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Dear Parents

Next Monday is a very important day on the calendar for Catholic people in Australia. This is the day we celebrate the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. Our school will celebrate with a special liturgy organised by Miss Anderson and Year 4. Parents and families are invited to join us for the liturgy in the school hall and to stay with the children for lunch on the playground afterwards.

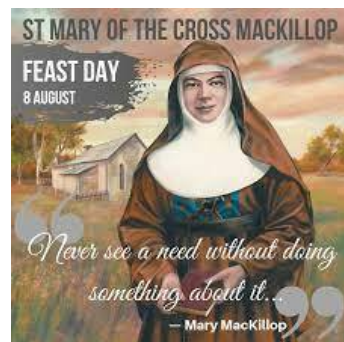
Liturgy for St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Monday 8th August 2022

12.30pm

School Hall

followed by lunch on the playground



All Hallows Trivia Night



This Saturday night 6.30pm at the Gulgong RSL Club. There are still lots of places available for more tables. Bring along some friends for a great night out... the more the merrier! There are some fantastic prizes that will be raffled, used for games, auctions, lucky door and winners prizes. If you would like to come but don't have a table yet, please let us know and we can fill your table for you. It will be a great night for our school community and all money raised goes back to supporting our kids. To book your spot or a table, call or email Carolyn and Bec in the office.

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: FAITH

ST. IGNATIUS LOYOLA
Work as if
everything
depends on you.
Pray as if
everything
depends on God.
QUOTEANNER.COM

Faith is confidence in what we hope for and the assurance that the Lord is working, even though we cannot see it.

Faith knows that no matter what the situation, in our lives or someone else's, that the Lord is working in it. Faith is an

expression of hope for something better.

At All Hallows, our children, families and staff have opportunities to participate in experiences of prayer, worship and meditation. These are encouraged as we develop the living faith in our lives and share that faith with others.

First Holy Communion



This Thursday is the Enrolment Mass for students preparing for the Sacrament of First Communion. Mass will be held at 12.30pm in the Church and Years 3 and 4 will be attending.

The parent/guardian meeting in preparation for the sacrament will be held straight after mass. A parent/guardian of each candidate is required to attend Mass with their child and then stay for the meeting with Fr Owen and Mrs Buckle.

This meeting will give parents the opportunity to view the program of work, ask questions and finalise details of the day.

The Sacrament of First Holy Communion will be administered on Sunday 11th September in St John the Baptist Church, Gulgong.

Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop - 8th August

Mary Helen MacKillop (15 Jan 1842 - 8 Aug 1909), also known as St Mary of the Cross, was an

Australian Roman Catholic nun who founded the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart.

Mary started a number of schools and welfare institutions throughout Australasia, with an emphasis on education for the poor, particularly in country areas. All Hallows Catholic School is one such school.

Mary MacKillop's story is a heartwarming tale that is especially precious for children. Mary was an ordinary Victorian farm girl who devoted her life to God and to people in need and was declared Australia's first Saint on the 17th October 2010 by Pope Benedict XVI. Mary MacKillop's Feast Day is celebrated on the 8th August.

In 2013, St Mary of the Cross MacKillop was announced as the second patron of Australia. Year 4 have been preparing the Mary MacKillop liturgy and you are invited to join us next **Monday at 12.30am** in the school hall.

Year 5/6 Canberra Excursion

This week, students from our school (our Year 5/6 class) will be undertaking an education tour of the national capital. This four day excursion sees them combining with students and teachers from Sacred Heart Coolah, St Michaels Dunedoo and St Johns Baradine. Ms Statham and Mr Rogers and teachers from the three other schools will be travelling with the students.

Our students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion, the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$30 per student under the 'Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program (PACER) towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

Thank you to our families for supporting their children in this experience. After many delays, they are very excited to be going on this excursion.

And the news this week is...

TERM 3

2/8 - 5/8/22	Yr 5/6 Canberra Excursion
4/8/22	1st Communion commitment mass & parent meeting - 12.30pm
6/8/22	P & F Trivia Night
8/8/22	Feast of St Mary MacKillop Liturgy @ 12.30pm
11/8/22	St Matts Yr 7 Orientation
12/8/22	Mufti Day - Heart of Nation Primary Assembly 2.45pm
15/8/22	Assumption Mass 12.00pm
18/8/22	Mass 12.30pm Kinder & 5/6
19/8/22	Dio Athletics
26/8/22	Infants Assembly 2.45pm
29/8 - 30/8	Dental Van Visit
1/9/22	Mass 12.30pm - Yr 2 KOALA Club 9.30 -12.30 Netball Gala Day
2/9/22	Father's Day Breakfast & Liturgy
8/9/22	RU OK Day / Green Day 5/6
9/9/22	Infants Assembly
11/9/22	First Holy Communion
13/9/22	Touch Footy Gala Day
15/9/22	KOALA Club 9.30-12.30 Mass Yr 2 & Yrs 4 First Reconciliation Commitment
16/9/22	K/1 Zoo Excursion
21/9/22	Blast Cricket Yrs 5 & 6
22/9/22	Blast Cricket Yrs 3 & 4 KOALA Club 9.30-12.30
23/9/22	Term 3 ends

P & F Update

Motorbike Raffle: Our major raffle for the year is the motorbike and accessories that you received tickets for last term. Thank you to the families that have already returned your tickets. Once you sell your tickets, please return the tickets and money to the school office. More tickets are available from the office.

Year 1 Phonics Screening Check

Phonics is the relationship between letters and sounds and is vital in learning to read. Some children struggle with learning to read so it is important that these children are identified quickly so teachers can plan for any specific support they may need.

Our students in Year 1 will participate in a Phonics Screening Check later in August. The Year 1 Phonics Screening Check is a short, quick assessment that tells teachers how your child is progressing in phonics. Your child will sit with the class teacher and will be asked to read 40 words aloud. These words include 20 real words and 20 nonsense words. The test normally takes a few minutes. If your child is struggling, the teacher will stop the check. The check is carefully designed not to be stressful for your child.

The assessment includes pseudo or nonsense words to see if the student is able to use their knowledge of blending to read a word rather than their memory of having seen that word before.

If you have any further questions, please talk to Mr Toole or Mr Rogers.

Book Fair

Special thanks to Mrs Russell for her hard work in organising this year's "Book Fair". The children were very excited to be able to purchase some new books. It is great to see the children passionate about reading and learning. The school was able to purchase some new books for our Library following the completion of the fair.

Kinder 2023



We are now taking enrolments for our 2023 Kinder class. We also have some limited availability in other classes. If you or someone you know is interested in enrolling for next year, please share this information with them ask ask them to email b.toole2@bth.catholic.edu.au or call into the office for an enrolment pack.

Principal's Appraisal

Last week Janine Kearney and Vince Conner from the Bathurst CEDB team were here to complete my end of contract Principal's Appraisal. This was part of the process in evaluating my effectiveness as the leader of All Hallows over the past two and a half years. Everything was very positive and I will receive a report in a few weeks time. I'd like to thank all the parents and staff for their support, feedback, kind words and willingness to come into school to talk to Janine and Vince. It was a really fulfilling experience and I'm very appreciative of everyone.

Greg Page Heart of the Nation Visit

Friday 12th August will be a **Yellow Mufti Day** for All Hallows students. We will head to the High School Gym at 1.00pm to watch a performance by Greg Page. After the performance we will walk back to school for end of day pickup procedures.

Students are invited to wear mufti on the day for a gold coin donation. Students are asked to wear something yellow in their outfit for the day. Proceeds will go to the Heart of the Nation appeal.

Uniform

Well done to everyone who has come back to school wearing their full winter uniform. Just a reminder that all students need to be wearing the correct uniform including tie, shoes and socks. We look very smart when everyone is wearing correct uniform.

Welcome

I would like to welcome Miller (Year 1) and Lola (Year 4) Purcell to All Hallows. They started with us at the beginning of term and have had a great start to their time at All Hallows. Welcome to our school community.

School Fees

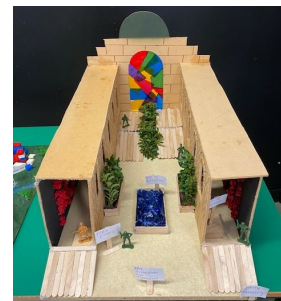
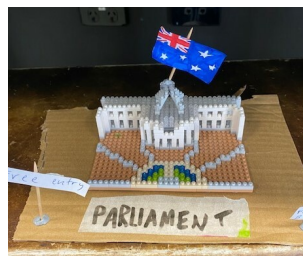
Statements will come home this week for school fees so families can see where they are up to. The 3rd instalment is due by the end of this term unless you are on a direct debit or school payment plan. Please contact us immediately if you are experiencing financial difficulty or need extra time to pay fees so we know what is happening.

Year 3 & 4 Museum Visit

Years 3 & 4 will visit the Gulgong Museum tomorrow (Thursday) during the afternoon session. They will be back in time for afternoon buses.



Just some of the amazing creations from Year 5/6 in the lead up to their Canberra Excursion





Merit Awards



Week 2

<u>Kinder</u> Indie J, Jack H, Hunter L	<u>Year 3</u> Brooklyn H, David H, Noah W
<u>Year 1</u> Michaela W, Ned L, Emma W, Amelia S	<u>Year 4</u> Lola P, Grace O
<u>Year 2</u> Isabelle C, Hartley S, Cambell F, Charlotte A, Adalynn H, Anna T	<u>Year 5/6</u> Hunter J

Halo Reward: Joe H, Kaitlyn H, Caitlin B, Aubrey L, Hamish B, Jane T, Miller P, Cooper S, Dylan M, Pippa L

<u>Assembly</u> Our next Assembly is Friday 12th August in the school hall	<u>Canteen News</u> Canteen open Tuesdays and Thursdays
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PARISH NEWS

Parish Mass each Sunday at 10.30am

Gulgong Little Athletics

Online rego's open the 1st of August!
2022 - 2023 season
Start Date 8th September

•Open to athletic aged 5-17 years
 •Tiny tots aged 3-4 years

Active kids vouchers welcome

coles
Little Athletics Australia

SONGS OF THE HEART

IN THE HEARTLAND OF NSW GULGONG SUPPORTING HEART OF GULGONG

WHEN
 August 13th, 2022
 7pm - 10pm

WHERE
 Gulgong RSL Club 6374

FEATURING Greg Page Former Yellow Wiggle .A journey of the heart.
Supported by Gulgong Folk Musicians

Mr Greg Page spends some time with Gulgong highlighting his musical journey and life.

18 AND OVER EVENT

Tickets
 \$15 adults
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