

School Feast Day Mass The Triumph of the Cross

Thank you to all families who were able to join us for our Feast Day Mass last Wednesday. Congratulations to our students who helped lead the celebration through music and singing, liturgical movement, reading, leading processions and Altar Servers.

We would like to extend a gratitude of thanks to Mrs Supriadi for the lovely 20th anniversary cake and the delicious cupcakes that she made for the students.

It was a wonderful celebration. Thank you to everyone who joined us.



20 years

CELEBRATING



SCHOOL DISCO



On Wednesday 11th September, Holy Cross celebrated their 20 year anniversary with a whole school disco that was run by Dance Fever. The K-2 disco started at 4:30pm and ended at 5:30pm, whilst the 3-6 disco started at 5:45pm and ended at 7:30pm.

Every grade had an exceptionally good time with everyone singing along to all the songs, the teacher's dancing, having dance competitions, and students all going in one big conga line! Everyone was dancing in large circles, cheering their friends on. Some teachers even joined in, dancing with the students and having a blast. Our favourite parts of the disco was when we were in a big group dancing, singing along to all of the songs and cheering each other on. Another one of our favourite parts was when Miss Sultana and Mr Rawlings had a dance competition.

I think we speak on behalf of all the students when we say that the disco was definitely a night to remember.

Ysabelle and Tala

(Year 6)

A Soccer Game to Remember

Introduction

Last week the Year 6 students versed the teachers in the traditional annual soccer game. The teachers continue to hold the Teachers/Student cup with the teachers winning 3-1. We would like to thank Jeremy and Nick from Year 4 who refereed the match. We would also like to thank Ethan M, Zoei and Phoebe for keeping score and commentating. This match brought smiles and laughter to our field. The crowd was cheering for both teachers and students.

About the game:

For the first five minutes the game was very intense, because neither team had scored! However, with the ball kicked out for a corner down the students goal end, Liam sent the ball into the box with great power, and when it arrived at Mrs Esposito's feet, there was an attempt to clear the ball out of their half... but with the power and strength behind the ball, it flew into the back of the net. The score was 1-0. Students with an early lead. However, teachers didn't let that bother them. Not long after, the teachers came back with an amazing shot on goal, the game was suddenly tied 1-1. Another chance came for the teachers, Mrs Villiers went for goals but missed the ball completely! A roar of laughter came across the crowd, luckily Mr Rawlings was there to finish it off 2-1 the comeback was on for the staff team. Mr Buckley managed to score 1 goal and Mr Rawlings 2 goals for the teachers.

How Fun The Game Was

The game was great fun with the whole school cheering for both students and teachers. Miss Garland (who was both commentator and player) became extremely engaging during the game. Year 6 students started celebrating after their first goal. Later on, when we were still playing the game, Ethan M, Zoei and Phoebe took over the microphone and continued to commentate. Having them commentating made the game extremely exciting. We are glad that the teachers could play this intense game and bring laughter to the school.

Challenge:

Teachers.... Year 6 would like to issue a challenge... A rematch, set for term 4.

Teachers you need to be prepared because Year 6 is going to give it their all and their all is very powerful, if you don't accept this challenge you lose your reputation. Next game will be more fun and a lot more exciting.

By the year 6 soccer team

Patrick V, Tane, Patrick H, Victoria, Charlotte, Liam



THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Within the seven Sacraments we see different visible signs of God's love. Within Reconciliation we find God's uncompromising mercy and compassion, calling us back to Him. In Reconciliation we are challenged to reflect on how we sometimes stray from a life that is giving and loving and how we can, with God's help, build bridges again with others as well as with God. As much as we seek forgiveness, we also must be people who forgive others and acknowledge that all people at times have moments where they fail and make mistakes.

In order for students to receive Reconciliation, they need to be Baptised.

Important Dates for Reconciliation:

Parent Meeting:

Wednesday 25th September at 7:30 in the Church

Enrolment Rituals (select only one):

Saturday 19th October, 6 pm Mass

Sunday 20th October, 9 am mass, 10:30 am mass 6 pm mass

Session 1:

Saturday 26th October 4 pm St Mark's Staffroom OR

Sunday 27th October 4 pm St Mark's Staffroom

Session 2:

Saturday 2nd November, 4 pm, St Mark's Staffroom *OR*

Sunday 3rd November, 4 pm, St Mark's Staffroom

Session 3:

Saturday 9th November 4 pm, Church *OR*

Sunday 10th November 4 pm, Church

First Reconciliation Times (select only one date):

Monday 11th November 4pm-5pm Church *OR*

Tuesday 12th November 4pm-5pm Church *OR*

Wednesday 13th November 4pm-5pm Church

If you have any questions, please contact Helen on 9852-0583 or at admin@john23rd.org.au



PARISH MASS

Mass has been cancelled this week, Wednesday 18th September.

Wednesday 25th September, Year 4 will attend the Parish mass in the library. Mass is at 10am.

FRIDAY MORNING PRAYER

Friday 20th September, Year 1 will be leading us in Friday Morning Prayer.

There will be **NO** Friday Morning Prayer in week 10 due to the infants sports carnival.

TERM 4 SPORTS DAYS

DANCE FEVER

Next term all students will participate in the Dance Fever program for dance. This is part of the children's PDHPE learning. Children will need to wear their full sports uniforms on the following days.

Grade	Day 1	Day 2
Kindergarten	Monday	Friday
Year 1	Monday	Friday
Year 2	Monday	Friday
Year 3	Monday	Friday
Year 4	Monday	Wednesday
Year 5	Monday	Friday
Year 6	Monday	Thursday

K-2 SPORTS DAY

On Friday 27th September, students from Kindergarten, Year One and Year Two will be participating in a Tabloid Infants Sports Day. This is always an exciting and enjoyable day with the students being involved in a number of activities coordinated by Dance Fever Multi Sports. To make the day successful, we require parents who can assist the teachers in supervising various tabloid stations.

If you are able to assist from approximately 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, please complete the form below or contact your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

**All parents are welcome to come along and share in the fun and excitement of our school carnival.
Parents are also welcome to have a picnic lunch with their children.**

In order for the smooth running of the day, we require lots of parent helpers. If you are able to help on the day, please complete the form below and return it to your child's teacher. Please ensure you have completed the **'Building Child Safe Communities - Undertaking the Volunteers' Form** which can be located on our school website.

Kindergarten - Year Two Tabloid Infants Sports Day

Yes I am able to assist on Friday 27th September.

Parent Name: _____

Email Address: _____

Child's Class: _____

I am available from 9.00am – 1:00 pm

Yes/No (Please Circle)

I have completed the 'Building Child Safe Communities - Undertaking for Volunteers' Form

Yes/No (Please Circle)

Year 4's Excursion

On 3rd and 4th September Year 4, went on an excursion to St Marys road safety program, C.A.R.E.S taught by Constable Brace. We had an awesome time riding bikes and most importantly learning about safety and road rules.

Constable Brace explained the day and took us on a tour around his road. We learnt about stop signs, give way signs, intersections and more. Did you know an orange traffic light means stop if safe to do so?

Before we could ride our bikes Constable Brace put together a test so we could earn our bike licenses. To complete the test we had to ride along a line using our hand indicators of turning left, right and going straight. After we received our bike licenses we were let loose on Constable Brace's road track.

By Chloe, Josie, Charlotte and Sophia



SKIP-A-THON

Thank you to the families who have returned their Skip-a-Thon money. As an incentive, students who return their sponsorship money by **Wednesday 18th September** will be invited to enjoy 15 minutes of extra playtime that will be supervised by Miss Hardy on Thursday 19th. As a further incentive for all students a Footy Fever Mufti Day will be held on Friday 27th September for all students who have returned their sponsorship cards along with their sponsorship money.

Money raised from the Skip-a-Thon will be used to purchase more reading resources for our school and our students. We thank you for your support in improving the learning opportunities for our students.

UNIFORM SHOP

Summer uniforms are now available for purchase at the uniform shop and QKR APP. The uniform shop is not open during the school holidays. The last day of trading will be Wednesday 25th September 2.30-4.00pm. We will reopen on Wednesday 16th October 2.30-4.00pm.

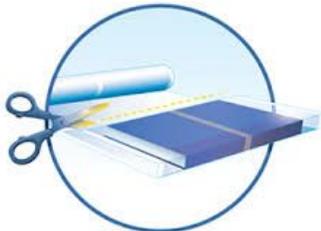
Any enquiries please contact Elle Email: elle@ozfashions.com.au

ARE YOU MOVING AT THE END OF 2019?

To assist with 2020 enrolments we would be grateful if the school could be notified in writing of any children who may be leaving Holy Cross at the end of the year from grades other than Year 6. If your child is changing schools for 2020, please let us know. You are reminded that CEO policy is that families need to give the school one full terms notice in writing in these circumstances.

COVERING OF BOOKS

We have been fortunate to be able to purchase more reading books. If you could help cover the books, it would be most appreciated. If you need any help with how to cover the books, please let me know and I can show you! The books are packed in school bags and can be picked up from the office.



IMPORTANT DATES

Every Monday Term 4	Dance Fever
Wednesday 18th September	NO MASS
Friday 20th September	Prayer led by Year 1
Monday 23rd September	Skipping Showcase
Wednesday 25th September	Mass led by Year 4 Whole School Photo
Friday 27th September	NO PRAYER K-2 Sports Carnival Last day of Term 3 Footy Fever Day
Monday 14th October	First day of Term 4

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy Birthday to the following students who have celebrated their birthday recently.

Chanelle Scully, Andrew Chen, Lachlan Charlton, Madison Elkor, Maira Boncato, Christian Elmasri, Patrick Howley, Olivia Panagiotopoulos, Jonathan Shuker, Mikaela Jensen & Lilie Kolaitis