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News from Mrs Hey

Dear Parents.

The Beatitudes is one of my favourite passages from the Bible. It teaches us about hope, joy, forgiveness and positivity. On January 19 this year Pope Francis said "The beatitudes always bring joy; they are the way to joy," Pope Francis said that the beatitudes should be considered "a Christian's identity card" because they reveal "the face of

The Beatitudes are a beautiful reminder of what we can become, if we trust and believe. Thousands of years later, they still speak to us and call us to live more fully as Christian people.

Mt 5:1-12

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

'How happy are the poor in spirit: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy the gentle: they shall have the earth for their heritage.

Happy those who mourn: they shall be comforted.

Happy those who hunger and thirst for what is right: they shall be satisfied.

Happy the merciful: they shall have mercy shown them.

Happy the pure in heart: they shall see God.

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called sons of God.

Happy those who are persecuted in the cause of right: theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven."

We can reflect as a family on the Beatitudes using the questions below:

- What do we consider to be our family's greatest riches?
- How do we find comfort in our family?
- · How do we resolve conflict in our families?
- How do we show forgiveness to one another?
- What risks do we take to make peace?

Gracious God, You have so richly blessed us with life, with love and joy, with hope in the midst of despair. Help us to be the salt of the earth. Help us to be the light of the world, sharing with others that which we have received, boldly proclaiming the good news of Your love, finding the seeds of Your kingdom within us and letting Your way grow in our lives and throughout the world. Amen

Kind regards, Cathy Hey Principal

Our Christmas concert will look different this year. The children will be performing an item in their class/ grade groups which will be filmed. Children will be asked to wear Christmas gear on the day of their filming. This will be advised via Seesaw. The link will be sent so that you can dress in your Christmas gear and watch the concert together at home as a family.



2021 Kindergarten

This week we welcomed to school our newest members - our Kindergarten class of 2021. They had a lovely morning in their beautiful Kinder classroom and we look forward to seeing them again on December 3.

This is an exciting time of year for our community, the teachers who will guide them through their first year and especially the families who have placed their trust in Trinity to begin their child's formal schooling. We join together in thanks and prayer as we take these first steps and we hope your time at trinity is filled with many blessings.

I am delighted to announce that the Kindergarten teachers for 2021 will be Mrs Karina Micallef and Miss Samantha Wynne. We warmly welcome Miss Wynne, an experienced Kindergarten teacher who is new to Trinity.



MRS MICALLEF





MISS WYNNE











Reading For Fun Afternoon

On Friday, 6th November 2020, Trinity celebrated the joy of reading by having our special 'Reading For Fun' afternoon. Students were divided into small groups and teachers were asked to read to a group of students, other than their own class. Teachers shared riddles, poems, picture books and novels from Kindergarten to Year 6.









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.

COVID-19 symptoms







Sore throat







Loss of smell Loss of taste

Stay Safe



Clean your hands thoroughly for at least 20 seconds with soap and water, or an alcohol-based hand sanitiser



Cover your nose and mouth when coughing and sneezing with a tissue or your elbow. Put the tissue in the bin and wash your hands

M.A.I Mathematical Assessment Interviews

At the beginning of the 2021 school year the teachers at Trinity will again be administering the Mathematical Assessment Interview (MAI) from Year 1 to Year 6. This is a 1:1 interview with a student and takes approximately 30 minutes. The information gathered from this assessment will assist the teacher's knowledge of where the students are in their understanding of number. Later this term, families will receive a login code to use with the school interview online booking tool to organise an appointment time. The MAI interviews will take place on Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th January 2021. Please note that all interviews will be held in the 2021 learning spaces. Any child who is not assessed at one of these opportunities will be assessed as soon as possible in the first weeks of school.

Notification if moving from Trinity

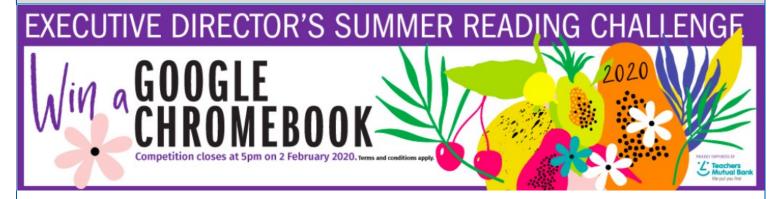
We have healthy enrolments for most classes in 2021 and now have waiting lists for some classes. In fairness to these families we ask you to let us know, in writing, if you are changing schools for 2021. If you know of anyone considering a Catholic school education for their child at Trinity from 2021, in any grade, please encourage them to contact the school as soon as possible to assist us with our planning.

School Year

The last school day for students for 2020 will be Wednesday December 16th. Staff will attend school on December 17th and 18th for professional learning.



News from the LARC



tudents can read anything they like to enter the challenge, whether it's a comic, play, a piece of poetry, book, e-book or animated novel.

Taking part in the Executive Director's Summer Reading Challenge is easy! Students just need to read something they enjoy and tell us in 50 words or less why they loved it. The more a student reads, the more times they can enter the reading challenge and the more chances they have of winning one of two Chromebooks or one of 30 runner-up gift vouchers to the value of \$30. Students can enter online by visiting the CEDP website.

Entries open on **23 November 2020** and close at 5:00pm on 1 February 2021. Terms and Conditions can be found <u>here</u>.

BOOK CLUB ISSUE 8

All orders due back Monday 23rd November.

OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS

Please return any overdue library books to the LARC as soon as possible to avoid getting a late notice and fee.

Tech tips:

<u>Protecting Digital Footprints</u> It is important to carefully consider what you share online. Your digital footprint or digital reputation is created by all the things you say and do online, as well as what others share about you. The people or organisations you follow on social media, and the things you post, share, like and comment on, all form part of your digital footprint. If you share an image or post something, it could become part of their digital footprint. What you post will shape how you are perceived by others, now and into the future. Remember, once something is shared online it can be very difficult to remove and can be easily and quickly shared. Images and words can be misinterpreted or altered as they are shared online.

Tips to protect your digital reputation

- Privacy settings set your social media profiles to private so that only your family and friends have access to your photos and posts.
- Protect personal information think carefully before you share photos or post personal information about yourself or your family.
- Stop and think before you share, like, follow or comment on something consider whether you would want this image or information to be shown if someone searches online for you.

For further information:

https://www.esafety.gov.au/sites/default/files/2020-09/Grandparents%20booklet.pdf



Those who are generous are blessed for they share their bread with the poor. (Proverbs 22:9)

Christmas is fast approaching and it is a time of hope and joy for most families. However, this year has been particularly tough for some families.

To help restore some hope to families in need, we are holding a Christmas Hamper item appeal for the St Vincent De Paul Society. The students are asked to bring one or more items from the list below. These will be put together in hampers for families in need to help them to have a happy Christmas Day

Please read the list below and donate any non perishable items to support the appeal

- Tinned ham
- Tinned salmon or tuna
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned pineapple
- Tinned soups
- Tinned spaghetti
- Tins of fruit
- Christmas Fruit mince pies
- biscuits
- Jams or other spreads
- Chips/ Pretzels

- Long life milk
- Long life custard
- Long life juice boxes-1litre
- Dry pasta
- Pack of rice
- Tea bags
- Instant coffee
- Christmas pudding
- Breakfast cereal
- Dried fruit
- Nuts
- Salad dressing

Please check the expiry date of the items you send in and ensure that the items are unopened and not damaged. We will be collecting items until the end of week 8 Friday, 4th December.

Thank you so much for your Support Rina Hibbs Religious Education Coordinator



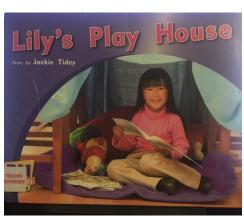
Trinity R.E.D Reading Stars



OUR READING STARS THIS WEEK ARE:







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

Interview with Piper conducted by Mrs Gauci.

Mrs Gauci: What books do you like reading?

Piper: I love reading the books that Mrs Micallef, my teacher, gives me.

Mrs Gauci: What is your favourite book?

Piper: I loved reading the book 'Lily's Play House'. In the story it is raining outside and Lily can't go to her cubby house, so she makes one inside. I love doing this on rainy days too.

Mrs Gauci: What do you enjoy most about going to the LARC?

Piper: All the books are fun to read. We have so many books at the LARC.

Mrs Gauci: Where do you like to read?

Piper: At home, I like to read in my bed. It is so warm and comfy there.

Mrs Gauci: Who do you like to read with?

Piper: I love reading with my dad. We always read before I go to sleep. My dad is nice, he says, "Good night" after we read, then I go to sleep. I love my dad's cuddles too.

Mrs Gauci: Why do you love to read?

Piper: It is fun and good to read. It is something I like doing.

Trinity R.E.D Reading Stars

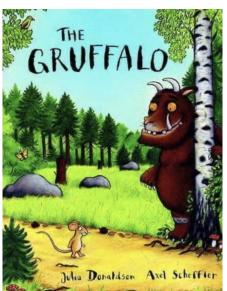


OUR READING STARS THIS WEEK ARE:

Lachlan

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Lachlan enjoys reading at home and at school.

Interview with Lachlan conducted by Mrs Gauci.

Mrs Gauci: What type of books do you like to read?

Lachlan: I like books with stories about animals, farms, and tractors.

Mrs Gauci: What else do you like reading?

Lachlan: I like reading the captions while I play my Pokemon Nintendo Switch game.

Mrs Gauci: What books have you enjoyed reading this year?

Lachlan: My favourite book is the 'Gruffalo' (by Julia Donaldson). I also like the 'Don't Open This Book' (by Andy Lee) and the 'Macca the Alpaca' (by Matt Cosgrove) series.

Mrs Gauci: What do you like about the LARC?

Lachlan: I love reading all the fun books at the library. Monday is my library day.

Mrs Gauci: Where do you like to read?

Lachlan: During library time and in the lounge room at home.

Mrs Gauci: Who do you like to read with? Lachlan: I love reading with Mum and Dad.

Mrs Gauci: Why do you like reading?

Lachlan: Reading is fun. I love looking at the pictures and reading the words.



PBS4L



CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Year 3 who have earnt ten class goannas to get their next Goanna in the Garden reward. They had extra sport and free drawing outside to celebrate.













PBS4L



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 are leaneres.

It has been great to see so many students earning leaner goannas the last three weeks. Year 1 have had a big focus on sitting with the five L's and have handed out over 30 goannas for consistent goal following! In Year 3 their focus has been on following teachers instructions and there has been a windfall of goannas there too! Hopefully this will result in lots of Mamre awards being achieved and handed out at the last few assemblies.

Do you know the 5 L's of active listening? When working in small groups or in large discussions, the expectation is that students will sit with:

Legs crossed or kept still on the lounge



Eyes looking at the speaker \langle

Hands in lap or raised to speak



Lips closed





ITANINA.

Our Lady of the Rosary - St Marys has arranged for a closed screening of this movie.

When: Friday 27th November, 2020

Time: 7.30pm

Where: Hoyts Cinemas, Mt Druitt

Cost: \$10 per person

Please contact the St Marys Parish office on **9623 1962** or Denis Collins on **0459 185 517** to confirm your attendance.

Money is required to be paid by **Wednesday 25th November, 2020**.

Please also advise the office if your require transport.