



## TRINITY CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER



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*Trinity Catholic Primary School is committed to providing Catholic education that develops the whole person. We believe that the social, emotional, moral, spiritual and physical wellbeing of our students is pivotal to student health, safety, learning and success.*

**TERM 1**

**WEEK 7**

**Wednesday  
March 13 2019**



**FRIDAY 15th MARCH**

**LITURGY 9.00am**  
**Yr 2 Level**

**SORRY SERVICE**  
**Foundation Level**

**ASSEMBLY 2.30pm**  
**Yr 6 Level**

Dear Parents,

The old saying, 'you don't know what you have until you lose it' (or fear you may lose it in our case), became an awful reality for us just over a week ago with the bushfires. We were told to evacuate on the Saturday morning with the fire rampaging in the Bunyip State Forest and heading in a direction towards Garfield. The fire was clearly visible and burnt leaves and ashes were raining down on our house creating quite a frightening situation.

After Black Saturday our plan has always been to leave and keep the family safe, material possessions can be replaced. However, when it is time to finally make that decision to leave it is excruciatingly hard. What do you take? How do you replace the teddy that Tom was given when he had his major operation as a three year old? Or the photos around the house of family events, the sporting trophies, wedding gown, sacramental certificates and so on..... All of a sudden I became hyper aware of everything that I walk past every day without noticing.

Departing the house and driving out of town to my brothers was a difficult and surreal experience, stepping into the unknown and having no control over what may happen. The Vic Emergency App was our best friend as we found ourselves glued to the screen. Whilst technology can at times have its drawbacks in situations like this it is invaluable. You also realise how important your friends and family are as the phone calls and messages poured in offering support and help.

Witnessing the enormity of the fire up reasonably close gives you a full appreciation of how special the people are that work within our emergency services. The job the firefighters performed was outstanding and I could never thank them enough. We are blessed to have these services to call upon when required.

I was allowed back into Garfield on Monday morning to check on our house and my family returned some hours later. Thankfully, besides some cleaning up, our place was fine, creating a significant sense of relief that is also coupled with a real sadness for those who were not so lucky. Slowly the town began to reappear and the sense of community was very evident everywhere.

At times you can watch news stories of fires (or any other emergency) and think that it is not going to happen to us, maybe even lull yourself into a false sense of security, but the reality is we never know what is around the corner. Currently I am walking around home with a new appreciation of what I have; family, friends, heirlooms, pictures, trinkets etc. Essentially all of those ingredients that gathered together turn the physical structure of our house into our home.

Let us continue to keep those less fortunate than ourselves within our thoughts and prayers, particularly those affected by the fires. I encourage you to *'know what you have'* and appreciate and enjoy it every day as you never know when you could possibly lose it. Look at that baby photo on the wall tonight, appreciate the special memory that you have from when your child received that trophy on the shelf that is now collecting dust, or the little card that was made for you on Mother's or Father's Day, phone a friend you haven't talked to in a while. But most of all give a hug to those that are most special to you!

### **2020 Foundation Enrolments**

We are continuing to take Foundation (Prep) enrolments for 2020. Enrolment forms can either be downloaded from the school website or collected at the Office. ***In order to be guaranteed a spot we ask that sibling enrolments forms are handed in ASAP.***

*We had enrolment tours this morning and more will be held next week on;*

- *Wednesday 20th of March 9.30am and 5.00pm.*

### **Camps**

It was a pleasure to be in Canberra last week with the Grade Six students (although I arrived a little later after the fires). It was an excellent camp with Parliament House, the High Court of Australia, Telstra Tower, Questacon, The Mint, Old Parliament House, AIS and the National Museum just some of the places we visited. It was a pleasure to be away with such a wonderful group. A big thanks to Kathryn Pepper, Sarah Cammarano, Emma Lamb, Joe Dannaoui, Ange Schinck, RiMa Darwish and Brooke Farrelly for attending the camp. It is a huge effort to be away from their own families for the week and their professionalism and care was outstanding.

I would also like to thank the staff who remain at school during the camp weeks as they take on extra roles and responsibilities to cover those who are away. Their efforts are appreciated.

Grade 4 Camp to Oasis Camp in Mount Evelyn will take place next Monday and Tuesday, the 18th and 19th of March.

### **Grade Three Excursion**

Yesterday our Grade Three students enjoyed an excellent excursion to the Healesville Sanctuary. Although the weather provided challenges at times the students had a fantastic day with lots of engaging learning.

### **Athletics Carnival - Thursday 14th of March**

Our Trinity Athletics Carnival is on this Thursday, the 14th of March, at Casey Fields. Events commence at 9.40am. A copy of the timetable can be found in this newsletter.

**Free Dress Day - Friday 15th of March**

The children can wear free dress to school on Friday the 15th of March if they bring an Easter item to donate to our Easter Raffle. The raffle will be drawn at our Easter Assembly at the end of the term.

**Harmony Day - Thursday 21st of March**

We will be celebrating Harmony Day on Friday the 21st of March. The children will be doing activities in their levels on the day.

**Staff News**

It is with pleasure that we officially welcome Mrs Kim Renshaw onto the staff this week as she takes over from Louise Vellin in Grade 4V. Kim has enjoyed a terrific welcome and is looking forward to her new role ahead. Thanks to Louise for the excellent job she has done getting the year underway for the class.

Regards,

Simon Dell'Oro  
Principal

# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION/ WELLBEING NEWS

## IMPORTANT DATES FOR TERM 1

**Free Dress Day** - Friday 15th March  
Students to donate an Easter item for the raffle

**Harmony Day** - Thursday 21st March

**Reconciliation Workshops**  
Mon 25th - Thurs 28th @ 5pm or 7pm

**Easter Assembly** - Friday 5th April @ 2.30pm

## HARMONY DAY - 21st March 2019

On Thursday 21 March, communities all around Australia come together as a nation to celebrate Harmony Day and our cultural diversity. It is a special day that focuses on inclusiveness, respect and a sense of belonging for everyone.

At Trinity, we are very fortunate to have families from all over the world, sharing their unique customs and traditions with the school community. To celebrate Trinity's unique diversity and to raise much needed funds for Project Compassion, we will be holding our own Harmony Day on Thursday 21 March. This day will recognise and celebrate the cultural differences and similarities that exist within our school community. On this day, we warmly invite the students to wear clothes and accessories that highlight the country of their family's heritage or the colour orange, as it relates to the freedom of ideas and encouragement of mutual respect. We also invite students to kindly donate a Gold Coin to support Project Compassion.

On the day the students will participate in a rotation of activities after recess highlighting what makes them unique and different, yet all the same. The day will end with a whole school assembly at 2.30pm.



Kind Regards  
Kathryn Pepper - Deputy Principal

## WEEKLY GOSPEL

**Luke 4:1-13**

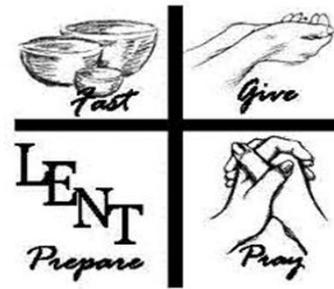
### Reflection

Who or what rules our lives? In today's Gospel, we see examples of total commitment to God. This Lenten season is a time for us to think about Jesus' place in our lives, and to work hard to resist the temptations that separate us from him.

### Discussion

Why did Jesus go into the wilderness?  
What did the devil try to tempt Jesus to do?  
What did Jesus say to the devil?

In Lent we also have to make some choices. We prepare for Easter by praying and doing good works. What are some of the things you would like to do in these next weeks of Lent?



## PROJECT COMPASSION 2019

### **Give Lent 100%**

During Lent, Catholic Schools all over Australia participate in Project Compassion. Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal brings thousands of Australians together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity. During this time the children will be invited to donate some of their small change to helping the poor by placing their money into the Project Compassion boxes in the classroom. More information can be found at

<https://lent.caritas.org.au/>

# EASTER RAFFLE DONATIONS AND FREE DRESS DAY

## Friday 15th March

We will once again be holding a casual clothes day for the students on **Friday 15th March**. In return, we ask that the students kindly donate an Easter item (chocolate eggs, bunnies, soft Easter toys, books, baskets etc) that can be used to create Easter hampers for our Easter Raffle which will be drawn on the last day of term. Students are asked to bring the items to the classroom on this day. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact the school. Raffle tickets will be sent home during week 8.

THANK YOU!

## HELP REQUIRED

### *Easter Raffle Bundling*

On Wednesday 20th March, from 9am, we will be bundling up all the Easter items from the casual clothes day for the Easter Raffle. If you are free on this morning and would like to help, we would greatly appreciate your support. Could you please let the office staff know by Thursday 14th March so we can work out the space required.

Kind Regards

Kathryn Pepper

## **SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB - New Ordering System**

Dear Parents,

Our bookclub run by Scholastic now have a new online ordering system.

All orders are now be to processed online, no cash orders will be accepted by the school.

To place an order please log on to <https://mybookclubs.scholastic.com.au/Parent/Login>  
Follow the prompts to register your child. Then click on the tab to order. This process is called bookclub loop. Your order will be delivered to school and there is no need to send the order form to school.

If you are already ordering online, there is no change, continue to order as you have previous been doing.

If you have any inquiries please contact Glenice in the office.

Thank you for your co-operation.

Samantha Moss  
Bookclub Coordinator

*[Bookclub Issue 2 is due on 22nd March.](#)*

## SCHOOL FEE SCHEDULE FOR 2019

Per Family Fees	
Family Fee	\$1620.00pa - (\$405 per term)
Capital Fee	\$260.00p.a. - (\$65 per term)
ICT Levy	\$90.00 to be paid in Term 1
Student Levy	Foundation - Year 2 \$290 Year 3 - Year 4 \$295 Year 5 - Year 6 \$300 To be paid throughout the year with the term fees.
Student Camps	Year 6 camp to Canberra \$500 Year 5 camp to Phillip Island \$280 Year 4 camp to Oasis Camp Mt Evelyn \$190 To be paid throughout the year with the term fees.

**School Fees are paid each term as listed below,  
unless prior arrangements have been made**

**Accounts have been emailed to families.**

**Term 1**                    **\$560+(\$405+\$65+\$90+ Student levy and camp fees)**

**If you are having difficulty paying fees, please call the office to make an appointment to see  
The Principal.**

Term 2                    \$470 (\$405+\$65+Student levy and camp fees )

Term 3                    \$470 (\$405+\$65 + Student levy and camp fees)

Term 4                    \$470 (\$405+\$65 + Student levy and camp fees)

**Payments can be made by:**

**Cash  
Cheque  
EFTPOS  
BPay  
Or**

**The School can arrange Instalments through Credit Card or Direct Debit.**

## **PE NEWS**

### **Trinity Athletics Carnival - TOMORROW -Thursday 14th March**

Our Athletics Carnival is fast approaching and the students are getting very excited! Thank you to the parents that have volunteered to assist on the day.

**A reminder that all students will need to bring a packed snack, lunch and plenty of water.**

**They are invited to wear a t-shirt of their house colour, and will need to wear their Trinity sunhat.**

**The weather is looking fine and sunny so parents, please ensure you pack sunscreen for your child.**

If you are interested in coming along to spectate, please see the schedule of events below. All students will be back at school by 2.30pm. You all invited to the presentation assembly in the hall at 2.50pm.

Nicole Cahill

PE Level Leader/F-3 PE Teacher



*Happy Birthday to the following students  
who  
celebrated their birthday during the  
summer holidays  
and also to those celebrating this week.*

**MARCH 2019**

<b>MONDAY</b>	<b>TUESDAY</b>	<b>WEDNESDAY</b>	<b>THURSDAY</b>	<b>FRIDAY</b>	<b>SATURDAY</b>	<b>SUNDAY</b>
11th GAYATHRY	12th	13th ZANE JOSHUA	14th JONATHAN	15th JAMES MEHREEN	16th SPENCER AARIEL	17th

**CANTEEN ROSTER  
TERM 1  
THURSDAYS 11.45am**

14th MARCH	Tim SEBESTYEN
21st MARCH	Gus POWELL
28th MARCH	Amanda MAIR
4th APRIL	Tim SEBESTYEN

**Helpful Hints:**

- ❖ The strict cut off time to place orders is now **9.30am** on the morning of your child's canteen day.
- ❖ When you notify the Office either by phone or via the Skoolbag app that your child will be absent could you please advise if they have an online lunch order. We can then hold this over until the next week.
- ❖ If you experience difficulties placing an order please send lunch with your child, and email the office with a screenshot of the issue and send it to [info@trinitynarre.catholic.edu.au](mailto:info@trinitynarre.catholic.edu.au). We will contact you when the issue is rectified.
- ❖ Further information can be found on our website under the heading **School Community > Canteen**
- ❖ An easy way to access the Online CDFpay Portal is on the school's website. The tab is on the home page under the pictures and the Calendar tab. Just click the padlock, it's that easy!

*Thank You for your support  
Tracey Sligar*

Please keep up to date with everything happening at Trinity via our school website calendar at

[www.trinitynarre.catholic.edu.au](http://www.trinitynarre.catholic.edu.au).

Below are a few important dates for your diary, further details and relevant notices available on our website and caremonkey.

### MARCH/APRIL/ MAY

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
<b>WEEK 7</b>	11th <b>LABOR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY</b>	12th Yr 3 Excursion	13th <b>2020 Enrolment tour</b>	14th <b>Athletics Day</b>	15th <b>Casual Dress Day Easter donations Assembly</b>	16th	17th
<b>WEEK 8</b>	18th Yr 4 Camp	19th Yr 4 Camp	20th <b>2020 Enrolment tour</b>	21st	22nd <b>Assembly</b>	23rd	24th
<b>WEEK 9</b>	25th	26th	27th	28th	29th <b>Assembly</b>	30th	31st
<b>WEEK 10</b>	<b>APRIL 1st</b>	2nd	3rd	4th <b>Trinity Cross Country</b>	5th Assembly <b>Last day Term 1</b>	6th	7th
	8th	9th <b>SCHOOL</b>	10th	11th <b>HOLIDAYS</b>	12th	13th	14th
	15th	16th <b>SCHOOL</b>	17th	18th <b>HOLIDAYS</b>	19th	20th	21st
<b>WEEK 1</b>	22nd <b>Easter Monday Holiday</b>	23rd <b>NO SCHOOL Curriculum Day</b>	24th <b>NO SCHOOL Curriculum Day</b>	25th <b>ANZAC DAY NO SCHOOL</b>	26th <b>NO SCHOOL STAFF R.E. DAY</b>	27th	28th
<b>WEEK 2</b>	29th  Students begin Term 2	30th	<b>MAY 1st</b>	2nd	3rd	4th	5th

Visit our Website [www.trinitynarre.catholic.edu.au](http://www.trinitynarre.catholic.edu.au) for full details

We ask all parents and carers who use our school carpark to please follow the information set out below to help with the safety of all children and adults.

# How to Install The Skoolbag App

Instructions for parents installing Skoolbag.



## For Apple Users

1. From your iPhone/iPad, click on the "Download on the App Store" button above or open the Apple App Store and search for "SkoolBag"
2. Download the free SkoolBag app
3. Opening the app, and add your school(s) and you're ready to go!

## For Google Android Users

1. From your Android device, ensure you have an account in the Google Play Store
2. Click on the "Get it on Google play" button above or go to the Google Play Store and search for "SkoolBag"
3. Download the free SkoolBag app
4. Open the app, add your school(s) and you're ready to go!

For more info visit [skoolbag.com.au](http://skoolbag.com.au)

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## CHILD SAFE STANDARDS WORKING WITH CHILDREN

Trinity has zero tolerance towards child abuse and is therefore committed to complying with the Victorian Child Safe Standards and Ministerial Order 870. 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 or the Justice Department website. 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.

**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.**

**Thank you for your co-operation.**

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## ABSENCE FROM SCHOOL

In the case of illness/absence please call the school office by 9.00am or login to the Skoolbag App to send a notice in the morning of the day they are absent.

An SMS will be sent (daily) to Parents for any unexplained student absences.

If you are going on holidays or your child will be away for 3 days or more you must advise in writing to the Principal BEFORE you leave. Forms are available on our website, Skoolbag App or a handwritten letter will be acceptable.

Thank you.

### 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 reopen slightly later due to school activities.
- The Staff Car Park is for **STAFF PARKING ONLY**. Please do not use as a drop off/pick up for students.

*Thank you for your patience and consideration of others*

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## TRINITY ADVISORY SCHOOL BOARD

[board@trinitynarre.catholic.edu.au](mailto:board@trinitynarre.catholic.edu.au)

**Chair** - Simon Dell'Oro

**Members** - Sabrina Giblett, Allison Hellier, Michael Locandro, Jennifer Mansfield, Georgina Nettleingham, Kathryn Pepper, Gail Rodrigues

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## OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH

496 Princes Hwy, Narre Warren 3805

Phone: 9704 7953 Fax: 9704 7023

**Parish Priest:** Fr. Brendan Hogan

**Pastoral Associate:** Emily D'Sylva

**Assistant Priest:** Fr. Saji John

**Sacrament Co-ordinator:** Vimi Pinto

**Mass Times:** Saturday 6pm

Sunday 7.30am, 9.00am, 11.00am & 6.00pm

**Parish Office Hours:** Monday 12noon - 3.30pm

Tuesday to Friday 9.00am - 3.30pm