

April 2022: Term 1 Issue 2

# SANTA SOPHIA CATHOLIC COLLEGE

e-Newsletter



## Harmony Week

21st - 25th March

**Harmony Week was celebrated all throughout the week with different activities to take part in**

During Harmony Week, we celebrated the diversity of cultures within Australia. We are blessed to have so many students and staff with diverse backgrounds who are proud to share their culture.

On Monday, we had an extended prayer circle in K-4 and homeroom in Years 5-11 with a Harmony Week themed liturgy.

On Wednesday, our students dressed up in multicultural dress, orange or a national sports jersey to represent the different countries all around the world. We also held a concert showcasing cultural dances and songs by students from each school.

Throughout the week, students made a collage of the cultures in their classes on a poster, and during lunchtimes, Years 5-11 were invited to play a sport from around the world on each day of the week.

***Watch the Harmony Week concert***

In this issue, we're covering:

- Harmony Week
- Family Tours
- Easter Services
- Parent Resources





## FAMILY TOURS

Over three weekends, we welcomed families of our current students onto school grounds for their first tour of our College. It was great to finally connect face to face with our families after a long bout of restrictions on visitors to schools.

Principal Mark De Vries, Heads of Schools and Assistant Principals lead the tours all around our high rise facility. Parents were so impressed by the school that some of them expressed that they wanted to go back to school as a student!

## RECENT INCURSIONS

In Week 9, K-6 students attended a live theatre production in the Performance Hall called **'The H Team'** by Brainstorm Productions.

The production touched on themes of wellbeing, bullying and cyber safety, and aims to inspire students to take responsibility for their own behaviour and make good decisions.



### REMINDER

You must give the school at least **one school term's written notice** (i.e. 10 school weeks) of your intention to withdraw enrolment. If written notice is not given within 10 school weeks, one school term's fees must be paid.  
*This is stipulated within the enrolment contract.*

## UPCOMING EVENTS (Term 2)

- 09/04 -** Holy Week  
**17/04**
- 25/04** ANZAC Day (Public Holiday)
- 27/04** First Day of School + ANZAC Day Ceremonies
- 28/04** Easter Hat Parade (K-4)

## REMINDERS

- **Year 7 Camp** registrations are due NOW
- Students' last day of term is **Thursday 7 April**
- Students return to school on **Wednesday 27 April**

## PARISH NEWS

### Easter Services

Palm Sunday:

Vigil Saturday (9/4) **5.30pm**

Sunday (10/4)

**8.30, 10am & 5.30pm** (Rouse Hill)

**11.30 am (Box Hill)**

Holy Thursday (14/4)

Mass of the Last Supper **7pm**

*Adoration will be available till night prayer at **10pm***

Good Friday (15/4)

Stations of the Cross **10am**

*Confession after the stations*

The Passion Liturgy **3pm**

Easter Vigil (16/4)

Saturday evening **7pm**

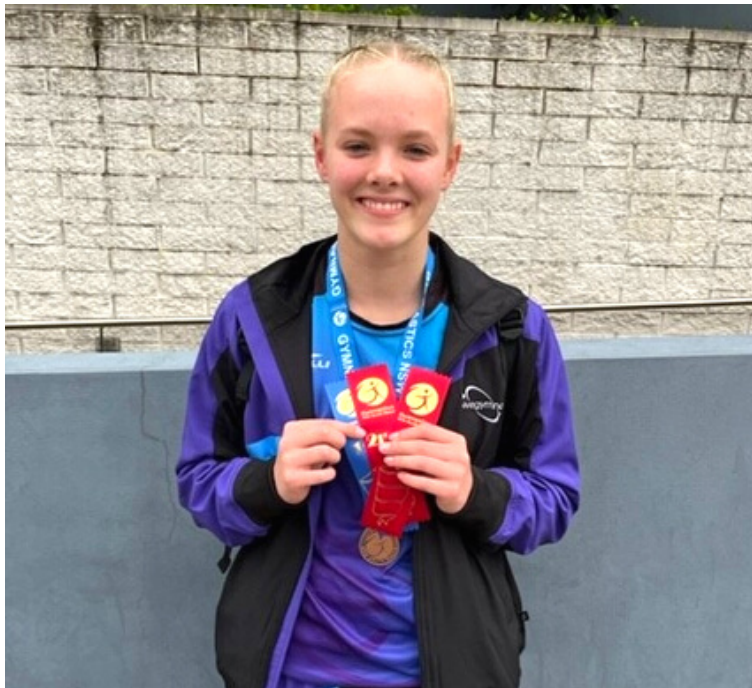
Easter Sunday (17/4)

**8.30, 10am & 5.30pm** (Rouse Hill)

**11.30 am (Box Hill)**

**Parish Dinner Dance** - Sat 14 May  
You are invited to OLA Annual Dinner Dance will be held at Rydges Norwest. Tickets on sale shortly - \$85 pp





# In The Spotlight

STUDENT - Elli T (Year 10)

Congratulations to Elli T from Year 10 who recently competed at the Gymnastics NSW Border Challenge Trials. Elli was competing for a position in the NSW Border Challenge team to represent NSW against other states.

For her session, Elli finished **1st on Floor**, **2nd on Beam** and **Vault coming 2nd overall**. Elli also came **9th in NSW** and achieved a position in the NSW Border Challenge Team to compete in Queensland in June.

## Parent Resources

In partnership with our parents who are the primary educators of their child, we want to see all students grow and become the best versions of themselves



### LIVE Q&A SESSION (Happy Families)

Join Dr Justin in the next live Q&A session while he answers your most pressing parenting quandaries.

[Join live via Zoom](#)

(must have an account - FREE for every family of Santa Sophia)



### Video: Self-care strategies for when everything is too much (Happy Families)

Dr Justin Coulson delves into the latest research to explore what self-care can really look like for busy parents who just want a chance to go to the bathroom in peace.

[Watch now](#)

Santa Sophia Catholic College is a subscriber of *Happy Families* parenting resources. All families of the College receive a free membership! **Sign up here.**