



Holy Trinity Times

Faith, Hope and Love

Term 3, Week 1
20 July, 2017



Gather Us In

For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them. Matt 18:20

"Others fell on rich soil and produced their crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. Listen anyone who has ears!" (Matt 13:8-9)

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In last weekend's Gospel reading above we are challenged to open our hearts and allow God's powerful words to penetrate. Do we genuinely hear God's word?

Dear Friends,

Welcome to Term 3 and I hope you all had a restful and enjoyable break with your beautiful children. During the holidays you would have received your child/ren's reports, following discussions with teachers in Week 8. I know students have spent time over the last few days setting new goals for this term or semester. I hope you were able to spend some time together with these reports celebrating the great achievements your child/ren made in the first semester of 2017 and look forward to more challenges and successes leading up to the end of the year. Too often we can focus on the deficits and forget to acknowledge the achievements and growth.

This is the same with the education sector as a whole: because everyone has had the experience of attending school, many people believe they have a genuine understanding about current educational settings. Last term, during the school funding proposal debate, many things were written and reported about Catholic Education, particularly in Canberra, some well-founded and some incorrect. It was wonderful however, to see so many Catholic parents and community members who advocated so strongly for our school and its commitment to the low fee, high quality schooling, enriched with Christ's teachings at its core. It is a relief to know that additional funding will now allow us some certainty over the next seven years and that a fairer funding model may be formulated. We look forward to spending more time in this newsletter space celebrating the great things that are happening in our school; the successes and the achievements due to the strong engagement and focus we have on quality teaching and learning.

Upcoming Events

- Fri 21 Jul** - Dance Fever Commences
Year 3/4 Excursion to Canberra Theatre
- Tue 25 Jul** - Year 2 Grade Mass, 9.30am
Noteworthy Music Excursion - Yrs 2-4, 11am
The Maestro and the Musician Excursion, ELC, 11.30am
- Wed 26 Jul** - The Maestro and the Musician Excursion, ELC, 11.30am
Kinder Excursion to Gubur Dhaura and War Memorial
P&F Meeting, 7pm
- Thu 27 Jul** - Reconciliation Parent Info Night, Parish Centre, 6pm
Yr 1 Excursion to Canberra Airport

This term's calendar is already quite full, especially with the celebration of two sacraments, Eucharist and Reconciliation. Our school Walkathon in Week 4 is also fast approaching and I know there will be more information about this over the next few weeks. Term 3 also includes our Parish feast day, Years 3 and 4 Camp, Book Week, Dance and Gym classes, Thinkfest and a variety of excursions! All dates for this term have been uploaded onto the Calendar on our school website and Skoolbag app.

It is lovely to finish the front page today with some wonderful news about some of our staff members. Congratulations go to:

- Brigitta Van Deas who is expecting her first child in October
- Stephanie Leemhuis who is also expecting her first child in November
- Mel Cupitt who became engaged in the holidays and will be married next March
- Penny Ford who has just completed her Certificate IV in Education Support

I look forward to spending another busy and enriching term together with you and your beautiful families at Holy Trinity.

Warmest regards,

Philippa Brearley

Reminders

SCHOOL FEES - Fee statements were sent out earlier this week. Payments may be made on Qkr, BPay or in cash or EFTPOS at the front office.

SPONSORS FOR WALKATHON - A reminder that the Walkathon is only 3 weeks away. There will be a prizes assembly on 22nd August, so please start collecting your sponsor pledges and send them back to school as soon as possible.

KINDER ACCEPTANCE LETTERS - A reminder that acceptance letters for children starting Kindergarten at Holy Trinity in 2018 are due in by tomorrow, Friday 21 July.

WWVP - A reminder that all visitors to the school need to sign in and out at the front office on arrival and departure.

PRAYERS - Prayers please for the Ridd family. Scarlett's grandmother passed away unexpectedly at the end of last term.

Merit Certificates

K GREEN - Eva S, Matthew G

K RED - Erin R, Lucas G, Liliana P

1 GREEN - Edward H, Grace M, Molly VK

1 RED - Olivia S, Owen F, Adelaide C

2 GREEN - Angus T, Ruby Mc

2 RED - Adler C, Lily W

2 WHITE - Kate O'C, Hollie D

3/4 BLUE - Darcy H, Harris G

3/4 GREEN - Ava F, Jarvis C

3/4 RED - Charlise W, Antonio M, Asha WW

3/4 WHITE - Georgia R, Oliver K, Ginger P

5/6 GREEN - Evie O, Olivia D, Emily H

5/6 RED - Nyambugi N, Ruby S, Ann Catherine W

Birthdays

Students celebrating their birthdays in the holidays and this week: Alyssa B, Malia G, Adler C, Natalia G, Giuliana G, Madeleine W, Daniel S, Ava M, Oliver K, Samuel Mo, Samuel Ma, Alexander N, Antonia M, Emily B, Gracie M, Ella P, Edith W, Ava S, Miguel G, Valentina G, Hannah M

Sport

I hope everyone had a lovely break and are ready for the term ahead!

3/4 Safe Cycle Program - Year 3/4 students need to return their permission slip before starting the Safe Cycle Program next week. 3/4 Red and Blue will participate in the Safe Cycle Program on a Wednesday. 3/4 White and Green will participate on a Friday.

Term 3 Sport - Dance Fever - All students (ELC-Year 6) will participate in Dance Fever's Dance Program (Weeks 1-5) and the Gym Program (Weeks 6-9) throughout Term 3.

Tennis Trials - The Year 3/ 4 ANZ Tennis Hotshots Gala Day will be held on Monday 14th August at St. Edmund's College, Griffith. Holy Trinity will be entering a team of 20 that will consist of 5 Year 3 girls, 5 Year 3 boys, 5 Year 4 girls and 5 Year 4 boys. Trails will start next week and be held at lunch and / or recess.

Kristy Everding |Sports Coordinator

RE News

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Our school theme continues to focus on the Mass. This term, students will learn about **The Liturgy of the Eucharist** and reflect on their role in the mass. Classes have particular questions to explore, these will be posted on our display wall. Please take time to have a look and maybe even answer a few!

SACRAMENTS

PLEASE NOTE SOME OF THE CHANGES TO DATES

Reconciliation Parent Information Night - Thursday 27th July, 6pm. Parish Centre.

Parish Presentation Mass: Saturday 26th August, 6pm

Reconciliation Practice: Monday 4th September, 6pm

First Reconciliation Celebration: Wednesday 6th September, 7pm

First Holy Communion Parent Information Night: Thursday 3rd August, 6pm. Parish Centre.

Presentation Masses: Saturday 26th August, 6pm

Student Retreat Day- Wednesday 13th September, 6pm

Sacrament of Eucharist- Sunday 17th September, 9am and 11am.

There is still a need for parent leaders of a group. Please email Sue (potsacraments@gmail.com) if you are able to assist.

Brigitta van Deas | RE Coordinator

Tuckshop Roster - Week 2

MON 24 JUL

THU 27 JUL

FRI 28 JUL

Gessica Galeotti
Lauren Robertson

Joanne Hamilton
Kirsty Brogan

Carmel Brennan
Alicia Sowter
Sandra Pratezina

Vacuuming Roster

TERM 3, WEEK 2 - WED 26 JUL

Team Leader: Lana Eldridge, Dean Prail, Todd/Alicia Sowter, Jason Woods, David/Athena Cains



STUDENTS NOT RETURNING TO HOLY TRINITY IN 2018

(Other than Year 6)

- My child/children have an Enrolment Application pending at another school.
- My child/children will not be returning to Holy Trinity in 2018.

Child's name: _____

Class: _____

Destination School: _____

Parent Signature: _____

Dear Parents, Family and Friends,

Congratulations to our Term Two Social Skills Golden ticket winners. They will each receive a \$20 book club voucher to use this term.

This term the children will be learning about **courage** (Weeks 1-5) and **resilience** (Weeks 6-10). Here is the "Courage" poster that is displayed in each class.

Courage

Be Brave and show COURAGE

Do's

Have a go and try your best in all school activities.

Understand that it is ok to make mistakes.

Stand up for yourself and your friends on the playground.

Use your words to ask for help in class.

Have the courage to participate in class discussions.

Try new things.

Have the courage to tell your friends to stop, if they are making a bad choice.

Continue to play if you have a minor fall.

Support your classmates when they try something new.

Have the courage to say sorry if you make a mistake.

Don'ts

Think people will laugh at you if you give something a go.

Seek attention if you are not hurt.

Give up if you make a mistake.

Have a tantrum if you make a mistake.

Don't always think bad things will happen.

Courage is standing up for what is right.

Courage is being scared but still having a go.

Courage is stepping outside of your comfort zone.

Courage is when you challenge yourself.



Student Wellbeing and Mental Health Parent Information Night

Save the date- Wednesday 30th August, 6:00pm-7:15pm

We will be skyping a parent helpline counsellor again and sharing some other valuable tips to support you at home.

More information about this night will be sent out in the coming weeks.

Kind Regards,
Brendon Pye | Coordinator

ELC NEWS

School Holiday Program - The ELC was buzzing with activity over the school holidays. There was a visit from the Dinosaur Museum, dress-ups, bring-your-wheels, science, and the educators favorite —pyjama and movie day.

Before and After School - We have limited places available in both the Before School Care and After School Care programs for Term 3. Please advise the ELC if your child is not attending a program.

Stay and Play every Wednesday morning from 9-10am at the ELC playground. All families from the ELC, Primary School and broader community are very welcome.

Upcoming Events

25 July, *The Maestro and the Musician* performance, Black Cockatoos and Ground Parrots

26 July, *The Maestro and the Musician* performance Rock Wallabies

Stay and Play, 9am-10am ELC Playground

9 August, Holy Trinity Primary School & ELC Walkathon



HOLY TRINITY DRAMA DAY DATES TERM 3



Kindergarten and Grade 1 - A SUITCASE OF CHARACTERS - Tuesday September 5th.

For children in this age group, acting, speaking skills, creative play and active listening activities.

Session 1
9.30 — 11.00am

WHAT IS A CHARACTER?

Students will explore the characters in their favourite stories, rhymes, shows and movies. Through drama activities, stories and rhymes we will try out these characters and see what makes them special.

Session 2
11.40 — 1.40pm

CHARACTER CREATION

Students will have the opportunity to create characters to use in their own stories. They will participate in drama activities using costumes, voice and movement to bring these characters to life.

Session 3
2.10—3.00pm

CHARACTERS COME TOGETHER

The characters will meet and interact. They will be able to create and perform stories in pairs and as a group and even try on each others characters.



Grades 2-4

THREE, TWO, ONE GO!

Grade 2, 3/4 Green and Red -Tuesday August 1st Grade 2, 3/4 Blue and White - Tuesday August 22nd

In this age group, children's communication skills and confidence develop rapidly through participation in drama.

Session 1
9.30 — 11.00am

THREE

Students will participate in drama activities that look at working together as a whole group. Through ensemble building activities they will discover how to be a great team member. Students will have opportunities to contribute and be challenged to let go of ideas that will bring the group together and achieve their performance goals.

Session 2
11.40 — 1.40pm

TWO

Students will explore activities working together in smaller groups and pairs. Through improvisation and simple scripts they will have opportunities to create performances to share with the group.

Session 3
2.10—3.00pm

ONE

Students will be guided through confidence building exercises so that they might become brave enough to perform a monologue, or solo piece. They will use their character skills to allow them to step into role and onto stage on their own.



Grades 5 and 6

Ensembles

Tuesday September 12th

Students in this age group expand performance skills via drama games, using scripts and creating their own performance texts.

Session 1
9.30 — 11.00am

THE ENSEMBLE

Students will discover what they can do to help an ensemble achieve performance goals. Through improvisation activities they will develop skills in making and accepting offers. They will explore activities that develop trust and team work within the group.

Session 2
11.40 — 1.40pm

A FEW OF US

In this session students will apply their characterisation skills to scene work in smaller groups. They will develop the essential acting and life skill of really listening to each other and using this to inform their reaction to the other actor.

Session 3
2.10—3.00pm

ME

Students will look at their individual acting skills and strengths. What might be their character type? Students will have the opportunity to develop their own character



Enrol Now: <http://www.cada.net.au/in-school-programs.html> or Phone: 1300 908 905. Bookings close 1 week prior to each Drama Day