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Dear Parents and Friends,

It is with great sadness that I inform you of my mother's passing yesterday. Mum is at peace now and I thank you for your support over the last few months. I give thanks for all nursing staff that have cared for mum in the many hospitals that she has been in especially, our dear parent Dennis Coloma (Gabriel's dad in Kindergarten) who cared for mum at Westmead Rehabilitation Hospital. Please keep my mum Jean Casamento and my family in your prayers.

May she rest in peace.

Amen.

Helen Boyer

Our deepest condolences go to Helen and her family during this this difficult time.

Lord Jesus,

You tell us that those who mourn are "blessed," knowing that only those who love greatly can mourn.

Be with Helen, and may the members of her family be strengthened, knowing that others care for them and hold them in prayer.

In your loving kindness bring them healing and peace.

Amen.

Michelle O'Leary, Acting Religious Education Coordinator



Dear Parents and Friends,

We have had some marvellous times here at Holy Trinity with book week celebrations and grandparents liturgy. Thank you to everyone for your participation. However it is not all fun and games at Holy Trinity.

Religious Education is most important to our faith development at Holy Trinity and our year 4 and year 6 students have been participating in the Religious Literacy assessments over the last couple of weeks. Congratulations on your fantastic achievements.

Each stage has been learning about interesting topics in HSIE and Science units and spend at least 100 minutes on Literacy and 60 minutes on Numeracy each day.

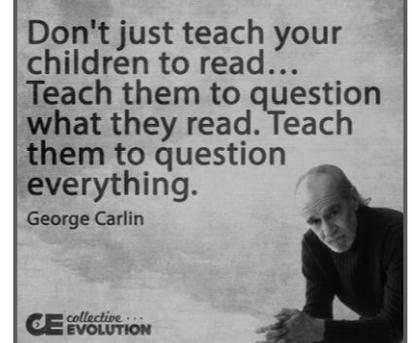
HSIE and Science units for term 3 have been

- Kindergarten: Weather In My World / Places We Know (HSIE and Science integrated)
- Stage 1: Up Down All Around (Science), Past and Present Families (HSIE)
- Stage 2: Melting Moments (Science), Living in Communities (HSIE)
- Stage 3: Earth's Place in Space (Science), Antarctica (HSIE)

Please ask your children about these topics and encourage conversation and extra research in the areas mentioned, this will be of benefit to both you and your child.

Here at Holy trinity we work in partnership with you as parents. I ask you to consider the quote and following excerpt from a web page.

We need you, to read to, and with your child, each day. If you find this difficult, then ask your child to read to you each day. Reading aloud is important in growth and development of vocabulary and reading skills.



From The website created by Mem Fox

<http://memfox.com/for-parents/for-parents-ten-read-aloud-commandments/>

1. Spend at least ten wildly happy minutes every single day reading aloud. From birth!
2. Read at least three stories a day: it may be the same story three times. Children need to hear a thousand stories before they can begin to learn to read. Or the same story a thousand times!
3. Read aloud with animation. Listen to your own voice and don't be dull, or flat, or boring. Hang loose and be loud, have fun and laugh a lot.
4. Read with joy and enjoyment: real enjoyment for yourself and great joy for the listeners.
5. Read the stories that your child loves, over and over, and over again, and always read in the same 'tune' for each book: i.e. with the same intonations and volume and speed, on each page, each time.
6. Let children hear lots of language by talking to them constantly about the pictures, or anything else connected to the book; or sing any old song that you can remember; or say nursery rhymes in a bouncy way; or be noisy together doing clapping games.
7. Look for the rhyme, rhythm or repetition in books for young children, and make sure the books are really short.
8. Play games with the things that you and the child can see on the page, such as letting kids finish rhymes, and finding the letters that start the child's name and yours, remembering that it's never work, it's always a fabulous game.
9. Never ever teach reading, or get tense around books.
10. Please read aloud every day because you just adore being with your child, not because it's the right thing to do.

If you would like some support with these requests just come and see either myself or the teachers.

Thank you all for supporting our wonderful Holy Trinity community,
may God bless you all and keep you safe.

Helen Boyer

Helen Boyer, Principal

Book Week 2015 - Books Light Up Our World

Wow! What an amazing Book Week celebration we have had at HTG? We launched our Book Week celebrations with the Musical Performance - Shine a Light. The children were delighted and entertained, as they experienced the wonder of a musical performance that included some of the Shortlisted Books. Thank you Mrs Boyer for providing HTG with this wonderful opportunity.

After reading some of the Shortlisted titles and viewing the Book Week Performance the HTG students were asked to vote on the Shortlisted Book they liked the most. A name was drawn for each of the four titles and some lucky students won a copy of their favourite title.

Congratulations to the following students:

- Hayden Khan - The Duck and the Darklings
- Jaysnta Nakfour - Rivertime
- Gabriella Batistic - Scary Night
- Selina Joshi - My Two Blankets

The children and staff looked fantastic at the Book Character Parade. Thank you again to all families and staff for their effort and enthusiasm in preparing for the parade. Congratulations to the children that won a certificate and prize for their costume. Well done!

Thank you to all the families who came along to our Book Fair this year. It was pleasing to see so many children and parents purchasing books to share at home. Our Book Fair was very successful this year as we made \$3040 in sales, which means we have a book commission of \$912.

Thank you for your support in our Book Fair. A special thank you to The Ghribian (Rita - Year 6), Cortes (Indiana - Year 6), Sewell (Danton - Kindy, Alethia - Year 2), Fatima (Aroob - Kindy) families & The HTG Friendship Group who purchased a book and donated it to our school.

Thank you all again for a fabulous Book Week and for making our first Grandparents' Day a huge success!

Mrs Caroline Taouk, Teacher Librarian



Shine a Light Book Week Performance Review

On Thursday the 14th of August 2015, Holy Trinity was entertained with an awesome Book Week performance titled 'Shine a Light'. In the lead up to Book Week HTG students had been reading four shortlisted titles: The Duck and the Darklings, My Two Blankets, Rivertime and Scary Night.

The two performers did a spectacular musical play about a boy named Richard and a girl named Rose. Rose had a dilemma because the mirror she loved had begun to be troublesome. Richard sees her problem and has a solution. A magic lamp ... could that be the answer to all her problems?

We all had a fun and exciting time participating in the performance as an audience and some were lucky to play small roles. We would like to thank Mrs Boyer for allowing us to share in this experience for another year. Thank you for covering the cost of this incursion for all the children at HTG. It was a spectacular start to our Book Week celebrations.

Written By: Fiona, Anne and Angelina



MERIT AWARDS

Congratulations to the children who have received their class award for the **week ending 21.8.15**

Kindergarten	Aroob Fatima Danny Nguyen
Year One	Sarah Nadeem Dylan Hur
Year Two	Stella Fitzpatrick Dominic Vu
Year Three	Fatima Nadeem Ricky Dang
Year Four	Aiman Nadeem Bakhous Bou-Francis
Year Five	Andre Berou Brandon Ghazarian
Year Six	Michelle Dang Fiona Nguyen

Students of the Week Week ending 21.8.15



Kindergarten	Donny Cai
Year One	Nicholas Miranda
Year Two	Elly Hur
Year Three	Elvis Nguyen
Year Four	Bradin Le
Year Five	Emma George-Coker
Year Six	Rita Ghribian



Father's Day Happenings

Thursday 3rd September - **Father's Day Stall**
Don't forget to bring in your money to buy a present.
Gifts from \$2 to \$5.

Friday 4th September



- **Father's Day BBQ Breakfast**

Thank to those families who have returned their reply slip so that we can organise catering.

We have received enough offers of donations of juice, eggs and bacon.

Bring in your donations on the 1st and 2nd September.

Holy Trinity Parish and Holy Family Parish Winter Wonderland Trivia Night and Dance

featuring DJ SYKD

Friday 11th September from 6pm

Mackillop Hall

Teams: Maximum of 6 people per group

Students in years 5 and 6 are welcome to attend

RSVP by: Saturday 6th September. Register your team at: office@granvilleparish.org.au

Canteen Roster

Volunteers must complete Child Protection Training before working with children in schools.

Paulette Zaiter, Canteen Co-ordinator

Friday 28th August - Sue Bou-Francis, Maram Salloum
Tuesday 1st September - Mabel Chen, Janine Estephane
Friday 4th September - Dianna Asmar, Joanne Batistic
Tuesday 8th September - Annie Ghribian, Joyce Irima
Friday 11th September - Sophie Depares, Amanda George
Tuesday 15th September - Saidie Jebrine, Rosette Bou-Francis
Friday 18th September - No Canteen – Last day of Term

A very special thank you to all volunteers who have been able to help in the canteen this term.

Calendar Dates

Monday 31st August - Sacrament of Eucharist - Lesson 5 - 3.15-4.30pm - MacKillop Hall
1st – 2nd September - Bring in donations for Father's Day BBQ Breakfast
Wednesday 2nd September - Reconciliation – Year 3
- Voice of Youth Cluster Semi Final
Thursday 3rd September - Father's Day Stall
Friday 4th September - Father's Day BBQ Breakfast
- Stage 3 Assembly
Sunday 5th September - Father's Day
Monday 7th September - Sacrament of Eucharist - Lesson 6 - 3.15-4.30pm - MacKillop Hall
Tuesday 8th September - Year 4 Captivate Concert at St Dominic's Kingswood
Thursday 10th September - Dance Fever Interschool Challenge- Years 3 to 6
Friday 11th September - Dance-a-Thon Fundraiser
Saturday 12th September - Sacrament of Eucharist Rehearsal Day – 11.00am
Sunday 13th September - Sacrament of Eucharist at Holy Trinity Parish – 11.30am
Friday 18th September - End of Term 3