Dear Parents,

**GRADE 5 CAMP**
The grade 5 students and the following staff – Mr Dell’Oro, Mrs Pepper, Miss Lamb, Miss Gubbins, Miss Farrelly, Miss Edmanson and Mrs Finkelde attended the Grade 5 camp at Phillip Island Adventure Resort from Monday to Wednesday this week. From all reports it was an excellent camp, full of fun, learning adventures, building team work and working collaboratively. The Grade 5 students are to be commended on their exemplary behaviour, for being excellent role models and for representing our school with pride. Thank you to the staff who attended camp for their care and dedication to our students, for helping to create memorable learning experiences, for the planning and organisation that contributed to the success of the camp, and most importantly, for returning our students safely to their families. Also, many thanks to our grade 5 parents for their thoughtful, loving comments on ‘edmodo’ and for sharing, so enthusiastically, in the students’ learning experiences while at camp.

We have included some photo’s further in the newsletter.

**GRADE 6 LEADERS – Semester One, 2016**
Congratulations to the following grade 6 students who were awarded leadership positions for Semester One, 2016.

- **6E** Mitchell Gatehouse
  Javeria Siddiqi
- **6C** Harrison Gatehouse
  Sophia Reyes
- **6T** Kaylynn Arland
  Trishane De Silva

We are very fortunate to have student leaders who represent Trinity with pride and who are excellent role models to all in our community. Each Friday at assembly these students lead us as we gather together to say the school prayer, acknowledge student learning achievements, celebrate student birthdays and share learning highlights from the week. We look forward to watching them grow in their leadership roles in Semester One.

**FAMILY / SCHOOL PARTNERSHIPS**
Our **Welcome Family Picnic**, is on tomorrow (Thursday 18th February from 5.00 – 7.30 pm) and our upcoming **Family Learning Conversations** will be held next Monday 22nd February 3.30 – 8.00 pm and Tuesday 23rd February 3.30 – 6.00 pm. These are two wonderful opportunities to work in partnership with you for the best possible outcomes for your child. At the Family Learning Conversations, your child will have the opportunity to share their learning goals for Term One and to take you on a tour of their learning spaces.
BUILDING PROGRAM – COFFEE & CHAT
Parents are welcome to attend an informal gathering in the Multi-purpose room tomorrow morning Thursday 18th February at 9.00 am for a coffee and chat regarding the building program or anything else happening at Trinity. We look forward to seeing you there.

STUDENT FREE DAY – STAFF PROFESSIONAL LEARNING
Friday 19th February is a STUDENT FREE DAY for Staff Professional Learning. On this day, staff will gather with four schools in the Diocese of Sale to learn more about SPA – Student Performance Analyser Program. Philip Holmes-Smith will lead staff in deepening their understanding of NAPLAN and student testing data to inform teaching and targeted student learning.

LIFE EDUCATION VAN
Last Thursday, Friday and Monday the Senior and Foundation students participated in learning activities in the Life Education Van as part of their Wellbeing Unit. Student learning from the Life Education Sessions will be posted on class blogs. Please ensure you subscribe to class blogs to keep up to date and to comment on the learning adventures in your child’s class. Junior and Middle students, as part of their Wellbeing Unit, will participate in sessions with Mr. Fitman – more information and learning opportunities for students visiting Mr. Fitman will be sent home closer to the date.

CARPARK
Unfortunately we have had some disappointing incidents in our car park recently. Having a school car park is a privilege as many schools do not have them. The newsletter outlines car park etiquette and expectations for all in our community to follow. Our Year 6 student leaders open our car park gates at 3.00 pm each day to allow parents/grandparents/guardians into the car park. It is a position of responsibility that our students take on with pride and enthusiasm and it is disheartening to hear that when they are opening the gates, cars are driving into both the entry and exit lanes putting our student’s safety at risk. We have had occasions where our students have been abused by people entering the car park and inappropriate language has been used over car park spaces – this behaviour is NOT acceptable. We ask that everyone in our community use the car park in a safe, courteous manner, keeping in mind student and family safety.

JOURNEY THROUGH LENT
As we continue to journey through the Lenten season, Pope Francis calls us to live our faith during this time. "Faith finds expression in concrete everyday actions meant to help our neighbours in body and spirit - feeding the hungry, visiting the sick, welcoming strangers, offering instruction and giving comfort."

Having faith does not mean having no difficulties, but having the strength to face them, knowing we are not alone.

Pope Francis
Twitter 2/5/15

We welcome you to visit the Lenten display in the school atrium and to share in our Lenten journey with us.

Regards,

Liz Jones
Deputy Principal
IMPORTANT NOTICE

SCHOOL APP

When you receive an alert on the Skoolbag App could you please make sure you **OPEN THE APP** to read all the details relating to the notification.

We have a limited number of characters for the subject heading so it will not contain the whole message.

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SCHOOL PHOTOS

**Wednesday 9th March**

Today all students have bought home an order form for school photos to be taken on Wednesday 9th March.

Please DO NOT return to school until photo day. The school cannot be responsible for cash/card details returned to the school before 9th March.

There has been a change to sibling photo orders. These are now a pre paid order. Details below.

**HOW TO ORDER SCHOOL PHOTOS**

There are 3 methods available when ordering photo packs:

1. Place your order on line **prior to photo day** using the unique WEB LOG-ON CODE printed on your repayment order form.

2. You can **complete the pre payment order form**. Include your cash, cheque, credit card payment in the envelope and have your child hand it to the photographer on photo day.

3. You can choose to wait for 5 working days to go on line to VIEW the images and CREATE a package to suit. **Please tick the order later on line box on order form and hand to the photographer on photo day.** Orders must be placed within 14 days of photo day to avoid postage charges.

4. If you **do not** wish to purchase photos, please tick “not buying photos” under pack selection and have your child **hand envelope to the photographer on photo day**.

5. **SIBLING PHOTOS.** Will be taken on a pre paid basis. Consent/pre payment forms for the eldest child who should be instructed to present it with payment to the photographer when sibling photos are being taken. **Please collect a sibling photo order form from the school office.**

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LEFT IN THE CAR PARK!!!

If you are missing a purple stroller, it can be found in the Office. Thank you.
CREATING HAPPY CAMP MEMORIES!
FAMILY WELCOMING PICNIC
THURSDAY 18th FEBRUARY 5pm — 7.30pm
A reminder to all families that are attending the picnic to please bring your own picnic dinner, chairs, rugs etc, anything to make it an enjoyable evening.
We are looking forward to having a fun night.

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS
Please note the following School Closure & Student Free Days
FRIDAY 19th FEBRUARY (Student Free Day)
MONDAY 14th MARCH (Labour Day Holiday)
THURSDAY 24th MARCH (School Closure Day, end of Term 1)

IMPORTANT REMINDERS
There is a 3.30pm bell every afternoon, this is to notify you that the car park gates are about to be locked. If you are still in the carpark when you hear this bell, please remove your car immediately. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Cars must be removed from the carpark by 9am this is when the gates are locked. If you are attending Mass on a Friday, please make sure your car is not in the carpark after 9am. Once again, thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

UNIFORM REMINDER
All students should now be wearing their summer uniform.
This includes the school hat. A full list of the uniform for all students is available on our website at www.trinitynarre.catholic.edu.au

REMEMBER
NO SCHOOL ON FRIDAY 19th FEBRUARY
Dear Parents,

The beginning of the year Family Learning Conversations will be held on:
~ Monday 22nd February from 3.30 – 8.00 pm
~ Tuesday 23rd February from 3.30 – 6.00 pm

The Family Learning Conversations will take place in the open areas of the Allen, Marian and Joyce Buildings. The purpose of these interviews is to acquaint yourself with your child’s teacher and share relevant information about your child. Teachers will share your child’s Maths and Literacy testing data from the testing interview your child attended on either Thursday 28th January or Friday 29th January. Students will share their learning goals from the Learning to Learn focus and will take you on a tour of their learning spaces.

- Bookings will open on Thursday 4th February at 9am.

Go to
www.schoolinterviews.com.au
and enter our school code. Then follow the 3 simple steps.

When you click finish, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically. If something comes up you can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and change your interviews until bookings close.

For families without access to the internet, or are having difficulties with the online booking process, please contact Romalie or Glenice in the school office 9704 1970.
CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

(please see attached flyer)

ELIGIBILITY

Criteria 1: To be eligible for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or on the first day of Term two;
  - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be the holder of a Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
  - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and
  - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2: Be of school age and attend a Victorian school. School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

ELIGIBILITY DATE

CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian’s concession card successfully validating with Centrelink on either the 1st FEBRUARY 2016 or 11th APRIL 2016.
FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE
INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government’s commitment to breaking the link between a student’s background and their outcomes.

Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)
School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF will be provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:
- $125 for primary school students
- $225 for secondary school students.

HOW TO APPLY
Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

MORE INFORMATION
For the CSEF application closing dates and more information about the fund visit www.education.vic.gov.au/csef
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NO SCHOOL LABOUR DAY HOLIDAY

**14**

7pm P & F Meeting

**21**

7pm P & F Meeting

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Family Life Yr’s 5 & 6

**23**

School Closure Day

**24**

SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY

**25**

GOOD FRIDAY

**26**

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**31**
Happy Birthday to the following children who will celebrate their birthday next week.

22nd FEB  Madeleine and Leon
23rd FEB  Aleksander and Natalie
24th FEB  Nkechi and Luca
25th FEB  Catherine
26th FEB  Jordan and Jada
27th FEB  Serina
28th FEB  Corey

CANTEEN ROSTER

TUESDAY — PREP and JUNIOR
THURSDAY — MIDDLE and SENIOR
+ 8.45–10.30approx  # 11.45–1.30approx

2016

THURSDAY 18th FEB
+ Kathy Harman
# Kerryn Cerchiaro

TUESDAY 23rd FEB
+ Naomi Sanchez
# Linda Vozzo

THURSDAY 25th FEB
+ Claudia Sajeba
# Nina Gore

TUESDAY 1st MARCH
+ Stacey Gordon
# Adele Pettenuzzo

THURSDAY 3rd MARCH
+ Kerryn Abu-Jaber
# Mariane Mikhael

TUESDAY 1st MARCH
TO BE ADVISED
A reminder to all Parents/Carers, supervision by School Staff begins at 8.30am before school and after school only at the drop off area until 3.30pm. Please observe and supervise your children, as they play on the equipment.

ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

In the case of illness a phone call in the morning on the day they are absent.
If you are going on holidays or your child will be away for an extended period you must advise in writing BEFORE you leave.
Thank you.

All parents/Guardians wishing to help in the classroom, canteen or attend excursions MUST have completed the PARENT-helper WORKSHOP and hold a current WORKING WITH CHILDREN CARD.

Further details are available from the school office. All parent/guardian helpers must sign in at the office before proceeding to the classrooms. Your current Working with Children card must be displayed at all times when working in the classrooms and attending excursions.

TRINITY CAR PARK ETIQUETTE

For greater safety and visibility, we are requesting that all drivers reverse park into the marked bays.
Thank you all who use the pedestrian crossing area. You are demonstrating to your children correct road safety practices. Once children cross the pedestrian crossing into the parking area, they, for their safety, need to be placed into vehicles promptly. The car park is NOT a meeting area.
The lane around the edge of the car park (closest to the oval) are for vehicles waiting to pick children up from the Pick-up Zone ONLY.
The two parking bays closest to the office path are the PICK-UP ZONES. These are NO STANDING zones. If your children are not ready to get into your car as you pull up to the pick-up zone, you must continue on and rejoin the end of the pick-up queue.
There is NO RIGHT TURN when exiting the car park. All vehicles must turn left for the safety of others and to maintain traffic flow.
THE GATES CLOSE AT 9.00am AND RE-OPEN AT 3.00pm. Occasionally they might re-open slightly later due to school activities.

Thank you for your patience and consideration of others.
PASTORAL CARE NEWSLETTER

17th FEBRUARY 2016

We pray for: Mike Shortal’s sister who died recently; those who are ill, recovering from surgery, awaiting the results of tests.

We welcome home the Grade Five Students and Teachers who are arriving as I type.

POPE FRANCIS WRITES: You can’t have a family without dreams. Once a family loses the ability to dream, children do not grow, life shrivels up and dies…Dreaming is very important…Do not lose this ability to dream.

FOR SALE: Double stroller, Pram, Toddler and booster car seats, Portable cot. Contact Anna on 0400 543 023.

Please take a minute to read the following:
In 2015 Pope Francis said that “every person ought to have the awareness that purchasing is always a moral – and not simply an economic – act.”

Join the Easter campaign against child slavery
Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans (ACRATH) is urging people to eat only slavery-free chocolate, especially this Easter. Did you know that much of the chocolate available in Australia is made using cocoa beans picked by children, many of whom have been enslaved, or forced to work in exploitative conditions?
The International Labor Rights Forum (ILRF) estimates that there are 1.5 million children working in the cocoa sector in West Africa. To buy slavery-free Easter chocolate look for any of these certification labels on the wrappers: FAIRTRADE, Rainforest Alliance and UTZ.

So as you begin to think about Easter chocolate please think of your child as a worker in the cocoa sector…would you want them to be doing such work? So shop ethically and let us help to stop the exploitative conditions of SOME OF THE WORLD’S CHILDREN.

WANTED: 1. Empty toilet rolls for a stage production by Mrs Bell.
2. The orange net bags when you buy oranges in bulk for me.

THE LOST PROPERTY BOX is again beginning to fill up. Please look in this box which is in the Hall foyer in the Readman building. If these had names then we would be able to hand them out to the children concerned!

ON THE PARENT NOTICE BOARD: (outside the multi-purpose room) An article from the Sunday paper on HEAD LICE.

CRAFT GROUP WILL NOW BE HELD ON THURSDAY AFTERNOONS

A Prayer from Yesterday’s gathering at St. Patrick’s Cathedral for those Seeking Refugee Status:
Welcoming God, we remind ourselves that we are many people with many different names, from many different places.
We remember that all people are called to be united and live in peace, that all people are precious in Your sight and no-one is more important than another.

Strengthen our resolve as we gather in Your name as one community in solidarity with those seeking asylum in Australia. Amen
Hello everyone,

**Easter Raffle**

Our first fundraiser for the year is our Easter Raffle.

We need donations of anything **EASTER RELATED** (choc eggs, bunnies, new soft toys or Easter books and so on) so that we can put together Easter Hampers as prizes for our Easter Raffle.

Please bring any donations, no matter how small, to the classroom on **Friday 18th March**. As a small thank you for your donation Mr Dell’Oro has offered that the children wear casual clothes on this day.

*Raffle tickets are 50c each or a book of 10 for $5.00.*

Tickets will be sent home in a couple of weeks. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 23rd March 2016.

**P&F Committee**

**We are currently seeking a Vice President.** If you would like more information on what this role entails, please contact Kerryn on 0408 364 909.

We welcome any new members to the P&F Committee. If you cannot make our monthly meeting, that’s ok, we love helpers on the day of our events. Joining our committee is a great way to meet new people. Contact Kerryn 0408 364 909 if you are interested.

**Next P&F Meeting:** Monday 21st March 2016 at 7pm in the Staffroom.

From your P&F Committee

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**Committee Members**

**President**  Kerryn Cerchiaro  
**Vice President**  Lisa Ferracane  
**Secretary**  Claudia Sajeba  
**Treasurer**  Michelle Hofman  
**Asst Treasurer**  Irie Findlay  
**Board Rep**  Lisa Ferracane  
**General**  Joanne Knezevic  
Tania Johnson  

**General**  Naomi Sanchez  
Anna Mangano  
Carolyn Burge  
Natasha Ferreras  
Melissa Yong  
Jessica McLardie  
Marlene Johnson  
Anastasia Barker  
Sr Joy

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**Next P & F Meeting** -  
**MONDAY 21st MARCH 2016** at 7pm in the Staffroom.
PARISH NEWS

PARISH PRIEST’S CORNER

We have begun the season of Lent and an opportunity to reflect on what is essential in our lives. Each year we are reminded to fast, pray and give alms. To give or to take up—if we fully realised the impact that these life giving attitudes have on each other and our community we would not hesitate to embrace the season of Lent. We pray that we can all make a serious commitment this year. It is a wonderful symbol ash being placed on our foreheads. It is a stark reminder of our mortal nature and the shortness of our lives—may we be wise in choosing what will bring us life as we approach Easter.

On Saturday morning 13th February the parish Pastoral Council and Parish Team met at Lysterfield to listen to a talk on Alpha. The talk will assist our leadership group in implementing this community building program for us. The leadership groups will also consider our past 5 years of parish life and establish goals for the coming year.

On Thursday evening it was wonderful to see our parents enrol their children for the sacrament of Reconciliation. You could visibly feel the desire to form our young people as disciples and the shared responsibility of our community to achieve this. Let us pray for our children as they prepare to receive the sacrament.  Fr. Brendan

ALTAR SERVERS

There is a meeting/workshop on Sunday 6th March at 3pm in the church. This meeting/workshop is for all existing and new Altar Servers who have received their First Holy Communion.

PARISH BALL

On the 16th April the Parish is organising a Parish Ball at The Grand on Cathy’s Lane, Wantirna. Enjoy live music by Redemption and lots of yummy food. Any parishioners who are interested in helping out with this event are requested to contact the Parish Office. Please get your family and friends together and book a table…. Let’s make this a successful event!

MARY MACKILLOP

The Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre at 362 Albert Street, East Melbourne, invites parishioners and friends to the first weekend Open Day for 2016 on Saturday 20th February from 10am—4pm. Visit the Mary MacKillop Museum, the Chapel where Mary prayed as well as the Gift Shop and Refreshments area. A local guided “Walking Tour” will take place at 11am. Everyone is welcome.
LIVING WITH AUTISM
PARENTS OF CHILDREN WITH ASD AGED 6-11 YEARS

PROGRAM DETAILS
WHEN: 11th, 18th, 25th February, 3rd, 10th, 17th March
TIME: 9:30am-11:30am
WHERE: Rangebank Primary School, 40-46 Lesdon Ave, Cranbourne, 3977
WHO: Parents, grandparents, carers of children with a diagnosis of autism

For bookings & enquiries contact:
Parentzone Southern 1300 984 011
or Joanne Templeton,
0499 007 418 or 03 5945 2000
Joanne.Templeton@anglicarevic.org.au

FREE BUT BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL
REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

Sessions are FREE

Are you a parent/carer of a child on the autism spectrum aged 6-11 years?
Join with other parents/carers to share experiences, ideas and learn strategies in a relaxed, friendly place.

During the 6 weeks you will:
• Meet with other parents to share ideas and strategies
• Develop skills to further support your child
• Find out about other resources and funding
• Take time to think about how to care for yourself and others in your family

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anglicarevic.org.au