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Dear Parents,

End of year celebrations will be here before we know it.

*Presentation Night this year will be held on the 8th of December. We will be hosting this on the back playground. Parents will need to bring chairs or a picnic blanket. The night will start at **6.30pm** and we will have speeches and present awards from the verandah of the Year 4 room.*

Key End of Year Dates

Key dates for end of year celebrations are:

- **Wed 7th December**
Yr 6 Farewell Dinner at School Hall
- **Thurs 8th December**
Presentation Night at School
- **Mon 12th December**
Year 6 Day Out
- **Wed 14th December**
End of Year Mass & Yr 6 Final Assembly
- **Fri 16th December**
Last Day of School

REMINDER!!

**Pupil Free
Day**

FRIDAY 18TH NOVEMBER

**for
Staff Retreat**

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

Why is forgiveness important for kids?

It is important for children to understand compassion, loving-kindness and forgiveness. Teaching our children to forgive is an essential life tool that will make navigating childhood and adolescence easier.

FIRST RECONCILIATION

First Reconciliation will be held this 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 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 will have a morning tea held in the school playground. All families are invited to attend. This week we pray especially for the children preparing for the sacrament - Jett, Anna, Taylah, Charlotte and Ivy.

REMEMBRANCE DAY - 11TH November

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands.

Protect them as they protect us.

Bless them and their families for the selfless acts they perform for us in our time of need.

We ask this in the name of Jesus, our Lord

Amen

On Friday our school community will gather in the hall at 10.45am for a Remembrance Day Liturgy in honour of all those who gave their service to ensure our country's freedom. It is important for the students at All Hallows to remember the sacrifices that soldiers made and the lives that have been affected by the conflict of war.



"Lest We Forget"

ASIAN CULTURAL CLASSROOM

This semester, Yr 5/6 have been studying "Global Connections" in Geography and specifically Australia's links with Asia. As part of this unit, each student has researched an Asian country. In the presentation of their knowledge we will be hosting an "Asian Cultural Classroom" and you are all invited.

Date: Tuesday 22nd November 2022

Where: Yr 5/6 Classroom

Time: 11.30am - 1.00pm

Please join us

SWIMMING PROGRAM

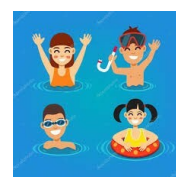
For the rest of the term we will be having Swimming for sport each Wednesday K-6.

A reminder that all students must wear appropriate swimwear at school swimming events. Girls should be in a one-piece costume or two-piece tankini style - no bikinis. 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.

All students are reminded to pack the following on Wednesdays for the rest of the term.

5 for Swimming

- Swimmers
- Towel
- Sunscreen
- Hat
- Bag to carry it all in



Our Swimsafe Intensive Swimming Program will be held in Weeks 8 & 9 this term - 28th Nov to 9th Dec.

Thank you to all our parents who returned the notes so efficiently last week. We are now in the process of assessing each child's swimming skill and forming swimming groups. Children in Red, Yellow and Green swimming groups will be taught the AUSTSWIM program by Meg Kelly and Nina Nyitrai, while those children in the BLUE groups will continue to work on stroke technique, stamina and water safety in their groups with Ms Statham and Mr Rogers.

And the news this week is...

TERM 4

9/11/22	Swimming for Sport begins Jump Rope for Heart
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

Thank you to everyone who helped raise money for the National Heart Foundation through Jump Rope for Heart sponsorship.

We held our "Jump Off" today and it was a fun, exhausting event.

Our current total is **\$6038.00** and we look forward to completing all online donations and collecting money sent into school by the end of the week please.



Yr 6 ST MATTHEWS & GULGONG HIGH ORIENTATIONS

Over the next few weeks our Yr 6 students will be attending their High School Yr 7 Orientation days at their respective high schools. This is an exciting time for our senior students as they prepare for the next stage of their life and education. We wish them well on these days and are proud of them for their efforts at All Hallows.

CLASS STRUCTURE 2023

Our staffing will be finalised in the coming weeks once we have filled all staff positions.

Our staffing allocation from the Bathurst CEDB has come through. In 2023 we will have six classes again. Our class structure in 2023 will be: Kinder, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4 and Year 5/6.

Class teachers will be announced before the end of term.

SCHOOL FEES

Fee statements are coming home today for families who have outstanding fees. We ask that all fees be paid Friday 25th November. Please contact us asap if you will not be able to clear your fees by this date so we can advise our fees office (this does not apply to families on direct debit).

Attached with this newsletter is a copy of the fee structure for 2023. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you wish to discuss fee payment options for next year.

WELL-BEING TIPS





Merit Awards



Week 4

<u>Kinder</u> .	<u>Year 3</u> David H. Olivia S
<u>Year 1</u>	<u>Year 4</u> Logan J, Lilah G, Hope S, Dante W
<u>Year 2</u> Adalynn H, Anna T, Taylah B	<u>Year 5/6</u> Nikko A, Tom O, Cooper S

Halo Reward: Pippa, Lola, Frank, Noah T, Michaela, Arabella, Alex, Logan, Anna, Lara

<u>Assembly</u>	<u>Canteen News</u> Canteen open Tuesdays and Thursdays
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PARISH NEWS

Parish Mass each Sunday at 10.30am



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: Thursday 10th November 2022: We will be having a uniform shop P&F Meeting on Thursday afternoon at 3.45pm in the hall.

This will be to provide a rundown and update on where we are at the moment and the direction we need to head. There will be an opportunity to view the room in the convent we will be using for the shop.

We will need to organise a working bee to clean the room and give it a coat of paint.

We will be looking for a team of about 8-10 people to assist Reanne and Michelle in opening the shop, cleaning, organising etc. If you're interested in helping we would love to hear from you.



P & F End of Year Catch-Up: Friday 2nd December at Gulgong Bowling Club.

Barefoot Bowls, drinks and nibbles and a chance to celebrate a great year. We have booked the outdoor BBQ area while we play some bowls. A note will come home today so we can get an idea of numbers for platters and bowlers.