Dear Parents,

Tomorrow is our Athletics Carnival at Casey Fields, events commence at 9.40am. Hopefully the rain will stay away for the day. It would not be possible for us to run an event such as this if we did not have parent assistance and I sincerely thank everyone who has offered their help. Could all parent helpers please meet Catrina Charman for a short briefing at 9.00am at Casey Fields. A big thanks to Catrina for the effort she has put into the organisation and preparation of the day.

Last Wednesday evening we had our Grade 4 Sovereign Hill Camp Information evening. Any families who were not able to attend the meeting need to ensure that they contact their child’s teacher.

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests are approaching on Tuesday 12 May, Wednesday 13 May and Thursday 14 May. Families with students in years 3 and 5 should have received a detailed letter outlining the NAPLAN process. If you have any issues or concerns regarding NAPLAN please contact Liz Jones.

I remind parents again that students are not to be at school prior to 8.30am as they are not supervised. Staff are participating in meetings prior to 8.30am or using the time to prepare for the day, therefore, supervision of students does not commence until 8.30am. We ask that parents please respect the arrival time as it is for the safety of the children.

Children are not to be playing on the soccer pitch at the conclusion of the day as this is not a supervised area. Any children that are on the playground equipment after school must be directly supervised by their parents and we ask that you please respect the announcement to move your car when the gates are to be locked.

Unfortunately we are again experiencing problems in the car park. With a school population as large as ours here at Trinity it is inevitable that there will be congestion in the car park at both drop-off and pick-up times. It is imperative that we respect each other within the car park at all times and understand that there will be delays. Frustration only leads to rash decisions and behaviour that is generally regretted later. We must use the car park appropriately because the safety of our children is the number one priority. Please remain cognizant of the fact that the teachers’ car park is not a drop off area and also observe and obey the traffic signs within the school grounds. Students are to be dropped off and collected from the two front carpark spaces of the line-up where there is adequate teacher supervision. Parents are also reminded that when walking their children through the carpark please cross at the marked crossing. Refer to the map included in the newsletter.
Social media is a relatively new phenomenon and in many ways it is a forum, and method of communication that we are all still adapting to and becoming familiar with. The public nature of this medium makes it both a terrific asset and handy tool for social connectivity whilst at the same time a very dangerous and destructive force if used inappropriately. At school we are teaching the children the appropriate use of social media forums and it is important that this message is also delivered at home. Can you always see your child when they are on a computer/phone/iPad? Are all electrical devices left on the bench at night and not taken to the bedroom where it can be accessed throughout the evening? Does your child have access to areas of the web and social media that they should not? Do you talk to your child about what is and what is not acceptable behavior for social media? What language is appropriate? Do you inform them that there are legal ramifications should you use a public forum such as this inappropriately? Do they know what a digital footprint is? Importantly, do you model the correct use of these devices? Remember that children are always watching and learning from everything that you do.

If parents are concerned about what is happening out there in the Cyber World, simply typing into Google phrases such as *Cyber Smart* or *Cyber Safety*, along with the word *Parents*, will provide an assortment of useful information and practical ideas. Alternatively, simply type the following link into your browser's address bar: [http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/parents.aspx](http://www.cybersmart.gov.au/parents.aspx). This link is exceptionally useful for parents.

There is a Grounds Committee meeting at 7pm on Monday night in the staff room for those who are interested.

Regards,

Simon Dell'Oro
Principal

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**GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEETING**

**MONDAY 27th APRIL 7PM in the STAFFROOM**

We would love to see new members, so If anyone is interested in joining please come along and have input in how to better the school grounds. For further information please call Michael Locandro on 0407579379.

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**SACRAMENT REMINDERS**

First Eucharist enrolment and parent-only workshop details are as follows:

**DATE:** Thursday 30th April 2015  
**TIME:** 7.45pm  
**VENUE:** Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Church, Narre Warren

Please note that there is only **ONE** enrolment night for this sacrament. If you do not attend your child will not be able to celebrate this sacrament this year.

Enrolment Masses are as follows:

Saturday 2nd May at 6pm.  
Sunday 3rd May at 9.15am, 11am and 6pm  
Tuesday 5th May at 7.30pm

Children are required to bring their enrolment forms when they attend one of these Masses.
**ATHLETICS CARNIVAL**  
**THURSDAY 23rd APRIL**

Parent Helpers are still required to arrive by approximately 9.00am. Other parents are welcome to attend as spectators. A special thank you to all the parents who have offered to help. I am so grateful for the time you are giving to make our day a success. I am really looking forward to a great day with the whole school community.

Kind Regards, Catrina Charman

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### TRINITY 2015 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

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- **Welcome and Information about the day.**
- **Field Event 1**
- **Field Event 2**
- **Field Event 3**
- **1st Return Bus Shuttle P-2 & 3G (Year 3-6 Pack up equipment & tidy areas)**
- **2nd Return Bus Shuttle Yr3-6 except 3G**
- **Presentations - Readman Hall**
Dear Parents,

**RE: NAPLAN – National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy**

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) 2015 for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students will be held on Tuesday 12 May, Wednesday 13 May and Thursday 14 May 2015. NAPLAN tests assess student knowledge and skills in Writing, Reading, Language Conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and Numeracy.

The results of the tests provide information for students, parents, teachers and principals which can be used to improve student achievement.

A more detailed letter regarding NAPLAN has been sent home to parents of our Year 3 and 5 students. The NAPLAN testing timetable is shown below. If you have any questions, or concerns, regarding NAPLAN, please contact Mrs Jones.

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**2015 SCHOOL FEES**

Accounts for Term 2 fees have been sent home. Grade 4 Camp fees of $170 have been added to this account.

Payments can be made by Cash, BPay ($50 min amount), Cheque and EFTPOS. Payments can be made in instalments. Direct Debit facilities are available.

**SACRAMENT LEVY APPLIES TO ALL STUDENTS ENROLLED AT TRINITY**

Sacrament Levy of $22 per child per year. **This levy is now OVERDUE and must be paid as soon as possible.** Payment can be made by Cash, Cheque or EFTPOS.

This levy is to be paid irrespective of your child celebrating a sacrament in 2015. the levy will be charged annually for the duration on your child’s primary school years.

**FOUND!**

We have children’s glasses that have been handed in to the office. One pair of glasses have a quicksilver blue and black frame and one pair are metallic purple in a purple case. If your child has lost a pair, please check with the Ladies in the Office.
ANZAC Centenary Remembrance
FRIDAY 24th APRIL

ASSEMBLY 2.30
Trinity will acknowledge the ANZAC centenary at Assembly on Friday 24th April – 2.30pm. Mr Ray Heathcote from the Berwick RSL will join us to commemorate 100 years since the landing at Gallipoli.

COMMEMORATIVE TREE PLANTING 10am
The Year 3 students will take part in a service, beginning in the MP Room at 10.00am where they will plant a commemorative Gallipoli Oak seedling, provided by the National Trust of Australia.

Trinity, one of the 500 Primary Schools participating in the National Trust of Australia (Victoria)’s Gallipoli Oaks Project, will be planting its very own special oak tree within its school ground this Friday 24th April. All are welcome to attend both.

“At the core of this project is the story of how a young Australian soldier, Captain Winter Cooke from Murndal, near Hamilton, noticed some unusual holly bushes while stationed at Gallipoli that had acorns like oak trees”, explains Ms Anna Foley, Senior Advocate for Environmental Heritage at the National Trust of Australia (Victoria).

“Captain Winter Cooke remembered that his Uncle Samuel in Hamilton was a bit of a tree enthusiast; someone that would be interested in these rare acorns, and so sent a package of acorns to him from Gallipoli almost 100 years ago.”

“Schools will plant seedlings that are direct descendants of those acorns from Gallipoli, and in doing so, will have their own direct link to the environment that the soldiers endured during the campaign.”

Dr Graeme L Blackman, Chairman of the National Trust of Australia (Victoria) said the planting of over 500 special Gallipoli Oaks during the Anzac Centenary will create enduring, living memorials in schools all across Victoria.

“Our project demonstrates the Trust’s and the community’s commitment to the passing on of the Gallipoli history from generation-to-generation as well as teaching an important environmental message about caring for our significant trees,” he said.
Local ANZAC Centenary Services

25 April 2015, ANZAC Day, marks 100 years since the Gallipoli landings and is our nation’s annual commemorative day for acknowledging and remembering those who served not only in WWI, but all those touched by conflicts throughout the last century. On Saturday 25 April 2015 Australia remembers the sacrifices of the brave men and women who have served our country.

BERWICK

Fran Healy will be attending the Berwick Service to represent Trinity. You are welcome to join with her if you would like to stand to represent the school. We advise for students to wear full school uniform. We thank Harlan Tavinor from 1J who has offered to lay the wreath on behalf of our school.

Date: Saturday 25 April 2015
Time: 10.45 AM - 12.00 PM
Venue: 17 Langmore Lane, Berwick 3806

A march will begin at 10.45am from Berwick RSL, with a commemoration service beginning at 11am at Cenotaph, High Street, Berwick, refreshments will be served at the Berwick RSL Club Rooms. Wreaths will be being laid from 10.30-10.45.

CRANBOURNE

Diana Jans will be attending the 10.30 Cranbourne Service to represent Trinity. You are welcome to join with her if you would like to stand to represent the school. We advise for students to wear full school uniform. We thank Jessica Maddocks from 1J who has offered to lay the wreath on behalf of our school.

ANZAC Day Dawn Service

This will commence at 5.45am at The RSL Club - 1475 South Gippsland Hwy Cranbourne Vic 3175

Breakfast to follow service. All welcome to attend.

ANZAC Day March

Service commences 10.30am. It will be held at the Cenotaph - Clydesdale Square High Street Cranbourne. Following the service all are welcome to return to the RSL for Refreshments & Two-Up.

Anyone wishing to March to the Cenotaph will assemble at 10.15am in the car park at the rear of Ritchies Supermarket to march to the Anzac Service.

NARRE WARREN

ANZAC Day Service

Sr Joy Hanrahan will be attending the Narre Warren Dawn Service to represent Trinity. You are welcome to join with her if you would like to stand to represent the school, however the Council is expecting record numbers.

City of Casey - Dawn Service at the City of Casey Offices Memorial

Time: 6.00 am on April 25.

“Anzac is not merely about loss. It is about courage, and endurance, and duty, and love of country, and mateship, and good humour and the survival of a sense of self-worth and decency in the face of dreadful odds.” – Sir William Deane, Governor-General of Australia on ANZAC Day 1999

ANZAC Badges are available to purchase from the Office.
## SCHOOL CALENDAR

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**28** **9—10.30am Biggest Morning Tea**  
**29** **11am whole School Mass at OLHC**  
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**31** **TRINITY SUNDAY**
Happy Birthday to the following children who will celebrate their birthday next week.

27th APRIL  John and Cleo
28th APRIL  Jarryd and Sebastian
29th APRIL  Raman, Rochelle and Ishaan
30th APRIL  Xavier
1st MAY     Jett and Daniel
2nd MAY     Yuvika and Sienna
3rd MAY     Xavier

CANTEEN ROSTER

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

THURSDAY 23rd APRIL
No Canteen
Sports Day

THURSDAY 28th APRIL
+ Annie Lacey
# Adele Pettenuzzo

THURSDAY 30th APRIL
+ Rebekah Lee
# Claudia Sajeba

TUESDAY 5th MAY
+ Carolyn Burge
# Daniela Cini

THURSDAY 7th MAY
+ Nikki Sleep
# Celeste Vogrig

TUESDAY 12th MAY
+ Naomi Sanchez
# Andrea MacIntosh
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

- 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.
We Congratulate: the Adele Family (Jethro 1W) on the birth of their new baby daughter born on 11th April; the Mills Family (Thomas 5L) on the safe arrival of a baby son on 15th April; the Davis Family (Mrs Davis) on the safe and early arrival of a son.

We pray for: Narelle Goodman (Caitlyn 6C, Tenielle 5L) whose father passed away recently.

URGENT: SOMEONE SENT IN A BOOKING FOR THE Mother’s Day Breakfast on the last day of term without the bottom of the form containing the details of name etc…PLEASE LET SR JOY KNOW WHO YOU ARE!

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO SENT IN SCHOOL UNIFORMS SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER. One parent whose daughter is in Grade 6, is in urgent need of a size 12 pinafore, so if your daughter has out grown hers and it is lurking in a cupboard at home please send it along. Thank You.

MOTHER’S DAY BREAKFAST ON FRIDAY 8TH MAY from 7.15 until 8.15am in the Hall. The Breakfast for the Mums and children (primary school - aged children only, this is because of the numbers and because there is not enough room for them to run around in safety)) consists of croissants/toast/coffee (from the Coffee van for Mum) and fruit. So put it in your diary now please. The enrolment form is in the newsletter. Again I’m looking for some Dads to serve our gracious mums. So if they can let me know as soon as possible that they are available that would be terrific – I have 6 dad helpers so far!!!!!!!!!!

SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST: Enrolment and parent-only workshop is Thursday 30th April at 7.45pm in the Parish Church. Remember that this year there is only ONE PARENT WORKSHOP for this Sacrament this year.

BIGGEST MORNING TEA Over the past four Trinity has hosted this event in memory of our relatives and friends who have died from cancer. We hope that the funds we raise will help in the research and alleviation of this evil disease. The Date is Thursday 28th May from drop off time until 10.30am This year I have booked the Hall because we were squashed last year in the Playroom. $2.00 entry, and we will have a raffle (50c a ticket) and there will be a table of goodies for you to purchase. Can we beat our $150.00 from last year?

The Gospel for this weekend is the Good Shepherd. When we think of sheep we usually think of sheep farmers with thousands of sheep who herd them up with motorbikes or helicopters. How things have changed since New Testament times! Then it was a man who collected the few sheep from his neighbours, who took them out to pasture for the day, protected them from wild animals and brought them back to his neighbours at night. As we Remember our Anzacs and military( from the other wars in which Australia was involved), we think of Simpson and his donkey – a modern day “good shepherd” and of the many other men and women who protected their mates during such awful fighting. LORD, we ask you to give us the courage to be ‘good shepherds” to our family, our friends our neighbours and those who do not like us. Help us to keep on reaching out even when we are shunned or not spoken to.
MOTHER’S DAY BREAKFAST
Friday 8th May commencing at 7.30am

Mums, grand-mothers, special friends are invited to come along with their children for breakfast in the Hall. The Breakfast for the Mums and children consists of croissants/toast/coffee (from the Coffee van for Mum) and fruit.

The cost is $5.00 per person, including children.

I am also hoping that some of the Dads will be able to come along and help with the serving, without your help we cannot give the mums the treat they deserve!

If you can come along and help from 7.00am until approx. 8.00am please leave your name at the office/or give it to Sister Joy.

If coming for breakfast, please complete the form below and return with your money to school by Friday 1st May. No late replies will be accepted. Thank you.

Mother’s Day Breakfast Friday 8th May

Name of child and grade............................................................... 

Number of Adults attending($5 each).........................

Number of Children attending($5 each).........................

Amount enclosed.....................

I am able to help from 7.00am (Name).........................................................
Hi All,

**Mothers Day Raffle & Stall**

Mothers Day Stall – Tuesday 5th May 2015  
Mothers Day Raffle drawn on Friday 8th May 2015

We are looking forward to celebrating Mothers Day, with a raffle and Mothers Day Stall. The form for the Mothers Day Stall will be sent home this week, and raffle tickets next week.

We would greatly appreciate donations towards our Mothers Day raffle that is to be drawn on Friday 8th May. If you have any new items you would like to donate, please drop them off at the office.

**Join our Committee**

We welcome any new members to the P&F Committee, it’s never too late to join us. 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 Melissa on 0416025494 if you are interested.

From your P&F Committee
The Car Park and Pick-up Zones

Cars MUST turn LEFT when leaving the Carpark

CHILDREN MUST WAIT UNDER THE SHELTER UNTIL PICKED UP

SHELTER

Pedestrian Crossing

Pick-up Bays Only

Pick up queue

Pedestrian access via pathway

An explanation of how our Parking and Pick-up system should work.

For greater safety and visibility, we are asking that all drivers reverse park into the 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 parking bays at the bottom of the car-park (closest 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 pick-up queue. This enables a smooth traffic flow. For the safety of others and to maintain traffic flow, all vehicles MUST turn LEFT when exiting the parking area.

Please note the gates close at 9.00am in the morning and re-open at 3.00pm.

Thank you for your patience and consideration of other.
Help your child ACHIEVE!

One way to help your child achieve at school is to work together with your child’s teacher. The parent-teacher partnership takes work from both sides to become a reality. Here are some ideas that will help.

1. **Know what your child’s teacher is trying to achieve**
   Like children, every teacher is different with their own specific expectations, goals and interests. Get to know your child’s teacher and gain an understanding of their approach and aspirations for your child’s class.

2. **Keep your expectations reasonable and positive**
   If your expectations are too high your teacher may give up. Too low and they will meet them! The trick is to keep your aspirations for your child in line with their ability and their interests. Also be realistic about what your child’s school can deliver. Sometimes our expectations of schools are not in line with their capabilities or their roles.

3. **Support your teacher’s expectations & activities at home**
   One practical way of supporting your child is to take a real interest in their home-based learning tasks and follow the guidelines laid out by teachers.

4. **Send kids to school ready to learn and on time**
   Maximise your child’s chances of success by sending them to school in a good frame of mind, with plenty of sleep and a good breakfast. Also make sure they get to school on time. It’s estimated that many kids miss up to two weeks of school a year when they are routinely late by just five minutes a day.

5. **Inform teachers of your child’s challenges and changes**
   Life’s not always smooth sailing for kids. Family circumstances can alter. Friends move away. Illness happens. These changes affect learning. Make sure you keep your child’s teacher up-to-date with significant changes or difficulties your child experiences, so he or she can accommodate their emotional and learning needs at school.

6. **Skill children to work with others**
   Schools are social places requiring children to work and play with each other much of the time. Teaching manners to kids, as well as encouraging them to share their time, space and things with others are practical ways to help kids with their social skills. Talk through any social challenges they may have, helping them develop their own strategies to get on with others.

7. **Respectfully seek joint solutions to problems and difficulties**
   Resist the temptation to solve all your children’s problems or think you have the only solution. Most learning and social problems can be resolved when teachers and parents work together in the best interests of the child.

8. **Participate in class & school activities**
   There is a huge body of research that points to the correlation between parent involvement in a child’s schooling and their educational success. Quite simply, if you want your child to improve his learning then take an interest in his learning, attend as many school functions as you can, and follow the lead provided by your child’s teacher. This simple strategy will have a massive, long-term impact.

9. **Trust your teacher’s knowledge, professionalism and experience**
   Your child’s teachers are your greatest allies. Their training, their experience around kids, and their objective professionalism puts them in a strong position to make judgement calls about your child.

10. **Talk up what happens at school**
    Your child will take their cues from you about how they see their school. If you want your child to value learning, and enjoy their time at school then you need to support your school and make sure he or she hears positive messages about learning, teachers and the school itself. You can set a strong educational agenda at home by talking up your school.

This type of 10-point plan is easy to read but hard to put into practice, particularly when you get busy or your child has significant difficulties. Choose two or three ideas from this list to really focus on in the coming year and you’ll find that the rest will fall into place. Good luck and nurture the partnerships you have with your child’s teachers.