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Term 1 Week 2



Pathways Song

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CHORUS

I AM SAFE, I AM A LEARNER AND I AM THE FACE OF JESUS
I AM SAFE, I AM A LEARNER AND I AM THE FACE OF JESUS

VERSE 1

WE ARE SAFE WHEN WE ARE CALM
WE ARE SAFE WHEN WE PLAY TOGETHER
WE ARE SAFE WHEN WE USE EQUIPMENT
WE ARE SAFE WHEN WE CARE FOR EACH OTHER

CHORUS

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VERSE 2

WE ARE LEARNERS WHEN WE'RE IN THE CLASSROOM
WE ARE LEARNERS WHEN WE LEARN ABOUT NEW THINGS
WE ARE LEARNERS WHEN WE USE EQUIPMENT
WE ARE LEARNERS WHEN WE ARE LISTENING

CHORUS

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VERSE 3

WE ARE THE FACE OF JESUS WHEN WE USE KIND WORDS
WE ARE THE FACE OF JESUS WHEN WE'RE SHARING
WE ARE THE FACE OF JESUS WHEN WE SHOW RESPECT FOR OTHERS
WE ARE THE FACE OF JESUS WHEN WE'RE CARING

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BRIDGE

MY JOB IS TO LEARN
YOUR JOB IS TO TEACH
YOU DO YOUR JOB AND I'LL DO MINE
AND THEN AT SCHOOL WE CAN HAVE A GREAT TIME!

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Message from the Principal

Greetings!

Welcome to the 2019 school year. Thank you for being part of the Holy Family School Community. Thank you for choosing Holy Family to partner you in the education of your child. It is a privilege to share this role with you. Thank you.

A special welcome to our new students, parents and staff. May your time with us be blessed with learning, fun and wonder.

Last Saturday our church celebrated the feast of the Presentation of Jesus in the Temple. The presentation of an infant in the temple was a Jewish custom and the story tells us that while Mary and Joseph were at the temple, they were met by an elderly man who spoke to them about the future of this young child. The feast day reminded me of the hopes and dream we all have for our children. As parents we spend time (just like Mary and Joseph did) watching our children, wondering what the future holds for them.

As we begin this school year I would like to invite you to talk with your child about their hopes and dreams for this year and the part that they can play in fulfilling these dreams. I hope you enjoy this discussion with your child.

In a few weeks we will be inviting you to join your child and teacher for the Student Led Conferences where you will share in the story of your child's learning, their hopes and their dreams.

Enjoy the week ahead,

John Spradbrow

John Spradbrow
Principal

Learning Corner



Dear Parents/Carers and Friends,

In 2019, Holy Family set our school community a number of goals to achieve in areas of Formation, Literacy and Numeracy. We believe that all children can grow and succeed.

Holy Family Literacy Goal: ***For all learners to improve their writing with a focus on crafting ideas, text forms, features and vocabulary.***

Writing is a crucial part of communication. Writing allows us to communicate our ideas, our knowledge and understanding of the world around us and also to communicate our needs to others.

Over the first few weeks of the school year, teachers have been collecting initial data on all of our students to assist them in the programming and planning of each and every child at Holy Family. Numeracy and Literacy Data walls are used so that all children can be tracked and monitored throughout the year. So how can you help your child develop as a life long learner? One way is to get them into a routine of reading everyday.

Tips for Making a Regular Time for Reading Every Day

- Turn off the T.V
- Let your child know that you **enjoy** the time together
- Make listening to reading a **special** time
- Your child will sense when listening to reading becomes boring for you
- Be seen as a reader **yourself**—Encourage your child to make use of the local and school **libraries**.



Read at least 15 minutes everyday!

Mrs Alex Ali

Literacy Co-ordinator



Attendance at Holy Family Primary Emerton

Australia has one of the very best education systems anywhere in the world. Each day, our young people are provided with opportunities to learn more about the world they live in through their experiences in and out of the classroom. Schools teach children about themselves, their relationships with others and about life beyond school. This includes preparing them for the workforce.

Regular attendance at school is critical to ensuring that every student has the kind of opportunities in life that he or she deserves. When students are not at school, they are missing out on so much. Without the knowledge, the skills or the support that schools are so good at providing, young people can get left behind and find themselves underprepared for a fast-paced and often very challenging world.

In 2019, Holy Family Primary Emerton will be lending our support to a campaign called **'Every Day Counts'**, an initiative designed to remind all students and parents why regular school attendance is so important. As part of this campaign, a range of resources and strategies will be made available to help parents, if help is needed.

I appreciate that this is not a matter that may impact on a large number of our families; however, if the 'Every Day Counts' campaign can assist even just a few students to be at school more regularly, with all the benefits that come with that, it is a terrific outcome.

Kind Regards,
Monika Cunningham

School Attendance Liaison





Fees 2019

Fees for 2019 Accounts for Term 1 school fees will be posted out on Monday 18th February 2019.

Payments will be due 20th March 2019. Families having difficulty completing term payments on time and who wish to make payments by installments using cash, Centrelink or Bpay etc, please contact Mrs Denise Carroll in the school office to set up a new arrangement as soon as possible. Current Centrelink or Direct Debit payments may require adjustment to cover the 2019 fees. Please review your account and if required contact Mrs Denise Carroll on 8869 7200. The Catholic Education Office is also offering a Flexible Payment Plan (FPP) for your 2019 School Fees - details will be included with your school fee statement.

Kind Regards,

Mrs Denise Carroll
Finance Secretary



Fundraising 2019

A sincere thank you to everybody for all your support in 2018.

The great result was achieved with the help of many generous parents and grandparents. In 2019 we are asking for your support again. We will have many different activities during the year and even if you can help with one event we would be very grateful.

All money raised is of great assistance to us in providing important resources for your children. If you would like to volunteer your time please contact the office on 8869 7200.



Skoolbag App

Schoolbag is a mobile app that communicates directly to parent smart phones. It is a free app for the communication of information from school to parents. It will deliver notices directly to parents, including school events, newsletters and updates. It is a great way for the school to keep you up to date with what is happening at school.

Also, parents can conveniently and securely submit absence notices via the App.

Download the Holy Family Skoolbag App today!!



Sports Days for 2019



Kinder	Wednesday & Friday
Year 1	Tuesday & Wednesday
Year 2	Wednesday
Year 3	Tuesday & Friday
Year 4	Tuesday & Thursday
Year 5	Tuesday & Friday
Year 6	Friday

Opening School Mass 2019

We invite you to come and celebrate the start of the 2018 school year at our School Mass on **Friday 22nd February at 9:00 am**. We come together to welcome our new teachers, students and Kindergarten children to our Holy Family Community.



Morning tea will be provided in the school hall after the opening school mass from 10.30am.



Mass will take place in the Church.

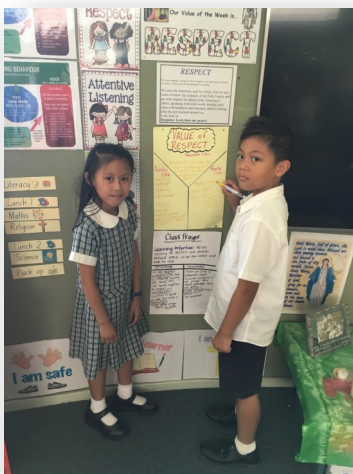
**Dates for your Diary**

February	08	Brainstorm Productions—"Saving Lil & Archie" (FOR STUDENTS ONLY)
	15	Welcome Liturgy for Kindergarten—10:30 am in the Church followed by picnic morning tea in the school grounds
	22	Opening School Mass—9:00am in the Church followed by Morning Tea in the Hall from 10:30am
March	05	Shrove Tuesday—Pancake Day
	06	Ash Wednesday—10:30 in the Hall
	07	Year 2 Excursion to Sealife Aquarium
	15	School Photo Day

***Holy Family Values***

Welcome back to school to all our students, their families and staff for the 2019. It promises to be an exciting year with lots of activities, community gatherings and prayerful experiences planned.

Last year we continued to embed our Holy Family Values into everything that we do. This will continue in 2019. The Holy Family School values are listed below.



Year 3 construction what Respect looks, sounds and feels like.

Respect, Compassion, Responsibility, Trust and Forgiveness

These values underpin all that we do at Holy Family. The classroom teachers have spoken to the students about these values and they will continue to develop their classroom expectations or "Stepping Stones" with these values in mind.

Please talk to your child/ren about our Holy Family Values, as they are very very important to all of us.

Kind Regards,
Mrs Cathy Vogt
Religious Co-ordinator



Year 5 learning about the Parables Jesus shared with us.



Year 6 using Understanding Faith website to assist their learning



Year 1 were setting up their prayer space



