



# Holy Trinity School Granville

## NEWSLETTER



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Dear Parents and Friends,

We have now entered the church season of Lent a time of fasting and giving in preparation for the feast of Easter. As a child it was always expected that I give up chocolate or something else that I really liked.

Those ideas are still popular today. But we can take the giving up concept a little further by encouraging our children to do acts of charity and mercy during this period of the church year. I have included a table that you might like to adapt for your family.

If nothing else let's all make a concerted effort during this Lent to show mercy and forgiveness to others.

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## Good Deeds

*Colour each box as you complete the activity.*

1. Tell a family member why you love them.	2. Help mum or dad around the house.	3. Wash your plate after dinner tonight.	4. Talk to someone new at school.	5. Make a lovely cold drink for a family member.	6. Commit to a day without complaining.	7. Offer to help clean the classroom.	8. Stay off the computer all day.
9. Turn off the television today.	10. Hold the door open for somebody.	11. Leave a kind note for a classmate.	12. Pick up litter in the playground.	13. Help make dinner.	14. Recycle all your used paper.	15. Set the table for dinner.	16. Smile and say hello to your classmates.
17. Clean your bedroom.	18. Write a poem for a special friend.	19. Be friendly to a student in a younger grade.	20. Donate food or clothing.	21. Sponsor an endangered animal online.	22. Make a gift for someone special.	23. Paint a picture for someone special.	24. Write a list of your favourite memories.
25. Water the plants.	26. Give your pets a special treat.	27. Clean your bedroom.	28. Help put the groceries away.	29. Give somebody a compliment.	30. Invite a friend over to hang out.	31. Ring a grandparent and say hello.	32. Thank your family for taking care of you.
33. Let someone go in front of you in line.	34. Thank the library teacher for his/her help.	35. Take flowers to a teacher or the admin staff.	36. Give your classmates a sticker.	37. Eat lunch with someone new.	38. Prepare a family picnic.	39. Invite others to play with you at lunchtime.	40. Share a favourite toy with others.

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### Attendance Percentage

### for the week ending

### 12/2/2016

# 96%

## Attendance

As mentioned in the last Newsletter, the best indicator for success is attendance at school. Each Monday morning at assembly and in each school Newsletter/Update the attendance percentage for the previous week will be communicated. Our ultimate goal is 100% attendance but in reality we will strive to maintain our attendance rate above 93%. This is not only a HTG goal but diocese wide.

## Parent Teacher Evening

Thank you to those parents who attended the parent/teacher information session last night. If you were unable to attend, please contact the school as soon as possible so that all information from this evening can be passed on to you.

I thank the teachers for giving of their time in support of you and your children.

## Second Hand Uniforms

Thank you to Mrs Batistic for generously offering to maintain our second hand clothing shop. If you have any donations please leave them at the office. If you would like to help, just give the office a call.

Thank you to Mr Nader (Joseph, Kinder) for making our staff car park level.

Please Note: This car park is for STAFF Only.

I thank all parents who give of their time in any way to support HTG. We are growing as a connected community.

Love Serve Hope

*Helen Boyer*

Helen Boyer  
Principal



## 2016 School Fees

Fees have been sent to all families from the Catholic Education Office. Term One are payable by 4<sup>th</sup> March.

If you are experiencing any difficulties paying fees, please contact the school office to arrange on appointment.

## Helpers to Cover Books in Contact

Can you help with covering new reading material for the school?

The school will provide you with everything you need - the contact and a demonstration on how to cover books in clear contact.

All we need is **your time on Thursdays** in the school library **or** if you are unable to come on a Thursday, please see Mrs Bisazza in the office for more information.

## School Uniform

All uniforms are purchased from:

**OZ Fashions**

**115-127 Parramatta Road Granville**

**Trading Hours: Monday – Friday**  
**Saturday**

**Phone: 9897 3121**

**Web: [www.ozfashions.com.au](http://www.ozfashions.com.au)**

**9am – 5.30pm**

**9am – 4pm**

**School hats, Library/Excursion Bags and Hair Accessories** can be purchased from the school office.



## School Supervision

A teacher is on duty from 8.30am each morning. The gates do not open until then.

I have noted many children arriving at school from 8am onwards and congregating on the steps of MacKillop Hall. I wish to advise parents that leaving or allowing children to arrive this early is fully your responsibility. Please consider this carefully and contact the school if you have any concerns.

After school the children are to be collected by 3.10pm, but are supervised till 3.30pm when all children should be collected. If you are running late we understand, but please call the office so that we can let your children know.

## Sport/Gymnastics and Library Days:

	<b>Sports Uniform</b>	<b>Library Borrowing</b>
<b>Kindergarten:</b>	Thursday	Wednesday
<b>Stage 1(Yr 1&amp; 2):</b>	Thursday and Friday	Wednesday
<b>Stage 2(Yr 3 &amp; 4):</b>	Wednesday and Friday	Wednesday
<b>Stage 3 (Yr 5&amp;6):</b>	Wednesday	Thursday


## Skoolbag App

Skoolbag is a mobile app that communicates directly to parent smartphones.

It provides access to key school information via one single Communication Centre for both parents and students.

- Ideal for:
- School notification alerts
  - School events
  - School Newsletters
  - School documents
  - School RSS feeds
  - School social media

For information on how to install Skoolbag on your smartphone, please contact the school office for more information or find out more at [www.skoolbag.com.au](http://www.skoolbag.com.au)



The poster features a photograph of three students in school uniforms looking at tablets. To the right of the photo is the Delany College logo, a green cross with a red center, surrounded by the words 'LOVE', 'SERVE', and 'HOPE'. Below the logo, the text reads: 'DELANY COLLEGE', 'Grimwood Street, Granville 9637 7788', 'Primary boys & girls and their parents are warmly invited to our', 'OPEN DAY', 'Tuesday, 8 March 2016', '3:00pm - 5:30pm'. At the bottom, there are three colored boxes: a red box with the word 'catholic', a dark blue box with 'contemporary', and a green box with 'connected'.

## Canteen - Mel's Tasty Bites

The canteen now operates at Holy Trinity 5 days per week. A Price List / Menu was sent home for ordering lunches. Please contact the school office if you need another copy.

## The School Opal Card

The School Opal card is only for travel to and from school on approved modes of public transport and doesn't cover travel to activities away from school.

Parents will need to complete the online application form at [www.transportnsw.info/school-students](http://www.transportnsw.info/school-students), print form and bring it to school for verification if:

- \* Applying for the first time
- \* Progressing from Year 2 to Year 3
- \* Requesting an additional pass as a result of a new shared parental responsibility situation.
- \* Enrolling in Kindergarten
- \* Changing name, school and/or address

Applications must be made by a parent or legal guardian of the student if aged under 16 years. Applications are subject to eligibility criteria.

Students should remember to:

- \* Tap on and off every time.
- \* Always travel with a valid ticket.
- \* Respect transport staff, transport property and fellow travellers.
- \* Offer a seat to paying customers without being asked.
- \* Be mindful of safety at every stage of a transport journey.

### Birthday Celebrations

Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their birthday in **January & February**:



Peter Lichaa, Joseph Nader, Donny Cai,  
Joseph Azar, Matthew S Miranda,  
Zoe Fitzpatrick, Emilia Shamaa,  
Charles Bollozos, Brandon Ghazarian,  
Daniel Depares, Elise Latu, Magie Bui.



### Reminder:

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

If your child is celebrating their birthday and wishes to celebrate with their class, please send in cupcakes or doughnuts, which are easy items to share.

Please **do not** send in large cakes and **do not** send in lolly bags.

Thank you for your support.



### Calendar Dates

Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> February	-	Stage 2 Assembly – MacKillop Hall – 2.30pm
Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> March	-	School Photo Day – students wear summer school uniform
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Stage 1 Assembly – MacKillop Hall – 2.30pm
6 <sup>th</sup> March – 12 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Catholic Schools Week – <i>I Belong. You Belong. We Belong.</i>
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Delany Open Day
Thursday 17 <sup>th</sup> March	-	St Patrick's Day
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Kindergarten Assembly – MacKillop Hall – 2.30pm
Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> March	-	St Joseph's Day
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Good Friday
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	-	Easter

