

Holy Family P&F NEWSLETTER

| Your Community & Parish Update | Term 1 Week 1

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

With Ian Seretin

Hi all,

Welcome back to school for 2018 and our first newsletter for the term.

The start of the year can be overwhelming with the amount of communication that is sent home via the kids, to our homes and emails, class dojo and skoolbag, I am going to make it easy and keep my opening for the year short and sweet.

Please take a deep breath each morning and afternoon as you approach the school for pickup and drop-off, it can get hectic but please take it slow and safe, keep an eye out for all our kids.

We have a new editor this year, Margaret Goubil, she is raring to go so if you have any contributions for the newsletter drop her an email at margaretgoubil@bigpond.com.

Our sincere thanks to Lee Johnson for her great work as editor in the past.

We have our P&F AGM meeting on Wednesday night and invite all parents to attend (even if you are not nominating for a role we would love to see you). As a parent at Holy Family you are automatically part of our P&F, however we also need some parents to nominate for a role in the committee as well. There is a list of P&F roles at the end of the newsletter, please consider nominating for one.

Cheers!



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Important Dates

This week...

**Opening School Mass
9.30am all welcome**

**P&F AGM meeting
Wednesday 14
February 7.30 pm**

**Meet and Greet
Thursday 15 February**

Upcoming...

Board meeting

**Wednesday 21
February 6.30pm**

**Have you looked at the
term calendar and
made a note of
upcoming events?**

<http://holyfamily.act.edu.au/communication/>

**P & F AGM
Wednesday 14 February,
7.30pm in the staffroom
All welcome!**

PARENT NETWORK

With Antoinette McBride

Welcome back to all our families in 2018.

I hope you all had a wonderful summer break and enjoyed the lack of routine and not having to make school lunches as much as I did!

I would like to welcome the following new families and returning families to the school.

The Budden family,
The Hornsby-Scott family
The Burg Family
The Fraser family
The Wilde family
The McCarroll family
The Radulovich family
The Fulton family
The Carroll Family
The Burg family
The Geyo Family
The Fitzgerald family
The Foran family and
The Lawrie family



Welcome to
Holy Family!

I know you will all make them feel welcome and help them settle in at Holy Family.

Newsletter

A BIG THANK YOU to our newsletter editor for 2018. Thank you Margaret for volunteering for this role.

Clothing Pool

We have a new mum volunteering at clothing pool this year. Welcome Kirsten Asciak and thank you so much for stepping into the role. Kirsten is mum to Lily in Kinder and she will open Clothing Pool on a Friday from 2.30pm to 3.30 pm and I will be around on a Tuesday morning from 8.30 to 9.30.

Parent Network and Care Meal Rosters

Hopefully you all received letters home this week requesting volunteers for our Parent Network and Care Meal Rosters, I will attach the forms again and I look forward to working and meeting you all soon.

As some of you may know, I am employed as Parent Ambassador at Holy Family. My role is to support all families, as Mrs Marek says "We don't just enrol the child we enrol the whole family" If I can support any family, help them to settle in or supply care meals to those experiencing challenging times, please feel free to contact me or your child's teacher. Everything is treated with the strictest confidence. I am always around the school and happy to catch up if you need a friendly chat.

Have a great week

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CARE MEALS ROSTER REQUEST

Dear Families,

At the beginning of each school year at Holy Family, we successfully put together a care meal roster that caters for some of our families that may need a little helping hand. We are seeking parents/families who may like to contribute and go on a roster to provide a nourishing meal or lunch box treat to help out families experiencing challenging times. With the generous support we receive every year it means that families are only required to cook or provide a store bought meal once per term.

If you would like to contribute to this and go on a roster, please fill in the slip below and return to the primary school's front office or email me your details as soon as possible. The freezer is empty due to the holidays, so we would love to get the roster up and running as soon as possible.

CARE MEAL ROSTER: ATTENTION ANTOINETTE MCBRIDE

NAME: _____

ELDEST CHILD'S NAME: _____ CLASS: _____

PHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

I would prefer to cook/provide a: (please circle)

Home cooked or store bought meal

Lunch box treat- cake/slice/muffins etc...

PARENT NETWORK – REQUEST FOR CLASS REPRESENTATIVES 2018

The Parent Network is a vital part of Holy Family School's community. It was set up to enable a community that is supportive and approachable. Throughout the year we organize some wonderful events for our families. Mother's day breakfast, Grandparents Day, Father's day BBQ, Class get-togethers, mums & dad's nights out! We also help support families through whatever life throws at them from the joy of a new addition to their family to supporting them through an illness.

Being part of Parent

Network is a great way to meet other families, be involved in the school community and does not require immense amounts of your time. The Parent Network is only looking for 2 parent representatives from each class for 2018. So please let me know if you are interested.

For further information, please feel free to contact me at any time.

Looking forward to working with you.

If you are interested in taking on the role as your child's class rep, please fill in the slip below and return to school by Friday, February 16

I would like to be a Parent Network representative for my child's class in 2018

Parent Name: _____

Child's Name: _____

Child's Class: _____ Child's Teacher: _____

Contact Phone: (H) _____ (M) _____

Email Address: _____

FYI: The first Parent Network meeting is set for Wednesday February 21st at 7.00pm in the school staff room, so please pop this date into your calendar.

CANTEEN UPDATE

With Michael Cook

Good food and happy healthy tummies will be the focus this year.

<http://holyfamily.act.edu.au/srcfiles/Summer-Canteen-Menu-2017-revised.pdf>

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EDITOR'S NOTE

With Margaret Goubil

If you would like to contribute to the P&F newsletter (e.g. recipes, achievements, showcase your child's work, have a joke for the week, etc) please send through your content to me by **COB Friday** (exception is **weekend sports results** – please email me by **12noon Sunday**). This ensures your information is published in time for the following week's newsletter.

Marg Goubil
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COMMUNITY NEWS

ATHLETES FOOT SCHOOL REWARDS PROGRAM



2018 has commenced and the school year is just around the corner!

I would like to thank you for your participation in our School Rewards Program during 2017 and look forward to continuing our partnership this year.

As in previous years, The Athlete's Foot Tuggeranong will donate \$5 from every shoe sold when your school is mentioned. Where possible, we will continue to attend Orientation Days and contribute to fundraising efforts at your school.

In addition to this, we will be offering the following **FREE** programs to Primary Schools and Early Learning Centres:

- School Ready lessons
- Lace Tying workshops
- Foot Health lessons

It is already looking to be an eventful and exciting year!

Warm regards,

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P & F AGM Wednesday 14 February 2018 at 7.30pm

We need you!

The P & F AGM will be held Wednesday 8 February. There are a number of positions on the committee becoming vacant and we need you to fill them. If you are interested in being part of the P & F Committee for 2018, please complete the form below and [return to the Front Office](#), or you can email your nomination to belinda.alvanos@cg.catholic.edu.au

Whether you are nominating for a position or not, we would love to see you at the meeting

I would like to nominate for the position of

Name.....

Contact number.....

Holy Family Primary School – ROLE OF OFFICE BEARERS FOR THE P&F

President: The President coordinates the operation of the P & F, including chairing regular meetings and liaising with the Principal.

Vice-President/s: The Vice-President chairs meetings in the President's absence, assists the President in the management of the committee and P & F activities and attends School Board meetings as the P & F Representative. Over recent years two Vice-Presidents have undertaken these tasks.

Secretary: The Secretary records the minutes of the P & F meetings and manages the correspondence for the P & F.

Treasurer: The Treasurer maintains and manages the financial affairs of the P & F Association and presents financial reports at P & F meetings.

Parent Network Class Representatives: (usually 2 per class). The Parent Network Class Representatives organise class-based social events and provide practical support for families, under the guidance of the Parent Ambassador.

Clothing Pool Coordinator/s: The Clothing Pool Coordinator/s manage the sale of second-hand, and some brand new, clothing items on behalf of the school community. Last year there were two Clothing Pool Coordinators who operated the Clothing Pool each Friday afternoon between 2.30pm and 3.30pm.

Disco Coordinator: The Disco Coordinator organises the discos each term, which involves coordinating parent volunteers, organising the DJ and refreshments, and liaising with the Principal and Canteen Manager.

Social Events Coordinator: The Social Events Coordinator organises fun activities for the school community (that are not fundraising activities) to promote the community spirit of Holy Family. These activities may include Family Picnics, Trivia Nights and School BBQs.

School Banking Coordinator: The School Banking Coordinator manages the School Banking program, organises parent volunteers to assist and liaises with the bank.

Book Club Coordinator: The Book Club Coordinator manages the implementation of the Scholastic Book Club programs within the school, organises parent volunteers to collate orders and arranges delivery of books.

Book Club Assistant: The Book Club Assistant assists the Book Club Coordinator as required.

Netball Coordinator: The Netball Coordinator organises the school Netball teams for the Tuggeranong Netball Association Saturday competition.



Bringing Up Great Kids



Parents and Carers are invited to Bringing Up Great Kids—a parenting program developed by the Australian Childhood Foundation for Parents and Carers of children aged 2—13 years.

This course will give you insights and skills needed to:

- Promote positive and nurturing relationships between parents and children
- Explore the management of stress in your parenting role
- Encourage the development of your child’s positive self-identity
- Develop the ability to contain strong emotion and to think through the responses to your child rather than give ‘knee-jerk’ reactions
- Overcome some of the obstacles that are getting in the way of being the kind of parent you would like to be
- Create opportunities for positive exchanges with your children.

The course is offered 3 hours per week for a 3 - week period.

VENUE: 57 Hicks Street, Red Hill

FEE: \$100 (Concessions available)

Fee includes light supper & course material

DATES: Mondays, 19 February - 5 March TIME: 6PM—9PM

**Bookings
Essential
Contact
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