



# Holy Trinity School Granville

## UPDATE



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Dear Parents and Care-givers,

As we begin the second half of the year, it is good to reflect about what makes Holy Trinity such a special school. We have a dedicated staff that cares about your children and their learning needs. As you have your parent-teacher interviews, teachers will be setting learning goals with their students to help them achieve their potential in our final semester of the year. This reflects our school rule, ***“I am a learner.”***

Another school rule, ***“I am respectful”*** is shown not just through the way we speak and treat others, but also in the way the children wear their uniform and present themselves. By wearing their uniform with pride and by following our Holy Trinity Uniform, Jewellery and Grooming Policy, students are showing respect and pride in themselves and pride in their school. This is supported by research:

*“We know that a school uniform policy can help reduce instances of classroom discipline and bullying, as well as improve student safety and attendance. The use of school uniforms, whether in public or private schools, has a powerful influence on school culture in ways that contribute to greater levels of student achievement.” (NSW Board of Studies)*

I have noticed a lot of haircuts, particularly from our boys, which do not meet our school standards. Please support us by ensuring that your children come dressed and groomed appropriately, along with their school hat and bag. ***In our Parent handbook, we are very clear that students’ hair must be kept neat and tidy, off the collar, of consistent, natural colour and of an even, gradual grade. Shoulder length hair for girls must be tied back. Hair is to be off the face and out of the eyes.***

Our final school rule, ***“I am safe”*** is one that teachers are constantly reminding students about. We are helping students learn techniques to keep themselves calm, about conflict with others and the talk to an adult if they are ever hurt or feeling vulnerable. Please see our Parent Handbook for more information on our anti-bullying policy.

God bless,

Kathryn Salkeld  
Assistant Principal

### Honourable Mention in the Australian Catholics Young Journalist Award

Last term Angelina Batistic, Gwyneth Climaco, Adam Depares, Eva Derbas, Lyriah Filo, Khalil Ibrahim, Anne Nguyen, Fiona Nguyen, Peita Pirini, Rhys Ramos, Michelle Thorne, and Brandon Zaiter entered a competition about someone inspiring in their community for the Australian Catholics Young Journalist Award.

All student entries were of a high quality and the students are to be congratulated on a fine effort.

Special congratulations to Anne Nguyen in Year 6 who has been awarded an Honourable Mention in the Australian Catholics Young Journalist Award 2015. Her name and Holy Trinity’s name will appear in the Spring issue. Below is a copy of her entry.

#### The Woman behind the Community

I sat there, crying, drenching my shirt in tears but as I walk out of the toilet; it started again. “Loser!” “Weirdo!” “Nerd!” The whole class was laughing. This is Rosette Chidiac, a former victim of bullying. Now a youth minister at Holy Trinity Parish, her life turned around as soon as she stood up for herself and chose to be God’s hands and feet to the local youth community.

Rosette was born on 16<sup>th</sup> March 1992 in Belmore, Sydney, Australia, then her family moved to Guildford. Being the eldest of 3, her job as a role model was very difficult because she constantly had to display good behaviour at all times. Rosette displayed amazing qualities to which she still has until today.

All girls want to be unique and different; unfortunately the “unique” trend wasn’t in style 10 years ago at Rosette’s high school. She wasn’t fitting in like other students and was mostly considered a nerd from her bullies. “As a former victim of bullying, it showed me the importance of being kind to others”, says Rosette. Rosette finally had enough of being bullied and decided to seek out her school principal.

Doctor, dentist, singer, above all jobs, why a youth minister? “Everything in mass is targeted towards adults. I felt like the youth are missing out”, Rosette said. She wanted the youth to be more enthusiastic and happy about being a Catholic. “This is the future generation of the parish, I need the youth to be more engaged so they can carry on our parish’s legacy”. “When times are rough, I ask God for his guidance. I want the youth to be able to trust and rely on God to make them a greater believer”.

I admire Rosette for the positive vibe she has every time I see her. This woman has made me want to serve God and go to church regularly. Rosette Chidiac is my inspiration and role model.


~~Rosette has always shared inspirational words, but none more powerful than “Never meet someone without making them happier as they walk away”.~~

## Woolworths Earn & Learn



Thank you to those families who have started sending in the Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers.

You get one Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker for every \$10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards). Send the Earn & Learn Stickers into school or place the Earn & Learn Stickers onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Sticker Sheet and put into the Collection Box here at the school.

Collect Earn & Learn Stickers until Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> September and then we’ll be able to get  some great new equipment for our school.

### Students of the Week

#### **Week ending 17.7.15**

Kindergarten	Snehdeep Khaira
Year One	Dylan Hur
Year Two	Sanjit Bollina
Year Three	Makalita Liutai
Year Four	Georgina Sutcliffe
Year Five	Abdulla Mirza
Year Six	Michael Khalil



### Canteen Roster

24 <sup>th</sup> July	– Sandra El-Khoury, Almaza Faddoul
28 <sup>th</sup> July	– Joyce Irima, Camilla Liutai
31 <sup>st</sup> July	– Rosette Bou-Francis, Sue Bou-Francis
4 <sup>th</sup> August	– Joanne Batistic, Saide Jebrine
7 <sup>th</sup> August	– Sophie Depares, Amanda George
11 <sup>th</sup> August	– Mabel Chen, Mary Sleiman
14 <sup>th</sup> August	– Simone Kramer, Seini Taliaili
18 <sup>th</sup> August	– Maria Pelayo, Volunteers Needed
21 <sup>st</sup> August	– Almaza Faddoul, Sandra El-Khoury
25 <sup>th</sup> August	– Lillian Ibrahim, Camilla Liutai
28 <sup>th</sup> August	– Sue Bou-Francis, Maram Salloum
1 <sup>st</sup> September	– Mabel Chen, Dilky Fernando
4 <sup>th</sup> September	– Dianna Asmar, Joanne Batistic
8 <sup>th</sup> September	– Annie Ghribian, Joyce Irima
11 <sup>th</sup> September	– Sophie Depares, Amanda George

### Calendar Dates

Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> July	- Stage 2 Assembly – MacKillop Hall - 2.30pm
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> July	- Year 3 Mass
Friday 7 <sup>th</sup> August	- School Liturgy
	- Stage 1 Assembly – MacKillop Hall - 2.30pm
Saturday 8 <sup>th</sup> August	- St Mary of the Cross
Wednesday 12 <sup>th</sup> August	- Reconciliation – Year 6 – 10.30am
	- Book Fair Arrives
Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> August	- Celebration of Book Week see flyer attached
	- Grandparents Liturgy – 9am
	- Book Character Parade – 9.15-10.15am
	- Picnic Morning Tea – Recess 11am
	- Classroom Visits – 11.30-12.30pm
Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> August	- Prayer at Morning Assembly for Feast of Assumption – 9am
	- Year 2 Mass
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> August	- Feast of the Assumption
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> August	- Stage 1 Excursion to Rouse Hill
	- Reconciliation – Year 5 – 10.30am
	- Book Fair Leaves

