick)

