



# Transmitter

Thursday, 21st August 2014

Term 3 / Week 6

## Up Coming Dates

### Tomorrow

~ Year 2 Field Trip Cancelled

### Tuesday 26th August

~ Netball Gala Day  
(8 years and above)  
~ Royce Simmons Rugby  
League Years 3 + 4

### Wednesday 27th August

~ Whole school Book Parade  
After recess in the school hall

### Thursday 28th &

### Friday 29th August

~ Year 5 Camp to Bathurst

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## News from Scott

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

With National Literacy and Numeracy Week less than a week away, I wonder what you are reading at the moment?

The skills of reading are so important in most aspects of our society, for work as well as enjoyment. At Trinity we value literature and empowering children to be able to read anything and everything.

This week, as I think about it, I am reading .....a graphic novel of 'Spiderman' (with my son), the latest edition of Big League magazine, a text on educational leadership, a chapter of a formation book called 'Forming Intentional Disciples', Acts of the Apostles from the bible with an accompanying commentary. That's a lot of reading as I think about it.

I wonder what your child is reading at the moment? Over the next week why not take some time and sit and read with them. If you know what their favourite book is, take some time and read through that one together. You are the most important role model in your child's life ..... what a great time to model that reading is important by showing them how you do it.

With next week's literacy celebrations we also have our biannual Trinity Book Parade and Teacher's play. This is always a fun event and I warmly invite you to join the community on Wednesday.

I will be away from Trinity for the first two weeks of next term. I have been invited by the bishop to join a pilgrimage for system leaders of the Diocese of Parramatta. Our group will be travelling through Greece, Turkey and Italy as we trace the footsteps of St Paul when he established the early Catholic Church. It is a very exciting opportunity and will provide me with valuable learning. I appreciate the generosity of the staff and community of Trinity in allowing me the time to participate in this pilgrimage. Whist I am away Matt will be acting in my role.

We had a fantastic time at Blacktown Olympic Park for the Nepean Zone Athletics Carnival. Our children were terrific ambassadors for our school and competed to the best of their ability and as 'good sports'. The real heroes of the day however were our parents and community. I received many compliments about our parent volunteers and even requests for support for the Diocesan carnival. Their donation of time, talent and sweat is very greatly appreciated. In particular, thank you to Neira, Robert, Carla, Lucy, Nathan, Amanda, Colin and Patrick. They ran the barbecue like a five star restaurant and raised **\$737** for our school. These funds will support the learning of all our children at Trinity.

In Giving We Receive.

Scott

## VOICE of YOUTH



Yesterday I had the privilege to accompany four of our Year 6 students to the 'Voice of Youth' cluster final at Holy Spirit St Clair on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> August. It is a speech contest conducted so that children with a flair for public speaking have an opportunity to use their talent. Our students, Jordan, Miguel, Xavier and Teone, are to be congratulated for their very well researched and prepared speeches. They showed great confidence speaking to an audience of Year 6 students, teachers and parents from three other schools. **Congratulations** to **Xavier** who was awarded 'Runner-Up' Finalist.

Matt

## NEWS FROM MATT

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Over the past weeks I have had the opportunity to attend events where our students have represented the school. Friday the 8<sup>th</sup> August was the Nepean Zone Athletics Carnival. I wish to congratulate the children who represented Trinity with pride. We had great team spirit and excellent behaviour throughout the day. It was also great to have so many parent helpers on the day supporting the events and the barbeque. I would like to congratulate and wish the best of luck to the 19 students who will again represent Trinity at the Diocesan Athletics Carnival tomorrow.

### Arrays

Arrays are an arrangement of counters (or collection of small objects) into a rectangular shape of rows and columns. They assist students to visualise multiplication facts.



An activity that is often used at school is **Array Busting**.

Make an array with 6 rows of 5 counters (any numbers can be used). Children have 2 minutes to find as many smaller arrays as possible. Children record new arrays. Share with a partner and write number sentences for their array. Some questions that are discussed include: Who found the most? What are some interesting arrays? What do you notice about arrays.

## Literacy Hint

Read aloud with drama and excitement! Use different voices for different characters in the story. Use your child's name instead of a character's name. Make puppets and use them to act out a story.



## Numeracy Hint

Have your children make or draw arrays to help them learn multiplication facts. (TimesTables).

x	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
1	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
2	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20
3	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	24	27	30
4	4	8	12	16	20	24	28	32	36	40
5	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45	50
6	6	12	18	24	30	36	42	48	54	60
7	7	14	21	28	35	42	49	56	63	70
8	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80
9	9	18	27	36	45	54	63	72	81	90
10	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80	90	100

## SACRED SPACE

Did you know that the Feast of the Assumption, last Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> August, was a holy day of obligation? The Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference determined that, in addition to all the Sundays in the year, the only feast days to be observed in Australia as holy days of obligation are the solemnities of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ (Christmas) and the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The Decree of Promulgation became effective on 16 September, 2001.

### DECREE OF PROMULGATION

On 28 November 1996, the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference made the following decree:

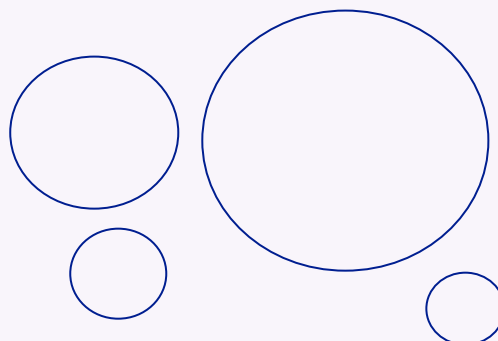
That 15 August (the solemnity of the Assumption) be a holy day of obligation in Australia, even when it falls on a Saturday or a Monday.

That decree was reviewed and confirmed by the Congregation for Divine Worship & Discipline of the Sacraments, by virtue of faculties granted it by Pope John Paul II, and by means of a recognitio (Prot. N: 366/97/L) signed on 23 January 2001 by the Prefect, Cardinal Jorge Medina Estevez, and the Secretary, Archbishop Francesco Pio Tamburrino.

The decree effectively modifies the decrees of the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference concerning holy days of obligation effective from 1985 and 1991 so that, in addition to all the Sundays of the year, the only feast days henceforth to be observed in Australia as holydays of obligation are the solemnities of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ and the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Moreover, these two holy days of obligation are to be observed annually, regardless of the day of the week on which they fall.

A big thank you ... to all our families for supporting the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal organised by Year One. It was wonderful to see how generous our families were last week with all the clothes, blankets and doonas that were brought in to give to St Vincent de Paul representatives at our school Assembly.

Olga





## 2014 Book Parade

11.30am for 11.45am start in our hall.

### Parents, grandparents, preschoolers and friends are welcome!

- ~ All children dress as any book character (may also be a movie character).
  - ~ Children may wear their costume to school if they are comfortable in these clothes in their learning group and on the playground. Otherwise, they will need to be able to change at Recess themselves or with your help. Children may need to bring additional warm clothing (not uniform) to wear while they are waiting for their turn to parade. Swords, guns and boots with studs are not suitable for the parade.
  - ~ Pre schoolers may also dress up and parade with their big sister/brother/cousin.
- It would be helpful if children hold the book or carry a sign or wear a label with their character's or book's name.

### Room to Read

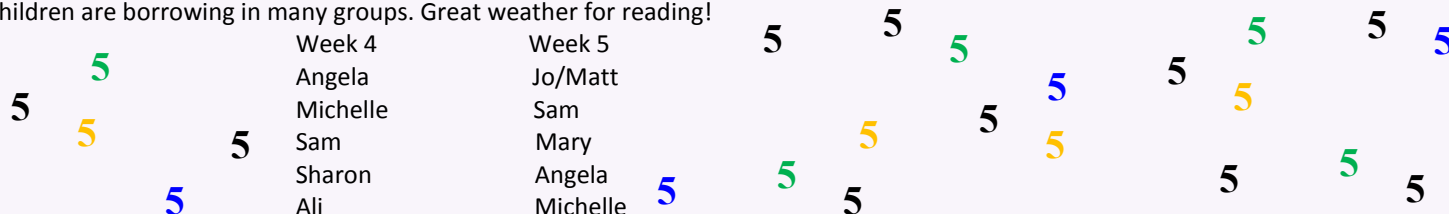
During Week 5, Year 5 had a Mission Activity and it was to run the Book Swap. The purpose of the Book Swap was to raise money to provide children in Cambodia with books written in their own language. The Book Swap was an extreme success! We raised \$436! Which means the poor children can have 436 books! We worked very hard to achieve this goal. We brought in tablecloths, props and stamps to make the Book Swap exciting and enjoyable for all the kids at Trinity. Thank you for your support and for participating in the Book Swap. We can't wait to send over the books and help the children in Cambodia.

Written by Hayley's LG



### LARC TOP 5

It has been wonderful to see a big increase in the number of children borrowing books in the LARC in the last couple of weeks. 90-95% of children are borrowing in many groups. Great weather for reading!



Brayth	8	Jasper	11
India	8	Alex	11
Kyanah	9	Lia	12
Nadine	10	Hayden	12
		Mason	12

### School Fees

If you are not on an arrangement all school fees should be finalised as off the 19th August, 2014.

If you are experiencing financial difficulty please contact Michelle in the office.

Thank you for your support in this matter.

## Confirmation Congratulations

# Congratulations

The following children from Trinity made their Confirmation last weekend August 16-17 at Mass. They were confirmed by Very Rev Peter Williams Vicar General & Episcopal Vicar.

Jasper Maloney

Flynn Caston

Jayden Rask

Sarah Anderson

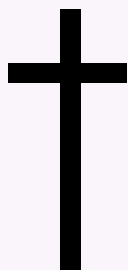
Ryan Freeman

Bradley Stanford

Mark Ira

Dylan Colantonio

Ethan Clune



## Zone Athletics

What an amazing day! A huge pat on the back goes out to all of our wonderful supporters who made the day a success for our Trinity children and all of the children in the Nepean Zone. We had parents and carers at the BBQ, on track and computer recording, ribbon writing judging and assisting on events. We also had year 6 students assisting with setting up, delivering results and displaying results. We couldn't have done it without you! The results of the day spoke for themselves. Many children competed at that level for the very first time, many achieved their personal best and many (19) will go onto the Diocesan Carnival this Friday representing our school and the Nepean Zone. Finally, congratulations to Paige for breaking the Junior Long Jump record and to Jackson and Ethan for being runners up age champions.



## Parenting Course - 1-2-3 Magic!

*We hope you can attend!*

Our children are precious. The more effective we are at parenting and teaching the better will be our children's long term outcomes.

I am very pleased to advise that Holy Spirit primary school is offering the parenting course: 1-2-3 Magic.

This is a three-session program for parents and carers. The course covers how to discipline without arguing and 7 tactics for encouraging good behaviour.

**The course will be held:**

- On Wednesday 3rd, 10th and 17th September
- At Holy Spirit Primary School
- From 6:30 – 8:30pm

The facilitators are Ms Anoushka Houseman and Ms Kara Kim.

Cost for the entire course is \$10 and all attending will receive a parent workbook.

Please note this is an adult only course and childcare is not available.

I hope you will be able to participate in this great opportunity.

Please complete the attendance advice below and return to the school by Monday 25th August.

The \$10 course fee will be payable on the first night.



### 1-2-3 Magic!

I \_\_\_\_\_ (name) will be attending the 1-2-3 Magic Parenting Course and my best

contact number is \_\_\_\_\_.

My child's name is \_\_\_\_\_

Learning Group \_\_\_\_\_

*(I understand that the \$10 fee is payable on the first night of attendance.)*