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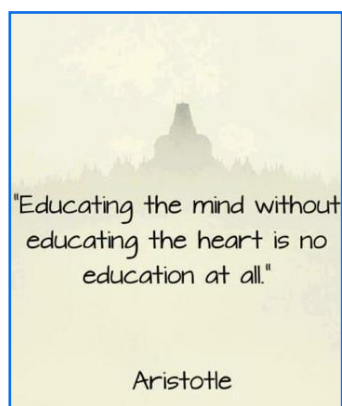
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Dear Parents,

As we prepare to celebrate **Catholic Schools Week** next

week, I want to take a moment to reflect on why this week is so important to us as a Catholic school community.

First and foremost, Catholic Schools Week is an opportunity to celebrate the unique mission and identity of our schools. Our Catholic schools exist to provide a rigorous academic education while also forming our students in the Catholic faith. We strive to create an environment where our students can grow academically, spiritually, and socially, and we believe that this holistic approach to education is vital for the formation of young people who will go on to become leaders in our communities and in our Church.

During Catholic Schools Week, we take the time to recognise the contributions of our teachers and staff who work tirelessly to provide our students with an education that is both excellent and grounded in the Catholic faith. We also celebrate the achievements of our students, who are making a difference in their communities and in the world.

In addition to celebrating our own school community, Catholic Schools Week is an opportunity to promote Catholic education more broadly. It is a time to share the good news of Catholic schools with others and to invite them to consider the benefits of a Catholic education for their own children.

Catholic Schools Week is a time to reflect on the gifts that God has given us and to renew our commitment to using those gifts to serve others. I encourage you to join us in celebrating Catholic Schools Week and to reflect on the many blessings that come with being part of a Catholic school community.

I'd like to offer my thanks to Kylie for all her hard work and time spent organising our calendar of activities for Catholic Schools Week. Also, thanks to all the staff who have worked hard and been busily organising exciting activities for next week. All the staff will go above and beyond next week as they have done all year. I'm extremely grateful for their hard work! It is going to be an exciting week and we can't wait to celebrate with you!

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"



As we work to live our mission. We seek to bring joy to those we serve. This can be achieved by encouraging the following values in our everyday lives. **Dignity** Everyone is worthy of respect – Practice respectful listening. **Integrity** Always do the right thing – especially when no one is watching. **Compassion** Be empathic and responsive – to all we meet this week. **Equity** Some people need extra support – help where we can because we can. Let this be our focus as we be our best selves this week.



Be peaceful and know you are not alone on this Journey...

Look around you right now.... These people are with you.

Be peaceful and know you are not alone on this Journey...

Look around you right now.... God is with you.

Be peaceful and know YOU are not alone on this Journey...

Be peaceful...



Fourth Week of Lent



This week through Project Compassion we learn about Thu, who lives in Vietnam. When Thu was 12 years old, he stepped on an unexploded land mine and lost his leg. Living with a disability in rural Vietnam presented many challenges for Thu, who worked mainly as a rice farmer. Thu also took on the role of caring for his wife, Linh, after she suffered a stroke.

Determined to turn their lives around, Thu and Linh joined the Empowerment of People with Disabilities program, run by Caritas Australia's local partner in Vietnam, the Centre for Sustainable Rural Development (SRD). For Thu, the greatest impact the program has had is enabling the change in Linh's physical and mental wellbeing. With the support of a physiotherapist, Linh can now walk short distances with the aid of a walking stick.

Please support Project Compassion.



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Catholic Schools Week is next week and we invite all our families and friends to start the week off with us, at our school Liturgy and Morning Tea.



The theme for Catholic Schools Week is 'Share the Spirit of our Catholic School.' This year we will also incorporate our school theme 'Mission: One Heart, Many Voices'. With this, our 140 year Anniversary, we acknowledge the many voices who have been a part of the heart of our story here at All Hallows Catholic School. During this week we will celebrate and showcase the myriad of innovative ways in which our Catholic schools are supporting their students to develop the knowledge, skills and attributes of self-directed, empowered learners.

Our students seek to serve others and to be actively and creatively engaged in the concerns and challenges of our world.

Please join us at events throughout the week as our community celebrates.

Monday 27th March:

Liturgy, Morning Tea (hosted by Year 4 Parents) and Open Classrooms

Wednesday 29th March:

Enrichment Day

Thursday 30th March:

Rugby League Day, Dunedoo

Friday 31st March:

Tabloids (middle session) followed by lunch on the lawn.

RUGBY LEAGUE - DUNEDOO

The David Peachey Rugby League competition will be held in **Dunedoo on Thursday 30th March.**

There will be a bus available and Mr Rogers and Ms Satham will accompany the students to Dunedoo for the day with Mrs Bray driving the bus.

And the news this week is...

TERM 1

20/3-22/3	Parent/Teacher Meetings
23/3/23	Mass - Yr 4
27/3 - 31/3	Catholic Schools Week
27/3/23	CSW Liturgy/Morning Tea Open Classrooms
29/3/23	CSW Enrichment Day
30/3/23	Peachey Shield/Richardson Cup Dunedoo
30/3/23	Mass - Yrs 1 & 2
30/3/23	Polding Swimming
31/3/23	CSW Tabloids/ Lawn Lunch
3/4/23	School Cross Country
6/4/23	Holy Week Liturgy Last Day of Term

P&F NEWS

The P&F met last week and the following events will occur in 2023. Dates are still to be confirmed:

- Pie Drive
- Henry Lawson BBQ
- Trivia Night
- 140 Years of All Hallows Fete and celebration weekend
- Various raffles

*The Uniform Shop is now fully stocked for Winter uniforms and you have until June to claim your "Back to School" vouchers.

The Uniform Shop will be open at the following times:

Tues 28th Mar - 8.30 - 10.00am

Tues 4th Apr - 8.30 - 10.00am &
2.00 - 3.45pm

Thurs 6th Apr - 8.30 - 10.00am &
2.00 - 3.45pm

Holidays Fri 21st Apr - 9.am - 3.pm

ALL HALLOWS CROSS COUNTRY

The students have been training for the School Cross Country and are looking forward to the event **on Monday 3rd April** at **Red Hill**.

The students need to wear SPORTS UNIFORM and bring an extra drink bottle of water.

The students and teachers will walk up to Red Hill at 11.20am, and then walk the course. The first race will start at **11.50am**. The groups will run in the following order:

Yr 5/6 - 3km K - 2 - 1km Yr 3 & 4 - 2km

Helpers are needed to act as marshalls / cheerers around the course. Please let Ms Statham know if you can help or just turn up a little earlier. Thank you in advance.

At the conclusion of events the students and teachers will walk back to school for lunch.... and a rest.

PUPIL FREE DAYS

The following dates have been set aside for Pupil Free days for staff development days this year:

Monday 24th April - First Day of Term 2 (Students will return Wed 26th April)

Monday 17th July - First Day of Term 3 (Students will return Tues 18th July)

Monday 3rd August - Week 3 Term 3

EASTER HAT PARADE

We will be having an Easter Hat Parade on the



Wednesday 5th April (last week of Term).

The Parade will be held at 9.00am as soon as the bell rings so families are able to watch.

Children are asked to make their own hats at home and bring them in on the day to wear. We will keep you updated with details as the end of the term draws closer.

CANTEEN NEWS - Volunteers Needed

Canteen is open each **Tuesday** and **Thursday** for lunch only.

We are currently looking at getting a roster organised for Term 2 and are looking for volunteers to come and assist Emma between the hours of 10.30am and 1.30pm. A sheet is coming home today with dates. If you would like to help (full training provided), just fill in the days you are available and return to the school office.



Merit Awards

Week 7

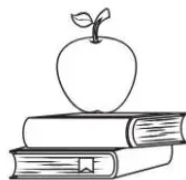
<u>Kinder</u> Connor C, Millie M	<u>Year 3</u> Cambell F, Ivy G
<u>Year 1</u> Roley A, Marley W	<u>Year 4</u> David H, Braxton B, Noah W
<u>Year 2</u> Emma W, Aubrey L, Amber-Lilly S	<u>Year 5/6</u> Lane H, Tommy W, Sarah W

Halos: Oscar N, Bella G, Caitlin B, Claire F, Connor C, Cambell F, Ivy G, Logan J, Chelsey W, Dylan M



PARISH NEWS

Parish Mass - Sunday 26th March @ 10.30am



After School Questions

**24 QUESTIONS TO ASK
INSTEAD OF "HOW WAS YOUR DAY?"**

What made you smile today?	What did you do today that was creative?	Did you like your lunch?
Who did you sit by today in class?	How were your friends today at school?	Who did you play with at recess?
Was anyone gone today at school?	What kind of person were you today?	What was the hardest rule to follow today?
Did you learn anything you didn't understand?	Who did you sit by at lunch?	What made your teacher smile today?
Did anyone cry at school?	Tell me something you learned today that you didn't know yesterday.	What are you reading?
What was the bus driver like today?	If you could change one thing about your day, what would it be?	Did you feel prepared for your _____ test?
If you could switch seats, who would you chose to sit by?	If you could teach class, what would you teach?	What made you happy at school today?
How do the other kids treat you at school?	What's something nice you did for someone else today?	What was the best thing that happened today?

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