

PC OU NUS MU UUUENC Friday 23rd October 2020

#### News from Mrs Hey

#### Dear Parents.

It's hard to believe we are already into Term 4! I hope you had some time during the holidays to rest and connect with your family.

We've had a very exciting Week 1 with our Book Week celebrations going across the week. Thank you to Mrs Micallef and Mrs Gauci who have co-ordinated Book Week in a creative and Covid-safe way. The Book on a Hat parade was great fun and showed so much creativity.

During the holidays Pope Francis released his latest encyclical Fratelli Tutti. In this encyclical, Pope Francis, inspired by the writings of St Francis of Assisi, speaks of care for each other, the family that dwells together in the common home. Responding to our current pandemic experience, Pope Francis says that the need for local, national and international solidarity has now become even more important. The pandemic has created in many people a sense of the interdependence of communities and the fragility of human beings left to themselves. "Once this health crisis passes, our worst response would be to plunge even more deeply into feverish consumerism and new forms of egotistic self-preservation," Pope Francis writes. "God willing, after all this, we will think no longer in terms of 'them' and 'those', but only 'us'."

Throughout Fratelli Tutti, Pope Francis describes individuals within our community, including the Australian community, who are often undervalued or treated inequitably – women, older people, unborn children, people who are trafficked, Indigenous peoples, people with disability, migrants and refugees. Pope Francis offers a grand yet simple vision of human interconnectedness. "We're all connected to each other in ways we scarcely imagine. Our task now is to work out what this means in practice as we look beyond the pandemic.''

While we are still not connected by our physical presence with each other as we are used to, the Trinity school community has demonstrated great resilience, adaptability and flexibility throughout 2020 and has found new and creative ways of supporting each other. I know we all look forward to living out Pope Francis' vision for "connecting with each other in ways we can scarcely imagine"

Kind regards, Cathy Hey Principal

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#### Swimming Program and Carnival

The swimming program and carnival that is normally held in Term 4 is not being held this year. We are exploring the possibility of having an optional twilight swimming carnival very early next year and will share more information about this as we get closer.

#### Workshop Wednesdays

We would usually hold a series of workshops for parents throughout the year on various topics to help your child with their learning. This year, our restrictions on parents attending events/meetings at the school has meant that we are needing to do things differently. Beginning next Wednesday we will be releasing a series of brief parent workshops that we have prepared that are aimed to help you in helping your child with their learning. These are short presentations and videos made by Trinity staff that you can watch at your own leisure.

#### 360 Tour

Have you had a chance to take a 360 tour of the classrooms? Check out this link to see the beautifully refurbished learning spaces Please pop the link in here.



https://ceo-web.parra.catholic.edu.au/

#### World Teachers' Day

Next Wednesday we will be celebrating World Teachers' Day at Trinity. This is a day to acknowledge and appreciate the work that our teachers do. Your child may like to write a letter or draw a picture to thank their teacher.

On behalf of the Trinity community, we extend our best wishes to all Year 12 students who began their HSC exams this week.

God we ask that the Year 12 students feel your closeness during the HSC exam period. Give them calm hearts and quiet confidence in the knowledge that you hold them in the palm of your hand. Holy Spirit send them your gifts of wisdom and knowledge. We ask this through Christ Our Lord. Amen

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#### Kindergarten 2021 Orientation Programme

At the end of Term 3, the NSW Government indicated to schools that arrangements for Kindergarten Orientation for 2021 Kindergarten students could go ahead. The Trinity Kindergarten Orientation Programme will take place on: Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> November and Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December from 9:30-11:00.Families will shortly receive information about the programme and their children's attendance at the Kindergarten Orientation sessions. Parents will have an online information session that they attend at their own leisure. We look forward to welcoming our 2021 Kindergarten students to Trinity on these days.

We will be having two Kinder classes next year.



We are delighted to extend our 2021 enrolment window.

Please spread the word to neighbours, colleagues and family members to contact the office to arrange an enrolment pack as soon as possible. As we are now having two Kinder classes, we are able to accept more Kinder enrolments.

#### COVID-19

Important Self Isolation Information Advice about how to manage self-isolation, particularly with siblings, is available from NSW Health and from the Western Sydney Local Health District Community Resources website. Importantly:

• A student should not come to school if they are unable to isolate from a sibling or family member who is a confirmed close contact of COVID-19.

• Where families find it difficult to isolate siblings from other family members who are a confirmed close contacts of someone with COVID-19, the sibling should not attend school during the period of isolation;

• If a parent/carer is unable to isolate effectively from a child identified as a close contact, they should not attend work during the close contact's isolation period. Family members of close contacts are asked to keep a very close watch for COVID-19 symptoms and follow medical advice.



#### School Banking

## School banking has been suspended

until further notice.



#### Devices

Students bringing devices to school are reminded to sign them in to the office upon arrival at school and sign them out upon leaving.



#### Dogs



Dogs are not to be brought onto the school premises please.

#### Notification Policy if moving from Trinity.

If you are leaving Trinity, please ensure you are aware that the Diocese requires a full terms notice (10 school weeks) in writing, to be given to the Principal before parents/ guardians terminates a student's enrolment. According to Diocesan policy, if the required notice is not given, one term's school fees including diocesan fees are payable. Upon withdrawal of a student, fees are calculated on a pro-rata basis according to the notification period. One exception is that notice in writing will be accepted at any time during term 4.



#### Basketball Hoops

In the holidays we had awesome new reversible basketball/ netball hoops installed. These are already being put to good use.



### Trinity Book Week 2020

written by Mrs Hughes

#### Friday

It began with "Book Fair Preview" Where we could go and see So many new exciting books 'Though our list was capped at three

#### Monday

Story On A Hat Parade Was very entertaining So many colourful and clever hats They really were amazing Our Hat Parade went through the school They marched past every grade Adventurers, insects, animals Curious creatures all were made From Kindergarten to Year 6, K-6A and teachers All worked so hard to create our theme 'Wild Minds and Curious Creatures'

#### Tuesday

Our Book Fair has come to a close today With lots of shopping done Books, stationery, crystals and rocks There was something for everyone

#### Thursday

We have a special author visit Whose name is Deb Abela She has come to share how she has written So many great best sellers.

WE hope you have enjoyed our week and shared in our delight And would love if you would join us In reading every night.

> Thank you Mrs Hughes. Your poem was the perfect way to end of poetry day!

# Trinity R.E.D Reading Stars

#### Year 4



## Gabriella has read at home over 240 times this year and has now started her third RED Journal!

Interview with Gabriella conducted by Mrs Gauci.

Mrs Gauci: What is your favourite genre? Gabriella: I like to read fictional stories because I like finding out who the characters are and seeing how they work out the problem.

Mrs Gauci: Who is your favourite author? Gabriella: Aaron Blabey is my favourite author as he wrote my favourite book 'Pig the Pug'. I even remember the blurb - 'Pig was a pug and I'm sorry to say he was greedy and selfish in most every way'.

Mrs Gauci: What book have you enjoyed reading recently? Gabriella: I enjoyed reading 'Billy B. Brown - The Bad Butterflies' by Sally Rippin. It is a very interesting story with characters, a problem and solution.

Mrs Gauci: What do you enjoy most about going to the LARC? Gabriella: I love to find new books and discover new authors.

Mrs Gauci: Where do you like to read at home ? Gabriella: At home, I like to read in my playroom, on my lounge, because it's nice and quiet.

Mrs Gauci: Who do you like to read with? Gabriella: I prefer to read with my mum because my dad just falls asleep when I read to him! I like to read by myself too.

Mrs Gauci: Why do you love to read? Gabriella: It helps to learn new things. 'The more you know, the more you grow'- my mum taught me that one.

## Trinity **R.E.D** Reading Stars



#### OUR READING STARS THIS WEEK ARE:

Hope from Year 1





Hope is a regular home reader and has now started her second RED Journal.

Interview with Hope conducted by Mrs Gauci.

Mrs Gauci: What stories do you like to read? Hope: I like to read made up stories and information books like bicycle books.

Mrs Gauci: Do you have a favourite book? Hope: Yes, 'Possum Magic' because it is really fun. The best bit is the vegemite page because I like vegemite on toast, I eat it for breakfast sometimes.

Mrs Gauci: What is your favourite author? Hope: My favourite author is Aaron Blabey. I enjoy reading lots of books written by Araon Blabey like 'Thelma the Unicorn' and all the 'Pig the Pug' series. My favourite one is 'Pig the Grub'. I love this book because it is so disgustingly funny.

Mrs Gauci: What do you enjoy most about going to the LARC? Hope: I love going to the LARC because you get new books.I like reading books and drawing books.

Mrs Gauci: Where do you like to read at home? Hope: In my bedroom, it is nice and quiet in there. I close my door and get away from my annoying little brother. It's the only time I get peace and quiet.

Mrs Gauci: Who do you like to read with? Hope: I like to read on my own. Sometimes, I read with my friend Amelia H. Have you heard about what is happening at Trinity on the 2nd November? Alyssa Bull in Year 5 is supporting 'Canteen' in the fight against cancer and is going to shave her hair off. 'Canteen' helps young people cope with cancer in their family, rebuild their foundations and connect with others in the same boat.

Alyssa has been personally touched by cancer and made the decision earlier in the year that she wanted to raise awareness by shaving her head.

She has a fundraising website if you would like to support her efforts. Between her friends and family she has already surpassed her goal of \$500. Even better since sharing the link below with the Trinity community on Wednesday, Alyssa has raised an additional **\$300**!

Donate by visiting https://www.bandannaday.org.au/fund raisers/alyssabull/personal-challenge

Students can show their support by wearing a bandana on Monday 2nd November 2020 and will watch Alyssa shave her hair via Zoom at 2:30 pm.

MEET ALYSSA!





PBS4L stands for Positive Behaviour 4 Learning. At Trinity we agree to 3 PBS4L expectations:

> We are SAFE We are RESPECTFUL We are LEARNERS

Current Goanna goal: We give spaces to ourselves and others.

Welcome back to Term 4 at Trinity! We've nearly made it through the most topsy-turvy year at school ever. This week we have moved to a new goanna goal of giving space to ourselves and others. This helps to teach the students how to show respect to their friends when they need physical or emotional space. It also gives the students the ability to tell their friends they need space.

See below the description that we use with the students:

Personal Space is the area around your body where you feel comfortable. What are some ways someone can get in your personal space? Think about blowing bubbles from a bubble wand. Do all of the bubbles come out the same size? No- some are big and some are little. That is just like personal space- everybody has a different size comfort bubble, or space around their body where they feel comfortable. At the moment personal space is even more important so we don't spread germs and **we shouldn't be touching our friends at school**.

## We give personal space to ourselves and others.







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