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Dear Parents

Welcome back for Term 3!

I love the sense of joy and excitement that the first day of a new term brings as the kids see their friends for the first time in a few weeks.



On Monday morning it was great to see so many smiling and happy faces. I trust the students, parents and teachers have returned refreshed ready for the term ahead and any challenges that it throws our way.

Please be assured that our school will continue to ensure that Covid safe practices are implemented following the latest waves to hit NSW. This includes providing reminders about personal hygiene, undertaking regular cleaning and maintaining record keeping practices.

Uniform

Thanks to our students who have returned in correct uniform. Please ensure that your child has their correct uniform on including correct socks, shoes and tie. It is important that students take pride in their uniform.

Attendance

As we begin a new term, it is important to remind you of the importance of having good attendance percentages at school. All absences must be explained to the school in writing. All unexplained absences are viewed by the Diocesan office and they may contact us if an absence needs to be explained by you. It is so important that children attend school every day unless they are sick or there are extenuating circumstances.

The goal is for students to be at school at least 90% of the time. Please stay in communication with the class teachers regarding any absences that your child may have from school.

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.

School Theme for 2022 is:



"SHARE THE SPIRIT
OF THE
ALL HALLOWS COMMUNITY"

Value: Generosity

"Giving is better, far better, than getting. I know it may not sound true, but just try it once and you'll find what you're missing - that giving is better, for me and for you" (Little Arrow)



This was the message we began our new term with at Monday's assembly. Clarence the Fox was looking to be happy instead of sad and with the help of some friends, he learnt that by helping others, we can change our own perspective

and feel better.

This term we will begin with a focus on the value of **GENEROSITY**. For the next two weeks we are asking everyone to make a special effort to show generosity of spirit at school, and at home.

To have generosity of spirit is to act with kindness, to be open and willing to share with others without any expectation of receiving something back in return. It means to celebrate the success and efforts of others without envy or resentment.

Join us as we embrace the opportunity to be a generous All Hallows family. We look forward to hearing the stories of our generous students.

"Let us ask the Lord for the grace of being generous, so that our hearts may be opened and we may become kinder' - Pope Francis

Grandparents Day

Please join us for our Liturgy and Morning Tea next **Tuesday 26th July at 10.30am** as we celebrate our wonderful grandparents. This is also the Feast Day of St Joachim and St Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. Thank you to our Year 2 parents who are providing the morning tea. All welcome.



School Masses and Liturgies Term 3

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 note these dates on your calendar. More details for each will be in future newsletters.

Tues 26th July Grandparents Day 10.30am

Mon 8th Aug Feast of St Mary Mackillop Liturgy

Mon 15th Aug Feast of Assumption Mass

Fri 2nd Sept Father's Day Liturgy
Sun 11th Sept First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion



The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be administered on Sunday 11th September 2022 in St John Baptist Church Gulgong. The preparation for this sacrament is being taught as part of the class

Religious Education program for Year 3 children at All Hallows this term.

Important Dates:

Commitment Mass & Parent Meeting:

Thursday 4th August, held in the church. The Parent Meeting will follow the Year 3 Mass. A parent/guardian of the candidate is asked to attend this meeting in preparation for the sacrament. The meeting will give parents the opportunity to view the program of work, ask questions and finalise details of the day.

Year 3 Retreat Day

This will be held in the week before First Communion in the Mons Frawley Hall at All Hallows. This is a reflection day to complete the program and prepare for the First Communion ceremony.

First Communion

This will be celebrated on **Sunday 11th September** in our Parish Church.

And the news this week is...

TERM 3	
18/7/22	Term 3 begins
20/7/22	Northern Region Carnival
22/7/22	Soccer Gala Day
26/7/22	Grandparents Day Liturgy
	& Morning Tea - 10.30am
26/7/22	Book Fair
28/7/22	Principals Review
29/7/22	Year 2 Red Hill Excursion
2/8 - 5/8/22	Yr 5/6 Canberra Excursion
4/8/22	1st Communion
	commitment mass &
	parent meeting
6/8/22	P & F Trivia Night
8/8/22	Feast of St Mary MacKillop
11/8/22	St Matts Yr 7 Orientation
12/8/22	Primary Assembly 2.45pm
15/8/22	Feast of Assumption Mass
19/8/22	Dio Athletics
26/8/22	Infants Assembly 2.45pm





Book Fair

Our Scholastic Book Fair will be held next **Tuesday 26th July** to coincide with our Grandparents Day celebrations.

It is a day that brings great excitement to the students. Books will be available for purchase at recess and lunchtime on the day.

Children will have the opportunity to look at the books prior to the Book Fair during their Library time and will bring home a 'wish list' of the books they like. Please remember you are under no obligation to purchase from the Book Fair.

Kinder 2023

We are now taking enrolments for our 2023 Kinder class. We also have some limited availability in other classes.

If you know of anyone 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.

So that we may begin planning for 2023 staffing and classes, we would ask that enrolment applications be handed into the school office by Wednesday 3rd August.

KOALA Club

Our Kindergarten Transition Program begins later this term and will be held on the following dates:

Term 3:

Thursday 1st Sept 9.30am to 12.30pm Thursday 15th Sept 9.30am to 12.30pm Thursday 22nd Sept 9.30am - 12.30pm

Term 4

Thursday 13th Oct 9.30am to 2.30pm Thursday 27th Oct 9.30am to 2.30pm Thursday 10th Nov 9.30am to 2.30pm Thursday 24th Nov 9.30am to 2.30pm

A parent meeting for Kinder 2023 will be held at 4.00pm on Thursday 24th November in our school hall.

P & F Update

Our next P & F meeting will be held tomorrow, Thursday 21st July 3.45pm in the hall.

We will be working through the organisation of upcoming events for the remainder of the year with particular focus on finalising plans for the Trivia Night.



Healthy Lifestyle Choices for Kids

Learning outcomes are improved for students when they are feeling strong, safe and healthy. There are a number of factors that contribute to assisting children feel this way and therefore set up for success at school.

This term we are challenging students to do their bit for their schooling too. We are asking students to consider what their bodies need and to ensure that they arrive at school each day ready for learning. It is important that the students know that what they eat throughout the day must sustain them until they get home.

Throughout the term, we encourage you to engage in conversations with your children about what they are eating and drinking and discuss their habits around sleeping, devices and exercise.

Some guestions to discuss with your child include:

- Are you sleeping between 9-11 hours each night?
- Active for at least 1 hour per day
- Have your devices turned off for 1 hour before bed?
- 2 hr maximum device time per day (this includes school time).
- Having a healthy breakfast to energize you for the day?
- Packing fruit for crunch and sip?
- Drinking 6-8 glasses of water a day (you must bring a drink bottle to school).
- Packing a healthy recess and lunch?

Improving in these areas will help you to reach your learning goals in the classroom.











For more healthy habit tips visit makehealthynormal.nsw.gov.au For health professional resources visit pro.healthykids.nsw.gov.au



Merit Awards Week 1



<u>Kinder</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
Year 1	Year 4
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<u>Year 2</u>	<u>Year 5/6</u>

Halo Reward:

Assembly

Our next Assembly is Friday 12th August in the school hall

Canteen News

Canteen open Tuesdays and Thursdays



PARISH NEWS

Parish Mass each Sunday at 10.30am

Thursday 4th August

First Communion Commitment Mass - Year 3



