



# Holy Trinity School Granville **NEWSLETTER**



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Dear Parents and Friends,

It's great to be a teacher at Holy Trinity. So many happy faces of both students and parents greeted me on Monday morning. Thank you for all you bring to Holy Trinity.

This term we finalise our teaching and learning for the year and provide you with a summary of your child's achievements through yearly reports. Please contact your child's teacher should you have any concerns about their learning.

### **Parent Involvement in Their Children's Education Leads to Student Success**

Active engaged parents translate to active engaged students who complete their schoolwork, enjoy going to school and gain a better education.

- To dive a bit deeper, parents will have a significant impact on their child's learning and educational experience when they take an active role in monitoring their child's progress, homework, attendance, activities and events. Parent involvement helps keep students on track – from better attendance to improved results.
- Students with parents who are involved in their school have fewer behavioral problems and better academic performance, and are more likely to complete high school.
- Students with involved parents, no matter what their income or background, are more likely to earn higher grades and test scores, enroll in higher-level programs, be promoted, pass their classes, attend school regularly, have better social skills show improved behaviour and graduate and go on to postsecondary education.

To help you in being involved in your child's education I provide the following information. These are the units of work your children will be learning about in term 4 in HSIE - Geography/History and Science and Technology. Take time to talk to your child about what they are learning.

| Grade         | Weeks 1-5   | Weeks 6-10   |
|---------------|---|--|
| Early Stage 1 | History<br>Personal and Family History            | Science and Technology<br>On the Move                        |
| Stage 1       | History<br>Past Present in our Local<br>Community | Science and Technology<br>Push and pull                      |
| Stage 2       | Geography Places are similar<br>and Different     | Science and Technology<br>Plants in Action/Friends or<br>foe |
| Stage 3       | Geography<br>Factors that Shape our Place         | Science and Technology<br>Marvellous micro<br>organisms.     |

Now for the exciting part of Term 4, we will again be holding our second

### **CELEBRATION OF LEARNING.**

This will take place on

**Wednesday 2nd November.**

**Please mark this date on your calendar, more information will follow in the next few weeks.**

Please read the article by our Year 6 students on the establishment of our HTG Garden. We hope to be able to pick some flowers and cook and eat some of our vegetables later this term. I invite you to take your children to the garden to see what we have planted. Then when you come back to the Celebration of Learning hopefully you will see the progress made by our gardeners. Thank you to Mr Stevens and Bunnings for supplying the items for our garden.

This term is the final term for our Year 6 students. We hope that they will make the most of this ten weeks. They will travel to Canberra in November and then will be farewelled later in December with a Graduation Mass and supper.

Later this term Year 5 students will commence the process of deciding our student leadership team for 2017. That is definitely a highlight of the year for Year 5.

Most classes have had the opportunity to experience learning away from school on excursion. This term our Stage 1 children will visit Elizabeth Farm on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> October. This is part of their History unit for this term.

So a busy and exciting term is planned for HTG.

I look forward to sharing the learning with you on Wednesday November 2nd.

Love Serve Hope

*Helen Boyer*

Helen Boyer, Principal

### Our HTG Garden

This week at Holy Trinity the Year Six students have started to update our garden area. Mr. Stevens invited Dee from the local Bunnings Warehouse at Lidcombe and she brought many supplies donated by Bunnings. She was a big help and we really appreciate everything she did.



The students were put into different groups; the 'Hands On Kids', the iPad Photographers and the Newsletter People to share the duties.

The Year Six students had a humongous job to plant a variety of flowers, including Marigold, Passion Fruit Nellie Kelly, Strawberry Pink Begonia and Petunias.

We used soil in all of our garden beds to make sure there were plenty of nutrients that were pure and organic! Then we separated all of the plants, herbs and vegetables into each of the garden beds.

It is important to water the flowers carefully because they are very fragile and it is very easy to make the water in the flowerbed overflow. To keep the flowers healthy, Sugar Cane Mulch was poured into the garden beds and was spread out around the flowers. The Sugar Cane Mulch reduces weeds and gives nutrients to the flowers and keeps the soil moisture.

### Compost Bins

Compost bins work when worms eat and reduce the green nitrogen rich food scraps, mainly from veggies and fruit from recess and lunch which is mixed in with carbon rich brown material, including egg shells, shredded paper and lawn clippings. The worms eventually break this material down into rich compost, and is a great way to get rid of unwanted rubbish, making sure that our bins don't overflow and our playground stays clean. Soon we might have a worm farm that might be as effective as the compost bin!

## Vegetables

Vegetables can be very good and they give you nutrients, which is very healthy. Our new garden includes a good combination, Herbs Vegetables and Flowers. Vegetables are so good that you should have 5-8 servings of veggies and 2-5 servings of fruit a day. Some of the veggies we planted include tomatoes, iceberg lettuce and celery. We took the vegetables out of the containers and separated them into individual plants and planted them.

## Herbs

Some kids don't know what herbs are. Herbs are plants that are used to flavour food, as medicine, or fragrances. We are planting mint, basil and more. I love the herbs my mother uses and they are just delicious. These will be taken care of by the teachers and the students.

Overall the HTG Garden project will be a huge success, and the garden will be taken care of by our wonderful students at Holy Trinity. If you decide to look at the garden, remember to only look and not to touch.

We thank Dee and Bunning's Warehouse for donating the wonderful things to make our garden beautiful and healthy. We also would like to give a big thank you to Mr Stevens and Mrs Boyer for giving us this opportunity to care for living plants in our school garden.

By Rhys Ramos, Cecilia Do and Pieta Pirini

## **SOCIAL SKILL – WEEK 1**

### **Use Your Manners:**

“please”, “thank you”, “may I”, “sorry”, “excuse me”  
and

**Use people's names when addressing them.**



## **100% Attendance For Term 3**

Congratulations to the following students for achieving 100% attendance during Term 3.

|                    |                   |                |                   |
|--------------------|-------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| Fatmata Bah        | Salma Bah         | William Bausse | Sanjit Bollina    |
| Charles Bollozos   | Donny Cai         | Jiasin Cai     | Gabriel Coloma    |
| Kaihlen Dawaton    | Princess Delany   | Daniel Depares | Joshua Depare     |
| George El Khoueiry | Jacob Faddoul     | Lyriah Filo    | Zoe Fitzpatrick   |
| Laasya Gaddi       | Eriolin Goodridge | Jacob Juana    | Aaron Kidane      |
| Samuel Kidane      | Saharsh Kontham   | Peter Lichaa   | Michaela Ljubicic |
| Farhan Mohammadian | Marnley Pelayo    | Ava Pirini     | Subhi Shrestha    |
| Mia Sleiman        | James Wen         |                |                   |



### **Students of the Week** **Week ending 23/9/16**



|              |   |                  |
|--------------|---|------------------|
| Kindergarten | - | Kevin Quach      |
| Year One     | - | Mia Sleiman      |
| Year Two     | - | Sarah Nadeem     |
| Year Three   | - | Casandra Romanos |
| Year Four    | - | Fatima Nadeem    |
| Year Five    | - | Reese Blandon    |
| Year Six     | - | Mark Bou-Francis |



## Birthday Celebrations

Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their  
Birthday in **October**:

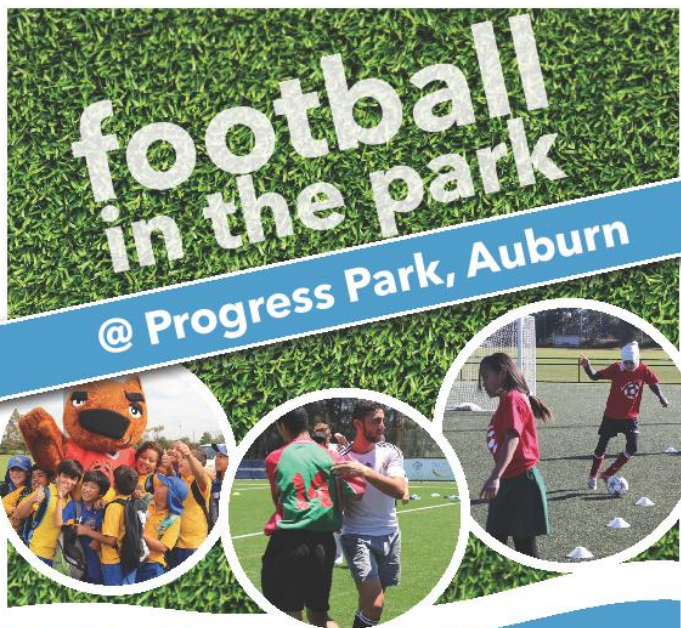
Mia Sleiman, Daniella Taouk, Hope Mahoud, Tamara Salloum, Kaitlyn Bosco,  
Isaiah Montecino, Maxine Garzon, Jonathan Irima, William Bausse, Joshua Rajadurai,  
James Wen, Christaville Al Katrib, Nyibol Akot, Faith Taliauli, Jessalin Zhao,  
Florence Tarawallie, Chanel Taouk



## Calendar Dates

Important  
Dates

|                                    |   |   |
|------------------------------------|---|---|
| Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> October    | - | Diocesan Mass                                     |
| Tuesday 25 <sup>th</sup> October   | - | Kindergarten 2017 Information evening for Parents |
| Thursday 27 <sup>th</sup> October  | - | Kinder 2017 Classroom Visit                       |
| Friday 28 <sup>th</sup> October    | - | Stage 1 Excursion to Elizabeth Farm               |
| Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> November | - | Celebration of Learning                           |
| Thursday 3 <sup>rd</sup> November  | - | Kinder 2017 Classroom Visit                       |



### **KICK OFF: SAT 22 OCT 9.30-11AM**

Every Saturday until 17th December  
Come Play Football in the Summer for some friendly competition at Progress Park,  
Chisholm Rd and Killeen St, Auburn  
This program is **FREE** (registration is essential)  
Open to **BOYS** and **GIRLS** aged 7-20

Program coordinated by:



This program is supported by the Department of Social Services

Contact Natasha on 0406 369 584 or email [natasha@creatingchances.org.au](mailto:natasha@creatingchances.org.au) for more information

## Catherine McAuley Westmead



There are two Open Mornings remaining specifically for Year 7 2018 enrolments on:

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> October and  
Thursday 17<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

**9.15 – 11am**

Catherine McAuley is now accepting enrolments for Year 7 2018. Each year the demand for places at Catherine McAuley exceeds what is available. For Year 7 2018 applicants but open to any year group.

Will give interested parents and students the opportunity to tour our school on a normal school day. You will be able to view our school grounds and facilities, go into classrooms and meet our students and teachers.

Enrolment packs will be available on the day.

To book places for a school tour please contact our School Reception on 9849 9100.

## St Bernadette's, Castle Hill - 60th Anniversary Celebration Night

St Bernadette's, Castle Hill is celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary and would like to invite past students, parents, teachers and parishioners.

**22<sup>nd</sup> October 2016**

**Novotel Sydney, Norwest  
1 Columbia Court, Baulkham Hills**

**6.30 – 11.30pm**

**\$75 per person**

**Bookings: [www.sbchpf.com](http://www.sbchpf.com) Enquiries: [sbchpf@gmail.com](mailto:sbchpf@gmail.com)**