Do you know anyone who may be interested in sending their children to Trinity now or in 2017? Our Open Day will be conducted this Monday May 16 and we have vacancies in all Year levels. Session one will be from 10am until 1:15pm. Preschoolers and their parents are invited to come to Trinity to participate in a range of activities. A morning tea will be provided for the visiting parents by our 2016 Kinder parents and the Bunyip students will be provided with a special lunch, fruit and a snack. A special thank you to Mr Bob Stevenson who has kindly volunteered to drive the Kruger bus to transport the Bunyip children and teachers.

During the evening commencing at 4:45pm, there will be an Expo and Open Evening for all families. If you are unable to make it during the day or you would like to see our school in action, this is an ideal opportunity for your family to come and see what makes our school unique. Trinity staff and students will be in attendance demonstrating many of the wonderful things we offer here at Trinity with a barbeque provided by Hennessy Catholic College Young. Community Council members and 2016 Kinder parents will also be in attendance to meet and chat with parents.

The Trinity Equestrian Event on Saturday 21 and 22 May is our major fundraiser for 2016. Requests have been sent home to all our families seeking your assistance with the barbeque, baking and various jobs on both days. Please don’t forget to return the notes to school. We need you all to help us make the gymkhana a success. The proceeds will assist with the purchase of furniture and technology for our new classrooms. Leanne Davis and Mandy Hughes have been doing an amazing job behind the scenes organising sponsors, judges and prizes. Please don’t forget to hit the Like button on Facebook in recognition of their work and the sponsors.

Just a reminder parents when you are collecting children at the end of the school day, please come to the gate. It gets very chaotic at Trinity in the afternoon and it is safer that you walk and collect the children rather than they come out to you.

God Bless

Marylou Gorham
Congratulations Dan! Displaying great sportsmanship during all sport and playground interactions!

Book Fair - Week 7
Monday 6th June - Friday 10th June

How many monsters can you see (in the newsletter)? Get your answer to Mrs Cooper ASAP!
‘Blessed are the merciful…’

Dear Parents

You might not have been a fan of Reggae Music but Bob Marley had a point when he sang, “You just can’t live that negative way. Make way for the positive day.”

Here is a little story about a donkey and at the end you will understand why the story is titled, “The Wise Donkey”.

“One day a farmer’s donkey fell into a well. The animal cried miserably for hours as the farmer tried to work out what to do. Finally, the farmer decided that the donkey was old and the well had to be filled in anyway; it just wasn’t worth the effort to retrieve the old donkey. He invited his neighbours to come over and help him. Each grabbed a shovel and began to shovel dirt into the well. When the donkey realised what was happening, it cried horribly, then, to everyone’s amazement it quietened down. When the farmer looked into the well, he was astonished to see the donkey shake each shovel load of dirt off its back and take a step upwards. This continued until the donkey began to appear at the top of the well. Before long, it stepped over the edge of the well and trotted off.”  Author unknown.

And the moral?  Well, use each of your problems as stepping stones. We will never get out of our “deepest wells” by doing nothing. We need to shake off the negatives and ‘Make way for a positive day’. Additionally, acting in a positive way does not mean that we ignore life’s less pleasant situations but that we approach the unpleasantness in a more positive and productive way. What a Wise Donkey! In the Making Jesus Real program, we refer to this action as ‘Building a Bridge and Getting Over It (the problem). In reality this can be easier said than done, because the challenges can feel insurmountable.

So, how do we teach our children to be wise and positive in the decisions and choices they will have to make?

Ron Disney gives good advice when he says, “It is not hard to make decisions when you know what your values are.”  St. Paul, when he wrote to his church at Philippi, suggested some great values: “Whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable, whatever is excellent or worthy of praise, think of these things.”  Phil, 4: 8.

As Christians, we believe in a positive outcome in life by our faith in a loving God. Through prayer, Christians believe that we can make use of what Jesus called, “the Kingdom of God within you.”  Luke 17:21.

When we are tempted to give in and say we can’t do something, St. Paul has this encouragement, “I can do all things in Him who strengthens me.”  Phil. 4: 8.

Christians realise that optimistic, positive thinking needs to be tempered with realism, which is not the same as being negative. A favourite saying is to “Act as if everything depended on you, pray as if everything depended on God.”  In other words we should not use faith in God as a substitute for living in positive ways that will likely improve our chances of having positive outcomes; the two go hand in hand. St. Paul again: “There is no limit to the blessings which God can send you; He will make sure that you will always have all you need for yourselves in every possible circumstance and still have something to spare for all sorts of good work.”  2 Cor. 9:8. No wonder Christians are such a positive lot! And if we aren’t, we should be.

“God, my Father, increase my confidence and awareness of Your Spirit, Your Kingdom, within me, as You prompt me to live the Gospel message of Your Son, Jesus. Amen.”

A very special ‘Thank You’ to Jill Parker for the beautiful ‘Year of Mercy’ banner she has made.

Peace and Blessings on your week.

Helene Boller

There will be a liturgy in St Mary’s church lead by Year 6 Thursday 19 May at 9.30.

Please join us.
SPORTS REPORT

On Wednesday 18th May Maddie DC and Hamish will venture to Mt Stromlo for the Archdiocesan Cross Country Carnival. We wish them all the best and will keep them in our thoughts on the day. Good luck!

MORTIMER SHIELD Wednesday 1st June @ Young

We require coaches for our teams! If you can assist please let Mrs Cooper know. Permission notes have been sent home today and NEED to be back at school by MONDAY 16TH MAY.

SAVE THE DATE:

☐ Thursday 2nd June Trinity Athletics Carnival @ Robert's Park 9am-3:10pm

☐ Harden Junior Netball will begin on May 13th

Parents please note: All students require labelled drink bottles to be brought into school on a daily basis. A part of our Crunch and Sip program incorporates the sipping of water throughout the day as well as fruit and vegetable snacks for our “Brain Break” @ 10am every morning. Please remember to pack a drink bottle and brain break snack for your child/ren EVERY day.
Fruit cups $1
Yoghurt with strawberries $0.80
Fruit “rockets” $0.80
Dip with carrot sticks and rice crackers $0.80
Mini quiche $TBA
Pin wheels $1 for 3
Mini salad cups $1
Soups $TBA
Lasagne $TBA
Celery sticks with cottage cheese or peanut butter. $TBA

If you have any suggestions or recipes for healthier options I would love to hear from you. You can email me on jennifer-cliff@hotmail.com or 0458788425. Alternatively, if you have any recipes your child loves feel free to drop them in at the front office.

PENDING EVENTS TO NOTE ON YOUR CALENDER

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Congratulations Georgia and Emily!

Congratulations Emily, Sam, Corey, Patrick, Boston, Declan, Chaz and Jesse! We love how thoughtful, kind and cooperative you are being this term!

Sports Star