



Transmitter

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News from Mrs Hey

Dear Parents,

This week I have had the privilege of attending a conference for Principals where the theme has been "What matters most: Faith, learning and wellbeing."

These three elements are closely linked and are such an important part of the work we do at school and in your role as parents. We are bonded by our faith, our quest for learning and the wellbeing of the students in our care. One of the key themes of the conference has been the value of **play** in promoting social and academic development in students, as well as improving their mental health and sense of worth. One of the keynote speakers has been Pasi Sahlberg and I'll be sharing more of his wisdom and research in coming weeks.

Perhaps accept the challenge over the next few weeks to limit screen time and encourage imaginative play in your children and see the difference it makes.

Kind regards,

Cathy Hey

Principal



Prayer for Play

God who made each and every living being,

I know there's a fun and whimsical aspect to you
because there is no complete logical explanation for the way kittens play,
and children say the most accurate, embarrassing things sometimes.

I know that you designed us to run until we're giddy and breathless,
to converse in ways that, in mere moments, can dissolve an entire group
of people into uncontrollable laughter.

You built within our minds a fascination for solving riddles and working puzzles.

You gave us the ability to skip or to roll down a hill,
neither of which would have helped the species survive in the wild.

Surely you had fun in mind and nothing else.

Open my eyes and heart, Lord,
to see the whimsy, to take part in the play,

To enjoy my life
and to laugh often.

Trinity Feast Day

On Friday 14th June we will be celebrating Trinity's Feast Day with a Mass at 9:30. At 1:30pm there will be Open Classrooms where parents are welcome to visit the classrooms and then we will have our Reading For Fun Afternoon starting at 2:15pm. We hope you can make some or all of these events.

2020 Enrolments

We have begun the process of enrolments for 2020. Please spread the word to neighbours, colleagues and family members to contact the office to arrange an enrolment pack. It is a delight to be meeting the new families who are enrolling their child next year. One of the key questions I ask new families is why they have chosen Trinity for their child's education and the frequent response is that they are hearing great things about our school. Thank you for this wonderful word of mouth advertising for our school.

Tell Them From Me (TTFM)

As part of our focus on school effectiveness, all CEDP schools including ours will be participating in an online survey for students – *Tell Them From Me* (TTFM). The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help them improve.

From **27 May to 14 June 2019**, all students (Years 4 -6) will be given the opportunity and time to participate in this survey during regular school hours. Students who agree to complete the survey will be given a random username and password to access and complete the survey online. Students' names cannot be linked to their responses which allows it to be completely anonymous. Results will show all student scores combined together – it is not possible to single out individual students in the results.

Participation in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish to. If, during the survey, your child is uncomfortable answering any question, he/she should leave it blank and move on to the next one. Your child can stop the survey at any time.

If you do not want your child to take part in the survey, please email the school this request with your child's name. As with all data sets we collect, we analyse this as a staff and create action plans from which to address areas of growth.

A graphic for a 'Woolworths earn & learn Sticker Sheet'. It features the Woolworths logo at the top, followed by the text 'earn & learn' in a stylized font. Below this, the words 'Sticker Sheet' are written in large, bold letters. The background is purple. In the foreground, there are two children: a girl on the left in a blue shirt holding a red 'avaro' ball, and a boy on the right in a white lab coat and goggles holding a small model. They are standing behind a table with various science-related items like bottles, test tubes, and a film reel.

Don't forget to collect your earn and learn stickers. Fill in your sticker sheet, add your name and house to the top of the sheet and drop it into the office.

We also have a box at Woolworths St Clair, so tell your relatives and neighbours they can pop their stickers in our box and Trinity will be able to add those stickers to our total to get some great prizes.

Chatterbox Live

Join Greg Whitby, Executive Director of Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta, for a transparent and engaging Q&A session with parents and guardians from learning communities throughout the diocese.

Held at St Andrews Marayong, the event will begin at 7pm with light refreshments, followed by a Q&A session with Executive Director Greg Whitby where parents will have the chance to raise their questions around education and school in today's world.

Can't make it in person? This event will also be live streamed via the CEDOP Facebook page. Be sure to click on interested or going to be reminded before the discussion goes live. You can do this via the event page:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/1988053254654264/>

Free ticket registration for this event will be available from Monday 20th May at 9am by visiting chatterbox.parra.catholic.edu.au

If you have any questions or would like further information please contact Lachlan Andrews from CEDP via landrews8@parra.catholic.edu.au

What's happening at Trinity

2019 Dates

Wednesday 29th May, 2019	Athletics Carnival for all students K – 6
Thursday 13th June, 2019	School Photos
Friday 14th June, 2019	9.15am Trinity Feast Day Mass, Open Classrooms 2.30pm Reading for fun afternoon
Thursday 20th June, 2019	7.00pm Chatterbox live with Greg Whitby
Friday 21st of June, 2019	Bushdance










Attendance

Our attendance for this fortnight is 82.7%. We need to continue to work together to ensure that regular and on time attendance is modeled and valued. Our goal is at least 90%.

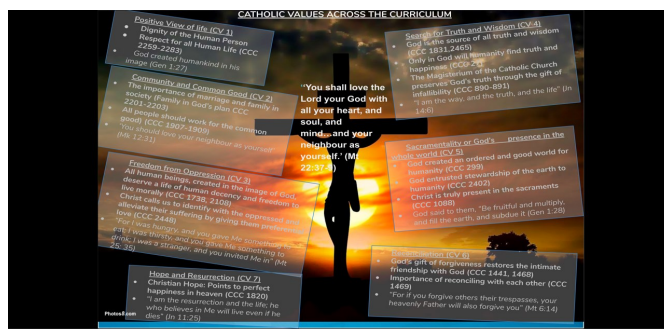
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K	 83.8%
1	 79.2%
2	 88.9%
3	 83.3%
4	 82.6%
5	 89.2%
6	 75.4%

Sacred Space - Catholic Values across the Curriculum

This year, Trinity is focusing on the Catholic Values that underpin our focus in each key learning area. There are seven Catholic Values that we are teaching in the Diocese of Parramatta. You, as the primary educators of your children, may wish to talk with your children about the different values and support their learning. A summary of the Core Catholic Values can be found on the following website: <http://catholicvalues.parra.catholic.edu.au/core-catholic-values>



Within each of the key learning areas, teaching programs are developed to make explicit the Catholic values relevant to each area of study. Catholic teachings are integrated in such a way as to help students learn in different subjects how to *'Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and soul, and mind ... and your neighbour as yourself.'* (Mt 22:37-39). Over the next few Transmitters there will be information shared about each of the Catholic Values that we are teaching at Trinity.

Olga Blom

Religious Education Co-ordinator



Emmaus Catholic College



Emmaus hosted students from Guryong Middle School in South Korea in the past week. Guryong is a sister school of a Emmaus who we share a very positive relationship with. Students from both Emmaus and Guryong go on exchange to visit the respective schools every year. This is all part of the hard work that Mr. Kyle Jung puts into liaising and organising such an exchange with Guryong.

Students of Guryong arrived to Sydney, the morning of 13th May and made their way straight to Emmaus to be welcomed by their host students. From there, the College held a welcome assembly to honour our visitors. The students of the college were treated to many different performances from the Korean students, including K-Pop dance routines and rapping. Gifts were given to the students, with souvenirs of Australiana.

During their visit the Guryong students went into the classrooms to experience what schooling is like in Australia, and saw different KLAS and workspaces. Outside of the school, the Guryong students went into the homes of their Home Buddies, where families treated their visiting students to different Australian experiences such as a Pub Dinner.