



Holy Trinity School Granville **NEWSLETTER**



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Dear Parents and Friends,

Sincere thanks to our Religious Education Co-ordinators, staff and students of Delany College and our own Holy Trinity teachers, students and parents for celebrating the Way of Mercy Liturgy today.

Our children demonstrated love of others and love of God in this beautiful prayer. The children were able to view a relic of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop and a letter penned by Mother Teresa of Calcutta, who will be canonised a Saint on the 4th September. This was a very special and meaningful opportunity for our children.

May the peace and love of our merciful Lord, be with you all,

Helen Boyer

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Principal

*The fruit of silence is prayer.
The fruit of prayer is faith.
The fruit of faith is love.
The fruit of love is service
The fruit of service is peace.*

Mother Teresa

WORLD YOUTH DAY- KRAKOW 2016

On July 29th we began our official World Youth Day week with an Opening Mass celebrated with Cardinal Dziwisz at Blonia Park. The persistent rain wasn't enough to dampen our spirits as we joined approximately 500, 000 young people to officially open World Youth Day 2016. Cardinal Dziwisz welcomed all the youth from all "continents and nations, from the East and West, North and South of our globe". It began our week of communicating with people from all walks in the "language of the gospel"- a language of love, solidarity and peace. This week was a week to share our faith, our experiences and our hopes with the many people we would cross paths with.



In the following days, we attended Catechesis, where a number of keynote speakers spoke including Cardinal Timothy Dolan from New York, USA. It was during Cardinal Dolan's speech that we were reminded of the importance of not 'procrastinating' when saying yes to God, something that we are all guilty of in one way or another in our busy lives. He also explained that it was a time to live through Mercy and the importance of praying to Mary as an intercessor for Jesus.



Our World Youth Day pilgrimage continued as we travelled to the John Paul II Sanctuary that houses relics of St John Paul II. We then visited the Divine Mercy Shrine and the Chapel of St Faustina Kowalska, where I was able to spend time in prayer and reflection at the place St Faustina worked and had her apparition of Jesus, "For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and the whole world".

around us to fulfil our lives.

On the Pope's arrival, we celebrated Mass where Pope Francis invited us to enter the hearts and lives of the poor, to be in the lives of those who don't understand and those who may hurt us; to show Mercy to those

We were joined by Pope Francis on Friday for an artistic rendition of the Stations of the Cross. The theme of the Way of the Cross for the World Youth Day pilgrimage was to display the path of Mercy. It was through this rendition that the works of Mercy within and around our world was symbolised at each station.



On Saturday 30th we set out on our 22km journey to Campus Misericordiae, following in the footsteps of Jesus. This was to be the beginning of the hardest yet most fulfilling part of my two week pilgrimage. During our journey my group of 10 joined by another group endured both the physical and emotional strain of the long journey. We were met by Polish locals who fed and watered us along the way showing us Mercy through their hospitality and compassion.

That evening at Campus Misericordiae, we were joined by Pope Francis, who led the pilgrims in a candlelight prayer vigil. The vigil was a solemn gathering where we heard from a young Syrian girl who shared moving words of her persevering faith despite her personal suffering and the suffering of her nation. This was followed by an hour of Adoration with the Blessed Sacrament. It was a truly special occasion to be praying with the Holy Father to Jesus.



After spending Saturday night on the Campus Misericordiae grounds, we awoke on Sunday morning to participate in Mass celebrated by Pope Francis. Pope Francis reminded the many pilgrims that “God Loves us the way we are” and to not accept ourselves and to not live happily is like walking away from God. “God counts on you for what you are, not for what you possess”. Pope Francis reminded us that it doesn't matter if you have the latest fashion trends, the latest smart phone, these things are not important. What is important is that Jesus loves YOU!

Our pilgrimage concluded on Monday with a diocesan retreat to Folwark Zalesie. This was an excellent opportunity for us to reflect on the experiences of the past two weeks. We celebrated mass and then went on for our final night in Warsaw. This was where our journey ended but this did not signify the end of our faith journey we find ourselves on, it was just the start.



This was a truly amazing experience and one I will never forget, especially the people I met and the places I went. World Youth Day week was an intense, spiritual and physically demanding experience. Although this meeting only lasted a few days, it was a time of decision making, a time to set new goals a time to deepen my faith and follow Jesus' way. I thank God for each and every grace he bestowed on me on my pilgrimage.

My challenge to you, how can you be the face of mercy to the people in your lives?

I would like to thank the school community for their support, well wishes and prayers along the way.

Miss Loulach



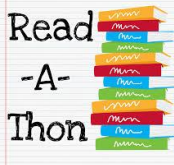
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Attendance
week ending 19/8/2016

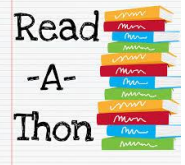
Term 3 School Fees Now Due

Please note school fees for Term 3 are now due.

If you are experiencing any difficulty, please contact the office to arrange an appointment.



Read-a-thon



The read-a-thon at Holy Trinity has been a great success! All students have been tallying up how many minutes and hours they have been reading over the last two weeks. Many students have been amazed at how much time they have spent reading during the week.

Now is the time to collect the money from your sponsors. All money needs to be back at school by next **Monday the 29th of August**.

The first class to get all their money into school will win a pizza lunch party.

Prizes will also be awarded for the students who raise the most money in each class and for the two family groups who raise the most money across the school.

So good luck, and keep on reading!

Dance Fever Interschool Challenge -Thursday 8th September at 5.30pm

As in past, children from Years 3, 4 5 and 6 will be participating in an interschool challenge at Homebush on Thursday 8th September.

The school has booked buses to take the children, family members and staff to the venue departing the school at 4.30pm. This year there is a charge of \$10 per family for the bus.

Tickets for each family member attending will need to be purchased at the venue door to watch the competition. Children that are competing have already been billed in the 2016 school fees. We have been advised that tickets are **\$6 each this year**.

Please ensure your child returns the Dance Fever Interschool Challenge note with the total number of adults and children travelling by bus. We need numbers of adults to know how many buses to book.

Dance is part of our PDHPE curriculum and is therefore compulsory. Any family experiencing difficulty with this event, please contact Mrs Boyer.

Helpers Needed to Cover Books

Thank to those who have helped BUT
we still have new books to cover.

This will take place on Thursday mornings in the school library from 9am or
you can take books home to cover.

Instructions, training and contact will be provided.

Your assistance is greatly appreciated.



Students of the Week

Week ending 19.8.16



Kindergarten	-	Olivia Chalhoub
Year One	-	Danny Nguyen
Year Two	-	Lamea Pirini
Year Three	-	Chanel Taouk
Year Four	-	Ricky Dang
Year Five	-	Jacinta Nakfour
Year Six	-	Garang Angui



Merit Certificates

Week ending 19/08/2016

Kindergarten	-	Lopasi Liutai, Alex Berou
Year 1	-	Laasya Gaddi, Donny Cai
Year 2	-	Daphane Moses, Kaitlyn Bosco
Year 3	-	Elly Hur, Jack Fitzpatrick,
Year 4	-	Saide Tannous, George El Khoueiry
Year 5	-	Rahima Sankoh, Jeremiah Taliauli
Year 6	-	Ashiatu Kamara Peacock, Filippo Latu

Birthday Celebrations

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



Harmony Teunon, Laasya Gaddi,
Lucy Sultana, Noah Batistic, John Paul Diab,
Aliya Shamaa, Lopasi Liutai,
Charlotte Bou-Francis, Zhi Fei Zhang,
Bradin Le, Lamea Pirini, Alethia Sewell

Calendar Dates

Wednesday, 31st August - Father's Day Stall – 8am

Thursday, 1st September - Father's Day BBQ Breakfast – Years 3-6

Thursday, 8th September - Dance Fever Dance Challenge

Friday, 9th September - STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY – no school for children today

Friday, 23rd September - Last day of Term 3

Monday, 10th October - School starts for Term 4

