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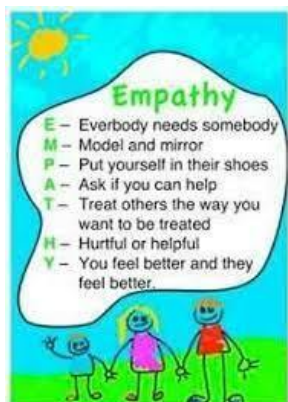
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Dear Parents,



As we get ready to celebrate **World Teachers' Day** on Friday 28th October 2022, it is time to thank all the teachers at All Hallows!

Our teachers and wider school support staff have all continued to show their professionalism and resilience, striving every day to do their best for our students. In celebrating World Teachers' Day this Friday we have the opportunity to acknowledge and celebrate the wonderful work of all teachers in our school. At All Hallows we are really fortunate to have a hard working team that will do anything to support the students in our school. They continually go above and beyond to provide the best opportunities for your children.

I hope everyone has managed to stay dry over the past week or so. It is amazing to think about the change in our luck over the past 3 years. We have moved from a time of drought and despair to floods and the beautiful green lush countryside that we see now all around our beautiful town.

The calendar is looking busier week by week and there are a number of events that will proceed over the coming weeks. We look forward to all the events that are coming up ahead in the next few weeks.

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:FORGIVENESS**

Inspire is when you speak the truth and act truthfully.

Forgiveness is defined as the letting go of sin.

We can give forgiveness to others and say 'Sorry' and ask for forgiveness from others we have hurt.

Forgiveness is given without any expectation of compensation. It may involve offering an apology.

Forgiveness is a mental or spiritual process. It means no longer feeling angry at another person, or at yourself. This could be because of, a sin, an offense, an insult, a difference, an error, a mistake, or a failure. Forgiveness means forgetting offenses. It is sincere and genuine. True forgiveness is known by deeds and not by words.



RE BOOKS

Last week a selection of students from all classes shared their RE books with me. It was wonderful to see these workbooks that show the effort the students have put into their RE this year. Filled with, colourful creative work and thoughtful reflections I appreciated the students sharing their work.

K – Oliver, Adeline, Avelyn

Yr 1 – Ruby, Michaela, Hamish, Wayne

Yr 2 - Liam, Jett, Charlotte

Yr 3 – Noah W, Noah T, David, Olivia, Dakota

Yr 4 – Lilah, Sophia, Henry, Tommy

Yr 5/6 – Emily, Conner, Chelsey, Tom

FIRST RECONCILIATION

First Reconciliation will be held on **Thursday 10th November, 2022** at **10.30am** in St John the Baptist Church, Gulgong. Father Owen Gibbons will be presiding.

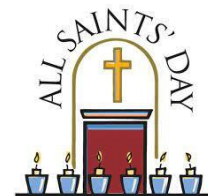
Mrs Higgins and Mr Toole will meet the families at the church at 10.15am.

The candidates may come to school dressed in neat clothes rather than their uniform, especially for their special day.

The Sacrament of First Reconciliation is celebrated during a liturgy so there is to be **no photographs during the Sacrament**.

Following the liturgy we plan to have a morning tea held in the school playground. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Please keep in your prayers the children preparing for the sacrament, **Jett, Anna, Taylah, Charlotte and Ivy**.

ALL SAINTS FEAST DAY - 1st NOVEMBER



Next Tuesday we will gather in our beautiful church to celebrate the feast of our school - **All Saints Day**. Our parish school, "**All Hallows**" is named after these saints and so Tuesday is a day of celebration for our school.

This year it is 139 years since the Sisters of St Joseph first came to Gulgong and started the first Catholic school in our town.

All Saints Day is the day we honour all the saints who showed us how to love God and other people. This year each child at All Hallows created a Saint banner in honour of a chosen saint identifying the values they lived by. These will be displayed around the school.

Many of our saints have died and gone to live with God in Heaven. There are also many people living in our world who are saints because of the wonderful way they are living their lives and serving God and all people.

We too are called to be saints in the Kingdom of God. We are called to follow Jesus in all we say and do.

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TERM 4

27/10/22	Koala Club 9.30am - 2.30pm P&F Meeting 3.45pm Summer Sports Trials (Touch, Cricket & Softball)
28/10/22	Summer Sports Trials (Basketball & Tennis) Stage 2 Red Hill Excursion
31/10/22	Yr2/3/4 Excursion - Dubbo Edward the Emu
1/11/22	All Saints Day
2/11/22	Waste Education Yr7 GHS Transition
4/11/22	P&F Cake Stall
9/11/22	Swimming for Sport begins
10/11/22	First Reconciliation Koala Club 9.30am - 2.30pm
11/11/22	Remembrance Day Liturgy
16/11/22	Yr7 GHS Transition Swimming for Sport
18/11/22	Pupil Free Day
23/11/22	Yr7 St Matts Orientation Swimming
24/11/22	Koala Club 9.30am - 2.30pm Kinder Info Session 4pm Hall
28/11/22	Advent Assembly
8/12/22	Presentation Night
12/12/22	Yr6 Day Out
14/12/22	End Of Year Mass
16/12/22	Term 4 ends

The school will celebrate with mass at **9.15am**, followed by a morning tea with families on the front playground.

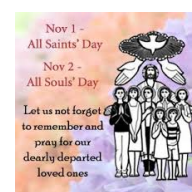
During this year, we have been focusing on living our values with our theme **"Share the Spirit of All Hallows"**. With this in mind, we are excited that we can return to each class participating in a 'Service Activity' in the Gulgong community.

ALL SAINTS DAY - Day Plan

9.15am	Mass
10.15am	Morning Tea
10.15am	Service Activities
12.45pm	Guest Speaker - Suzi Ellis

Class Service Activities

K	Cards for the Community
Yr1	Street Cleaners
Yr2	Church Cleaners
Yr3	Clean up tennis courts
Yr4	Clean up at Showground
Yr5/6	Community Cafe



Please join us for Mass and Morning Tea as we celebrate all that is wonderful at All Hallows Catholic School.

ALL SOULS DAY

All Souls' Day commemorates the faithful departed. In Christianity, All Souls' Day commemorates All Souls, the Holy Souls, or the Faithful Departed; that is, the souls of Christians who have died. Observing Christians typically remember deceased relatives on.

NSW PSSA ATHLETIC CHAMPIONSHIPS

Congratulations to Ambrose who placed 20th in the Junior Boys Discus at the NSW PSSA Athletics Carnival in Sydney last week. A truly amazing effort!!

SUMMER SPORTS TRIALS

We wish Tommy, Will, Jake and Lilah all the best at the Diocesan Summer Sports Trials this week in Dubbo. The students will be trialling in Touch Footy, Tennis and Softball. Good Luck.

SCHOOL SPORT - SWIMMING

Swimming for Sport will be starting in Week 5 (Wednesday 9th November) in preparation for our Intensive Swimming program later in the term.

A reminder that all students must wear appropriate swimwear at school swimming events. Girls should be in one

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piece costumes or two piece tankini style – no bikinis due to lack of sun protection. Boys need to wear 'speedo' type swimwear and may also wear boardshorts. Rashvests are advised for school sport sessions but not for Intensive Swimming lessons. All students are reminded to pack the following on Wednesdays for the rest of the term.

5 for Swimming

1. Swimmers
2. Towel
3. Sunscreen
4. Hat
5. Bag to carry swim gear in



JUMP ROPE FOR HEART IS 'Nearly' HERE...

NEW DATE - Wednesday 9th November 2022

All students come to school dressed in their JRFH team costume.

MISS ANDERSON ON WEDDING LEAVE

Miss Anderson is on leave this week as she is getting married to her fiancé Kurt. We wish both Kurt and Georgia all the best for their special day. Fiona Single is teaching Year 4 while Georgia is on leave. Georgia will return to school on Wednesday 2nd November.

STAFFING

I would like to congratulate **Sarah Buckle** who has been appointed as our **Assistant Principal** in a permanent capacity starting in 2023. Sarah has done fantastic work leading our curriculum for the past two years and we look forward to Sarah continuing her role on the executive team at All Hallows. Sarah will continue to work four days a week in the role next year. Congratulations Sarah!

Maree Higgins will be taking leave in 2023. Maree will be travelling for the first six months of the year before returning to teach casually in terms 3 and 4. We are all very jealous of Maree and Bret and can't wait to hear all about their adventures when they return later in 2023.

Georgia Anderson will be moving back home to Queensland in 2023. She will be around early in the year working casually but will move back at some stage next year. Georgia has made an immediate impact on the students and staff here at All Hallows in a short period of time. A passionate and dedicated teacher, Georgia will be missed when she returns home next year. We thank Georgia for all the work she has put into advancing the learning outcomes of the students in her class. All the best Georgia.

We are currently working through our staffing processes for next year. Teaching positions are currently being advertised for 2023. We have advertised:

- 1 permanent full time teacher position
- 1 temporary full time teacher position
- 1 two day per week teaching position
- 1 library teacher position

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.



P&F UPDATE

Motorbike Raffle:

Please start returning your tickets to the office for the motorbike raffle. If you're able to sell extra tickets that would be fantastic.

Next Meeting:

Our next meeting will be held tomorrow Thursday 27th October 3.45pm in the school hall. Everyone is welcome to come along and attend.



Merit Awards



Week 2

<u>Kinder</u> Fletcher H, Rosie B, Aaron B	<u>Year 3</u> Ethan D, Pippa L
<u>Year 1</u> Alex D, Iyla F, Charlotte H	<u>Year 4</u> Henry B, Lane H
<u>Year 2</u> Eloise B, Cooper H, Maddison P-H	<u>Year 5/6</u> Will D, Beau R

Halo Reward: Pippa, Joe, Tayla M, Ivy, Caitlin, Charlotte A, Taylah B, Eloise, Cambell, Lilah

<u>Assembly</u> Our next Assembly is Infants - 9/9/2022 at 2.45pm	<u>Canteen News</u> Canteen open Tuesdays and Thursdays
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PARISH NEWS

Sunday 30th October - Service in the Absence of a Priest @ 10.30am

VOLUNTEERS OF GULGONG

YOU ARE INVITED TO

SAINTS CAFÉ

Please join us for 'Morning Tea on Us'

at Yr 5/6 '**Saints Café**'

Date: Tuesday 1st November

Time: 10.30am - 12.00pm

Place: All Hallows School Hall

Please come along and let us serve you morning tea as a
'Thank you' for all **you** do for the community of Gulgong

