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A simple good morning, have a nice day or I love you, goes a long way...

So I'm sending you all three.

Happy Wednesday

Dear Parents,

this week is:

NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK - 4 - 10 September 2022

SCHOOLS, FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES WORKING TOGETHER

At All Hallows we put children first by prioritising their safety and wellbeing.

We are committed to providing a safe environment for all students, parents and staff. All staff in our schools promote child safety by having a clear understanding of their child protection responsibilities.

If you have a concern, we encourage parents and students to talk to the Principal or other senior staff members at the school. At times you may feel it is not appropriate to speak with the Principal. If this is the case please contact the office of Catholic Education Diocese of Bathurst, phone 6338 3000. We will listen to your concerns and offer assistance, all complaints and allegations are taken seriously and responded to with sensitivity.

This year's theme is "Every Child in Every Community Needs a Fair Go"



At times families may need support, some useful phone numbers are:



Lifeline Ph. 131144

Kids Help Line Ph. 1800 551800

1800 RESPECT National Sexual Assault Domestic Violence Counselling Service

Child Protection Schools, families and community working together.

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: HONESTY

Honesty is when you speak the truth and act truthfully.



Another part of the definition of honesty is whether you treat yourself the same way. Being honest with yourself means you really know why you are acting in a certain way or whether what you tell yourself is true. This part

of the definition of honesty includes: You are not being honest with yourself if you are trying to convince yourself you didn't really do something wrong, or it wasn't that bad, even though you really did it.

Day of Difference

We look forward to sharing our Day of Difference with our school community on Friday. This day began 2006 when Year 6 students at a Leaders Day were encouraged to consider how All Hallows could First Reconciliation be more inclusive - Their response to this was to create a day where, in their words 'You get to show who you are - Be comfortable as you'. Over the years we have found that celebrating our differences, as well as our common interests, helps unite and educate us. 'Our Talent Quest is a wonderful way to highlight our strengths and appreciate all that makes up our unique All Hallows community. Please join us at 2pm in the school hall.

When children are given the opportunity to stay tuned in to love, their own unique genius, gifts, and talents have the space to emerge.

First Holy Communion

The Yr 3 RETREAT DAY was held yesterday for all Year 3 students and the candidates for First Holy Communion. The children spent the day reflecting on what they have learnt in the Communion unit and preparing for First Holy Communion on Sunday.

First Holy Communion Mass - Sunday 11th Sept

All **candidates** are asked to assemble in the school hall at 10.15am. Other family members will need to take their seats in the church. Each family has their pew reserved at the front of the church. The candidates should be dressed in neat clothes and will where a white gown over their clothes to represent them receiving the Body of Christ in Holy Communion.

After mass a morning tea will be shared with families and parishioners. The First Communion cake will be cut and photos taken at this time. Please do not take photos during First Holy Communion in the mass.

We keep our First Holy Communion children in our prayers this week. Lexi, David, Tayla, Dylan, Noah, Dakota and Caitlin. First Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Penance) will be celebrated next term for Yr 2 students, or older baptised children who have not yet received this sacrament.

If you know of any family whose children are Catholic, and who would be interested in having their children receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, please do not hesitate to pass this information on. We are happy to assist any child wishing to make their Sacraments.

There will be a Parent Meeting for First Reconciliation on Thursday 15th September, 2022. This year the parent meeting will follow the Enrolment mass and be held in the parish church. 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 Reconciliation will be administered on **Thursday** 27th October, 2022 in St John the Baptist Church,

And the news this week is...

TERM 3 8/9/22 5/6	RU OK Day / Green Day
	P&F Meeting 3.45pm
9/9/22	Infants Assembly
	Day of Difference
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 Commitme
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
	Last Day for Students
23/9/22	Pupil Free Day
	Term 3 ends

Pupil Free Day

Friday 23rd September last day of Term 3 will be a Pupil Free Day this term. The staff will be working with Jan Mendham from the Bathurst CEDB on practical ways to teach Science. Staff will be involved in numerous activities as we look to advance our teaching skills.



Gulgong.

Christmas Art Exhibition - Cathedral Bathurst

This Thursday is the Christmas Art Competition and Exhibition. This will be held at the Cathedral <u>Church</u> Parish Hall in Bathurst . On this day we will see all the artworks created by our Yr 5/6 students from around the diocese. We are excited to be informed that one of our students has won a prize and look forward to hearing who it is!! We are very proud of our artists Chelsey, Levi, Isabella, Cooper and Beau.

We will depart from All Hallows at 8.30am and attend the Exhibition at Cathedral Parish. Students need to dressed in complete winter School uniform and pack their recess, lunch and a water bottle. We will return by 3.15pm.

Green Day Expo - Mudgee

The 'Green Day Expo' is held at the Mudgee Showground each year and will involve Year 5 / 6 students from around the region. 'Green Day' will provide a fun learning experience and expose the students to some of the organisations and issues relevant to environmental management in their region.

This year's theme GROW YOUR OWN WAY – with Costa, aims to teach students about growing their own produce and caring for their local environment. The students will travel by mini bus with Mr Toole.

Netball Gala Day

Last Thursday, our primary girls participated in the St Matthew's Netball Gala Day in Mudgee. Our teams combined with our friends from Sacred Heart, Coolah and St Michael's, Dunedoo and had a fun, competitive, and after many games...exhausting day. Thank you to Mrs Kelly, Miss Anderson and Mrs Robinson, and our parents, who came along to support our teams throughout the day. Thank you to Mr Toole for driving us to and from the Gala Day. Special thank you to Alicia Kenny and the senior girls from St Matthews. We had a great day.

Touch Football Gala Day

The Mudgee Touch Footy Gala Day is on next Tuesday 13th September and will involve students from Years 3-6. Please return notes and bus fare by the end of this week. We look forward to a fun day of Touch Footy.

And the news this week is...



Polding Athletics

This Friday our students will represent the Bathurst Diocesan at the Polding Athletics Carnival in Newcastle. We wish Arabella, Nikko, Jake and Ambrose all the best in their competition. We are very proud of you.

St Matthews Yr 7 2023 Orientation

Our Year 6 students have begun preparing for their High School futures and are heading to St Matthews to have a 'High School Orientation' experience today. This allows students to trial the different subjects and organization required.

Further orientation sessions for Yr 7 at local high schools are planned for next term. This is always a highlight for our senior students. We hope they have a great day.

NAPLAN Information

Students in Years 3 and 5 your children will be coming home with their NAPLAN results today. The results will focus on tests that your child undertook in May. Your child will receive results in Reading, Spelling, Numeracy, Writing and Language Conventions (Grammar).

<u>P&F Update</u> Motorbike Raffle:

Our major raffle for the year is the motorbike and accessories that you



received tickets for last term. Thanks to the families that have already returned your tickets. Once you sell your tickets can you please return the tickets and money to the school office. If there is anyone who would like extra tickets to sell please let Carolyn know.

Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be held tomorrow **Thursday 8th September** in the school hall. Everyone is welcome to come along and attend.

End of Day Messages to the Office

Can we please ask that all end of day messages involving changes to regular routines are phoned into the office **prior to 2.45pm**. This will ensure that all messages are delivered accurately and in a timely manner to the students before the end of the day. Your assistance with this is appreciated.

Kinder 2023

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

Compass Parent Portal

Last week saw the opening of our Parent Portal. We are pleased to that many of you have accessed this service. At present you can add absentee notes for your child and make payments for fees. From Term 4 we will begin taking payments for events and excursions through Compass.





Merit Awards Week 7



<u>Kinder</u>	<u>Year 3</u>
Jane T, Adeline O, Jacob H	Olivia S, Dakota W, Lexi W
<u>Year I</u> Mackenzie R, Jack B, Hunter K	Year 4 Pearl O, Arabella D, Hope S
<u>Year 2</u> Issy C, Adalynn H, Jett R	Year 5/6 Emily M, Emily C, Isabella C, Chelsey W

Halo Reward: NoahT, Pippa, Frank, Dylan, Dakota, Brooklyn, Tia, David, Lola, Pearl

Assembly

Our next Assembly is Infants - 9/9/2022 at 2.45pm

Canteen News

Canteen open Tuesdays and Thursdays



PARISH NEWS

Parish Mass each Sunday at 10.30am First Communion - Sunday 11th September

