Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to Term 3. It has been lovely to see the students return refreshed and ready for a new term. The students have their new learning goals and are extremely keen to achieve these new goals. Throughout this term we have many opportunities for parents to be involved including Grandparent’s Day, Reading Under the Stars, Father’s Day Stall, School Feast Day, Personal Development Parent Information Evening, Student Led Conferences, Sports Gala days, Monday Morning Prayer and Parish Mass each Wednesday. Please refer to our Term 3 School Planner that was included in last week’s newsletter for further details.

**PBS4L Update**

**What is Positive Behaviour Support for Learning?**

A framework to enhance the capacity to educate all children by developing research based, school wide and classroom support systems.

PBS4L provides systems for schools to design, implement and evaluate effective school wide classrooms, non-classroom and student specific plans.

Instruction in social skills

Helping students regulate their own behaviour

Creates effective environments where students make positive behaviour choices that support academic success.

With the start of the term it is important to remember the role PBS4L plays in the students learning at Holy Cross. Students are involved in regular lessons focusing on social skills related to our school agreements. These agreements are taught, modelled and practiced in different areas of our school each day. **To start the term Year 1 revised what it looks like, sounds and feels like to work as a TRIBE, learn during Big Book and Mathematics.**

The students receive ‘rainbow’ tokens each day in their learning spaces and on the playground for being safe, respectful and doing their personal best. Whilst each grade is collecting rainbow tokens they are all working towards a different reward.

**What did you earn a rainbow for this week?**

**How can you do your personal best during Mathematics?**

**How can you be respectful when working with your TRIBE?**

**What does it look like when you are learning as a class/grade on the mat?**

At Holy Cross we learn together – we do our personal best, we are respectful and we are safe.

Regards,

Marina Hardy
Principal

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**John XXIII Mass Times**

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm
Sunday Masses 7.30am, 9.00am, 10.30am, 6.00pm
Weekday Masses Mon, Wed, Thurs and Sat at 9.00am
Enrolment in The Sacrament of Confirmation

For parents who would like their children to participate in this year’s Confirmation Program, there is a parent information session on Thursday 30th July at 7:30pm in the St Mark’s School Hall.

It is essential that you attend the session. This year the program will be run differently with children only needing to attend one longer session on the weekend of the 8th - 9th August. This and other changes in the sacramental program will be explained during the evening information session.

Celebrating the Feast of St Joachim and St Anne - Grandparents of Jesus

This coming Sunday 26th July, is the feast day of St Joachim and St Anne, parents to Mary and grandparents to Jesus. Joachim and Anne were greatly honoured by God who gave them a daughter conceived without sin who was to become known as the Mother of God. It would seem that they performed their parenting responsibilities with great grace. On Sunday we honour them and reflect on how grandparents contribute to our lives.

We know very few facts about St Joachim and St Anne. Stories tell us that after years of childlessness, an angel appeared to tell Anne and Joachim that they would have a child. We believe that Mary was raised in a Jewish family, faithful to God and to the religious traditions of her day such that she was led to respond wholeheartedly to God’s request with faith, “Let it be done to me as you will.”

As we honour the legacy of St Joachim and St Anne on the weekend, this Friday we celebrate all our grandparents at school with a special liturgy led by the students of Year 1 and Year 5 as well as celebrations beginning at the start of the school day and ending after a picnic lunch at 12:15pm.

Parish Mass at School This Week

Mass this Wednesday 22nd June will be attended by Year 4 at 9am. Mass this week will be in the MPLC and all parents are invited. Year 6 will help lead next Wednesday’s mass on the 29th July.

2016 Kindergarten Children

On Wednesday evening 19th August at 6.30pm a special event is being held in our Library for those children who are attending Kindergarten in 2016. Parents and their children can enjoy an evening story time in the library “Reading Under the Stars”. All 2016 Kindergarten children and their parents are warmly invited to attend.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

This year we will be participating in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program. From Wednesday 15th July to Tuesday 8th September, we are collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers. You will get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every $10 spent. Place the Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet which is attached to this newsletter and when it’s complete, the Sticker Sheet can be dropped into the Collection Box at school. At the end of the promotion, we’ll be able to get some great new equipment. The range offers lots of items that we can choose from including resources for Maths, English, Science, Arts & Craft, Sport and for our library.
Unpacking NAPLAN & a case study for improvement

Term 3 PRC General Meeting – Mon 3 Aug 2015, 7pm
All catholic school parents and educators welcome!
Free presentation to all who attend the Term 3 General Meeting.

Presenters: Mrs Sue Walsh, Deputy Executive Director, Catholic Education, Diocese of Parramatta
and
Dr Elizabeth Ricketts, Principal, St Aidan’s Primary School, Rooty Hill

Venue: Diocesan Assembly Centre(IFM), Grd Flr, Cnr Flushcombe Rd & Marian St, Blacktown
Doors open 6.30pm for coffee & tea.
Further enquiries: Please email prcparrapresident@gmail.com

Please Note: Note-taking is the responsibility of each attendee for the benefit of themselves and the school community that they represent. Format hand outs from the presentations is unlikely.

The Catholic Diocese of Parramatta wants to hear from you

If you or someone close to you has suffered ANY abuse by a representative of the Catholic Church (school, parish, other Catholic group) in Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains we invite you to contact us.

Our professional staff will listen to your experience, respect your confidentiality and discuss all available options.

Phone: (02) 9933 0233
Web: www.parra.catholic.org.au/safeguarding
Email: safeguarding@parra.catholic.org.au
Mail: PO BOX 3066 North Parramatta, NSW, 1750

For any complaints that may relate to criminal conduct we encourage you to contact NSW Police on 1800 333 000
Happy Birthday to the following students who celebrated their Birthday:

Nathan Pantaleone, Jacelle Adviento, Lauren Franco, Frida Vazquez Vega, Ilakya Kumar, Ariscin Williams, Caitlyn Plummer, Leah Prasad, Anabelle Castillo, Jayden Jones, Joel Finlay & Harsh Lal

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9.45 - 10.30 - Liturgy
10.30 - 11.00 - Grandparents Morning Tea
11.00 - 11.30 - Open Classrooms
11.30 - 12.15 - Please bring along a picnic lunch to have with the children

Please note times may vary slightly throughout the morning.

Come along and join us for Grandparent’s Day this Friday from 9:00am

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Diary Events

Wed 22nd July to
Fri 24th July Holy Cross Book Fair
Fri 24th July Grandparent’s Day Celebrations
Mon 27th July Kinder Monday Morning Prayer
Tues 28th July Year 2 Excursion
Wed 29th July Years 5 & 6 Personal Development
Parent Information Evening 6:30pm - 8pm

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STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAYS THIS TERM
Friday 31st July, 2015 & Friday 11th September, 2015
This is a pupil free day
For care on this day please contact COSHC before Friday 31st July. If you have any queries please call Ben on 0418 115 483.

Kindergarten 2016 Enrolments
Please contact the school office if you would like to enrol your child into Kindergarten 2016.
To assist with estimating our 2016 enrolments, we would appreciate it if you could notify the school in writing if your child is leaving at the end of 2015 from grades other than Year 6.
Wednesday 15th July, 2015

Dear Parents and Carers,

Holy Cross Primary School Glenwood: Staff Development Day

As families are aware, Friday 31st July, 2015 is a Staff Development Day at Holy Cross Primary School. Catholic Out of School Hours Care at Holy Cross is able to offer limited places for care on this day. Places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis, priority given to families already enrolled at the service.

Opening Times: 6:30am to 6:30pm

Flat Fee: $50.00 per child for the day, prior to Child Care Benefit deductions.

Families that already attend COSHC on Fridays will have their regular fee deducted from the $50.00 fee.

How to secure a position for Friday 31st July, 2015

Simply complete the tear off slip below and return to the school office or COSHC to secure your position. Families new to COSHC will be required to complete an enrolment form and abide to the Policies & Procedures.

No further applications will be accepted after 5:00pm on Tuesday 28th July 2015.

Further enquires are to be directed to the COSHC Supervisor on 0418 115 483 or coscholycrossglenwood@parra.catholic.edu.au

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STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY REQUEST FORM – Friday 31st July, 2015

I will require all day care on the Staff Development Day, Friday 31st July, 2015 at COSHC Holy Cross. I accept that if I book care for my children and they do not attend on the day, your usual Friday COSHC fees will still apply.

Child’s Name: ___________________________ School Class: _________

Parent / Carer Name: ____________________________________________

Signature: ___________________________ Date: ____________________