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Dear Parents

Welcome to Week 2 at all Hallows.

We have a busy week this week with our Swimming Carnival being held today and the Opening Mass held yesterday. My appreciation to Kylie Statham for all her hard work in putting together the swimming carnival today and the Mass yesterday.

Our **Parent Information Meetings** are scheduled for next week on Tuesday afternoon - 14th February 2023. Teachers will be putting together Parent Information booklets that will be available during the meeting. It will give you an outline of what will be happening in your child's class, routine, structures and expectations. Teachers will also outline how you might be able to be involved in your child's education and support from home. If you have any questions, please contact your child's teacher via email. Times for the meetings are:

3.30pm - 3.50pm Kinder & Year 1

3.50pm - 4.10pm Year 2 & Year 3

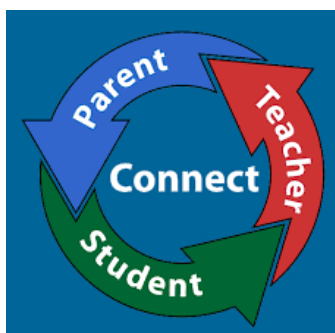
4.10pm - 4.30pm Year 4 & Year 5/6

The relationship between the teacher and parent is vital to improving the learning outcomes and school experience of your children. The role of schools is to work in partnership with parents to provide an environment that encourages students to connect with each other and their community, so they can succeed and thrive.

We pride ourselves on being able to have parents involved in every aspect of the school community again soon. Our **P & F AGM** will be held tomorrow, 9th February, at 3.45pm in the School Hall. It would be great to see many new and returning faces. The more the merrier!

Have a great week!

Brad Toole, Principal



We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand. We walk on a land of the Wiradjuri people. May we continue to love and respect the land as they have.

And the news this week is...

School Theme for 2023 is:

"One Heart, Many Voices"



Yesterday the school community came together at the Opening School Mass to ask God to bless and watch over us this year, as we work to grow with one another as a school community in 2023. We welcomed our new Kinders and our new students in other grades for the first time in our beautiful church.

Our School focus for 2023 is Mission - "One Heart, Many Voices". This year we will be focusing on learning more about Mission and the role that the All Hallows community has in this. We will share in the mission by spreading God's word, as well as loving and serving God through the way we live our life.

Fr Owen blessed our leaders and encouraged us all to 'work as a team' this year for the benefit of each other. Classes received their candle for their 2023 Class Prayer Focus. Our final song summed up what we hope to achieve together this year.

***"Light the way, lift your hearts
in all you do, in who you are
Be the Good News, my living word.
Be the change, be the start
Of a peace and joy-filled path
Be light for the way, hope for the world"***

Thank you to the many parents, grandparents and friend who were able to come to this mass and begin our year together. Having parents, grandparents and family attend our school masses completes the celebration for the children and teachers, as the whole All Hallows School community has gathered. Please keep an eye out in the newsletter for mass times this year and come along and celebrate special times with us.



I'd like to thank Kylie Statham for her organisation of our "Opening Mass" yesterday. Student leaders were presented with their leadership badges. I've been very impressed with the leadership qualities that Year 5/6 have shown in the first few weeks of school and look forward to working with them throughout 2023. In particular, the care they have shown their Kinder "Buddies" has been amazing and the relationship they are developing with one another is really special to see.

Congratulations to our House Captains who were voted in last week

Clare	Bailey T & Patrick F
Carmel	Arabella D & Jake M
MacKillop	Lilah G & Will D

SCHOOL SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Today is our school swimming carnival. Thank you to the parents, grandparents and friends who came along to help with timekeeping and cheering. Results will be in the newsletter next week.

NORTHERN REGION SWIMMING CARNIVAL

From our school carnival, a team will be selected to represent All Hallows at the Northern Region Swimming Carnival to be held in Mudgee, hosted by St Matthews on Friday 24th February 2023 (Wk 4). We will need to provide a number of officials for this carnival. A note will be sent home on Friday for those students involved and to ask for volunteers. Thank you.

BLUE FUNDRAISING DAY FOR MIA



Friday next week, 17th February we will be holding a **"Blue Fundraising Day for Mia"**. Students will be invited to dress in blue for the day and bring a gold coin donation.

Baked Goodies Stall on the front playground at recess. Students of Yr 5/6 will be bringing goods for sale.

Lunch Meal Deal - Sausage Sandwich, Popper & Zooper Dooper \$5.00. Extra sausage sand \$2.00

Parents are welcome to join us at recess for the baked goodies stall.

And the news this week is...

TERM 1

7/2/23	Opening School Mass 11am
8/2/23	School Swimming Carnival
14/2/23	Parent Info Sessions
18/2/23	Gulgong Show
22/2/23	Ash Wednesday Mass
24/2/23	Northern Region Swimming
27/2-- 2/3	Loreto Visit
2/3/23	Mass - Yrs 3, 5/6
3/3/23	World of Maths
8/3/23	Diocesan Swimming
10/3/23	Primary Winter Trials
16/3/23	Mass - Yr 4
20/3-22/3	Parent/Teacher Meetings
24/3/23	School Cross Country
27/3 - 31/3	Catholic Schools Week
30/3/23	Polding Swimming
3/4 - 7/4/23	Holy Week
6/4/23	Holy Week Liturgy
	Last Day of Term

CANTEEN NEWS

Canteen open for lunch each

TUESDAY & THURSDAY

Reusable lunch bags available at the office

\$10.00 each



UNIFORM

Congratulations to all our students who have been looking amazing in their uniform to start the year. I've had numerous conversations about how great the students are looking at the moment. Keep up the great work!

A reminder that the P & F Uniform Shop is open each Tuesday morning 8.30am - 9.15am and Thursday 2.45pm - 3.30pm.

GARDEN CLUB



Next week will be planting in our new garden. Mrs Watts and Miss Norris, our new cleaner, will be helping the students get the gardens established. We will be holding a garden club on Wednesdays and Thursdays at lunch time. Special thanks to Amanda and Emily for taking on this project.

SCHOOL FEES

School Fees will be invoiced later this month and will come home via your child. Balances will also be available in the Compass Parent Portal.

Your invoice will show the full year but can be paid in instalments either by the term or by making regular weekly or fortnightly payments via direct debit. Direct Debit forms are available at the office.

Families on direct debit will find their payments resume this month. We will be in contact with families who need to increase/decrease their payments to cover 2023 fees.

We would like to remind families on direct debit to please ensure enough funds are held in your account to cover your direct debit as we have had a lot of payments reject in recent months. The school is charged a fee from the bank each time this happens.

NOTES TO BE RETURNED

A reminder to return the notes that came home last week so that your child has permission to use our school technology by signing the **Student Acceptable Use of Technology Agreement** and the **Parent Authority & Consent** form which gives the school various permissions throughout the year including walking to and from the pool for sport.

SAVE THE DATE

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

27th - 31st March 2023

More information to follow

Merit Awards

Week 1

<u>Kinder</u> Winnie B, Harriet B, Claire F, Bella G, Lukas H, Zachary K, Airlie K, Millie M, Oscar N, Jayce O, Bonnie-Blue O, Maisy S, Bligh S, Alice T, Albert T, Cooper W, Charlie W	<u>Year 3</u> Cooper H, Rory K
<u>Year 1</u> Jane T, Nathan M, Jack H	<u>Year 4</u> Lexi W, Tayla M
<u>Year 2</u> Alex D, Miller P, Charlotte H	<u>Year 5/6</u> Sophia B, Lola P, Will D
Halo Reward: Cambell F, Roley A, Liam J, Tom O, Rory K, Charlotte A, Issy C, Lara P, Frank K	



BAGGY BLUES AND PAST PLAYERS FREE JUNIOR CRICKET CLINIC

The Cricket NSW Foundation along with the NSW Baggy Blues & Past Players will be putting on a FREE Junior Cricket Clinic for boys and girls aged 5-15 followed by a T20 Exhibition match featuring some of the best players from the region and some very special guests!

THURS 23rd FEBRUARY, 2023
5pm - 6pm
Victoria Park
Cnr Denison & Horatio St, Mudgee

If you would like to register for this event, please fill out your details via the button below.

[REGISTER](#)






BAGGY BLUES, PAST PLAYERS AND RAMHP MENTAL HEALTH DINNER

The Cricket NSW Foundation along with the NSW Baggy Blues, Past Players & RAMHP will be hosting a dinner function promoting positive mental health for members of the community. Come hear stories from our past players, from the Rural Adversity Mental Health Program and enjoy dinner!

If you would like to register for this event, please fill out your details via the button below.

WED 22nd FEBRUARY, 2023
6pm for a 6.30pm start
Club Mudgee
99 Mortimer St, Mudgee

[REGISTER](#)



