

Term 1 Issue 1

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Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As we begin the school year for 2016, it is good to reflect about what makes Holy Trinity such an amazing school. We have a dedicated and motivated staff, who care about your children and their individual learning needs. As you have your parent-teacher information nights, teachers will reiterate our school rules and why they are so important to us at HTG.

"I am a learner." This rule is based on the children being in charge of their own learning - being motivated, self-directed and focused in all Key Learning Areas of learning. It is your child's responsibility to complete work set for them in class and at home. It is your child's responsibility to ask clarifying questions about tasks they are unsure of and to work collaboratively with others in their learning space.

We have made a great start to our learning for 2016 at HTG by beginning our Mathematics learning with an Open-Ended Maths Incursion led by World of Maths. Students in Stage 1, Stage 2 and Stage 3 participated in an hour of Mathematics learning that centred around fun, engaging Mathematics tasks that

all students could access. Many students didn't want their session to end and lots of learning took place.

We were also very fortunate to have a large collection of Mathematics picture books donated to the school from Beecroft Bookshop. This will assist students in all strands of Mathematics and help make Mathematics learning fun and engaging.

Another school rule, "*I am respectful*" is shown not just through the way we speak and treat others, but also in they way the children wear

their uniform and present themselves. By wearing their uniform with pride, students at HTG are showing respect and pride in themselves and pride in their school.

Our final school rule, "I am safe" is one that teachers help students learn techniques to keep themselves physically safe and calm. We also teach our students about conflict with others and when to talk to an adult if they are ever hurt or feeling vulnerable.

God Bless, Kathryn Salkeld Assistant Principal.

#### Tomorrow marks the beginning of Lent for 2016

As Catholics, we attend church services and are marked with ashes on Ash Wednesday. Wearing ashes on the head is an ancient sign of grief and sorrow and a reminder to turn away from sin and follow the Gospels.

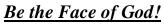
Throughout Lent, we prepare for the celebration of the resurrection at Easter by looking closely at our own lives. This is a time when we should think carefully about the way in which we treat our family and friends, for our relationship with others reflects our relationship with God.

It is also a time to support those in the world who struggle to survive because of poverty. Holy Trinity will collect money for Project Compassion in order to support needy communities. We will encourage the children to make decisions about sharing their spending money with others by placing it in the Project Compassion boxes in their classrooms.

During the following weeks, let us reflect on the importance of prayer, the need to support the poor and saying 'sorry' to one another.







### Kinder Welcome BBQ and Disco



#### Shrove Tuesday - Thank You Thank you to the parents who volunteered to cook and serve pancakes for the students. Thank you also to those parents who donated items towards the day.



## Second-Hand Clothing Shop Volunteers Needed

We have built up quite a substantial supply of second-hand clothing and opening up a second-hand clothing shop would be a service to our school community.

We require a team of parents to wash, sort and sell items twice per term.

Please contact the school office if you are interested.

# Calendar Dates

- Census Day

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February **Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> February** 

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Years 1-6 parents meet the teacher - 2 sessions - 3.30-4.30pm and

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> March Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March

- Stage 2 Assembly MacKillop Hall 2.40pm
- **School Photo Day**
- Stage 1 Assembly MacKillop Hall 2.40pm

### **Students of the Week** Week ending 5.2.16

| Kindergarten |
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| Year One     |
| Year Two     |
| Year Three   |
| Year Four    |
| Year Five    |
| Year Six     |

Mohamed Bah Hannah Joseph Daniella Ronquillo Jovian Gomes Jayden Taouk Juliana Romanos Kelly Vo



Helpers Needed to Cover Books

The school will provide you with everything you need: the contact and a demonstration on how to cover books in clear contact. All we need is your time on Thursdays in the school library. Please see Mrs Bisazza in the office for more information.

6-7pm



# 2016 Holy Trinity School Leaders

| School Captains Rhys Ramos<br>Florence Tarawallie<br>Lyriah Filo<br>Joshua Carniel   |  |
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| Sport Captains<br>Blue   | Mark Bou-Francis<br>Emma George-Coker  |
| Red  | Abraham Tannous<br>Elissa Maroun   |
| Yellow   | Brandon Ghazarian<br>Cecilia Do  |
| Green  | Andre Berou<br>Caitlyn Nakfour   |
| School Support Leader  | s Samuel Kidane<br>Swasti Shrestha<br>Ashiatu Peacock  |
| Junior Joeys/Liturgy Leaders Michaela Ljubicic<br>Marnely Pelayo<br>Kelly Vo<br>Pieta Pirini<br>Abdullah Mirza<br>Garang Angui |  |
| Media Team Mahyar Mola Salehi<br>Joseph Azar<br>Khang Nguyen<br>Filipo Latu<br>Andrea Moussa                                   |  |
| Jos<br>Eliz<br>Jas<br>Cas<br>Jos<br>Juli<br>Jos<br>Ray   | aressa Becharra<br>hua Depares<br>zabeth El-Khoury<br>ynta Nakfour<br>ssandra Nguyen<br>hua Rajadurai<br>iana Romanos<br>huwa Roughley<br>ynesh Shrestha<br>niella Taouk |