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## — WELCOME — BACK TO SCHOOL

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I hope you all enjoyed a wonderful summer break. Hopefully the students are relaxed and ready to start an exciting new school year. It has been a really positive start to the year and the staff welcome and value your positive energy and support in the education of your children.

In 2022, we welcome Georgia Anderson, Gabi Russell, Tamara Morrison and Glynis Hensley to the staff at All Hallows. We also welcome back Amanda Watts from her maternity leave. All five staff have been welcome additions into the school and we look forward to working with them this year.

On the first day I explained to the children that I wanted to see three things from them this year;

- Be Respectful
- Try Your Best = Work Hard
- A Positive Attitude

If we can ingrain these three qualities into our students, they will thrive as members of our school community.

It was my pleasure to welcome 19 new kinder students to the school today. There was an air of excitement and anticipation in the hope of what a new year brings. If the last two years taught us anything, it was to expect the unexpected. We hope that throughout 2022 we are able to come together more frequently as a school community.

Our past experience tells us that young people receive the most from their education when parents, families and teachers work as a team. To our parents, your enthusiasm, support and involvement are paramount to the success of our school along with the skills and dedication of our staff. Together, we can support one another to provide a safe, connected learning environment and celebrate our achievements along the way.

**Let's make 2022 a great year!**

*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 2022 is:



**SHARE THE SPIRIT  
OF THE  
ALL HALLOWS COMMUNITY**

We value community, both within and outside the School, and the need for all students to be positive and productive members of society. When our values are actively engaged, the result is a supportive environment where everyone feels that they belong.

*"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them."*  
*Matthew 18:20*

Our values convey the beliefs that positively influence our behaviour and the way we interact with individuals, groups and communities. They represent the deepest beliefs and sentiments to which we can aspire, and they shape our All Hallows School community. We will use different values to enhance the spirit in our school community as a focus in our classes, at assemblies and through events this year.

Term 1	Term 2	Term 3	Term 4
Belonging	Friendly	Generosity	Forgiveness
Enthusiastic	Teamwork	Responsibility	Charity
Respectful	Faith	Honesty	Inspire
Communication	Care	Inclusive	Thoughtful

## SCHOOL LITURGY

Next Wednesday we will celebrate our 'Beginning of the School Year' with a Liturgy at 10.30am in the front playground. As a school community we will begin our year together, welcoming our new students as well as inducting our All Hallows 2022 Leaders. Parents of our Year 6 School Leaders are invited to attend.



## SWIMMING CARNIVAL

The All Hallows School Swimming Carnival will be held next **Wednesday, 9th February, 2022** from 9.30am – 1.00pm

Teachers and students will walk to the pool after morning lines. We ask that all students wear their swimmers under their sports uniform in the morning, with their underwear in their swimming bag to change into at the end of the carnival.

Please remember to have the **FIVE for SWIMMING**

1. Swimmers/Rashy
2. Towel
3. Sunscreen
4. School hat.
5. swim bag to carry swim gear in.

The carnival involves **ALL** students Kinder to Year 6 with a variety of events for all swimming levels. Our school carnival is about having inclusion.

Infants students who do not yet swim a lap will be involved in across the pool races (with Yr 6 / teacher helpers) and games in the little pool.

Entry to the pool is free for competitors and \$1 for spectators.

## COVID SAFE CARNIVAL.

We are implementing a number of Covid-Safe Guidelines for our carnival to be able to run. We will be following these current COVID rules:

- Social distance – Students will have plenty of space to sit in their house area.
- Sanitizer is available.
- Any parents or non school staff who are used as officials must sign CEDB visitors form and must be fully vaccinated.
- Anyone that is not well is not allowed to attend.
- Spectators are to be separate from staff & students

This year we ask that all spectators sit on the grass area on the left hand side of the pool, as the students will use the shelter on the opposite side.

No spectator is to be on the concrete surrounding the pool at any time throughout the events. Officials will be the only adults required to be on the concrete around the pool.

**TIME KEEPERS** – We will need parents to help with timekeeping. If you are able to help with timekeeping could you please let Ms Statham or Mr Toole know by the end of this week. Thankyou.

And the news this week is...

### **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 Wednesday 23rd February, 2022 (Week 4). We will need to provide a number of officials for this carnival. A note will be sent home closer to the carnival for those students involved and to ask for volunteers.

### **CAPTAINS FOR 2022**

Congratulations to the following students who have been voted into leadership positions at All Hallows this year. I thoroughly look forward to working alongside you to keep the great traditions of the school alive this year and into the future.

**School Captains** - Hunter J and Emily C

**Liturgy Captain** - Isabella C

**Carmel Captains** - Emily M and Nikko A

**MacKillop Captains** - Beau R and Harley P

**Clare Captains** - Cooper S and Conner J

**Leader:** Mitchell Forrester



### **SCHOOL FEES**

School Fees will be invoiced later this month and will come home via your child. Your invoice will show the full year, but can be paid by installments either by the term (Bpay) or by making regular weekly or fortnightly payments via direct debit. Direct debit forms are available at the office. If you have any questions in relation to fees or would like to discuss payment plans, please do not hesitate to contact us.

### **FORMS SENT HOME**

A huge thank you to all our families for your prompt return of the paperwork that was sent home on Monday. Over 95% of forms were returned overnight and the rest came in today. A fantastic effort which makes our job so much easier. Thank you!

### **PARENT INFORMATION MEETINGS**

Unfortunately due to current Covid restrictions we have postponed our Parent Information sessions until later in the year. Your class teachers will still send home a booklet containing all relevant information regarding the learning that will occur in your child's classroom this year.

### **AFTER SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS**

Please let the school know if there are any changes to after school arrangements for your children. Please ensure that we are notified what days your children will catch the bus, walk or ride. This allows us to ensure that children are getting home safely.

### **CANTEEN**

Canteen resumed yesterday, thank you to Emma and Reanne. Canteen is open Tuesdays and Thursdays. Please ensure lunch orders are placed in the boxes provided on the playground before 9am. When making an order, please use a paper bag or similar with students

Name

Class

Order details

Amount enclosed



Re-usable lunch bags are available from the office \$10.00 each. A copy of the Canteen Menu will go home today also.

### **CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED**

If you could help in the canteen on a Tuesday or Thursday between 10am and 1.30pm could you please contact Bec or Carolyn in the office on 63741582.

Emma requires only one person a day to help so if we could get a few volunteers it would make the rostering easy. Just a reminder that all volunteers in the school must be fully vaccinated.

### KEY DATES FOR TERM ONE

Key dates for events that we have planned on the calendar.

<del>31/01/22</del>	<del>Years 1-6 Return and Kinder Best Start</del>
<del>1/02/22</del>	<del>Kinder Best Start</del>
<del>2/02/22</del>	<del>Kinder First Day</del>
3/02/22	Dio Touch Summer Trials
4/02/22	Dio Tennis Summer Trials
9/02/22	Swimming Carnival (Daytime Carnival)
10/02/22	Beginning of School Liturgy
23/02/22	Northern Region Swimming Carnival
2/03/22	Ash Wednesday Mass
9/03/22	Dio Swim Carnival
10/03/22	Dio Softball & Cricket Summer Trials
14-18/03/22	Catholic Schools Week
17/03/22	St Patrick's Day
23/3/22	School Cross Country
24/3/22	School Photos
6/04/22	Holy Week Liturgy
8/04/22	Last day of term

### UNIFORM POLICY

Starting the new year means that we need a friendly reminder on the uniform policy at All Hallows.

**Boys Summer Uniform** - Grey Shorts, Light Blue Shirt, Grey Socks, Black Shoes or Boots (Whole shoe must be black and no other colours), School Bucket Hat.

**Girls Summer Uniform** - Pink Check Dress, White Socks, Black Shoes, Maroon or White Ribbons, School Bucket Hat

**Sports Uniform** - Royal blue polo and shorts with school crest, White Socks, Sports Shoes.

All uniform items must be clearly labelled with full name or initials clearly marked on the clothing item.

### Hair

Hair should be neat and tidy at all times. Shoulder length hair should be tied back and not in the eyes.

Radical/Trendy haircuts are not permitted. If in doubt the school should be contacted before the child's hair is cut.

### Jewellery

Jewellery is not part of the uniform. Students may wear stud or sleeper earrings only and there may be occasions during sport where these must be removed for safety sake. One bangle or signet ring is permitted. Costume jewellery is not appropriate for wearing at school.

**Make-up and Nail Polish are not to be worn at school**

### MOBILE PHONES/DEVICES AT SCHOOL

We would like to remind all students that mobile phones, ipads etc that are brought to school must be handed in to the school office on arrival and picked up at the end of the day.

### BE CONNECTED

Keep in mind our digital communications. You can access all the school news and happening via our digital connections.

These include:

- The School Website:  
[www.allhallowsgulgong.catholic.edu.au](http://www.allhallowsgulgong.catholic.edu.au)
- Facebook - Like and follow our page - All Hallows Catholic Primary School .



### Assembly

We will advise when we can begin Parent Assemblies again

### Canteen News

Canteen open **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays**  
**Volunteers needed!** - Please let us know if you would like to help out in Canteen this year.

### PARISH NEWS

Parish Mass each Sunday at 10.30am  
Sunday 6th February - *Service in absence of a Priest*

