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Term 4 Week 4 2nd November 2022

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Dear Parents,

It is crazy to think that we are approaching the halfway through Term 4. The year has gone very quickly and we have many things to look forward to coming up at the end of the year.

Yesterday was the Feast of All Saints. We celebrated the feast of All Hallows in our school by holding a liturgy, celebrating morning tea and serving the community in many different ways. A real highlight was the 'Saints Cafe' where we served all the volunteers in our school community. It was a very special day and the kids loved celebrating all the saints that we look up to and try to live our lives according to their values.

Hopefully soon the weather starts warming up, it is important to ensure your child has sunscreen on every day and is wearing their hats both to and from school. Please ensure that they are bringing enough water to get them through the day well hydrated.

I will be away tomorrow and Friday at a Principal's Meeting in Bathurst. Sarah and Kylie will be running the school in my absence should you need to speak to someone.



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.

Forgiveness means you choose not to pay someone back when they hurt you.

Forgiveness is a gift. Christians are known for their forgiving attitudes. We're not supposed to run around holding grudges and making people pay for their mistakes.



FIRST RECONCILIATION



First Reconciliation will be held on **Thursday 10th November, 2022** at 10.30am. Mrs Higgins 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

On Tuesday we celebrated our school Feast Day. It has been 139 years since the Sisters of St Joseph first came and started the first Catholic school in Gulgong.

It was wonderful to share the morning with our families.

A big thank you to Fr Owen who made it back from his holidays to celebrate mass on our Feast Day.

Once again this year our classes enjoyed their 'Service Activities' in the Gulgong community.

A big 'Thankyou' to **Suzi Ellis**, who shared her memories of All Hallows, and the importance of living a positive, caring life. It was wonderful to hear about how the school worked in past years as well as a different version of 'Life after All Hallows'. There were many laughs, along with the opportunity for us to reflect on just how lucky we are with all we have at our school in 2022 compared to previous generations. It was also evident that the values and mission of the school, as set down by the sisters of St Joseph has remained throughout the years.

It was a wonderful day to be part of the All Hallows community.

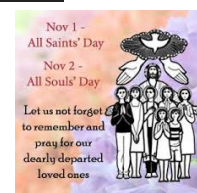
ALL SOULS DAY - 2nd Nov

Today is All Souls' Day.

Observing Christians typically remember deceased relatives on the day.

Once again this year, a Parish Mass will be held at the Gulgong Cemetery today, Wednesday 2nd November at 6.00pm.

Please bring a rug / chair to sit on. In case of bad weather, the Mass will relocate to the church.



SUMMER SPORTS TRIALS

Congratulations to Jake McElligot who has been selected in the Diocesan Touch Team to compete at the Polding Touch Footy Trials next year in Parkes.

SWIMMING FOR SPORT

Swimming for Sport will be starting in **next Wednesday the 9th Nov**, 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 piece costumes or two piece tankini style – no bikinis please. Boys need to wear 'speedo' type swimwear and may also wear boardshorts. Rash vests are advised for school sport sessions but not for Intensive Swimming lessons.

And the news this week is...

TERM 4

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

Jump Rope for Heart

Wed 9th November

A very big thank you to everyone who has donated to the Heart Foundation.

Current Tally

\$5444.00



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



SWIMSAFE -INTENSIVE SWIMMING

Our Swimsafe – Intensive Swimming Program will be held in **Week 8 and Week 9 this term (28th November – 9th December).**

The All Hallows Swimsafe program aims to improve the standard of swimming in all students Kinder to Year 6. Groups are graded in ability with instruction given to a small group at each level. The students will have a swimming lesson each day for two weeks and this has proven to improve swimming skills, confidence and water safety. **Information notes are being sent home with the newsletter today.**

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

**The All Hallows Jump – Off Day is next
Wednesday 9th November 2022**



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

The whole team will take turns skipping for the two hours.

10:00am - 11:00am RECESS 11:30am - 12:30pm

The Jump Off will start at 10:00am with the Demo Team performing.

Throughout the day competitions will be held to add to the fun.

The judges will be looking for :

- *The best dressed team.
- *The team with the best name.
- *The student /parent/teacher who can skip the longest without stopping.

All students are reminded to wear joggers and their school hat as well as sunscreen (this will need to be reapplied during the day). Anyone with their own skipping rope may bring it to use.

We look forward to a wonderful event as we raise money for the Heart Foundation.

And the news this week is...

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.



UNIFORM SHOP

Our P&F will be starting a uniform shop that we hope to have running before the end of the year.

Key information for you as parents:

- We will be stocking the Uniform Shop with Midford Products.
- The shop will be open for 2 x 1 hour blocks twice a week.
- Reanne O'Rourke and Michelle Coe have volunteered to be the coordinators.
- We are looking for a team of about 10 parents to assist Michelle and Reanne in running and manning the shop.
- The Uniform Shop will be running from the Convent building next to school.
- We will be purchasing a stock wholesale in the hope of providing uniforms at a cheaper price.
- A key part in ordering will be knowing our quantities. At the end of each term you will receive an order form for any items you may wish to purchase for the following term.
- You will not be committed to purchasing the items you put on this order form.

If you have any questions please come and see me or speak to Reanne or Michelle

MOTOR BIKE 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. The raffle will be drawn at our Presentation Night on 8th December.

P & F CAKE STALL

Our P & F are holding a Cake Stall outside IGA on Friday and are looking for helpers on the stall and to cook /bake items to sell. All items can be brought into school tomorrow. (Please be sure to include a list of ingredients). Please contact the school or Sam Seis if you can help.

All Saints Feast Day



Lots more photos on our Facebook page



Merit Awards



Week 3

<u>Kinder</u> Adeline O, Lennon O, Alexis S	<u>Year 3</u> Brooklyn H, Dylan M, Dakota W, Caitlin B
<u>Year 1</u> Amelia S, Wayne G, Ruby T	<u>Year 4</u>
<u>Year 2</u> Jett R, Lara P, Cambell F	<u>Year 5/6</u> Beau R, patrick F, Cooper S

Halo Reward: Audry G, Brycen B, Aubrey L, Emma W, Ilya F, Wayne G, Charlotte H, Avelyn M, Michalea W



PARISH NEWS

Sunday 6th November - Mass @ 10.30am

Samaritans

Permanency Support Program

Respite Foster Carers NEEDED!

WE NEED YOU TO HELP US MAKE A DIFFERENCE.



Samaritans Permanency Support Program (PSP) is looking for more Respite Foster Carers.

Please turn over to find out more about respite foster care.

Contact our Support Team today!

Ph: 02 6370 9900

www.samaritans.org.au **Samaritans**

Permanency Support Program Fostering Relationships

What is respite care?

Respite carers provide short term stays for children in our foster care program. Respite carers aim to provide support and positive experiences for the child or young person, sometimes regularly or on an as-needed basis.

Respite carers often provide care that suits their lifestyle, but generally:

- On weekends
- During school holidays
- For short periods of time
- To toddlers, children or teenagers on their own or in a sibling group.

To become a respite carer for Samaritans, you will need to:

- Have space in your home for a child or young person
- Be in good health
- Be authorised through the training and assessment process
- Be over the age of 18.

Samaritans carers are supported by Case Managers, a carer support team, and wrap-around supports in place for the child or young person. We have a 24/7 on call service to support you and your family whilst you are undertaking respite care. Samaritans also provide ongoing training to all carers.

If this sounds like you, please contact our PSP team today!

For further information contact:

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