Dear Parents,

On behalf of Fr Dave and the school staff I welcome all Holy Cross students and families back in 2012. The welcome is extended to families who have joined the school community this year, including those children who are starting Kindergarten or to those children that have joined other classes. We are delighted that you have chosen our school for your children and will honour the trust you place in us to educate your child. We are sure that you will find our Holy Cross community to be very supportive and welcoming where we all learn together.

Sincere thanks to the staff for beginning the year with such enthusiasm. We are blessed with a very talented staff dedicated to the children and their learning. The staff have spent days preparing teaching and learning for the students. It is a real vocation to be a teacher in a Catholic school.

We look forward to a wonderful year of faith, fun and learning together.

Thank you for your support. It is in partnership that we can achieve great things for our children.

Finally, I would like to thank the staff, parents and students who have made my first week at Holy Cross so enjoyable. I was fortunate to meet quite a few parents on Monday morning after Prayer Assembly and I felt a great sense of community. I look forward to building relationships and working with you.

God bless you and your family,
Jenny Bellenger
Acting Principal

A Year of Grace

The Catholic bishops of Australia have proclaimed a Year of Grace for the Church. It is to be a time to pray that the Holy Spirit will breath new life into the Church.

How can we serve families better as a Church, build a true sense of belonging, and equip people for Catholic life in the 21st Century? How might we better support our schools and parishes and better meet the needs of our people, especially our children and future generations?

Bishop Anthony Fisher OP invites you to share your vision, suggestions and ideas as we plan for the years ahead in the Diocese of Parramatta.

For information about the consultation event taking place near you, or to have your say online, visit www.faithinourfuture.org.au

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We warmly welcome to our Holy Cross Community:

Mrs Danielle Hillard Kindergarten, Miss Melissa Kershaw Year 2 and Miss Jenni Leano Year 3

### Staffing 2012

- **Acting Principal**: Mrs Bellenger
- **Acting Assistant Principal**: Mrs O’Rourke
- **Kindergarten**: Mr Buckley, Mrs Beddall and Mrs Hillard
- **Year One**: Mrs Villiers, Mrs Saulkeld, Miss Fredericks and Ms Porteous
- **Year Two**: Mrs Pielago and Mrs Kershaw
- **Year Three**: Mrs Richardson, Mr Lee and Miss Leano
- **Year Four**: Mrs Clements and Mrs Gilmore
- **Year Five**: Miss Robertson and Mrs Te Hiwi
- **Year Six**: Mr Stennett and Miss Sheehy
- **Teacher Release**: Mrs Whelan and Mrs Fogg
- **Sport**: Mrs Clark
- **Library**: Mrs Bohan and Mrs Surdich
- **Lote**: Mrs Leow
- **Music**: Mrs Raspopova
- **Gifted and Talented**: Miss Whittle
- **ESL and Literacy Support**: Miss Whittle and Miss Maunder
- **Learning Support**: Mrs Lang and Miss Desirea
- **School Counsellor**: Mrs Schoobridge
- **Administration**: Mrs Burke, Mrs Batiste and Mrs Bohan
- **Teacher’s Aides**: Mrs McCully, Mrs Surdich, Mrs Perrin and Mrs Attard
- **Maintenance**: Mr Robey and Mrs Rickett

### Numeracy

Thank you to those parents who brought their children to school during the holidays and last Monday to attend a Maths Interview with their teachers.

The interviews provide the teachers with a wealth of information about the mental strategies the children use when solving mathematical problems. The interviews will enable teachers to plan open ended mathematics investigations that are suited to the needs of their students.

During 2010, 2011 and, again this year, Holy Cross has made a commitment to improving the numeracy skills of the children at our school. Teachers have been taking part in ongoing professional development in collaboration with the Catholic Education Office, Parramatta and the Australian Catholic University. Our main focus is to encourage the children to develop efficient mental strategies. Over the coming weeks we will provide suggestions, in the school newsletter, for activities parents can use at home.

Those children who were not interviewed during the holidays will be interviewed over the next week. Once again, thank you for helping us to develop good mathematical outcomes for our children.

### 2012 School Fees

Term 1 School Fee accounts will be posted out this week from Catholic education Office and are due for payment by Thursday, 8th March, 2012. Families again will have the opportunity to pay their fees using flexi payments. All payment arrangements from 2011 have ceased, (excluding Centrelink payments) and new arrangements need to be set up for 2012. Forms will be included with your school fee statement. Fees can be made by BPAY, POSTBILLPAY, Direct Debit, cash, cheque, credit card, EFTPOS. If you take advantage of the BPAY facility to pay your school fees, you will need your biller code and reference code which are located on the bottom right hand side of your school fee account. Please allow 2 days for all BPay and POSTBILLPAY payments to reach our account. Should you have any inquiries regarding the payment of your 2012 school fees please contact Mrs Vanessa Burke or email holycross@parra.catholic.edu.au.

### School Hours

Children can commence arriving at school from 8.30am when they will be supervised until 8.40am after which the children move into their classrooms. Children arriving from 8.40am onwards to straight to their classroom.

### Parking

Parents and families are reminded that the car park at the front of the school is for staff parking only. Please do not enter the car park even when the gate is open because this puts the safety of all our children and the teachers exiting the car park at risk.

Parents are also urged to obey the parking signs in the local streets and to be mindful of the rights of our neighbours.

A reminder to parents parking in the bus bay is not allowed and also puts our children at risk.

As always, thank you to all those families who look after the safety of our children by following these guidelines.

### Uniform Shop

The shop will be open tomorrow, Wednesday 8th February then every second Wednesday thereafter from 2.30pm to 3.00pm for parents wishing to purchase pre-loved uniforms.

### Asthma

If your child has ever had an episode of asthma, the school needs to be provided with an Asthma Plan. This will need to be signed by your GP. Please send this paperwork to the front office as soon as possible.

### Anaphylaxis

If you child has been diagnosed as having severe allergic reactions and/or anaphylaxis we require a medical form at the front office. This would include directions for the administration of the EpiPen or the Anapen or antihistamine.

Due to the incidences of children who attend this school having severe allergies to nuts of any sort, we strive to be a nut free school. We appreciate vigilance in sending nut free foods to school. If you have any inquiries about sending in food to celebrate Birthdays—please contact the class teacher.
Online Training Module—Child Protection for Volunteers

Parents/volunteers are reminded that this course needs to be completed every two years. If you did not complete this module in 2010 you will need to complete it this year prior to volunteering at Holy Cross.

It is a system requirement that child protection training be completed by all volunteers commencing work in our schools. An online training module for use by volunteers is now available. After successfully completing the module, an email notification will be sent automatically to the volunteer’s email address and to the school email address. This email is a confirmation that the training has been successfully completed by the volunteer.

Child Protection for Volunteers may be accessed via the following link located in the Child Protection Kit, Section 10, Child Protection Training for volunteers.


Using Child Protection for Volunteers
1. Open the module by clicking the Start link
2. Read through the presentation
3. Complete and submit quiz questions—this will take approximately 45 minutes
4. After successful completion of the module, fill out the form by typing name, email address, contact number, contact address and the school.
5. A notification of successful completion of the module will be sent via email to the school and also the volunteer’s email address.

Year 6 Leadership

We would like to congratulate our Year 6 Leaders who helped welcome our new families at the Kindergarten Sausage Sizzle and Funshow:

Jarred Bratovic, Tyler Day, Braden Doyle, Lachlan Inglis, Lachlan Inns, Benjamin Kwok, Max Kwok, Alex Mey, Nicholas Reetov, Mitchell Surace, Marco Tupaz, Campbell Wood, Sophie Baker, Olivia Bradasic, Madeleine Caleta, Georgia Corrigan, Clara D’Aprilie, Anna Diaz, Chelsea Hartley, Anneliese Hoare, Elizabeth Murray, Aaina Singh and Isabella Whitton

Parent Information Evenings

This year the teachers will be holding Information Evenings throughout Week 3. This is an opportunity for families to hear grade specific information and to ask any questions about the learning in each grade.

The dates and times are as follows:

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Happy Birthday to all students who have celebrated their Birthday during the month of January and last week:


Upcoming Events

11th Feb  OLOL Feast Day
11th Feb  Parish Working Bee
15th Feb  Special Canteen Day
17th Feb  Opening School Mass
24th Feb  Diocesan Swimming Carnival
Welcome Kindergarten 2012
Our Future Leaders
CINQUE CENTO CLUB 2012

Join the Cinque Cento Club

You are invited to join this exciting fundraising initiative of the Catholic Parish of Blessed John XXIII to assist us with the funding requirements of our Parish community.

So how does it work?

- Club limited to a maximum of 500 members
- Each member contributes $50 per month (January 2012 to December 2012—$600 per year)
- Individual or syndicate membership
- Membership closing date: 29th February 2012
- Chance to win one of three $500 ANZ Prepaid Visa Cards if you are a full renewing member or sign up a brand new member
- Monthly Prize Draw of $500 ANZ Prepaid Visa Card

Grand Prize Draw

Major Prizes (Drawn 9 December 2012) consisting of:

- 1st Prize $25,000 ANZ Prepaid Visa Cards
- 2nd Prize $15,000 ANZ Prepaid Visa Cards
- 3rd Prize $10,000 ANZ Prepaid Visa Cards
- 4th Prize $2,500 ANZ Prepaid Visa Cards
- 5th Prize $1,000 ANZ Prepaid Visa Cards

To join, just complete the section below and return to committee members or the Parish Office.

Application for membership:

Name of Member / Syndicate: ________________________________

Tick here for 50% joint syndicate option (ie 50% of syndicate membership @ $25 per month) ________________

Where an independent syndicate please include names of all members __________________________________________

Tick here if you consent to your name being published if you are a prize winner ________________

Email address __________________________________________

Phone number __________________________________________

Postal Address __________________________________________

Credit Card details

Account Number __________________________________________

Name of Cardholder ______________________________________

Card Type: VISA / MASTERCARD ______________________

Expiry Date / / ______________________

Cardholder Signature ______________________________

If you are applying to join the club after being referred by a current member please write their name here so they are eligible for the Early Bonus Draw ______________________________

Consent: I have read and accept the terms and conditions of the Cinque Cento Club. I confirm that I (and all syndicate members) are over 18 years of age. Where credit card details have been provided I authorise 12 monthly payments of $50 (or $25 for joint syndicate membership) to be debited from my account on the 1st of each month or on the next business day. I understand that any membership arrears will be debited immediately from my account.

Signature ______________________________________________

NSW Permit No: GOCLP/1015

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John XXIII
2012 Cinque Cento Club
Terms & Conditions
December 2011

1. All funds raised through the 2012 Cinque Cento Club ("Club") go directly to the Catholic Parish of Blessed John XXIII Glenwood Stanhope Gardens in the Diocese of Parramatta ("Parish"). A separate bank account has been established for audit purposes. No administrative charges or fees are incurred.

2. The Club is administered by Parish Fundraising Committee ("PFC") The Parish Priest and all members of the PFC and their dependents during the conduct of this club are not permitted to be members of the club.\(^3\)

3. Membership in this club is independent and is not a substitute for the Parish Planned Giving Program.

4. Membership applications are to be accepted from 11th December 2011 to 29th February 2012 or earlier if 500 members have been signed up by the application form. Under no circumstances will any additional members be accepted after this date.

5. All members must be natural persons over 18 years of age at the time of joining.

6. A maximum of 500 members is permitted in the Club. (a member can include a syndicate of members providing all members including syndicate participants are over 18 years of age)

7. In the event the Club is over subscribed a process will be established by the PFC to allocate membership on a "first response first in" basis. In the event the Club is under subscribed with less than 200 members, the Club will not proceed and all funds collected will be returned to the members.

8. Each member will be issued with a unique member number. Membership numbers commence at Member 001 to Member 500. Membership numbers will be advised in writing as soon as possible after the Club is established.

9. Each member will make 12 contributions of $50 per month. Contributions can be made in advance. Payment is by Cash, Cheque, Visa, MasterCard and direct debit. Cheques and cash will not be accepted by mail. Any payment by cheque or cash must be made in person during business hours at the Parish Office by the 1st of each month.

10. The membership is non-transferable and where member fails to meet their monthly contribution they will have a grace period of 1 month to become financial and remain eligible for future monthly draws and the major prize draw. Any contributions made by a member who has become ineligible to continue in the Club will be non-refundable.

11. The monthly prize draw for January and February will be held on 4 March 2012 following the 10:30am Mass at the Parish Church. For the months March 2012 to November 2012 the monthly draw will be held on the third Sunday of each month following the 10:30am Mass at the Parish Church. The monthly prize draw for December 2012 will be drawn on 9 December 2012.

12. Early bonus prizes (three in total) will be drawn on 4 March 2012 following the 10:30am Mass at the Parish Church. Members who were members of the Cinque Cento Club (2011) who join as full members and members who successfully sign up an additional member(s) who were not members of the Cinque Cento Club (2011) are eligible for this draw. Where multiple additional members are signed up the member is eligible for the draw for each of the new members. Each prize is a $500 ANZ Prepaid Visa Card.

13. The major prize draw will be take place on 9 December 2012 following the 10:30am Mass at the Parish Church. Prizes are as follows: First Prize ANZ Prepaid Visa Cards and Reloadable Corporate Cards to the value of $25,000, Second Prize $15,000 ANZ Prepaid Visa Card and Reloadable Corporate Cards, Third Prize $10,000 ANZ Prepaid Visa Card and Reloadable Corporate Cards, Fourth Prize $2,500 ANZ Prepaid Visa Cards and Fifth Prize $1,000 ANZ Prepaid Visa Cards.

14. Winners must abide by the Terms and Conditions for the ANZ Prepaid Visa Cards and Reloadable Corporate Cards which can be viewed at www.anz.com/prepaid cards or a hard copy will be available for review at the Parish Office.

15. Results will be published in the Parish Bulletin the week following the draw.

16. Winners will be contacted by telephone and notified by mail to organise the collection of prize. Any unclaimed prizes will be held by the Parish until expiry date and then destroyed. All reasonable efforts will be undertaken to contact the winners within this period.

17. In the event of any dispute the decision of an independent arbitrator nominated by the Institute of Arbitrators and Mediators of Australia (IAMA) will be final and no correspondence will be entered into.

\(^3\)Current Members of the Committee at the date of the Terms and Conditions are Anthony Zec and Tim Gilmour. Their services are voluntary and it is a non paid position.
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