**Newsletter 4th August, 2016**

**Reflection**
Be faithful in small things because it is in them that your strength lies. *Mother Teresa*

**Family Mass**
This term’s family mass will be celebrated this Sunday, 7th August. At this mass children will be enrolled in the Eucharist and Confirmation programs.

**St Mary of the Cross Liturgy**
Next Monday at 9:30am we will be celebrating a whole school liturgy in honour of Mary Mackillop, Australia’s first saint. At this liturgy a child from each year level, who has demonstrated the qualities of Mary Mackillop, will be presented with an award. Please come along and join the children in this celebration.

**Kid’s Club**
Kid’s Club commenced this week. Thank you to the teachers who give of their time to provide extra-curricular activities for the children of Holy Rosary. Afternoon tea is provided for the children by Miss Carina. Please remember that your child needs to be collected at 3:30 pm.

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**Census Day Friday 5th August**
The government funding we receive is determined by the number of students at school and unexplained absences can lead to the school receiving less funds. **Please ensure your child is at school on Friday 5th August**, but if they are not, then please notify the school in writing with a valid reason.

**Dates to Remember**

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Enjoy the weekend.

Bernadette Mills
Acting Assistant Principal

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**Year 1 are collecting boab nuts. If you have any at your house please drop them in to the front office.**

**White Elephant Stall**
Do you have any unwanted goods? Please send them to the Year 3 classroom for our stall at the school fete.
Merit Awards
The following children will receive Merit Awards at Friday’s assembly at 1.45 pm. Parents are welcome to attend our assemblies.

Prep  Jasmine Marsden, Hayley Parker
Year 1  Eli Burns, Kiarnah Wungundin
Year 2  Emily Hickling, Luke Bailey, Domonic Hedlam-Holzhauser
Year 3  Koidi-Lumaia Billy, Lacie Donnelly
Year 4  Caden Moore
Year 5/6  Jennifer Drummond, Zalailah Sampi

Children’s Book Week 2016
Each year, many schools from all over Australia spend a week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators.
This year Holy Rosary School will celebrate Book Week from August 20TH – 27TH.
We will be running the following activities:

A book fair starting Tuesday 23rd August
Book fair opening times:
Tuesday 23rd – Friday 26th from 12.00pm – 3.30pm
Location: School Library
A dress up day
Students are invited to dress up as a book character.
Prizes for the best costumes.

Join the fun and help encourage your child’s love of reading. Every sale at the Book Fair benefits our school. So join us in making Book Week a big success for Holy Rosary School.

P&F News
We’re really excited about our school FETE coming up in just over a weeks’ time on Sunday August 14th from 10am-2pm! There will be lots of fun things to do: slip and slide; pony rides; laser tag; train rides; petting zoo; lucky dips; face painting; games; a white elephant stall; cupcake decorating and lots of yummy food. There will also be live music, a fashion parade and dance performances. Please check with your class teachers how you can help with your class stall. If you can volunteer on the day or would like to run a stall at the fete please fill out a form in the front office or speak to Miss Caroline.

We are busy planning our official playground opening which will be at the Holy Rosary School Fete at 10.30am. We are so grateful to all the parents, community members and local businesses who have helped build our new playground and we are looking forward to thanking them and cutting the ribbon to open our new playground!

Come along to our night market stall tonight at CWA cottage from 5pm. We’re selling yummy baked goods and milkshakes and would love to see you there!

Newsletter Incentive
Please ask your child to return the Newsletter Incentive acknowledgement slip as it gives them an opportunity to win a prize.

I have received and read my child___________________________________________ newsletter.

Parent / Caregiver signature: ___________________________________