



Holy Trinity School Granville **NEWSLETTER**



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Staff Development Day - Wednesday 6th April **Students Do Not Come To School**

Dear Parents and Friends,

We have now entered the Easter Season of the Church year.
Jesus' Resurrection is a sign of God's great love.

Jesus spent three years with his followers and followed what his Father had planned for him. In the lead up to Jesus' death and resurrection Jesus' followers, who had been so faithful to him, rejected, betrayed and abandoned him. Yet nowhere in the four gospels of the Resurrection did Jesus criticise or blame his disciples.

We believe in a God that does not punish, threaten or dominate but simply forgives. Through our faith, the Resurrection demonstrates that there is no power in domination but through a trusting, relational love we can transform the way we live with others in love.

Jesus, God the son, came to us in a human body to show us the Face of God, who is compassionate and joyful and will stand by our side in all our sufferings and our happiness.

What can we learn from this?

How can we be a more forgiving community?

When are/we an example of God's forgiving love to others?

How do we teach our children to be forgiving?

Love one another as I have loved you. What an appropriate motto to have for our life.

Thank you to those parents who attended our Holy Week and Easter Liturgies. What a beautiful and prayerful representation, of Jesus journey to the Cross and celebration of the Resurrection, was presented by our children. My dear parents it is so important that you, when and where possible, support all that we do here at Holy Trinity. We are a team. I understand work and family commitments of many parents', may keep some away from our celebrations and we are looking at ways to be more accommodating for those parents. We are a catholic community here at Holy Trinity, we value all students and their families. If you can be present at any of our celebrations whether your child is involved or not please know that you are always welcome to attend and participate.

Thank you to all who supported our Easter Raffle, we were able to make \$859 which will go towards the purchase of new Chrome book computers for our children, this money will purchase two out of the 30 we have ordered.

May the blessing of the risen Christ be with you all.

Helen Boyer

Helen Boyer
Principal

Attendance Percentage
for the week ending
25/3/2016
95%

Easter Hat Parade

Thank you to our teachers, the Delany Students, Mr Muscat and Mrs Broue for organising this great event. Our children had a wonderful time making their Easter hats and parading.

What a great connection we are building with our neighbours at Delany.



What is NAPLAN?

The National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is an annual national assessment for all students in Years 3, 5, 7, and 9. All students in these year levels are expected to participate in tests in reading, writing, language conventions (spelling, grammar and punctuation) and numeracy. All government and non-government education authorities have contributed to the development of NAPLAN materials.

Why do students do NAPLAN tests?

NAPLAN is the measure through which governments, education authorities, schools, teachers and parents can determine whether or not young Australians have the literacy and numeracy skills that provide the critical foundation for other learning and for their productive and rewarding participation in the community.

The tests provide parents and schools with an understanding of how individual students are performing at the time of the tests. They also provide schools, states and territories with information about how education programs are working and which areas need to be prioritised for improvement.

NAPLAN tests are one aspect of each school's assessment and reporting process, and do not replace the extensive, ongoing assessments made by teachers about each student's performance.

NAPLAN 2016 timetable

	Tuesday 10 May 2016	Wednesday 11 May 2016	Thursday 12 May 2016
Year 3	Language conventions <i>40 minutes</i> Writing <i>40 minutes</i>	Reading <i>45 minutes</i>	Numeracy <i>45 minutes</i>
Year 5	Language conventions <i>40 minutes</i> Writing <i>40 minutes</i>	Reading <i>50 minutes</i>	Numeracy <i>50 minutes</i>

1-2-3 Magic & Emotion Coaching Parent Course

Learn to manage difficult behaviour in children
2-12 years old

Venue: St Margaret Mary's Catholic Primary School
7 Chetwynd Road, Merrylands

Telephone: 9637 4600

Catholic Education Office Diocese of Parramatta together with St Margaret Mary's Catholic Primary Merrylands, are pleased to offer parent and carers in our Diocese, the 1 2 3 Magic and Emotion Coaching course.

The course is 3 sessions and will be run on the following dates:

Session 1	Tuesday 10 th May 2016	6pm - 8pm
Session 2	Tuesday 17 th May 2016	6pm - 8pm
Session 3	Tuesday 24 th May 2016	6pm - 8pm

Course Facilitators: Tanya Cosgrove and Veronica Jarrett

Cost is \$10 per parent/couple/carer(s) to cover the cost of the parent workbook (only one required per family). This workbook will be available for purchase on the night.

Register by calling St Margaret Mary's school office on 9637 4600.

[Reminder: Hair Styles \(from our Parent Handbook\)](#)

Hair is to be kept neat and tidy, off the collar, of consistent natural colour, of gradual even grade – e.g. extreme colours and cuts not permitted.

Shoulder length hair or longer must be tied back. Hair is to be off the face and out of the eyes.

Ribbons, hair clips, etc if worn, should be in the school uniform colours. Matching scrunchies and headbands are available from OZ Fashions and the school office.

[School Uniform](#)

All new uniforms are purchased from:

OZ Fashions	Phone: 9897 3121
115-127 Parramatta Road Granville	Web: www.ozfashions.com.au
Trading Hours: Monday – Friday	9am – 5.30pm
Saturday	9am – 4pm

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



Winter uniform to be worn by all students from Monday 9th May.

[Second-Hand Uniforms](#)

A limited number of second-hand uniforms, in limited sizes are available from the school. Mrs Batistic has kindly sorted these items and is available on Fridays fortnightly from 25th March - **8.30-9am** and **2.30-3pm** to view and purchase these items.

Quality Catholic Schools Survey

Thank you to the families who have already returned the survey.

We strongly encourage you to participate by completing the paper version or via an online survey by Friday 1st April.

If you experience any difficulties please contact the school office for assistance.

First Communion Dresses

A very limited number of First Communion dresses are available from the school to borrow.

Please contact the school office to check the size and to reserve your dress.

A New Baby Girl

Congratulations to the **Angui** family on the birth of a baby girl,

Alek Angui

on **22nd March 2016**

a sister for

Nyimedra (Yr 1) and Garang (Yr 6).



A New Baby Girl

Congratulations to the **Shamaa** family on the birth of a baby girl,

Amira Shamaa

on **27th March 2016**

weighing 4kg

a sister for

Aliya (Kinder) and Emilia (Yr 2).



Students of the Week

Week ending 25.3.16

Kindergarten	Lorin Menai
Year One	Mia Sleiman
Year Two	Joel Buultjens
Year Three	Chanel Taouk
Year Four	Kaihlen Dawaton
Year Five	Juliana Romanos
Year Six	Garang Angui



Birthday Celebrations

Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their birthday in **April**:



Aroob Fatima, Ava Elikaie, Salma Bah, Jayson Nguyen, Charlotte Kramer, Janif Godrey Lopez, Garang Angui, Fizaan Mohammadian, Sanjit Bollina, Bakhous Bou-Francis, Dominic Vu, Logan Chen, Vanessa Elikaie, Kevin Quach, Ahmed Deng.



Calendar Dates

- Thursday 31st March** - Stage 2 Excursion to La Perouse
- Friday 1st April** - Stage 3 Assembly- MacKillop Hall - 2.30pm
- Sunday 3rd April** - Day Light Savings Ends - clocks go back one hour
- Wednesday 6th April** - Staff Development Day - students do not come to school
- Thursday 7th April** - Mufti Day for all students - (gold coin towards updating computers)
- Friday 8th April** - Last day of Term 1
- Monday 11th April** - Autumn Reading Challenge - 10-2pm
- Monday 25th April** - ANZAC Day
- Tuesday 26th April** - Start of Term 2 - return Autumn Reading Challenge books

