What a fantastic Open Day we had this year at Trinity! It was wonderful to have the Bunyip children and parents at Trinity on Monday. The visiting children enjoyed their experiences and being so capably looked after by the 2016 Kinders and the Year 6 students. The Expo in the evening was a huge success with some of the pre-schoolers and their parents coming back for a second look along with some pre-schoolers who couldn’t come during the day. A special thank you to Gerard Sims Assistant Principal of Hennessy and his staff who attended the evening session and cooked the barbeque. They bought along some ex Trinity students and it was lovely to hear their positive comments about the many changes which have occurred here at Trinity. We always welcome our ex-students and it was wonderful that they wanted to come along to support us as well as Hennessy. A special thank you to the staff of Trinity who all attended on the evening along with members of the Community Council and parents. A special thank you to Wendy Medway, our 2016 Kinder parent representative who organised the morning tea and her many helpers and Mark Sumich who did an amazing job cooking the barbeque.

This Tuesday at 9:30am we have a special Mass for Holy Trinity day. This is the first time in a couple of years that we have celebrated our feast day so we are making this an annual event and a special occasion. The Year 1/2 and Year 4/5 students are preparing the Mass and afterwards the children will be participating in activities in the classroom on the Blessed Trinity which Ms Helene Boller REC has prepared for them. A sausage sizzle and a drink will be provided for each student for lunch (gold coin donation), which will be capably organised and cooked by Kate Squire-Wilson and our Trinity Year level representatives will be assisting her. We invite all parents, grandparents and special friends to come to our Mass and to come along to our Australia’s Biggest Morning tea fundraiser event. Parents if you are coming, can you please bring a plate of food to share. We hope to see you all there!

The Trinity Equestrian Event is on this Saturday and Sunday. We still require volunteers to assist with the BBQ and various jobs on both days. If you have an hour or two spare could you please phone the office. **Donations of eggs and cakes can be brought to the school (front office) on Friday or to the Showground on Saturday morning and dropped to the canteen near the Alcorn Pavilion.**

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

**Marilyn Gorham**
‘Blessed are the merciful...’
This imaginative prayer meditation is based on Acts 2:1–11, the story of the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

After Jesus ascended to the Father, all of us who had been his followers decided to stay together. He told us to wait for the Holy Spirit. We weren’t sure what that meant, really. What would it look like, feel like? We knew from the Scriptures that the Holy Spirit visited the prophets in strange ways—in visions, with powerful speech, even with great miracles. In Jesus’ company, we had indeed witnessed miracles. We told stories, often, of when he healed this person or cast out a demon from that one. We recounted the story of Jesus feeding thousands with a few loaves and fishes.

The biggest miracle, of course, was Jesus’ Resurrection. That was more than a miracle; it would change the world forever. It changed us.

What do I remember most fondly about traveling with Jesus? Was it his stories? Was it the way he looked with great kindness on a person, no matter who that person was or what he’d done?

All we could do now was tell stories of what had already happened—that, and pray as we waited.

What are we waiting for? How will we know that the Advocate (the one Jesus promised to send) has come to us?

The Feast of Pentecost arrived, and still we remained gathered like sheep awaiting the shepherd. We observed our Pentecost prayers and rituals, continuing to act like the observant Jews we were. But something was missing, and we didn’t even know how to describe it.

What does a community need, when it has to understand a new and revolutionary truth?
Do we need better understanding? Do we need a plan?
Do we need, more than anything, the courage to keep believing and telling what we know?

On the Feast of Pentecost, while we prayed together, the room suddenly filled with wind that seemed to come from an ocean or a desert. Or a cave or a mountain. It was fresh and cool yet weighted with unnamable fragrance and crackling like fire. The two small windows and the seemingly calm weather outside could not account for this roaring, invisible, electric rush of air.

What is happening? Are we to be taken up in a whirlwind, as Elijah was? Will we go now to be with our Lord, wherever he is?

We prayed louder and with urgency. Surely God would protect us from whatever was happening just now. At one point all of us were saying, together, the prayer Jesus had taught us: “Our Father...” Then our communal prayer burst into a hundred prayers at once. Our words had begun in unison but now reproduced themselves in odd yet fervent lines of syllables. After a few moments, we realized that we were not saying the same words. In fact, we were not even speaking the same language.

What is going on in my mouth? I think a thought, and my tongue and lips form the thought on their own, in words I cannot perceive yet know to be true.

Each one of us was praying in an excited voice, in a distinct language. And we were proclaiming this new story of the risen Christ with an eloquence we could not have imagined moments before. With our minds we could not translate, but our hearts knew exactly what we meant. Adapted from Imaginative Prayer
http://www.ignatianspirituality.com/21444/imaginative-prayer-pentecost
This weekend we celebrate Trinity Sunday. The concept of a triune God - the Trinity: Father, Son and Holy Spirit is one of the most challenging doctrines. ‘It emphasises the Christian belief that at the heart of God there is a relationship of self-giving love and that for Christians faith is about that God reaching out for a loving relationship to them.’

Please join us for Mass at 9.30 on Tuesday to celebrate Trinity Day ~ our school name day. Years 1/2 are doing the readings for this Mass assisted by 4/5.

May the love of God, wonderful creator, eternal sustainer, embrace you.
May the love of Christ, instrument of compassion, advocate for justice, affirm you.
May the love of the Holy Spirit, giver of courage, giver of hope, work with you.
Amen.

Helene Boller
Archdiocesan Cross Country

Yesterday Maddie and Hamish ventured to Mt Stromlo in Canberra to compete for a position in the Archdiocesan Team to compete at the MacKillop trials. It was tough competition with frosty conditions! Hamish ran a great race coming in 16th and Maddie ran an amazing race coming in 2nd and making it into the Arch team to represent at the MacKillop trials. We congratulate both Hamish and Maddie on a great performance yesterday and we wish Maddie all the best for her trip to Sydney soon!
Good Luck!

We wish Hunter, Katie-Rose, Patrick, Eliza, Jesse and Emily all the best for their Touch Football Trials on Friday. They travelled to Sydney today to participate in a training session and then onto the competition tomorrow with the aim of being selected into the MacKillop Touch Football team. We know they will be up against some strong opposition but we wish them all the best and most importantly that they have FUN!
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.

### PENDING EVENTS TO NOTE ON YOUR CALENDAR

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REMINDER
HENNESSY CATHOLIC COLLEGE
ENROLMENT FORMS FOR 2017
Please return to the College office ASAP
Interviews for 2017 Enrolments Commence Next Week

Congratulations!
This week we celebrate the achievements of:

Year 6: Katie-Rose & Coralie
Year 4/5: Hugh & Amelia
Year 3/4: Georgia & Christian
Year 1/2: Archie
K: Billy