Reflection

Parents and Teachers Working Together.

I dreamed I stood in a studio and watched two sculptors there,

The clay they used was a young child's mind and they fashioned it with care.

One was a teacher; the tools being used were books and music and art,

One a parent with a guiding hand and a gentle, loving heart.

Day after day the teacher toiled with touch that was deft and sure,

While the parent laboured just as hard and polished and smoothed it o'er.

When at last their task was done they were proud of what they had wrought,

For the things they had moulded into the child could neither be sold nor bought.

And both agreed they would have failed if they had worked alone;

For behind the parents stood the school and behind the teacher, the home.

This Tuesday evening, November 15 there will be an information evening at Trinity for all parents of students attending Trinity in 2017. Mrs Maree Williams head of RE and Curriculum at Catholic Education will be in attendance and will make a presentation about the CE model for education, building inclusive contemporary quality learning opportunities for everyone, followed by a presentation by Rebecca Cooper and myself about how this model will function in the new learning spaces. All staffing for 2017 will be announced so we urge you all to attend. The 2017 teachers will be in attendance to chat with you or ask questions. A barbecue tea and refreshments will be provided at 6:30pm with the information session commencing at 7pm which should conclude by 7:45pm. Children are most welcome to attend. An invitation will be sent home to all families today.

Next Thursday our 2017 Kinder students will be at school from 9:10am until 3:15pm. The current Kinder class are being very grown up and have loved the responsibility of looking after the 2017 students. On Thursday morning at 9:10 am there will be a morning tea hosted by our 2016 Kinder parents. This will be followed later in the evening with the Kinder Information Evening at 7pm for all 2017 Kinder parents. The evening will be presented by Ms Helene Boller, Mrs Rebecca cooper Assistant Principal and myself. We are looking forward to welcoming our current and new Kinder parents into the beautiful Trinity community.

This Monday we will be having the long awaited for Walkathon. The Walkathon will commence at 9:30 am with Year 6 leading the walk accompanied by their Kinder buddies. All families and grandparents are welcome to walk with the children as this is a family event. Upon return to school there will be a barbecue lunch provided for everyone who participated and attended. The Walkathon prizes will be drawn at the conclusion of lunch. Any outstanding Walkathon money needs to be returned to school by this Friday. The major prize is for the most money raised by a child,
followed by lucky draws. Thank you to our many parents who have offered to assist on the day at check points and cooking the barbecue. We couldn’t host these events without your assistance.

On 11 November we remember all Australians who died or suffered for Australia’s cause in all wars and armed conflicts. The observation of one-minute silence at 11 am honours the sacrifice of those who gave their lives and their service. We will be conducting a remembrance Day ceremony at Trinity on Friday at 11am. Everyone is most welcome to attend.

God Bless

Marylou Gorham
‘Blessed are the merciful…’

A big thank you for your support of our recent Mission Day. Our donations, no matter how large or small transform the lives of others.

The announcement this week of Deng Thiak Adut as NSW Australian of the Year for 2017 is a wonderful example of the power of love and generosity. Despite seemingly insurmountable horrors Deng chose not only to be the best he could be, but to also use his gifts to change the lives of others.

There are so many Go(o)d moments at Trinity when our students, Staff and parents help each other out in simple ways. This was again evident today as we welcomed our 2017 Kinder students and they were helped on the playground and in the Kinder classroom. Remember the power of a smile and a friendly hello to make someone’s day.

Last year I ‘borrowed’ this prayer from another school’s newsletter and would like to use it again as the message is very powerful reminder that we are called not just to help out those less fortunate through monetary contributions, but to also take a stand for the Right of Others.

Almighty and loving God, you who created ALL people in your image,
Lead us to seek your compassion as we listen to the stories of our past.
Touch the hearts of the broken, homeless and afflicted and heal their spirits.
In your mercy and compassion walk with us as we continue our journey of healing to create a future that is just and equitable.
Lord, you are our hope. Amen.

God’s blessings on each and every family

Helene Boller
Rural and regional school travel

What’s New on the buses
From 12 May 2016, applications for free travel will need to be completed online instead of using a paper forms.

Who can apply
To be eligible for free school travel, students may need to live a minimum distance from their school:

Years K-2 (Infants)
There is no minimum distance.

Years 3-6 (Primary)
1.6km straight line distance or 2.3km walking.

Years 7-12 (Secondary)
2.0km straight line distance or 2.9km walking.

Who needs to apply
A new application is only required if the student has never been approved for free school travel before.

However, you need to update student details online if the student:

- Is moving from Year 2 to Year 3
- Is moving from Year 6 to Year 7
- Is changing schools or campuses
- Is changing address

How to update your details
If the student has already been approved for school travel and their address, school or name changes, or the student is entering Years 3 or 7, you will need to update your details at aaps.transport.nsw.gov.au/ssts/updatedetails.

How to apply for the first time

Step 1
Once you have confirmed your 2017 school enrolment, complete the online application form at transportnsw.info/school-students, nominating your home address and which bus company or transport operator the student needs to travel between home and school.
**Step 2**
Print, sign and date the completed application, then return it to the student’s school for endorsement.

**Step 3**
The school will send the endorsed application to Transport for NSW. You will receive an email confirming the outcome of your application. If the application is approved, Transport for NSW will inform the local bus company.

A parent or guardian must apply for students 15 years and under. Students 16 years and over must apply for themselves.

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**HARDEN SWIMMING CLUB**

Harden Swimming Club will be holding their Registration Afternoon on Monday the 14th November.

Where: Harden Swimming Pool from 4pm

To join Swimming Club you only need to be able to swim 25mtrs unassisted.

Cost $75/ child for the season.

We will have a light training session after.

Hope to see old and new members.

Any questions phone 0418868424
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## Kindergarten Writing Groups

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