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Dear Parents

At All Hallows we believe that we work in partnership with parents to ensure a positive and productive learning journey for every student.

One part of this community partnership is working together to create a positive school culture. In a positive school community, every student has a right to have their voice heard and needs met.

All students need to feel that the school is a safe place where;

- *They are engaged in lessons and enthusiastic about learning.*
- *People care for them and prioritise their individual needs.*
- *They are encouraged to think creatively, communicate and collaborate with their peers.*

Classrooms are really starting to develop an exciting buzz around the school this year despite all the Covid forced interruptions. The teachers are building strong learning routines and developing behaviours that will carry them through the year. Our teachers, aides and most importantly, the students, should be commended on the way they have approached the start of the school year.

I'd like to give a special mention to our new Kinders who have settled into life at All Hallows beautifully despite the many obstacles and have added a special spark to the playground.

Thanks Mrs Menchin and Mrs Leotta for the way you have beautifully cared for the Kinder students in the first month of their school journey.

*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**

Value - Belonging

Our core Catholic values at All Hallows unite us. From the office to the playground, in the library, on the basketball court, in the lunch area and in the classroom... this is who we are and why we are here.

The value of "Belonging" can be interpreted as "Belong to Something Bigger".

As our students learn more, build character and discover their talents, they will also begin to find new meaning in life. Part of this happens through the structured beliefs and moral foundation of the Catholic Church, and to understand that they now belong to something bigger - and infinitely higher - than themselves. As we settle into our new school year at All Hallows Catholic School, we encourage all members of our School Community to 'belong to something bigger' this week - sharing what you can with others and giving to each member you meet a sense of belonging.



Lent is the season of six weeks leading up to Easter, the most important festival in the Christian calendar. Lent begins next Wednesday 2nd March (Ash Wednesday).

On Ash Wednesday our school will have a liturgy at 9.10am and receive 'ashes'. This means that we are marked on the forehead with a cross of ashes. This is a sign of saying sorry to God for any wrong doing (penitence). The ashes come from burning the palm crosses from Palm Sunday of the previous year.

The Parish Mass for Ash Wednesday will be held at 9.45am.

Lent is a time of preparation for Easter, ending in Holy Week. It is a wonderful season during our

liturgical year to share the concepts of prayer, fasting and almsgiving with our children. Consider as a family how you might help others in need by giving of your time or resources during the six weeks before Easter.

Project Compassion



Lent is a time to remember those we support through Project Compassion. Classes will be learning about the work of Caritas Australia in their RE lessons throughout Lent. May our

support of "Caritas" help our sisters and brothers around the world who are in need. May we strive to help "All Future Generations" by being generous during this Lenten season.

Catholic Schools Week 2022

Catholic Schools Week will be held from 14th -18th March (Week 7).

**The Theme for CSW 2022 will be
"Experience the Spirit of Community"**

This theme allows us to continue to incorporate our school theme this year "Share the Spirit of the All Hallows Community".

The main aim of CSW is to raise public awareness of the wonderful opportunities that Catholic schools provide, and to celebrate our history, our distinctiveness and our many achievements.

More information next week on all we are planning for CSW in the hope that our families will be able to join us for different events.

Volunteer Declaration Forms

Two weeks ago we sent home some Volunteer Declaration Forms. We are asking all parents to fill these out in case there are any events you wish to volunteer to help out at throughout 2022. Even if you have a WWCC, we are asking you to complete the form and send it back as soon as possible. Thank you for your assistance with this task.

And the news this week is...

KEY DATES FOR TERM ONE

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

28/2 - 3/3	Loreto Normanhurst Visit
28/2/22	P & F Meeting 3.45pm
2/03/22	Ash Wednesday Mass
9/03/22	Dio Swim Carnival
10/03/22	Dio Softball & Cricket Summer Trials
10 & 11/3	Principals Meeting
14-18/03/22	Catholic Schools Week
18/3/22	Dio Winter Trials
17/03/22	St Patrick's Day
24/3/22	School Photos
25/3/22	School Cross Country
29-30/3	School Review
29/3	Moorambilla Choir
4/4/22	Staff Inservice - PUPIL FREE
6/04/22	Holy Week Liturgy
8/4/22	Easter Hat Parade
8/04/22	Last day of Term 1
Term 2	
25/4/22	ANZAC Day
26/4/22	Term 2 Begins
26/4/22	ANZAC Liturgy
27/4/22	Yr 6 Leaders Day Dubbo
29/4/22	Polding Winter Trials
3/5/22	Dio Cross Country Coolah
4-6/5	Christian Living Camp Yr 6
6/5/22	Mothers Day Liturgy & High Tea

P & F Meeting

Our first P & F Meeting will be held next Monday afternoon at 3.45pm in the school hall. The meeting will also double as the AGM for the 2022 year. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Items on the agenda include:

- Executive Position Nominations/Voting
- Fundraising for 2022
- Project Targets

Loreto Normanhurst Visit

Next week we will be joined here at All Hallows by nine Year 10 students and 1 teacher from Loreto Normanhurst from Monday to Thursday.

As a boarding school with many students from rural communities in NSW, Loreto Normanhurst is committed to fostering a sense of community between rural and metro communities. The primary aim is to do this through developing the understanding of students from all schools involved in the partnership through an exposure to differing lifestyles.

Loreto Normanhurst is a Catholic school and has looked to partner with other Catholic primary schools in rural NSW as the shared faith provides a common connection between our communities. Loreto has been in partnership with Dunedoo and Coolah stretching back nine years and we are excited to be invited into the partnership again this year for our second year. The Year 10 students will be helping with classes and around the school as well as teaching lessons in the afternoon. After school we will be providing them with some opportunities to explore rural life.

We look forward to welcoming the Loreto staff and students to our community next week.

School Buses

Students who catch school buses which have seat belts installed, MUST wear their seat belt at all times. It has come to our attention that some bus drivers have been met with resistance when asking students to wear seat belts. We need to ensure that everyone is safe on the bus and the driver is not being distracted.

Pupil Free Day

Monday 4th April (Week 10) will be a pupil free day while staff attend a Professional Development Day in Mudgee.

School Fees

2022 School Fee invoices will come home next week. Your invoice will be for the whole year, but payments can be made in instalments with the first instalment only being due this term.

You can also make payments via **Direct Debit** - please contact the office to arrange, or by **BPay**.

** Please note that we have changed to a new finance and admin system this year so your fees invoice will look quite different to last years and BPay details have changed. Please be aware of this if you are choosing to make payments via BPay as you may need to change your details in your Internet Banking system.

Compass Pay is not yet available. We will be opening our Parent Portal and Compass Pay later this year.

Rugby League

This year All Hallows will be entering the Russell Richardson Cup (Yr 3/4) and David Peachey Shield (Yr 5/6). We will be taking teams to Dunedoo. Mr Rogers and Mr Toole will be taking the Rugby League teams and will begin training them in teamwork and skills next week. All training is teaching the "Playsafe" code of play. An information note will come home this week.

As this training will involve tackling, it would be advisable for any child planning to play Rugby League for the school to **organise their mouthguard now**.

No mouthguard means they cannot practice tackles - a major component. The carnival is set down for Thursday 17th March 2022.

Diocesan Winter Sports Trials

The Diocese of Bathurst will be conducting Winter Sport selection trials in Bathurst on Friday 18th March for Soccer, Rugby League (Open & U11), Netball and Hockey.

If students wish to attend the trial, parents are asked to send in a note to Ms Statham by Friday 25th February 2022 (this Friday). Following this, a permission/information note will be sent home with instructions for registration.

Students from Year 5 and Year 6 are eligible to trial. The exception is students in Year 4 who wish to trial in U/11 Rugby League.

Students interested in trialling **MUST** display a **HIGH** standard of ability in these sports to warrant being sent to the trials. They should be involved in **regular competition** and have a **sound knowledge of the rules of the game**.

OOSH Bus

If you have children travelling to and from Out of School Hours Care (OOSH), could you please let us know asap so we can ensure they are put on the correct bus.

Community Notice

MDNA - Registration

Gulgong - Wednesday 2nd March 3.30-5.30pm
Adventure Playground, Nandoura St, Gulgong

For more information contact Kylie Marshall on 0421 358 123 or email
committee@mudgeedistrictnetball.hwy.com.au



The game we all love is back and better than ever in 2022!
Registrations are now open, so why don't you come and play netball?
Our registration day is for all players aged 8+ wishing to play this upcoming season but don't have a club or team.

Registration Day - MONDAY 21 FEBRUARY, 4:30-5:15PM, Walkers Oval, Short Street Mudgee
- TUESDAY 1 MARCH, 5:00-6:30PM, Glen Willow Netball Courts, Pitts Lane Mudgee
- WEDNESDAY 2 MARCH, 3:30-5:30PM, Adventure Playground, Nandoura Street Gulgong

We're gifting all JUNIOR members with a MDNA Hoodie for our 2022 Season!!

Mudgee District Netball Association
e. committee@mudgeedistrictnetball.hwy.com.au
m. 0421 358 123 (Kylie Marshall)

We are looking for players in the following age divisions
NetSetGo
Junior
Senior

Find out more at netballnsw.com.au

netball
NEW SOUTH WALES



Merit Awards

Week 4

**WELL
DONE**

<u>Kinder</u> Lennon O, Marley W	<u>Year 3</u> Lexi W, Tayla M, David H
<u>Year 1</u> Georgia T, Madden R, Aubrey L	<u>Year 4</u> Sarah W, Dante W
<u>Year 2</u> Lara P, Cooper H	<u>Year 5/6</u> Isabella C, Hunter J, Emily C

<u>Assembly</u> We will advise when we can begin Parent Assemblies again	<u>Canteen News</u> Canteen open Tuesdays and Thursdays
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	<u>PARISH NEWS</u> Parish Mass each Sunday at 10.30am
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10 best phrases to teach **resilience** to your kids

1 

Goal
Humour

Phrase
"Come on, laugh it off"

2 

Goal
Contain thinking, perfectionism and anxiety

Phrase
"Don't let this spoil everything"

3 

Goal
Distraction

Phrase
"Let's take a break"

4 

Goal
Handling worry and asking for help

Phrase
"Who have you spoken to about this?"

5 

Goal
Offering hope

Phrase
"I know it looks bad now but you will get through this"

6 

Goal
Positive reframing

Phrase
"What can you learn from this so it doesn't happen next time?"

7 

Goal
Acceptance

Phrase
"Don't worry – relax and see what happens!"

8 

Goal
Perspective

Phrase
"This isn't the end of the world"

9 

Goal
Flexible thinking

Phrase
"You could be right. But have you thought about ..."

10 

Goal
Taking action

Phrase
"What can we do about this?"