Dear Families,

**Parent - Child - Teacher Interviews - March 23rd/March 24th**

As detailed in last week’s newsletter we will be holding Parent-Child-Teacher Interviews on Monday 23rd March and Tuesday 24th March. Accompanying today’s newsletter is a separate flyer outlining the process for booking interview times. As with previous practice we will be using the website www.schoolinterviews.com.au as our booking access point.

For parents who may have missed last week’s reporting article, the grid below provides a summary of the school’s new assessment process.

**Reporting Timeline:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>School Term</th>
<th>Interview</th>
<th>Means of Reporting</th>
<th>Date for 2015</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Term 1</td>
<td>Interview</td>
<td>Student Progress Report</td>
<td>March 23rd &amp; 24th</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Term 2</td>
<td>Interview</td>
<td>Student Progress Report</td>
<td>June 23rd &amp; 24th</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Semester 1 Report with Progression Points</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Term 3</td>
<td>Interview</td>
<td>Student Progress Report</td>
<td>September 15th &amp; 16th</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Term 4</td>
<td>No Interview</td>
<td>Student Progress Report</td>
<td>Reports distributed</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>Semester 2 Report with Progression Points</td>
<td>Thursday 10th December</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
2015 Key Dates

We will endeavour to remain true to the 2015 dates as listed below:

**TERM ONE**

**MARCH**
- Friday 6th- Working Bee 5-7pm
- Monday 9th- Public Holiday
- Tuesday 10th- School Closure Day

**Wednesday 11th**
- School Photos
  - Gr. 3/4 Staff Team Literacy Development Day
  - Sacrament of Reconciliation Family Night

**Friday 13th**
- Gr. 6 Leaders Halogen Foundation Leaders Day
- Harmony Day Walkathon

**Saturday 14th**
- Parents & Friends Social Night

**Monday 16th**
- School Open Day
- Catholic Education Week

**Wednesday 18th**
- Sacrament of Reconciliation Family Night

**Friday 20th**
- Grade 5/6 Athletics Carnival
- National Day of Action Against Bullying

**Sunday 22nd**
- Prep & Gr. 5 'Buddies" Family Mass 10.30am

**Monday 23rd**
- Parent Child Teacher Interviews

**Tuesday 24th**
- Parent Child Teacher Interviews

**Wednesday 25th**
- Sacrament of Reconciliation

**Friday 27th**
- Term 1 concludes 1.30pm

---

**Preps – Full time!**
We've all taken great delight in watching our prep children make a successful transition into school life. As we head into week 7 of the school year our Preps next week commence their full time enrolment at school. In the previous weeks the prep children have taken each Wednesday as a day at home. The term 1 holidays will no doubt be a much needed time for our prep children to take a well deserved rest!

**School Photos – Monday March 11 (No Sports Uniform)**
**Grade 3/4 Students 9am**
School Photos will be taken on Wednesday 11th March. School Leaders will be photographed from 8.45am. Our Grade 3/4 staff will be involved in a Catholic Education Office Literacy Professional Development Day on Wednesday. We will be scheduling Grade 3/4 classes to photographed from 9am so that the Grade 3/4 staff can leave from the class photo’s to attend the professional development session. Please ensure that children are present at school for an 8.55am start so as to avoid your child missing their class photo. Please refer to the flyer previously distributed regarding the ordering of photos. Please note that the ordering and payment process is available online. Please note that the children are required to wear the normal school uniform on the day, not the sports uniform.

*If you do not want your child photographed on this day or included in the class group photo, please contact the school office.*

**Reconciliation Family Night - Wednesday 11th March**
We remind all families enrolled in the Sacrament of Reconciliation Program that our first Family night will be held next Wednesday 11th March, 7.00pm.

**Prep Level Health Alert**
We advise all Prep parents to the recent case of Impetigo (School Sores) in our Prep level. Impetigo is a highly contagious skin condition. It usually occurs on the face, neck, and hands of young children and infants. Impetigo occurs more rarely in adults, usually following another skin condition or an infection. Please take care to observe your children in the coming days. Children with Impetigo are excluded from schools until treatment has commenced.

**School Uniforms**
As the weather begins to turn from warm summer days to cooler days and evenings, we recommend that parents start to consider their children’s requirements for their winter uniforms. We advise that you take some time in the next few weeks to go into PSW and fit your child for winter items.

**School Closure Dates 2015**
Curriculum days for the year as follows - Tuesday March 10, Friday 5th June, Friday August 7 and Friday 20 November. The Assessment & Reporting Day for teachers will take place on the Monday of the Melbourne Cup week, Monday 2nd November.

**Term 1 Working Bee – Tomorrow - Friday 6th March (5.00-7.00pm)**
BYO Wheelbarrows & Shovels! Thank you to those parents who have already returned their working bee notice advising of their availability. Parents are invited to join us at any time throughout the working bee. We understand that some parents will be late due to work hours. A sausage sizzle and refreshments will follow the working bee tasks. Parents are asked to sign in at the table to be situated near the drink taps. A list of jobs will be provided on arrival.

**Term 2 2015 Newsletter Distribution - Email addresses required**
The weekly school newsletter, currently being distributed through hard copies, in term 2 will only be distributed via email, the Skoolbag App and on the school website from the beginning of term 2. A limited number of hard copy newsletters will be housed each Thursday in the school office for parents who do not have access to a computer.
To ensure that all families gain access to the weekly emailing of the newsletter we request that parents email the school office with their preferred email addresses to which the newsletter will be addressed. There can be multiple email addresses for each family.

Please email your email address/es to office@hfmw.catholic.edu.au

Emailing your email address will aid in the administration of recording all family email details.

2015 School Calendar
The 2015 School Calendar has been uploaded to the School Website, under the ‘New & Events’ link.

Skoolbag App
To install the Holy Family School App, just look for our school name “Holy Family School Mount Waverley” in the Apple App Store (iPhone Users) or Google Play Store (Android Users), and install it on your phone.

Website Medical Forms
– Parents can access Medication Administration Forms, Anaphylaxis Action Plans and Asthma Plans on the school website. Please refer to www.hfmw.catholic.edu.au refer to the ‘School Community’ tab and click on the ‘Forms’ link.

Holy Family Enrolments for Prep 2016

School Open Days will be held on:

Monday 16th March, 9.00am-6.00pm
Monday 23rd March, 9.00am-6.00pm

Tours will run every hour on the hour.

Tours are also available on any school day throughout the year by appointment.

We request that parents already with children in the school enrol as early as possible.

Paul Wakeling
Principal

CDF Banking
CDF banking is a great way to start teaching your children about saving money. To start a CDF bank account through Holy Family School pick up a form from the school office and every Tuesday you can add money to your account.

Anyone with an existing account should bring their bank books in to be updated.

Great News!!!
The Kids Café will be operating on Thursday and Friday recess in Term 2. More information to follow next week.

P&F & Bakers Delight Hot Cross Bun Drive
It’s hard to believe that it’s that time of year again! The P&F along with Bakers Delight at Burwood East are offering you the opportunity to purchase Hot Cross Buns for yourself, friends and family

An envelope has been sent home today, giving you 4 varieties to choose from. Each packet costs $7 with the P&F receiving $2. Varieties are: fruit, mocha, choc chip and fruitless.

Envelopes will need to be returned by Wednesday 19th March and the Hot Cross Buns will be available for collection in the afternoon on Thursday 26th March.

If you have any queries, please contact Adrianna on 0403 808 927 or email adrianna@hijner.com
Bullying, Arguments, Disagreements? What is the difference?

In the lead up to Bullying No Way Day, Harmony Day and in this Lenten Season where we encourage the students to ‘live like Jesus’, we thought we would bring some clarification to the term ‘bullying’, in an effort to ensure everyone is on the same page.

Playgrounds are always full of hype. There are hundreds of different games going on at any one time and generally the running of the playground is smooth and what you call, ‘Organised Chaos’. However, misunderstandings and arguments are pretty common in the playground. Children are still developing social skills and learning how to communicate with others. It is a perfect place to implement the Bounce Back coping statements.

Not every incident or disagreement that upsets a student can be defined as bullying – sometimes it's a one-off problem or a genuine misunderstanding. Bullying is different. Bullying is a deliberate and repeated abuse of power of one student over another. It can be verbal, physical or psychological abuse that is intended to cause harm.

Bullying is not a problem isolated to school yards. It can happen anywhere that children socialise, including online. It's a community issue, which is why parents have such an important role to play in resolving this kind of negative and very damaging behaviour.

Open communication with your child is suggested. Create an environment where talk is natural and focusses on both the positive aspects of your child’s day before any negative situations. Remember, we are skilling our children up to work through problems, not avoid them. We need to build upon their strategies that they could use in social disagreements and arguments and empower them to work through these.

If you do suspect that your child is being bullied then the following who, what, why, where and how questions give some clarification on the issues. Questions like who was involved, what happened before, during and after, where does this happen and critically, how often has this happened? This will give light to the details. If the actions are repeated and fit into the description above then please contact the school straight away.

I think the best advice I can give is trust your instincts. You know your child best.

Have a great week and enjoy the cooler weekend

Treasa Barwick
Wellbeing Leader

| This week’s Merit Award winners are: |
| Prep KW- | Stella V. |
| 1/2 A- | Jayme R.  | 1/2 HD- | Ellie P. |
| 1/2 PM- | Piper S.  | 1/2 W- | Theo W. |
| 5/6 KH- | Taylah C. | 5/6 S- | Ellie S. |
| 5/6 T- | Rocio R. |

Waverley Blues Football Club
Season 2015- Join Now!!

Waverley Blues are recruiting for Under 12/14/15 and 17 players for season 2015. If you are looking for an inclusive club where fun and development are key, look no father.

To register contact Gavan Hegan
gavan.hegan@nuturf.com.au

OPEN DAY- SAT MARCH 14th!

Come down and join in our “High Octane Saturday Fat burning class” and experience what Mana Fitness Solutions has to offer to help you with your health and fitness goals. Meet our team and members and donate also to a worthy cause - “March for Melanoma”!

Spot prizes, Food, Barista coffee and refreshments, major raffles

Class starts at 8.30am - 9.30am, food and refreshments to follow afterwards.

Address: Unit B- 31-37 Howleys Road, Notting Hill

For more info https://www.facebook.com/manaftnightsolutions or contact Ana Thomas: 0415 396 910/ Jose Thomas 0420 905 050
WALK-A-THON
WALKING TOGETHER FOR CARITAS

Help us to raise money for Caritas to make sustainable food sources a reality for those who need it most! On Friday 13th March we will walk around the oval in groups. Before the day get your family to sponsor you for each lap that you complete in 30 minutes. On the day you will get together in your house group for lunch and to do an activity with students from across the school.
PARENT HELPERS WANTED FOR THE MYSTERY MOVIE NIGHT
To make this event a success we are looking for helpers on the night. If you are available to help please tick the relevant box/es & return to the school office by Friday 27th March 2015. If you have any queries please contact Donna Spaulding on 0412 145 462

TASK LIST

☐ Cooking the BBQ between 5:30pm to 6:30pm
☐ Serving between 5:30pm to 7pm
☐ Playground Supervision between 6pm to 8pm
☐ Doorperson between 5:15pm to 6:30pm

CONTACT DETAILS

Name: ___________________________ Class: ___________________________
Mobile: ___________________________ Email: ___________________________