Dear Parents

This Term has been a very busy term but extremely productive. The buzz when you walk around the school and see the students so engaged in their learning is fantastic. The teachers have been busy attending professional development both in and out of school. I never ceased to be amazed by the hard work and dedication of our teachers who so willingly work above and beyond hours to ensure that your children receive an education that is current with changes in the Curriculum and innovative. Your children are fortunate to have such talented teachers.

Kindergarten reading—A huge thanks to Jodie Houghton and Fiona Sampson who put a lot of time and effort in readiness for the Reading Meeting on Tuesday. The parents who attended found it very rewarding and learnt many new ways to keep your child interested in reading.

Easter Hat Parade—Yesterday the children participated in the Easter hat parade, the students had made these in the classroom and we very happy to show off their hats in the parade. There were some colourful and imaginative hats amongst them.

Stations of The Cross—Yesterday we witnessed a very moving and traditional re-enactment of the Stations of the Cross. I was extremely proud of the Year 6 children at Trinity who did the role play and the Year 1 & 2 students lead by Mrs Sampson for their outstanding singing. This would not have happened without the hard work and choreography of Mrs Penny Lucas. Penny spent many hours planning, organising and practising with the children. The whole portrayal was a credit to her hard work and creativity. Congratulations and thank you Penny! Thank you to the parents and grandparents who were able to attend. The Spirit is certainly alive and soaring at Trinity!

Passion Play—Mrs Bolger, Mrs Lucas and I accompanied the Year 5 & 6 students to the Passion Play at Sacred Heart Cootamundra this morning. This was a very moving and heartfelt portrayal of the Stations of the Cross. The students were very reverent and Sacred Heart School should be very proud.

Performing Arts—The Performing Arts concert today was enjoyed by all and I continue to be amazed at the confidence and ability of our Trinity Students. Well done to all performers.

Open House—Thanks to Mrs Bolger and her Year 5/6 class for their open house today, this is great way for each class to show their parents their creativity and what they have been learning about.

Western Region Cross Country—Thanks to Miss Peiper & the parents for accompanying the students to Grenfell on Tuesday. The students represented Trinity with pride and congratulations to six students going on to the Archdiocesan level next term.

Uniform/School Photos—School photos will be taken on Monday 27th April. Students are expected to be in full winter uniform for this day. The first two weeks of Term 2 will be a transition between summer and winter uniform, by the start of Week 3 everyone will be expected to be dressed in full winter uniform. These are available at the front office. An order is expected in the first week back.

School will resume for Staff on Monday 20th April with students returning on Tuesday 21st April. I hope you all have time to stop and spend time with your families over the Easter break and holidays and take the opportunity to attend the Easter ceremonies at St Anthony’s. Wishing you all a Happy and Holy Easter.

Have a great break everyone and will see you in Term 2

With you in Spirit,

Marylon Gorham
The Big ‘G.F.’

A colleague of mine in Canberra, Mr Mockler, was the first to coin the idea of Holy Week being the Catholic version of a Grand Final week. He would constantly call it our ‘big G.F.’ I’m not certain of the depth of analysis that Mr Mockler bestowed upon this analogy, however, it is an analogy that I have run with for the last few years and I think that it matches so many of the themes and traditions that are Holy Week.

During Lent we, as Catholics, work hard to prepare ourselves so that we are in the best shape possible to receive and pass on the redeeming love of God. We sacrifice things that play a large part in our lives, just as elite sportspeople do before their big event. We change and sharpen our focus so that it is set towards that final journey of Jesus’ life on earth and no true sacrifice during Lent comes without challenges, obstacles and even the occasional slip up. Similarly, it is rare for a sports team to travel a smooth road to a Grand Final. There are injuries, losses and, all too often these days, scandals that step in the way.

And then, arrives Holy Week. A week of intense focus, of a gruelling emotional roller coaster as we watch Jesus condemned and beaten. We see him suffer immense sadness as he meets his mother, Mary, and farewells her to continue along the path to crucifixion. I’m not sure that my Year 10 hockey grand final gives me enough experience to quite understand the emotions that are involved in a large scale Grand Final week, however, the butterflies and nausea that were felt amongst our team in the lead up to our G.F. were very real and consumed most of our waking moments! There is a real buzz in the air in a Catholic community during Holy Week, something stirs up our faith and pride in what we believe. While watching the ‘Stations of the Cross’ yesterday, there would have been times where the links between a Roosters match and a Liturgical event were uncanny! A very tough Pontius Pilate calling the shots, just as the referee does, angry people shouting at Jesus, knocks and falls as Jesus travelled between the Stations and passionate chanting from the crowd as they supported ‘their team’ – Jesus. As the Stations went on, you’d have witnessed true mateship and sportsmanship as Simon came from the crowd to help out a tired Jesus, more knocks and falls and Jesus being shoved and pushed around. There was chanting, arms around shoulders, showing support and much anticipation and feelings of honour as we watched Jesus go through his final moments. Just like a sporting match, the participants and audience felt a certain exhaustion at the end, as we await the next three days of awe and jubilation.

I hope your Easter break is a time of renewal and spent with the people you love – and a little bit of chocolate somewhere in there too! We pray that those who are travelling are kept safe and that those who are unable to be with loved ones at this time are comforted.
A very moving and reverent re enactment of the Stations of the Cross by Year 6
Our thirty-eight talented cross country athletes participated in the Western Region Cross Country Carnival in Grenfell on Tuesday. Our students ran outstandingly well on the challenging course in very warm conditions. Many finished in the top half of their age division against competitors from the other eleven Western Region schools. Trinity was declared the Runner up in the small schools division. Congratulations to the Georgia, Maddison, James, Emily, Hayley and Hamish who finished in the top six of their age divisions. These talented athletes now go on to represent the Western Region at the Archdiocesan Carnival at Mt Stromlo in Canberra in May and we wish them all the best! A big thank you to Miss Peiper, our team coordinator and to the parents who assisted at the finish line and with transporting and supporting our students. It was a great day enjoyed by all those who made the trip to Grenfell.

Our official results are:
- Georgia Squire-Wilson 8/9yr girls 4th
- Emily Lenehan 4th 12yr girls
- Hayley Hambrook 8/9yr girls 6th
- Maddison Davis-Chard 11yr girls 3rd
- James Collins 12yr boys 3rd
- Hamish Minehan 10yr boys 5th

Archdiocesan Winter Soccer Trials
Last Friday Corey Doohan, Jack Kennett, Jack Innes and Mikey Fenney competed in the Archdiocesan Soccer Trials in Yass. The boys displayed impressive skills and fitness on the field all day under the watchful eye of the selectors. Congratulations to Corey Doohan whose efforts earned him a position in the Archdiocesan Soccer Team to compete at the MacKillop Carnival in Canberra early next term. Well done boys and a great effort Corey!

Sporting Dates for Term Two
- **Archdiocesan Touch Trials** in Cootamundra on Wednesday 29th April
- **MacKillop Winter Sport Trials for Soccer and Rugby League** in Canberra on Friday 1st May
- **Archdiocesan Cross Country** at Mt Stromlo in Canberra on Wednesday 20th May
- **Trinity Athletics Carnival** on Thursday 21st May
- **MacKillop Touch Trials** in Parramatta on Friday 22nd May
- **Mortimer Shield Gala Day** in Young on Thursday 28th May – we have entered a Year 5/6 Boys team and two teams in the Year 5/6 Girls league tag division
- **Rugby Trials (Yr 5/6)** in Yass on Monday 1st June
- **Western Region Athletics Carnival** in Cootamundra on Thursday 25th June
Students Soaring with the Spirit at Trinity

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

Isabelle Shea

WESTIE AWARDS

Mikey Fenney

CLASS AWARDS

Kindergarten:
Talia McKay &
Will James

Year 3:
Brody Schofield &
Georgie Ings

Year 1/2:
Tasmin Sommer &
Chaz Cooper

Year 4/5:
Samantha Scott &
Angelina Mayhew Lang

Year 5/6:
Elden Rowan &
Joie Whybrow

Principal’s Award
Emily Lenehan

AUSSIE OF THE MONTH
Hamish Minehan
Easter Hat Parade

The imaginations at Trinity ran wild and our Easter Hats were very colourful
PERFORMING ARTS

Thank you to all staff who donated the Easter eggs and to our students who bought tickets in our Easter Raffle. Approximately $200 was raised for project compassion. Well done Team Trinity

HOLY WEEK MASS TIMETABLE:

St. Anthony’s Church Harden

Holy Thursday Mass 5.30pm

Good Friday 3pm Stations of the Cross

Easter Saturday Vigil 7pm

Some very excited children with a visit from the Easter Bunny!
The 7th Light Horse Troop will be attending the Jugiong ANZAC Day Celebrations to be held at the Memorial Gates, Riverside Drive Jugiong.

The Ceremony will start at 15:30hrs with a Parade by both Harden and Gundagai Australian Light Horse Association Members. We would invite all current and ex service men and women to be a part of this parade. Jugiong Community members and groups are also most welcome. (form at the Police Station at 3.15pm)

The Jugiong Advancement Group will supply afternoon tea following the ceremony.

The 7th Light Horse will also be conducting a two up school at the Jugiong Motel later in the evening for everyone to enjoy. BBQ available at the Motel.

We extend a warm welcome to everyone to join with us in remembering our fallen and returned service men and women.

Harden Soccer Club is still taking registrations for the upcoming season. Registrations need to be completed ASAP so that teams can be put together for the SWSSA competition that will commence next term. To register please go to www.myfootballclub.com.au and follow the prompts. For more information or help please call Allison Manwaring, Registrar on 0429 193 453, email hardensoccerclub@gmail.com or ring FFA myfootballclub Support Centre on 8020 4199 between 12pm and 9pm Mon to Friday or on Sat 10 am to 2 pm.

Harden Netball Registration Days

Preschool to Year 9 (Boys and Girls)

Term 2 Competition due to commence on

Friday 24th April 2015 (Term 2 Week 1)

from 4.00-5.15pm (6 week competition)

$20 to be paid on Registration Day

Please register

Week 9 Tuesday 31st March at MPS Hall from 3.15 - 4.30 or

Week 9 Wednesday 1st April at Trinity Library from 3pm – 3.30pm

Or call Penny Lucas- 0413 603 747

Treen Brooker- 0411 045 630

NARNIA KIDS CLUB

ANGLICARE SPONSORED

Trained leaders with Working with Children Accreditation

DATES: MARCH 30TH. APRIL 27TH. MAY 4TH & 18TH. JUNE 1ST & 15TH. JULY 20TH.

For all details phone Pam Jamieson 63862458
CLOTHING POOL

Thank you Carmen Scott

Carmen has kindly agreed to take over the Clothing Pool. The hours for purchasing new or second hand uniforms will be as follows:

Tuesdays from 8:30—9:15am

Thursdays from 2:30—3:15pm

A note will be sent home with the uniform list so that if you can't get to the school on those days, that you can order your child's uniform and it will be sent home with your child.

ART CLASSES 2015

FOR ADVANCED NOTICE: Get on the list!

Send your name and kids names to

MICHELLE KENNEDT

School contacts:
Principal: Marylou Gorham
Assistant Principal: Rebecca Cooper
REC: Penny Lucas
Kinder: Jodie Houghton
Yr 1/2: Fiona Sampson
Yr 3: Rebecca Cooper / Julie Doolan
4/5: Kaitlyn Pieper
5/6: Jacqui Bolger
Librarian: Penny Lucas
Learning Support: Anne Glover, Jill Parker, Anne Burns
Administration: Leanne Davis, Mandy Hughes

School Council:
Chairperson: Sam Lenehan 0418 411799
Deputy Chairperson: Brendan McKay
Secretary: Fiona Collins
Treasurer: Brendan McKay
Parent Representative: Kate Squire Wilson
Parish Representatives: Ev Shea
Staff Representative: Julie Doolan
Canteen Manager: Jennifer Mackay
Grounds & Maintenance: Andrew Kennett
Council Email Address: trinityschoolcouncil@hotmail.com

Trinity School will be attending the Anzac Service on Saturday 25th April.

More details in week 1.

ANZAC DAY
25th April
~ Lest we forget ~
Harden Can Assist are hosting a
CAN ASSIST BREAKFAST

Where –
Murrumburrah High School Hall, Smith St, HARDEN

When -
SATURDAY 11th April, 2015 @ 9am

come and enjoy Breakfast, Music and Song

KEREN WALKER – Tai Chi, (early morning ‘warm-up’)

MEN’S TRIO – enjoy some traditional ANZAC songs performed by; Joe Kinsela, Keith Eatock & Peter O’Connor as they showcase their voices, with accompaniment by Stewart Bruce.

HARRY CLEVERDON – he’s only young, but he cares, a young lad on the way up in the entertainment world!

Everyone Welcome

Please come and support our ‘Special Guests’ who are our local cancer survivors, their carers and families.
Displays on the 1st Australian Light Horse Brigade, Local Railway History, Blacksmiths and Wheelwrights and a collection of Singer Sewing Machines.