Dear Parents,

Welcome back to all families from what was hopefully a most enjoyable two weeks with your children. We hope you’ve had a restful break and that you had some time to spend with your families and join in the Easter celebrations at Holy Family church. The staff have returned refreshed and ready for a busy Term 2.

**Whole School Excursion - Melbourne Zoo**

Next Wednesday, 22nd April, the whole school will be participating in a day at Melbourne Zoo as part of their Inquiry Learning for this term. Thank you to all parents who have offered their assistance on the day. We may not be able to take all who have offered, but a letter will come home on Monday informing parents as to who will be coming. We would really like to be at the zoo by 10am, so anticipate leaving school between 8:45am and 9:00am. We would appreciate if all children were at school by 8:30am as doors will be open at this time. We are looking forward to a great day of learning!

**Working with Children Checks**

Just a reminder that any parent, grandparent, aunt, friend etc who helps in any capacity within our school requires a current "Working With Children" Check. As a school we are also required to keep a copy of this on file. This week a letter was sent to all helpers for whom we do not have a copy of their card. Could you please send a photocopy or a scan of your card to the office as soon as possible.

**School Uniform**

Throughout the first four weeks of Term 2 it is parental discretion as to whether your child wears summer or winter uniform. Feel free to dress your child according to the day’s forecast. The full winter school and sport uniform is on display in the office.

We are currently redesigning the boys' winter pants with PSW but these will not be available until next year. In the meantime, the current design is still being sold at PSW (without the school logo). This is to ensure as soon as the new design is ready the pants with school logo can go straight on the shelves for sale. Please see Eithne King if you have any queries.

**Mystery Movie Night**

Just a reminder that the movie night is tomorrow. Wonder what the movie will be?????

We have over 70 families attending so it should be a great night.

Don’t forget all going well it will be on the school oval so rug up bring your bean bags, chairs, blankets and anything else you need to make yourself comfortable. If the weather in inclement it will be moved inside to the hall. Gates open at 5.30 sausages, drinks, popcorn and lollies will be on sale. Movie starts at 6:30pm.
Education Board Meeting

The April meeting of the Education Board will be held next Monday 20th April. All members should have received the Agenda via email.

We Are Allergy Aware!

Anaphylaxis is a severe and potentially life threatening allergic reaction. We have children in our school who are allergic to poppy seeds, nuts (peanuts, cashews, pistachios, hazelnuts), legumes (beans), eggs, potato and eggplant. We ask that you refrain from sending any foods containing the listed foods (nut products such as: peanut butter, nutella, bean products such as chickpeas, hommus dip, lentil burgers, baked beans or breads containing poppy seeds etc).

*We want to do our best to keep those at risk, as safe as possible! Please help us to keep EVERYONE safe!*

Kids Café

There was great excitement today (much busier than the Myer stocktake sales!!) as Kids Café was launched and reopened for 2015. A menu with a pricelist was sent on Monday and can also be found on the school website on the page ‘Kids Café’. Please remember and speak to your child/ren that they are only to buy food for themselves.

Many thanks to Kate Belleville, Marice Collin, and Greg Thom-Tydell for coordinating and getting all things ready! Thanks too to Carmelina Heberle for her amazing graphics work too!

Sports News – Upcoming Cross Country Event

This year’s Cross Country event will be taking place at Jells Park on the 29th May. The event is for those students in year 4 to 6. Students are encouraged to prepare for this by working on their running endurance and to assist this we will be opening the oval at 8.35am Tuesdays and Thursday mornings for those who would like to participate in training. Our Cross Country team will be selected following trials that will take place on Friday 15th, May at school.

Prue Smith
Physical Education Coordinator

A.C.U Students

We are very fortunate at the moment to have Bryanna and Vanessa from Australian Catholic University completing a teaching placement here at Holy Family. They are here each Wednesday so be sure to say hello.

Anzac Day

We will be celebrating Anzac Day next Friday 24th April at 9am in the quadrangle with a special liturgy. All welcome!
Parking in School Grounds

A reminder to parents that we request parents do not park in School Grounds – As you would be aware through previous newsletters and through the Parent Handbook, parents are asked not to park in the school grounds before or after school. Parents involved as parent helpers in the classrooms may use the car park. The ‘Kiss and Drop’ process was implemented to provide parents with a safe option to drop children off or pick children up after school.

2016 Enrolments

Thank you to the many parents who have already completed 2016 Prep Enrolment forms. We urge all 2016 families to have enrolment forms submitted as soon as is possible.

We aim to establish numbers for 2016 Prep children with siblings in the school and Catholic families with siblings in the school and Catholic families with Prep enrolments in our Parish boundaries before we can accept placements for all other enrolments. It is anticipated that the large majority of enrolment applications will be confirmed by letter on 31st May.

Enrolments Forms are available from the School Office.

Student Supervision

Supervision by school staff begins at 8.30am and ends at 3.45pm – Children who have not been picked up by 3.30pm should return to the school office.

OPEN DAYS

Holy Family Enrolments for Prep 2016

Let your neighbours, friends and relatives know that 2016 enrolments are OPEN.

Early enrolment assists us greatly with 2016 planning.

School Open Days will be held on:

- **Wednesday 13th May**
- **Thursday 21st May**
  - School Tours at 9am, 10am, 12pm, 1pm, 3pm, 4pm & 5pm
  - or ‘anytime’ by appointment on any other day of the school year.

office@hfmw.catholic.edu.au

Parents are invited to send messages to the school office via the email address office@hfmw.catholic.edu.au. This email will be checked daily.

Parents & Friends Committee email

pandf@hfmw.catholic.edu.au

Parents are invited to send any items of interest to our Parents and Friends committee on the mail address as listed above.

Term 2 Calendar Dates – Website – www.hfmw.catholic.edu.au

The Term 2 Calendar has been updated for Term 2 and is available for parents on the school website. We will no longer be sending home hard copies of the school calendar.

Have a great week!

Eithne King
Deputy Principal
CDF SCHOOL BANKING

We are asking all of our families to send in any CDF Student School Banking books so that our lovely banking mums can include your children’s bank interest in their books.

Banking day is **TUESDAY**

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Welcome back to Term 2! In the business of school life it is easy to get wrapped up with our children’s successes and their ability to access the curriculum. After all, isn’t that why we send them to school?

School (as we know) is not just about a reading level, how many words we can write and at what point we can memorize times tables. School is about much more and our focus should be on the ‘competencies’ or skills and processes we are teaching our children. When one has a bank of skills, they can then access content, manage social relationships and obtain a sense of awareness and management of self.

Over the coming weeks our students will embrace the challenges of a new term and I would like to work through a four part Wellbeing Wonder that will stretch over the next month. The focus of this will be on the Social and Emotional Learning of young people and how you as parents can continue to ensure this area of your child’s life is nurtured, challenged and authentic to their own lives.

To begin, let me introduce you to the curriculum competencies for Social and Emotional Learning. Self Awareness, Self Management, Social Awareness and Social Management are the four main headers within this domain and they encompass many competencies for our children to learn throughout their schooling. From learning how to identify and articulate feelings to linking feelings with experiences and acknowledging appropriate behaviour choices to manage our feelings; the list of skills is enormous.

Whilst learning in the area has begun prior to school and from a very early age, we need to continue to provide real life experiences and focus teaching to ensure our students continue to develop in this area both at school and at home.

For further information and to access a parent handout on the importance of Social and Emotional Learning, go to the Wellbeing Section of the school website and head to the right hand side of the page to the Wellbeing Wonders tab.

Previous hyperlinks have been closed and this weeks’ link will be right at the top after our Bounce Back coping statements.

Have a fabulous week ahead

Treasa Barwick
Wellbeing Leader
ST CHRISTOPHER’S TENNIS CLUB would like to enter a young junior team in D Section with Waverley Tennis in the Winter Season on a Sunday morning. We have two young boys who played good consistent tennis for their age in the Summer Season and we offer the opportunity to any girl or boy from Holy Family School aged from about 10 to 12 years old to join them. If your child is interested please contact Shirley on 9802 3642 by Wednesday, 22nd April for more details.

SYNDAL SOUTH / WAVERLEY BLUES AUSKICK
Waverley Blues Football Ground
Charles St, Mount Waverley
Saturday mornings at 8 or 9am

To register visit www.aflauskick.com.au and select Syndal South/Waverley Blues

Registration includes a great Auskick pack which will be delivered to your nominated address.

You will also receive four complimentary tickets to a selected 2015 Toyota AFL Premiership Season match through the AFL Game Day (two adult and two child tickets) if payment is received prior to Monday, April 20.

Season Starts 18 April 2015

Enquiries: Phil Vimpani 0410 993 596 or phil.vimpani@integrity.com.au

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Fridays 3.20pm -4.15pm

Dates: Term 2  
24\textsuperscript{th} April  
1\textsuperscript{st}; 8\textsuperscript{th}; 15\textsuperscript{th}; 22\textsuperscript{nd} May.  
5\textsuperscript{th}; 12\textsuperscript{th};19\textsuperscript{th} June.

Cost: $75 New Participants (for 8 week program and pack)  
$65 Returning participants must have registered with Aussie Hoops before (for 8 weeks program and ball only)

Pack: includes a basketball, bag and reversible basketball singlet.

Register online @ www.aussiehoops.com.au

Enter postcode 3149 on right hand side of page

Follow prompts and select Holy Family to get onto the Waverly Wildcats Aussie Hoops page

Please register and pay on line by Thurs, April 16\textsuperscript{th}. (Packs will be available by the first week.)

More details: Christine O’Rourke (Grace’s mum- 3/4BB and Jimmy 1/2 A)  
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