

TERM ONE, WEEK SEVEN - 16 MARCH 2018

## FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Today was National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence. The National definition of bullying for Australian schools says:
Bullying is an ongoing misuse of power in relationships through repeated verbal, physical and/or social behaviour that causes physical and/or psychological harm. It can involve an individual or a group misusing their power over one or more persons. Bullying can happen in person or online, and it can be obvious (overt) or hidden (covert).

Bullying of any form or for any reason can have long-term effects on those involved, including bystanders. Single incidents and conflict or fights between equals, whether in person or online, are not defined as bullying.

Behaviours that do not constitute bullying include:

- mutual arguments and disagreements (where there is no <u>power</u> imbalance)
- not liking someone or a single act of social rejection
- one-off acts of meanness or spite
- isolated incidents of aggression, intimidation or violence.

Next Wednesday March 21 is Harmony day. Today we celebrated this event and what it means for us in our school and in the country of Australia. As National Day of Action Against Bullying and Harmony Day are celebrated closely on the National calendar, we took the opportunity in each learning space, to reflect on harmony in relationships and respect of cultural and religious diversity, fostering a sense of belonging for everyone. Harmony Day is a celebration of our cultural diversity — a day of cultural respect for everyone who calls Australia home. The message of Harmony Day is 'everyone belongs'. This links closely to our MJR values program focusing on being Jesus to each other and how we can all be bucket fillers.

Have a great week

God Bless,

Marylou Gorham

### IN THIS EDITION:

- Harmony Day
- Student Awards
- Upcoming Events

MJR Focus Cooperation

PBL Focus
We respect our
belongings and the
belongings of others!

OUR SCHOOL PRAYER:
Loving God,
Thank you for giving us this new day.
In everything we think, say and do,
May others see that you live in each one of us.
Help us to make good choices,
To treat people with love and to walk in your ways.
We ask this through Christ our Lord,
Amen.

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## OTHER IMPORTANT NEWS

Parent representatives: At Trinity we are seeking parent representatives for Kinder, Year 1/2, Year 3/4 and Year 5/6. This job is not too demanding but involves assisting with morning teas or organising a coffee morning for your group. If you think you would like to be the parent representative for your child's class, please contact Leanne at the front office. Our students and our staff love working and being a part of Trinity!

**WWCC:** Many parents offered to volunteer in the classroom at the parent information evening which was wonderful. If you or a family member is able to assist especially during Literacy and Numeracy blocks please contact your child's class teacher. We love having you here and your children especially love to see you taking that extra interest in their learning and they reap the rewards. Teachers understand you are busy but if you can spare some time even one day a week that would be fantastic. As of January 2018, it is a requirement that all parents and grandparents who wish to volunteer to assist in the classroom or at school events have a Working With Children Check.

This is easily obtained by going online to:

https://www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au/childsafeorganisations/working-with-children-check, completing the form, then going to the RTA to finalise. You are most welcome to come into school and apply for it on our computers here. It is free for volunteers. Once you have a number please send in to the front office along with your birth date so it can be verified.

The School Counsellor will be at Trinity this Wednesday. Parents, if you wish your child to see the Counsellor, please contact the front office to make an appointment.

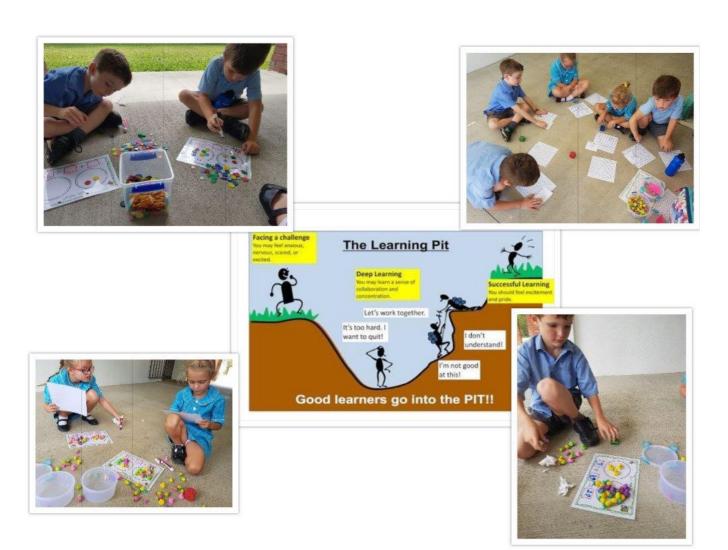
The children are well and truly focused and engaged in the 'Learning Pit' at Trinity! Check out the great photos below with the children challenged by ensuring that they 'Make' 'Say', 'Write' & 'Do' every minute of every day!

There are lots of very important events happening in the next few weeks, including First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, Easter events and Learning Journeys. Parents, please check the calendar at the back of the newsletter each week to keep informed of school events.

On Wednesday March 28, we would like to invite all Kinder to Year 2 parents/grandparents/special friends to come and visit their children in the Kinder to Year 2 classrooms between 12:45pm and 1:30pm to decorate Easter hats. All hats will be provided by the class teachers but children will need to supply their decorations. We hope to see you there! A reminder will go home beforehand.



Challenging Year 1/2 with leaning addition of one and two digit numbers using the jump strategy. We were inside, outside and we used teddy bears, chalk, whiteboard makers, dice, hundreds charts, numbers lines and the list goes on!





## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS**

#### **Making Jesus Real**

The focus in MJR for this week is COOPERATION and learning to be a cooperative friend.

Cooperation is everyone helping to get something done. Cooperation is working together toward a common goal. Cooperation is working together with patience and affection.



#### Mass

Next Thursday Trinity will celebrate Mass with Father Joshy led by Year 3 / 4. Please note that the time for this mass has changed to **2:15pm**. We warmly welcome all families and friends to come along to gather in friendship and worship.

#### **CARITAS**

This week we travel to Mozambique in our CARITAS stories to hear about a young woman named Ditosa. Ditosa hopes to go to university and become a police officer. But is faced by a challenging future with food scarcity, little education and few job prospects. Cared for by her grandmother and aunt, after her parents died of AIDS-related illnesses, they also lost their home and livelihoods in severe flooding.



Thanks to the support of Project Compassion, Caritas Australia is helping Ditosa's family to build a new house and assist with transport fees, school materials and fees to help Ditosa to stay at school. Ditosa's dreams of going to university to continue studying and secure an even brighter future have been fulfilled as a result of the generosity of giving.

Thank you to all families and children of Trinity who continue to bring in loose change for our Project Compassion boxes in the classrooms. Your generosity goes a long way to help those in need.

#### **Reconciliation and Eucharist**

Please keep our Year 4 children in your thoughts and prayers as they continue to prepare to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist. Thank you to parents and families in your support for your children and your continued guidance in their Faith journey.

**Thought for the week:** "The proof of love is in the works. Where love exists, it works great things. But when it ceases to act, it ceases to exist." *Pope St. Gregory the Great* Wishing everybody a wonderful week,

#### **God Bless**

Donna Wade



# THIS WEEK'S AWARD RECIPIENTS

## Class Awards:

Kinder: Tilly Jackson & Ben Pollard

Year 1/2: Billy Corkhill, Zoe Lenehan & Stevie-Rain Ford

Year 3/4: Jemima Mergard & Ruby-Louise Griffiths

Year 5/6: Hunter Minson & Sara Collins

### MJR Award:

Year 5/6: Bella Cooper & Zarlie Quinn







# SPORTS CALENDAR - UPCOMING EVENTS

EVENT	DATE
Trinity Cross Country Carnival (K-6)	Monday 9th April
Western Region Cross Country (Gundagai)	Friday 4th May (Term 2)

The Rugby League Come and Try Gala Date has been changed. The new date is TBA!

Children in Orange celebrating Harmony Day



# DATES FOR THE CALENDAR

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION/ REQUIREMENTS	START TIME
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	Coummunity Council Meeting	Trinity	7pm
Tuesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Sacrament Reflection Afternoon Yr 4	St Anthony's Church	12pm – 3.10pm
Wednesday 21st March	Sacrament of First Reconciliation	St Athony's Church	7pm
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	School Mass	St Mary's Church	2.15pm
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> March	Trinity Playgroup	Trinity	9.30am
Sunday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	First Eucharist Family Mass	St Anthony's Church	9am
Monday 26th March	Parliament	Trinity	2.45pm
Wednesady 28th March	Easter Hat Making Yr K-2	Trinity K-2 Classrooms	12.45pm - 1.30pm
Wednesday 28th March	Leaning Journeys	Trinity	3.30pm – 6.30pm
Thursday 29th March	Passion Play Yr 4-6	Sacred Heart, Cootamundra	10am
Thursday 29th March	Year K-3 Easter Reflection	Trinity	2.15pm
Thursday 29th March	Easter Hat Parade Yr K-6	Trinity Basketball Courts	2.45pm