

HOLY FAMILY COLLEGE



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DIARY

9 March

Primary School camp out

10 March

Careers Day

24 March

Parent workshop

27 March

Reports handed out

28 March

End of Term 1

17 April

Term 2 begins

“When Christ died,
he died for you
individually, just as
much as if you’d
been the only human
in the world.”

C S Lewis

Annual General Meeting

Thank you to all parents who attended the Annual General Meeting this past weekend. It's always wonderful to meet with you and have the opportunity to engage on school matters to enhance our service. All queries made at the meeting will have our concerted attention. We will keep you updated and communicate any decisions taken.

HIGH SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Careers Day

Holy Family College, in association with Rosebank Rotary, has organised a Career Expo on Saturday 10 March 2018, starting at 09:00 and ending at 12:00.

Representatives from universities, colleges and SETAs will be present to meet and talk to pupils. There will also be people like doctors, engineers and so forth manning their own tables. Come and meet the experts and get good advice. There will be food stalls, give-aways and a chance for pupils to speak to different people.

The exhibition will take place in the Hall, and there will be some fun activities set up at some of the stalls.

The following career bases will be set up:

Nursing / medicine; Accountancy / bookkeeping / banking; Engineering; Retail; Building industry; Chef / catering; Journalism; Entrepreneurship; Travel and tourism; Law; Marketing; Education; Podiatry; Drama; Audiology; Sport related; and Human resources.



Parent afternoon: “Aspiration Day”

On Thursday 27 March we will be hosting our “Aspiration Day” when you can collect the report pack with Term 1 results and other communication. This meeting will give you the chance to meet each subject educator to discuss academic progress and diligence. Academic success can only be achieved if this collective partnership is maintained - school, parents and learner. We look forward to engaging together to offer constructive recommendations for improvement and progress.

Venue: Ambrosian Hall

Time: 16:00-19:00

Cultural beliefs and practices

Since Vatican 2, the Catholic Church’s position has been one of openness, understanding and dialogue: respect for and sensitivity towards all traditions. However, as a Catholic school our primary function is teaching and learning, and where such practices impact upon the teaching and learning taking place at school this cannot be allowed.

PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER**Three2Six Project news**

On Tuesday, Three2Six Project learners from Sacred Heart College and Holy Family College were thrilled to perform at the International Education Funders Group Conference at the Crown Plaza Hotel – Rosebank.

We are excited to welcome Murpury, a new volunteer at the project, who will be with us for two months before she travels to Germany to volunteer as part of the Marist International Collaboration with CMI. Murpury is a Sacred Heart College alumna and has been a committed Three2Six volunteer during events and holiday programmes since 2014.

Dates to remember

23 March	Easter Assembly 08:30
24 March	Parenting Workshop
27 March	Primary School Inter-house Fun Gala
27 March	Report Afternoon 13:00–18:00
28 March	Stations of the Cross –in the Hall at 11:00
28 March	School closes at 12:00

School re-opens Tuesday 17 April 2018



Parenting workshop

A letter was sent home yesterday informing you of the school's initiative by our Counselling team, to support parents and guardians in the role of parenting. Kevin Rutter will be sharing with you best practice in this very important and often difficult task.

Please return the reply slip by Monday 12 March or RSVP via email to risip@hfc.org.za.

Diligence reporting

A new component has been added to our reports this year. School reports are not always about the marks but more about your child's behaviour, attitude and work ethic. Have they performed to their full potential? Not all learners are strong academically, but it is important to see how committed they are to doing THEIR best in every subject, every day. We will be reporting on your child's diligence in every subject on a scale of 1-5, taking into consideration their **Behaviour, Attitude and Work Ethic**.

Parents, we encourage you to look carefully at your child's score, as it will give you a good idea as to how committed your child is to his/her education.

Diligence rating scale

1. Inadequate
2. Weak, needs attention
3. Learner meets requirements for subject
4. Good
5. Excellent

Camp out

We are sure that the weather will be on our side today and we welcome all our campers for a great social evening with family and friends. It's so good to see children having fun! The gates to the Rose Cottage car park as well as the Oxford Road car park will be locked down at 21:00 tonight. Should you arrive later than that or need to leave before 05:30, please use the High School car park.

Pictures of the highlights of this fabulous event will be shared with you next week.

Fundraising – Cake 'n Candy 2018

At the AGM a request was made to report on the fundraising and what projects the money is being used for. As you are aware, this year, 2018, we embarked on a TEXT BOOK project. Parents kindly donated their children's text books from 2017. The Grade 6s also raised money for this project last year.

The Grade 7s were new to the Primary School this year and as we had to buy textbooks for our 26 Grade 7's, the total to date for Grade 7 textbooks is R24,631.01. Total

contribution to the textbook project in 2017 /2018 was R22 360.50. The Cake 'n Candy in 2018 to date totals R3 350.

Foundation Phase reading requirements

The Foundation Phase reading has improved enormously over the past 3 years and we need to buy more graded readers for our Grade 3s as they have read all our current readers in this series. The New Way Readers have been very successful so we will be purchasing Level 6, 7 and 8 readers. We require 5 sets of each of these readers which will amount to about R20 000. All fundraising is used to keep our resources relevant, ensuring our learners are given the best learning opportunities.



Listeriosis

Please parents, be aware of this health warning and do not eat any processed meat until the ban has been lifted.

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<p>What is it?</p> <p>Listeriosis is food poisoning caused by eating foods contaminated with the <i>Listeria monocytogenes</i> bacteria.</p>	<p>Who's at risk?</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Pregnant women Children Elderly People with weakened immune systems 	
<p>Symptoms</p> <p>Fever Muscle aches Nausea or diarrhoea Headache Confusion Convulsions</p>	<p>Cases in SA</p> <p>180 people have died over 940 cases reported *as at 5 March 2018</p>	<p>Source of outbreak</p> <p>Enterprise Foods factory in Polokwane</p>
<p>Foods to avoid</p> <p>Ready-to-eat cold meat products including</p>		
<p>Polony</p>	<p>Viennas and other sausages</p>	<p>Cold meats</p>

Farewell to the Link Literacy Project

It is with a great deal of sadness that we say farewell to these wonderful ladies, who have supported our learners. Our school was identified five years ago as being a school in need of reading support. At the end of 2017, the learners' reading levels had improved so much that the Link Project Co-ordinators felt that there were schools who were in greater need of their support. We wish to thank Lyn Bieshevel, who was the project leader at HFC, for her dedication, time and commitment. We loved working with you and your devoted team of mothers. In November 2017 Lyn handed over the reins to Michelle Domanski, who has been involved for as many year.

We wish you all the very best as you take up this new challenge. We are going to miss you all. The children send love and hugs. Please pop in for tea and visit us.

Charity Drive for Term 1

HFC is a warm, generous community, and we thank you for your giving spirit. For Term 1, the children have been asked to contribute to two different projects. We are collecting clothes, for adults and children, to distribute to organisations looking after destitute families. At the change of season, or when your children have outgrown their clothes, this is a good time to go through the cupboards. The money that we are collecting each week will go towards food packs for our Three2six Project. We have been made aware that there are a number of families that are unable to put enough food on the table for their children. Thank you for your generosity.

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You*