



# Week 3 Term 2 2021

## Important Dates

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**Walk Safely To  
School Day**  
Friday 14 May

**National  
Simultaneous  
Storytime**  
Wednesday 19 May

**Maths Parent  
Workshop**  
Wednesday 26 May

**Pupil Free Day**  
Friday 11 June

**Queen's Birthday  
Public Holiday**  
Monday 14 June

**Orientation Morning  
- New Receptions**  
Tuesday 15 June

**Transition Visit 1 -  
New Receptions**  
Tuesday 22 June

**Transition Visit 2 -  
New Receptions**  
Tuesday 29 June

**Semester 1 Reports  
Distributed**  
Wednesday 30 June

**End of Term 2 -  
12:30pm**  
Friday 2 July

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## From the Principal

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 3!

### Winter Sports

It is wonderful to see so many of our children involved in winter sports - we have 39 soccer players this year. Many thanks to the coaches, team managers and COVID Marshals who are supporting the teams - we would not be able to do it without your help!

A number of our students also play football for Fitzroy Football Club with whom we have a close affiliation.

All sports, whether team-based or individual, are fantastic activities for children that provide a variety of benefits. Participation in sports can help build self-esteem and confidence, can motivate children to excel academically and physically and can help build social skills. Participation also can teach children the benefits of goal-setting, practice and perseverance. All these are also important life skills and are encouraged and embraced fully at IHM.

Best wishes to all our teams for a great season!

### COVID-19

While there is currently no community transmission of COVID-19 in South Australia, it is important we remain alert and responsible. Recent outbreaks in other jurisdictions highlight the importance of remaining responsible in keeping safe practices. As a school community we will continue to follow the advice from SA Health and directions set by SAPOL.

Families planning interstate travel should consider the risks involved and be clear on what you will do in the event of a border closure. The fast-changing nature of the pandemic means travel restrictions could be enforced at short notice.

#### Some reminders, please:

- Always 'check in' to the school upon entering
- Keep children home if unwell
- Advise the school if you are travelling interstate or overseas
- Practice social distancing and hand hygiene.

### NAPLAN Tests

This week the Year 3 and 5 students are taking part in NAPLAN testing. These tests are done across Australia on the same days and are designed to give a comparative snapshot of individual and year level students' abilities in literacy and numeracy.

At IHM we set a relaxed and confident tone for the testing days, encouraging children to do their best. It has been pleasing to see children approaching the tests with confidence and tenacity.

For both teachers and parents, NAPLAN results provide just one part of the rich information gained from many other ongoing, regular assessments. All results need to be put into perspective in relation to one another and used for the positive growth of each child. Please see your child's teacher or Mrs Mary Sapio if you have any questions regarding NAPLAN or the many other assessments we use to monitor and track children's learning growth.

### Mother's Day Wishes

I hope all the mums and grandmas had a great Mother's Day and were a little spoilt with a special gift from your child/ren. One of the lovely parts of my job is getting to know many of the mums and grandmas in our community. In my chats with you, it is obvious that you all have a great love for your children and do so much to nurture them. I hope you always know how very important you are to your families, but also the family of IHM.

Warm wishes

**Pauline Kinsman**

**PRINCIPAL**

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## From the Assistant Principal

### National Walk Safely to School Day



This **Friday 14th May** is National Walk Safely to School Day. As part of this day we are asking our families to walk part or all the way to school to help promote regular exercise for you and your child/children.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It is a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic too.

We look forward to seeing those families who can walk in to school Friday morning.

### Primary Maths Association Parent Workshop

On **Wednesday 26th May from 7.00 - 8.30pm** the Primary Maths Association is holding a free workshop for our IHM families. The focus of this workshop is:

#### **“What can I do at home to help my child become a powerful mathematician”**

The content of this workshop is aimed at students from Reception to Year 6 and is a great opportunity to learn some new ideas to support mathematical learning at home.

A free crèche will be available for families. Please register your attendance via school stream or contact the Office by **Friday 21st May 2021**.

### Pentecost

Next Sunday is Pentecost and occurs at the end of the fifty days of the Easter season. The Feast of Pentecost is one of the most joyful celebrations of the Catholic Church as it is considered to be the Church's 'birthday'. It commemorates the time when the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples and they were instilled with the gifts of courage, discernment and hospitality. Filled with the power of the Holy Spirit, Jesus' disciples were given the energy to convey Jesus' message to the wider world.

Have a safe and happy fortnight.

**Annette Diassinias**

**APRIM**

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## Camp Australia News

### ▫ A Message from your Coordinator



Hello Families,

Welcome to OSHC.

Term 2 has seen a busy start to the term with the commencement of Before School Care **6.30am-8.45am**. Please be reminded that bookings are essential to ensure the correct child staff ratio, After School Care is as normal **3pm-6pm**. Due to the current renovations of the school please use the Drayton Street entrance, to drop off and pick up your child/children.

All bookings and cancellations are done using the parent portal or by ringing customer care 1300 105 343 5am-9pm 7 days except national public holidays.

Kind regards,

**Michelle and Olivia**

#### **What's on the Menu**

Fresh fruit and vegetable platter served daily

- Chocolate cake
- Pancake

#### **Activities Coming Up**

- Outdoor play
- Making using recycled materials
- Indoor activities e.g. board games, art and craft, cooking

#### **Visit our blog**

New articles are added each week for parents and covers various topics to help families.

#### **National Reconciliation Week - 27 May - 3 June 2021**

Join in the activities during NRW and learn all about Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander histories cultures and achievements.

#### **It's free to register**

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au) or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.

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## Sports News

### Soccer Season 2021



IHM has 4 soccer teams this season and they all had a great start on Saturday. For some players it was their very first game which was most exciting and getting a kick of the ball was a highlight.

Our more experienced players in the Under 12 team had a fabulous 7-0 win against St Joseph's Hindmarsh.

Well done to all the teams, keep up the team work, skills and sports-person ship!

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## R/1M Mother's Day Poems

Mum looks as beautiful as a rose.

Mum feels like a soft pillow.

Mum sounds like a bee buzzing.

Mum smells like a chocolate cake.

Mum tastes like sweet strawberries.

### **By Talia**

Mum looks as pretty as a crown.

Mum feels like a cuddly bear.

Mum sounds like a loud bear.

Mum smells like fairy floss.

Mum tastes like yummy chocolate cake.

### **By Jackson**

Mum looks as pretty as a rainbow.

Mum feels like a baby bunny.

Mum sounds like a purring kitten.

Mum smells like a rainbow cake in the oven.

Mum tastes like creamy chocolate.

### **By Maddy**

Mum looks as soft as a cloud.

Mum feels as cuddly as a cushion.

Mum sounds like a chirping bird.

Mum smells like sweet chocolate.

Mum tastes like yummy chocolate cake.

### **By Luca**

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## Year 5/6 Teamwork

In Year 5/6 C we have been exploring the characteristics of an effective team by engaging in a variety of team-building challenges.





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## Gifted Awareness Week 2021

**YOU ARE INVITED: CESA Parent/Caregivers Workshop and Discussion Forum: Perfectionism and the Gifted Child along with an open question and answer time.**

**WHEN: 7:00 - 8:00pm on Thursday 27th May 2021**

**WHERE:** School Hall of Christ the King School, 126 Dunrobin Road, Warradale

**PRESENTER:** Dr Rebecca D. Napier, CESA Gifted Education Advisor

**COST:** Free to CESA parents/caregivers

**INCLUDED:** Tea, coffee, nibbles

**Other Information:** This is a COVID safe event, and appropriate spacing, hygiene supports, QR Codes, and check in sheets will be available on the night.

**Registrations close on 21 May: <http://registrationcentre.cesa.catholic.edu.au/event-4291088>**

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