Principal's Report

On Sunday many of our Year 5/6 students received the Sacrament of Confirmation. The ceremony was an extremely solemn occasion and prayerful experience. I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate the Year 5/6 students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Confirmation is a Sacrament of empowerment. It gives the strength to follow Jesus and to become involved in the mission which Jesus left to the Church. We thank the parents and sponsors for their support and continued support as these students continue to journey in their faith. Again, a sincere thank you to Father Joshy, Mrs Jacqui Bolger, Mrs Penny Lucas, Mrs Julie Doolan, Mrs Jill Parker, Mr Minehan, Mrs Potts, Mrs Menz, Mrs Stewar, Sr Kathy Hodge, Archbishop Christopher Prowse, the choir and all of the wonderful staff at Trinity for helping to make this day so special.

As each student arrives home tomorrow they will bring with them their school report for Semester 1. This is an opportunity for you to congratulate and affirm them individually on their achievements and successes both in and out of the classroom. Each student has excelled themselves and truly embraced our school motto “Whatever you do, do well –to know, to love and to serve”. Each teacher has spent many long hours preparing for and writing reports and I would like to give a heartfelt thank you to each of them. They really do go out of their way to make a difference for our children by differentiating the learning for each student at Trinity.

As Principal I have relished the opportunity to read each report. I am very proud of our students and their achievements and look forward to seeing you all at the three way conversations during Week 2 of next Term, as we continue the journey in educating our children together. Parents, students and teachers participate in Three Way Conversations. This is an opportunity for students to discuss their goals that are set at the beginning of the year. Parents are able to visit the classrooms and look at the child's work, discuss the progress of their child's goals and be informed by the teacher of their child's academic and social progress. Teachers are able to offer the students possible ways to achieve their goals or suggestions for new goals, according to their progress. A note will be sent home next Term to organise interview times and dates.

Last Wednesday six of our Year 5/6 students travelled to Hennessy at Young for Aspirations. Frances Moore from the Australian Catholic University was so impressed with their Portraitures and what they have been doing in the Arts, she has invited all of Year 5/6 over to the University for the whole day next term for a variety of different activities in all different faculties. She has also requested hard copies of their Visual Art portraits. Congratulations to Mrs Jacqui Bolger and Year 5/6. What clever and talented students we have and a huge thank you to Mrs Bolger for her guidance and expertise in the Arts.

As this is our last newsletter for Term 2, I would like to take the opportunity to thank Mrs Rebecca Cooper and Mrs Penny Lucas for their leadership and support in what has been a particularly challenging Term for me personally with the illness of my husband. I would also like to thank all of our staff for their hard work and perseverance preparing work and assisting in various ways to ensure our children are well looked after academically and physically. A special thank you to Mrs Leanne Davis and Ms Maria Connell who are always smiling, keep the front office buzzing and do so many extras behind the scenes, quietly and calmly.

Have a safe and happy holiday, enjoy the precious time with your families and I look forward to seeing you all back here on Tuesday July 14 ready to start Term 3.

God bless,

Marylou Gorham – Principal
**CONFIRMATION 2015 – Soaring with the Spirit in a BIG way!**

I felt so very honoured to be a part of Sunday’s celebrations. The church was filled to the brim, the choir stall was ringing and the children and their families were glowing with the Spirit! Archbishop Christopher led a powerful Eucharistic Celebration with many personal stories of his own and suggestions for our students to take away with them. He modernised the traditional Anointing by walking amongst the aisles to seal each candidate with the Gift of the Holy Spirit which displayed his approachability and welcoming nature.

So many people shared their time and efforts to make the whole Confirmation journey such a meaningful and memorable one and I am very grateful to have such a passionate group of people within our parish who truly care for the spiritual well-being of our youth. To Julie Doolan who gave up countless hours to help – from liturgical movements to tracing Saints’ names on stoles, transferring mountains of information onto white cards, baking for Sacramental meetings and much more, thank you! Your experience, enthusiasm and talents are invaluable!

To Jill Parker who sews and decorates all of the stoles in her own time, who decorates the church with intricacy and incredible attention to detail, who sits with every student as they paint their Saint’s name on their stole and much, much more – thank you! We are all so appreciative of the way you go about things without fuss or needing to ask – you just seem to know what to do and do it!

To the Trinity staff, especially Mrs Bolger who led the children in their study of the nuts and bolts of this significant sacrament, THANK YOU! Thank you also has to go to the parish choir, the Butt family and Amy Mergard for sharing their wonderful voices with us, Maree Stewart, Kellie Potts, Helen Quinn for preparing the students and their families every Tuesday night for four weeks as part of the Sacramental Program, Di Moorby and Monica O’Connor for the flowers and decoration of the altar, Sarah Rowan for the absolutely stunning Confirmation Cake, Ev Shea and Maryanne Fitzgerald for their help with the morning tea and … FINALLY … the parents. Thank you for all of your preparation, in the last 6 weeks AND for the last 11 or 12 years in preparing your children to be such caring, generous, enthusiastic young people who, I have utter faith, will use the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to spread messages of love and social justice in the communities that they find themselves part of.

*Peace and blessings,*

*Penny Lucas*

**Soar with the Spirit**
Peer Support

In Peer Support this term students have been helped to identify VALUES

- Caring
- Honesty
- Tolerance
- Responsibility
- Fair Go
- Hard work
- Compassion
- Freedom
- Inclusion
- Integrity
- Understanding
- Respect
- Truth
- Trust

In this week’s final session, the children created a “chatterbox” to help them reflect on their values and how they could be demonstrated to other people. Each group then celebrated what they had learned and the new friendship and connections they have made.

Date Event Location/Requirements Start Time
TUESDAY – 14th July STUDENTS RETURN TO SCHOOL
Tues – 14th July School Banking Day To Leanne at the Office-please
Fri – 17th July 2015 (wk 1) Young Soccer Carnival Gus Smith Oval TBA
Wed – 22nd July 2015 Three Way Interviews Trinity Primary School
Fri – 24th July 2015 Class Public Speaking Trinity Primary School 9.30 - 11.30am
Wed - 29th July 2015 Trent Barrett Shield Robert’s Park, Harden TBA

- Special Birthday wishes to ........
  Heidi from Yr 3
  Philippa from Yr 1/2
  Samatha from Yr K
  Roy, Corey & Bayley
## Student Awards – Week 9 2015

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<td>Riley</td>
<td>Congratulations Riley – today we celebrate your amazing effort in writing! Fabulous attempts with spelling, preserving until your idea is in a sentence. Writing neatly and clearly – Great Job!</td>
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<td>Declan</td>
<td>Congratulations Declan – today we celebrate your consistent effort to improve the quality of your work all week! Keep it up!</td>
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<td>Maddison F</td>
<td>Maddison F – for trying hard and being positive about school work</td>
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<td>Poppy</td>
<td>Poppy – Super Job - Excellent Writing</td>
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<td>Hunter B – for his determination to do his best and give everything a go!</td>
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<td>Hayley H</td>
<td>Hayley H – for her fantastic research skills when fact finding about Italy</td>
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<td>Tom</td>
<td>Tom – for being a good sport, playing fairly and always encouraging other to do their best</td>
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<td>Dylan &amp; Angelina</td>
<td>Bronze Award for earning 25 Blue merits and 5 Teachers Awards</td>
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### Aspirations Portraits by Yr 6

The students in Years 3 to 6 have spent time in Term Two learning about **Italy** – it’s art, geography and architecture. The following pages shows some beautiful artwork completed by the children as they discover **Italy**!
WE NEED YOUR SUPPORT FOR A FABULOUS CAUSE
Melissa Ings and Catherine Cooper are shaving their heads on 15th August 2015 and are hoping to raise funds for the Harden Nursing Home Branch of CanAssist by losing their locks. They are both passionate about the money raised being used to help the people of Harden Community and encourage everyone to get behind this cause and support them. All money raised will be divided equally between the Nursing Home and Can Assist.
Any donation that you can give is greatly appreciated.
http://gogetfunding.com/catherine-mellissas-shave-for-harden/

Our Lady of Mery Parish Harden
150 CLUB TICKETS – BUY NOW!!
Please show your support by purchasing a ticket - $50-00 per ticket
PRIZES
1st = $1,600
2nd = $900
3rd = $500
4th = $150
5th = $100
Then 5 draws of $50 each
Drawn – September 2015
(at Parish Celebration Date – TBA)
For tickets or enquiries please phone:
Maryanne Fitzgerald - Work: 6386-2200
Or
Evelyn Shea – Home: 6386-2550

Hello everyone! On Wednesday 1st July we are holding a NRL Holiday Clinic at the following locations:-

YOUNG  10am – 1pm t Keith Cullen Oval
COOTAMUNDRA  10am – 1pm at Nicholson Park
It is for boys and girls between 5-14 yrs of age.
The cost is $40- which is fantastic value as the kids receive a number of items on the day. Parents need to register and pay online, it is quite simple just refer to the link details below and it has all the information including what the kids will receive in their NRL pack.
http://www.playnrl.com/programs/

Cheers, Luke Branigan – Game Development Officer Sth West NSW
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Harden Rotary Club
Harden Super IGA
Our Lady of Mercy Parish
Harden District Education Foundation
Harden View Club
Harden Country Club
Harden Murrumburrah Historical Society
Coffee, Dust & Donuts
Murrumburrah Chapter - Cootamundra Sub-Branch of the RSL of Australia

THANKYOU!

TRINITY NOTICE BOARD
Reflections on a beautiful Confirmation Day!

Confirmation Reflection.

I had a great day at confirmation, the evening was really good and felt really nervious and excited. One of my favourite parts was when we got anointed with the chrism.

S. B.

At the Confirmation I felt the Holy Spirit pass through my ankles and run up my spine, as I was getting confirmed and I could also hear a soft wind through my ears. I felt like one of the special people ever like I was the only one.

Fantastic Kacie! Rose!! xx

On confirmation I felt the Holy Spirit when I was confirmed, it was a little shiver down my spine. I saw so much kind words from Mrs. Byrne, took them making me smile.

Even if I loved our confirmation and the best part is that I got to move it with my friends.

Brisdet Claire.

24 June

Reflection of my Confirmation Day.

When I got to the church I put on my gown and sash on Kopita, Milly and I got a family photo. When the mass started, all of us (done a entrance dance). I felt a little nervous when the Archbishop come around and confirmed me. I chatted with two little dances I felt the Holy Spirit with me when the Archbishop come around.

Love Ansel. S.B.