

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we pass the half-way mark in Term 3, I find I am amazed by the amount we seem to have achieved already this term!

Some of you may have seen the ABC news article or heard the radio interview that aired earlier this week featuring our wonderful little school.

The article praised the efforts of our school community in supporting the transition of our Syrian refugee families into life

in Australia. The printed article can be read here: <http://www.abc.net.au/news/2017-08-31/refugee-journey-from-syria-to-school-in-sydney/8852204?pfmredir=sm> and the radio interview can be heard at: <http://www.abc.net.au/radio/sydney/programs/am/schools-welcome-syrian-refugee-children/8858430>.

It is important to acknowledge the fabulous 'behind-the-scenes' work that was done by Mrs Sayde during the filming of the news segment. Her tireless efforts working with our families are to be commended. All the teachers at our school make fantastic contributions to the learning of our students and I want to thank each of them for their dedication. We also continue to thank the families and wider community members who make personal or financial contributions to the support of these students.

In our modern world of technology, it is increasingly important that we are mindful of what our children are accessing when they are on the internet. Parental controls are designed to manage how children can use their devices in order to protect them from inappropriate or harmful content. You can restrict access to certain apps, games or websites, the device's camera or can even choose the settings you want on their phone – including the privacy and location settings. We are in the process of organising an information session for interested parents that will be run by 'ThinkUKnow' – an organisation working closely with the Australian Federal Police. In the meantime, I recommend you all take some time to view the information available here: <https://www.thinkuknow.org.au/parents-portal>. Attached to this newsletter is a family online safety contract that you may wish to use in your own homes. It is important that we are all accountable for our online behaviours and decisions.

I encourage all families to take a trip to Bunnings in Greenacre on Saturday, 2nd September to support our Year 6 students and their parents in raising funds for their camp. Every year, Year 6 and their teacher work hard to reduce the impact of the camp costs on families. This means sacrificing a Saturday in order to cook up a storm and raise some much-needed funds! I hope to see many of our Holy Saviour School families there to buy a sausage or 3!

Yours in Christ,

Mrs Klumpp

Term 3 - Important Dates	
Saturday 2nd Sept	Year 6 Bunnings BBQ
Sunday 10th Sept	Solemn Communion
Tuesday 19th Sept	Walkathon
Wednesday 20th Sept	Term 3 concludes
Thursday 21st Sept	Professional Development Day – Teachers Only
Friday 22nd Sept	Staff spiritual retreat All Staff

THE RELIGION CORNER

May God bless you and your families! We hope you enjoy this puzzle. Please take some time to talk to your children about the amazing saints feature in the word search.

September Saints and Feast Days Word Search



**Directions: Search only for the parts of the saints names or feast days that are in bold print.*

St. **Gregory** the Great

St. **Cornelius**

St. **Damian**

St. **Peter Claver**

St. **Cyprian**

St. **Vincent** de Paul

Most Holy Name of **Mary**

St. Andrew Kim **Taegon**

St. **Michael**

Exaltation of the **Holy Cross**

St. Paul Chong **Hasang**

St. **Gabriel**

Our Lady of **Sorrows**

St. **Cosmas**

St. **Raphael**

St. **Jerome**

NEW PSYCHOLOGIST AT HOLY SAVIOUR

In order to enhance the range of support services that we offer to students, Holy Saviour School has added Chris Laundry to the team. Chris Laundry is a registered Clinical Psychology Registrar and has a full membership with the Australian Psychological Society. Chris holds an Honours degree in Psychology from Curtin University (WA) and a Master of Clinical Psychology Degree from the University of Wollongong. He has experience working in both public and private sectors across all age ranges, but has a particular focus and interest in child mental health.

Chris has a warm and engaging approach to therapy and is determined to be an asset to the families of the Holy Saviour community. He will be available on Thursdays, starting on the 31st August 2017. If you have any concerns about your child in regards to anxiety, dealing with bullying, anger, grief, social skills deficits, ADHD, friendship problems, conduct problems, poor self-esteem and other mental health related issues, please contact the school office on 02 9740 4822 about accessing this FREE service.

WALKATHON

Don't forget, our school walkathon is to be held on **Thursday, 19th September!** It is guaranteed to be a fabulous day and we encourage families to come and cheer on the walkers during the day! We'll have Zooper Doopers and water for our walkers but we ask that everyone brings their own water bottle labelled with their name.



The walkathon fundraiser is to help us renovate the school basketball courts.

We have some wonderful prizes available. Students who raise a minimum of \$50 will go into the draw to win a PS4 bundle worth \$650!

Sponsorships are tax deductible, on request so please let us know if you need receipts. All sponsorship sheets and money are to be returned to the classroom teachers by **Thursday 14th September, 2017.**

EARN AND LEARN

The Earn and Learn program finishes 19th September 2017. When you shop at Woolworths you can collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers from the checkout operator (or through an online order) and place them on a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet that was sent with your child earlier in the term. There will be one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco, and gift cards). Once completed, simply place the sticker sheet in the collection box located in the front office.

The school will then redeem the Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers for valuable education resources.

There's no limit to the number of stickers you can collect, so your participation will really make a difference. The more stickers you earn, the more resources we can order!

SCHOOL FEES

Kindly finalise all school fees by Friday, 1st September. We appreciate your prompt attention to this matter.

HEALTH CORNER

Fruit & Veg Month 2017

Our school has registered for the fun of Fruit & Veg Month.

Fruit & Veg Month 2017 runs for the last 4 weeks of Term 3, Monday 28th August to Friday 22nd September.

As part of Fruit & Veg Month, students will be encouraged to eat more fruit and vegetables.

Fruit & Veg Month is a health promotion program for **NSW primary schools** that puts a positive focus on fruit and vegetables. The program is supported by NSW Health.

The theme for this year is 'Get Loud for Fruit & Veg!' Australian children (and adults!) don't eat enough fruit and vegetables. That's why this year's theme will focus on the benefits of fruit and vegetables, investigating why we don't eat enough of them, and promoting the 'eat more' message to peers, families and the wider community.

The Fruit & Veg Month team is asking for your help to get the message out there... we can, and need to, eat more fruit and vegetables.

A special Family Challenge Competition is attached with some great prizes up for grabs.



CLASSROOM NEWS

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What a busy Term 3 Kindergarten has had so far! This term, as part of English, we visited Featherdale Wildlife Park where we met a number of Australian animals and wrote some interesting reports about them. We have also been on a walk around our Greenacre community with our Year 6 buddies as part of our Geography unit. We investigated all the different man-made and natural structures that make up our environment and created a city of our very own! Year 3 have also come into our class to show us how the 'Beebots' work. We used our city as a maze for the Beebots to find their way through and used words



such as 'left', 'right', 'straight' and 'forward'. We can't wait to see what else Term 3 has in store for us!

Year 1

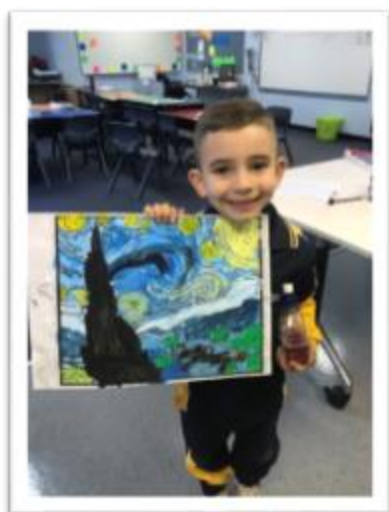
This term, Year 1 has been studying the works of post- impressionist artist, Vincent Van Gogh. So far, we have looked at and attempted to re-create two of his most famous works; "Sunflowers" and "Starry, Starry Night".

"You have to be able to see the brush strokes and the city is all dark" John

"Sunflowers can grow really tall. They are brown and yellow" Chanel

"Vincent Van Gogh liked to paint everyday people and natural things like sunflowers" Alexa

"We used yellow, red and orange colours for the sunflowers. Van Gogh like to paint nature." Stephan



Year 3

Holy Saviour School has started a robotics team! Congratulations to the Year 3, 4 and 5 students that were chosen to participate in this year's program. These students will join Mr Mitchell in the Year 3 classroom during:

- Wednesday, Thursday & Friday lunch-times
- Friday after school 2:45pm - 4pm

This group of students will learn computer coding and how to instruct robots to complete a series of complex tasks.

Thanks to Google and Lego, our school has received a free set of LEGO EV3 Mindstorms Kit, a FIRST LEGO league competition Kit and entry into the international competition known as the 'FIRST Lego League.' The school has also invested in the program so that we can enter 2 teams of 6 into this exciting and challenging competition.

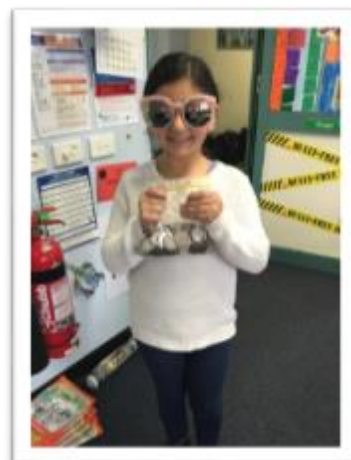
If you have any questions about this group, please see Mr Mitchell.

Year 4

Throughout Term 2, Year 4 students were collecting 5c coins as part of our class fundraising endeavour to support The Fred Hollows Foundation and, last week, we held a 'Crazy Glasses Day' across the school and ran a stationery stall at the book fair to raise even more funds.

We are proud to announce that, altogether, we have raised **\$1000**; a phenomenal effort! This money will go to The Fred Hollows Foundation, where the sight of 40 people will be saved.

We extend a **biiiiiiig** thank you to all the students, parents and teachers who supported us, and in particular families who made large cash donations and the students who saved up their pocket money and donated that to help us reach our goal. Time after time Holy Saviour School proves that while we may be small, our hearts are very big!



Arabic Department

The Arabic Department has been busy this term with the rehearsals for the Mirath in Mind Gala Day which will be held on 20th October. Years One, Five and Six students have been very diligent in attending the rehearsals and I would like to thank them for this. A big thank you goes to the parents who have been helping, especially Fr Ibrahim and Mr Sarofin, proving again and again how closely knit our school community is!

Book Character Parade

Our annual book character parade was held in Week 6. It is always a favourite with the children, teachers and parents alike! We have such a wonderfully creative community and the celebration of books and reading is a fantastic reason to get crafty and dress up!

