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Dear Parents,

I hope all the mums have a fantastic day on Sunday and are well looked after by the kids on Mother's Day. It is no secret that mums are the rock or foundation of the household. We know that as soon as mum disappears from home the wheels fall off and things get messy. Often the work that a mum completes goes unnoticed to everyone else in the house. I'm writing this to let you know that we notice the things you do and we appreciate everything you do for your children. Our school is a better place because of the involvement of the mums.

We look forward to seeing you at school on Friday for our Mother's Day Liturgy and High Tea. Our appreciation goes to all the parents of Kinder who are preparing the High Tea.

Mother's Day Liturgy - 10.30am

High Tea - 11.00am

*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: **FRIENDLY**

God sends us friends to be our firm support in the whirlpool of struggle. In the company of friends we will find strength to attain our sublime ideal.

R. Cresswell 1886

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.

This week our value is "Friendly". What is friendship as a value? Good friends are vitally important to your mental health and to the

quality of your life. To live and to love are inseparable from each other. Friendship is an opportunity to love, to learn about yourself, to mature as a human being, and to open up to the full experience of life.

Happy Easter!

Easter is the most important season in the Church's calendar.

The Easter season is 50 days long, with the Feast of Pentecost, the coming of the Holy Spirit, marking its end. Ascension Thursday occurs 40 days after Easter Sunday. Readings during the Easter season focus on Jesus' teaching after the Resurrection. The Liturgical colours used during the Easter season are white and gold.



School Masses/Liturgies - Term 2

Please join us for our special celebrations this term where our school community gathers to give thanks and pray. Liturgies are held at school and masses in our church - St John the Baptist.

Please keep a record of these dates. Details for each will be in future newsletters:

Wk 2- Friday 6th May: Mother's Day Liturgy 10.30am

Wk 5- Tues 4th May: Mary Help of Christians Mass

Wk 10- Thurs 30th June: End of Term Mass

Christian Living Camp

We wish our Year 6 students a fun time at their Christian Living Camp this week where they will take time out to reflect on 'living an authentic Christian life' now and in their future. Held at Lake Burrendong, it is always a highlight for our seniors. They will be joined at the camp by Year 6 students from St Michaels, Dunedoo and Assumption Bathurst.

Young Leaders Conference - Dubbo

Last Wednesday our Year 6 leaders attended the Young Leaders Conference in Dubbo.

What a great day they shared, learning about 'Responsibility in Leadership' - accepting the duty to contribute to others and follow through on expectations.

Our leaders were able to meet other school leaders and share ideas while being involved in fun activities. We even got to meet our Sydney Excursion travel buddies from Sacred Heart Coolah. We commend our students for once again representing All Hallows proudly and with enthusiasm. Thank you to our parent/grandparent drivers also.



Term 2

4 - 6/5/22	Christian Living Camp Yr 6
5/5/22	Mass 12.30pm Yrs
6/5/22	Mothers Day Liturgy & High Tea
9 - 10/5/22	Parent/Teacher Meetings
12/5/22	St Matts visit to Year 5/6
17 - 18/5/22	Optometrist Screening
20/5/22	Walk Safely to School Day
31/5/22	Teddy Bears Picnic & Kinder 2023 Info Session
2/6/22	P & F Meeting 3.45pm
3/6/22	School Athletics Carnival
13/6/22	Queens Birthday Holiday
16/6/22	Stage 2 Excursion "Hands on Rock"
21/6/22	Incursion "Samba Experience"
24/6/22	Yr 6 RE Test
28/6/22	NAIDOC Day
30/6/22	P & F Meeting 3.45pm
1/7/22	Term 2 Ends

***Mother's Day
Liturgy & High Tea
Friday 6th May
10.30am***

Please join us for our Mother's Day Liturgy and High Tea, hosted by Kindergarten and Mrs Menchin.

Thank you to our Kinder parents who are helping organise the High Tea.

All Welcome



All Hallows Spelling Bee

The All Hallows Spelling Bee was held at lunchtime on Monday in the school hall. Congratulations to Dante, Lilah, Isabella and Emily C who will represent All Hallows at the Diocesan Spelling Bee later in the term. Thank you to Miss Anderson for organising and running the event.

Uniform Transition

All students need to be in Winter uniform by next Monday. The tie looks great when it is worn correctly. It is important that it is worn closer to the neck than the chest. I'm happy to help fix students' ties on morning duty if they need help making it look neat and tidy. We do have some of the new 'zipper ties' available for purchase in the school office.

Kinder 2023

We are now starting to take enrolments for Kinder 2023. We love inviting new families and students into the All Hallows community next year. If you know anyone that is interested in enrolling their child for next year please share this information with them and ask them to email

b.toole2@bth.catholic.edu.au or call into the office to collect an enrolment pack. We also have limited availability in other classes at the moment.

NAPLAN 2022

Next week our Year 3 and Year 5 students will be sitting four NAPLAN tests on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Testing will take place in Writing, Language Conventions (Spelling and Grammar), Reading and Numeracy.

The tests will be all completed online with the exception of Year 3 writing which is still completed on paper. It is important that your children are at school on these days and are well rested with a good sleep the night before so they're rested and can concentrate.

Polding Rugby League Trials

Congratulations to Hunter James, Pat Flower and Jake McElligott who played in the Bathurst Diocese Under 11's and Opens Rugby League Teams last Friday in Bathurst. The boys all played tremendously and were great representatives of our school playing with great effort and sportsmanship. They all played really well and had a fantastic day with both of the teams being undefeated on the day. Hunter was chosen in the Possible v Probables and Jake was selected in the U11's Polding team that will compete at the NSWPSA Carnival later in the term. Congratulations Hunter, Pat and Jake on being great representatives of All Hallows Gulgong.

Coolah Diocesan Cross Country

Yesterday our Cross Country Team went to Coolah for the Bathurst Diocesan Cross Country. Students had a great day and were a pleasure to take away for the day. We are very proud of the students' efforts and sportsmanship.



Mother's Day Liturgy and High Tea

Please join us in celebrating our Mothers on Friday 6th May at school with our Liturgy and High Tea. Liturgy will be held at 10.30am and will be followed immediately by the High Tea. Mrs Menchin and Kinder will be organising the Liturgy and High Tea. Thanks to the parents that are helping out to get the High Tea organised. We hope to see as many mums there as possible.

Parent Teacher Meetings

Parent/Teacher Meetings will be held next week. Timetables for your meetings will come home this week. Please contact your class teacher should you need to make any adjustments.

P&F Meeting and Pie Drive

Parents & Friends



Our next P&F meeting will be held this Thursday 5th May at 3.45pm in the school hall.

There are numerous things on the agenda and we have a big term of exciting activities planned. We always love to see new faces and welcome everyone to come along.

The P&F are holding a family sized pie drive. Order forms went home last week. Please return order forms and money to the office by **Friday 13th May**. Pies will be delivered to school on Thursday 2nd of June.



School Improvement Surveys

Once again our school will be conducting surveys to gather your knowledge, beliefs and experiences regarding our school. This survey is part of a suite of annual surveys we are conducting with staff, parents and students. We are collecting this data to capture the experience of all key stakeholders in our school. The results and analysis of the data will assist our school leaders to drive school improvement.

This week you will be sent an email with a direct link to the survey. It is important that we have your current email address in our school administration system. Please contact us if you have recently changed your email address.

Your participation in this questionnaire is voluntary and confidential. All analysis of data will be done in such a way that your identity will remain anonymous. We would greatly value your participation and input.

School Canteen Reduced Menu

Emma will be away for the next two weeks. So for weeks 3 & 4 the canteen will operate with a reduced menu.

- All Snacks and Drinks Available

Lunch Menu

- Toasties
- Nuggets
- Party Pies
- Burgers
- Sausage Rolls
- Pizza



**** No wraps or Salads available.**

A very big thank you to Teagan, Sam, Bec and Kirsty who will be running the canteen in Emma's absence.

School Vision Screening

Glen Barker Optometrists Mudgee will be visiting the School on the 17& 18 May to perform Vision Screening for students in Year 1, 2, 5 & 6. If you would like to take advantage of this screening program could you please return your completed form to the office by **this Friday**.

“ Kindness is
the mark we leave
on the world.”
- RAKtivist



Merit Awards

Week 1

**WELL
DONE**

<u>Kinder</u> Jack H, Avelyn M, Jacob H	<u>Year 3</u> Tia T, Brooklyn H
<u>Year 1</u> Reid C, Amelia S, Audrey G	<u>Year 4</u> Tommy W, Lilah G
<u>Year 2</u> Isabelle C, Tayla B, Oliver K	<u>Year 5/6</u> Nikko A, Levi R, Emily C

Halo Reward: Isabella C, Audrey G, Charlotte A, Maddison P-H, Caitlin B, Em C, Brooklyn H, Noah T, Aubrey L

<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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PARISH NEWS

Parish Mass each Sunday at 10.30am

Is your child preparing to start school next year?

Come along to our

Teddy Bears Picnic

On Tuesday 31st May 2022

10am - 12pm

And see what **All Hallows Catholic School** has to offer



Fun activities for our Pre-Schoolers with our Kinder class and morning tea for parents/carers

PARENT INFORMATION SESSION & SCHOOL TOUR

Tuesday 31st May 2022 9.30am.

For more information or to RSVP, please contact
All Hallows School on 02 63741 582



All Hallows Catholic School Kindergarten Transition Program

KOALA Club (Kids On A Learning Adventure)



We are excited to announce that Kindergarten 2023 expressions of interest and enrolment applications are now open.

Enrolment packs are available now from the school office and will be available at Gulgong Pre-School and Happy Days early next term.

If you know of anyone with a child ready for school in 2023 and would like to find out more about what All Hallows has to offer, please share this information with them and ask them to email Brad Toole b.toole2@bth.catholic.edu.au.

Key dates for our Kinder Transition Program (KOALA Club) are:

Term 3

Tuesday 31st May Teddy Bears Picnic & Parent Information Session

A Parent Information Session will be held at 9.30am, followed by a tour of the school and Teddy Bear's Picnic from 10.00am - 12.00pm. All children preparing to start school in 2023 and their parents are welcome to attend.

Thurs 1st Sept KOALA Club session 1 9.30am - 12.30pm

Thurs 15th Sept KOALA Club session 2 9.30am - 12.30pm

Thurs 22nd Sept KOALA Club session 3 9.30am - 12.30pm

Term 4

Thurs 13th Oct KOALA Club session 4 9.30am - 2.30pm

Thurs 27th Oct KOALA Club session 5 9.30am - 2.30pm

Thurs 10th Nov KOALA Club session 6 9.30am - 2.30pm

Thurs 24th Nov KOALA Club session 7 9.30am - 2.30pm

Parent Information Session for Kinder 2023 @ 4.00 pm in the hall

