Inter Nos

Educating and developing the whole child for life in the Church and the world of today and tomorrow

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Diary Dates

- Coffee Club each Friday 8:40am all welcome
- Whole School Prayer each Monday 9:00am all welcome
- 5 June – Pupil Free Day – Staff Professional Development
- 5 June – Athletics Carnival
- 8 June – Public Holiday – Queen’s Birthday
- Wednesday 17 June – Meal Deal

Dear Friends and Families

Please note that this Friday 5th June is a pupil free day as the staff have a professional learning day planned. There will be care available at school. Please contact Dan or go to the Camp Australia site.

Please note school resumes on Tuesday 9th June due to the Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday on Monday. Enjoy the long weekend and keep safe if travelling.

Duty of Care – please note yard supervision begins at 8:30 am so please do not send your child/ren to school before that time. OSHC service is available if you need to get to work early. Your children are very precious and we need to know they are safe and being cared for at all times. I appreciate your support in this matter.

On Thursday 21st May, Mark LeMessurier delivered a session to St Theresa’s School Community - staff and parents - highlighting some relevant current research about ASD and linking it to best day to day understandings for school and home. He suggested that there’s much to be learned from hindsight, and presented a case study about a 28 year old client of his named Thomas. In addition two parents from the school community bravely spoke about their challenging experience with ASD. Both have a son with ASD in their family, and they candidly shared their hardships, anxieties and successes.

The aim was to provide a personal and contemporary insight into what likely causes ASD, what drives the set of tricky traits, and how best to deal with the problematic emotion and behaviour that often accompany it. There’s no hiding from it; numbers are on the increase! More than 10,000 Australian children between the ages of 6 and 12 years have Autism. The incidence of Autism in the Australian population is running at about 1 in 100. That’s about 1 student in every 3rd to 4th class and it is four times more prevalent in males than females. In the early 1970s AUTISM SA had about 10 clients. Today they have around 3,000.

Mark believes that to make any real difference we have to understand the ‘natural functioning’ dictated by Autism. It is the ‘core processing differences’ of ASD that actually define how these children think and how they function! What binds us together is that each of us has been touched by Autism. Yet, Autism is a distinctly different experience for every one of us because how we view it, work with it, accept it or reject each encounter is truly a reflection of our personal morals and values.
This was well attended and we thank those of you who were able to support this information and community evening. Please be aware that we have resources in the Parent Library in the Dominican building on this topic if you would like to borrow resources, or indeed suggest resources to share with the community.

Don’t forget Bill Hansberry tomorrow night at St Thomas School, Goodwood - Being the Best Resilience Coach. Please ring St Thomas if you would like to attend. Phone: 8271 5674

Thank you to those who contributed to the data for the Facility Development survey. A subcommittee of the school board met last week to review and we are excited by the feedback which is reflective of and supportive of our discussions. We would like to invite additional volunteers to join us particularly if you have Project Management experience and Building and Landscaping knowledge. If you are able to join us it would be very much appreciated. Please email, ring, drop in or leave a note and we will contact you soon. Thank you Sean Kirchner for your leadership in this.

CESA Futures Project – there will be a survey out very soon for community members of the cluster schools to feed into the CESA Futures project of which we are a part. Adrian Howard is the school board representative in the project with me. Thank you Adrian for your time and commitment.

Congratulations to the students who recently celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is timely that this occurred during National Reconciliation Week.

Congratulations to Coni Laranjeira on receiving the Tom Ffrench award from the Federation of Catholic School Parent Communities on behalf of the Kids Matter Action Team parent Coffee Club. Please see Coni’s write up in this edition of the Inter Nos.

Congratulations also to Darren Whelan and Andrew McKay who attended the federation conference and Darren who became a member of the federation’s board. Thank you for representing our parent community so adeptly.

What a fantastic success the St T’s Student Disco was last Friday night. Thank you so much for supporting this as the children had an absolute ball and parents came out in droves to catch up, have a coffee and support this beautiful school. There were so many staff in attendance testament to how much we all enjoy belonging to such a connected community.

There was a raffle drawn on the night – proceeds for the fete. From Kylie Bullock, Fete Coordinator, ‘Congratulations to Eng Roberts You are the lucky winner of our Fete Raffle. We hope you enjoy your Entertainment Book and all the goodies that were included. Thank you to everyone who brought a ticket and supported our fete. We look forward to seeing you in November for this awesome event. Thank you Kylie’

And in generous fashion, Eng has donated the cost of the Entertainment book, back into the fete funds. Thankyou to Eng and Jaya Nadav, for your kindness and generosity.

I wish you all a glorious fortnight ahead.
Kindest regards
Angela

Wanted
Wool for Children’s
University activities
“I am always with you” Matthew 28:20

St Vincent de Paul:
The outreach initiative for this term was to support Vinnies in their Winter Appeal through the donation of warm clothing. This school community’s support was outstanding and I wish to thank all families for their contributions.

Our uniform is available for purchase through Vinnies, and we have received a letter in which they wish to have their thanks passed onto our community. “Despite relatively slim margins on all items the excellent sales has meant every meal served in the Men’s Homeless Shelter is funded for the next financial year...I hope you and your communities feel proud to know we have started something that is benefitting people we will never meet but people that desperately need a hand up.” Many thanks for your continued contribution to this support being offered within Adelaide.

Sacrament of Reconciliation:
Congratulations to the candidates who are part of the Sacramental Program for this year in celebrating their First Reconciliation last week in the St Therese of the Infant Jesus Church. Thanks to Fr Tony and Fr Bob who officiated the Sacrament. Thanks also to Carmel White, the Parish Pastoral Associate and Mrs Boulden, Year 4 Teacher at St Therese, for supporting the students at the liturgy. We continue to support these students in their faith journey as they commence preparations for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Sacramental Support Persons are reminded about the meeting on Tuesday 9th June at 7pm at Goodwood. All materials for the Confirmation Groups will be distributed at this meeting.

Candidates are reminded that the Confirmation Workshops will be held on Tuesday 23rd and Thursday 25th June at Goodwood commencing at 7pm.

Class Liturgy:
Congratulations to Rooms 2 & 3 for the reflective and meaningful liturgy held last week in the Dominican Building. Thanks to all those who attended.

Whole School Mass:
The final Whole School Mass for this term will be held on Monday 29th June at 9am in the St Therese of the Infant Jesus Church. We will be celebrating the feasts of Saints Peter and Paul on this occasion. You are welcome to join us for this Eucharistic celebration.

School Business Directory:
Your chance to be part of the St Therese Community Business Directory is here! Don’t miss out on the opportunity to increase your business contacts, work schedule or service provision. All parents are invited to send in details of the services they are engaged in either through work, business or other services which may be available to be utilised by members within the community. Your child will bring home the form for completion in order to be included in our School Business Directory. Please complete and sign the form with details of your business, area of work or service you are able to offer, so that we may be able to support each other more widely within this community.

Children’s University:
An exciting opportunity awaits eager participants at Bonython Hall in November! The Graduation for Children’s University is scheduled to take place then. All children who accumulate 30 hours over this year, are able to participate in the Graduation, fully gowned in their robe and mortar board, in front of family and friends. Don’t miss your chance to be part of the group from St Therese School as part of the cluster schools graduating this November! Purchase your passport soon and start collecting your validations.

All activities which are based at school and take place either before or after school, or at recess and lunch time are able to be validated now by the validators at school.

Many thanks to the people who have submitted the details of activities their children are engaged in out of school hours. Although these may take a few weeks to process, please continue to complete all the time spent in these activities in your child’s passport, as they will be validated as soon as the activity has been approved by the Children’s University. For those who may have any further questions or concerns regarding this Children’s University Passports, please feel free to contact me, Marie Anderson or Hannah Cooymans. We are more than happy to support your child on this learning journey.

An offshoot of the excitement surrounding Children’s University is the introduction of student instigated lunch clubs.

Students involved in the lunch time clubs at school which will be validated for Children’s University Passports including the Finger Knitting Club, Paper Plane Club, Origami Club and Chess Club.
**Origami Club** by George. “I’ve started up the origami club and it will be running every Tuesday at lunchtime in the library.”

Matthew and Nicholas: “Having a great time helping people with origami.”

Jack: “Here I am teaching some of the girls in room 5 to make an exploding envelope.”

Edward has asked that you “please donate any leftover wool to us for the finger knitting club. Thank you.”

May you always feel the presence of God.

Iva Denton
APRIM

**SPORTS**

**Sporting Schools** - The sport on offer through Sporting Schools this term is **GOLF**. There are still places available for students in Years 3-7. The lessons will be held after school on Wednesdays, from 3:15-4:15pm, beginning next week (Week 7). A reminder that this program is fully funded so all you need to do is sign your child/children’s form!

**Athletics Clinics** - All students in R-7 participated and experienced some aspects of Athletics last week in special clinics run by Little Athletics SA. New equipment to our students such as discus and shot put were used - so much fun was had by all. I strongly recommend going along to a trial session with your child if they are interested. It is such a great sport and you never know, we/you could have an Olympian in the making!

**Athletics Carnival** - The Athletics Clinics were great timing for our athletes in the St Therese School squad. The carnival is this Friday 5th June. Our athletes have been training very hard at lunch time on Wednesdays and Fridays and are excited and ready to give it their best. All the best to you all!

**Winter Sport** - Congratulations to all Winter Sporting teams for your participation in the last two weeks. Your effort and enthusiasm is fantastic!

**PE lessons** - We have come to the end of our 5 week block in JP-Skipping and MP/UP-AFL Football. The next 5 weeks we will cover JP-Ball Skills and Minor Games and MP/UP-Basketball.

**SAPSASA Girls Soccer** - Congratulations to Eloise and Siena from Room 7 who have been selected to represent the City South Girls Soccer Team in the state competition. We are very proud of you both. Well done!!!!

Have a wonderful fortnight.

Yours in sport,
Barbara Mee
Canteen Roster term 2 2015

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Tom Ffrench Award

We are very proud of the commitment to developing our Parent Community and this is evident at our popular St Therese Parent Coffee Club held every Friday in the Dominican Building.

As a result of this Angela Morrison and I nominated the St Therese Parent Coffee Club/ Kids Matter Action Team for the 2015 Tom Ffrench Award for Family Engagement in Catholic Education. I am pleased to announce we are the successful recipients of the 2015 Parent Leadership Award for this initiative.

On Friday May 25 we had the pleasure of hosting Ann and Leanne from The Federation of Catholic School Parent Communities at our Coffee Club and were presented with a framed certificate and a cheque for $500 to support future initiatives that build parental engagement. Thank you to everyone for your ongoing support.

Coni Laranjeira
Library Thank You

A big thank you to the wonderful group of parents who have helped me with covering library books.

Many thanks go to Jane Kirchner, Kylie Lojsczcyk, Nicole Kovacevic, Gen Clark, Andrew McKay, Lorinda Brookson, Luisa Miles, Rosemary Rossi and Nicole Rowlands.

Between us we have put 170 + new books into the library. I couldn’t do it without you all!

Melissa Fairlie

From the Federation of Catholic School Parent Communities

The latest edition of Federation e-News has been posted on our website www.parentfederation.catholic.edu.au

The direct link to e-News is here

In this jam-packed edition, find out more about:

- Dyslexia – information and resources for families
- Annual Conference – don’t miss out!
- Call for nominations to Federation Council
- Transforming Catholic Education in SA
- New Director of Catholic education
- Putting NAPLAN in Perspective
- Results from our parent survey on Year 7 in SA
- Our latest call for funding equity for Year 7’s
- New Executive Officer for Catholic School Parents Australia
- The Australian Early Development Census
- Council member Uby Faddoul

And so much more.....

Be connected. Be informed. Be heard.

Our next Positive Parenting Seminar is

Help Kids Navigate Sibling & Peer Rivalry
Wednesday 10 June 7.30pm
Presenter – Bill Hansberry

What fuels children’s rivalries? How do adults unwittingly compound them?

Bill Hansberry, co-author of Raising Beau Kids, has some practical strategies and ideas to help you identify when to step in or when to step back and just observe your kids conflicts. Learn tips on how to help children take ownership of their own problems. Bookings essential online at:

www.effectiveliving.org/positive-parenting
‘Out of this World’ School Holiday Fun!

... And we have lift off!

Bookings are now open for our Winter School Holiday programs.

There’s heaps of exciting activities to choose from – all with an ‘Out of this World’ twist!
Each program is linked to activities that draw on imagination and creativity.
From different times and lands, to out of space and back again…. with a little Minion fun!


We look forward to seeing you these School Holidays for fun that’s sure to be ‘Out of this World.’

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**Events for JUNE & JULY**

Unless otherwise stated, all Programmes are conducted in the Bethany Centre.

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**Good Grief**

Seasons for Growth supports people experiencing emotional distress following family break up, death or other losses.

**Parent Program:** June 24, 8.45am - 4.00pm

**Young People's Training:** June 22-23, 8.45am - 4.00pm

**Reconnector:** June 22, 4.00pm - 6.00pm

**Facilitator:** Patricia Williams RSH

For further information regarding programme times, costs and materials, please contact Patricia:

Ph: 03 9925 9316 E: viccoonicl@goodgrief.org.au

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**6 Day Guided Retreat**

**Patterns of Transformation in my Life**

Explore transformational moments in life's journey through autobiography and art.

Hear afresh the words of Jesus: "I have come that you may have life and have it to the full." John 10:10

**Retreat Facilitator:** Kateri Duke RSH

**When:** Friday, July 10 at 3.30pm - concluding with breakfast on Sunday, July 12

**Where:** St Joseph's Retreat Centre

**Cost:** $450 Deposit $30 (non-refundable)

Applications close Friday, June 29

Early booking is advised, Maximum number 22

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**6 Day Directed Retreat**

**A Vacation with God**

A gentle six days by the sea with emphasis on personal spirituality and group discernment.

An invitation to retreat, be attentive to the presence of God in your life. A companion and guide will be with you each day.

**Retreat Facilitators:** Eileen Taylor RSH & Geneva Ryan RSH

**When:** Sunday, June 21st 5.30pm - concluding with breakfast on Sunday, June 28

**Where:** St Joseph's Retreat Centre

**Cost:** $450 Deposit $50 (non-refundable)

Applications close Friday, May 29

Early booking is advised, Maximum number 12

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**Becoming Unbound - WEEKEND WORKSHOP**

**Facilitator:** Judy Backstrom

**When:** Saturday, June 13, 9:30am - 3:30pm

**Cost:** $50 BYO Lunch

**Register:** By Friday, June 6

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**St Mary MacKillop & Sr Joan Chittister**

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**ASPECTS OF THE HEART...**

**Two Professional Development Days**

For APRIMs, Primary and Secondary Teachers

**Day 1:** Thursday, July 9, 9.30am - 3.30pm

**Day 2:** Monday, August 10, 9.30am - 3.30pm

**Cost:** $40

**Register:** By Friday, July 31

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**Join us as we honour & pray with St Mary MacKillop**

Wednesday, July 8 at 10.30am in St Joseph's Chapel followed by Morning Tea in Bethany Centre

**Reflection for the 4th of the Month**

Monday, June 8 & Wednesday, July 8 at 5.45pm in St Joseph's Chapel with Catherine Clark RSH

An opportunity for us to come together to gain a deeper knowledge of the circumstances of Mary's life and pray together about our life and work today.

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**eConferences**

**Come alone or with a friend!**

An eConference is similar to a regular conference except instead of attending in person, the presentations are streamed via the internet for you to watch anywhere in the world.

Each eConference will be facilitated by members of our Mary MacKillop Centre Adelaide Team.

The process allows time for listening, reflection and conversation.

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**The 2015 eConference (LIVE-STREAMING)**

**Religion: Catalyst for Violence or Peace?**

Explore the potential of the Abrahamic traditions to cultivate peace in a world that associates religion with violence.

Four speakers probe the Abrahamic Traditions for Answers.

**Presenters:**

Terry Lovat
Rev Dorothy Lee
Mohamed Abdalla
Amy-Kill Levine

**When:** Tuesday, June 23

**Time:** 9:00am to 2:00pm

**Cost:** Donation appreciated

**Register:** By Friday, June 19

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**PRE-RECORDED eConference**

**Jesus the Christ**

"Fall in love with Jesus, stay in love with Jesus, and everything will take care of itself.

(Tr Gerald O'Collins sj)

Four well-known speakers share their insights on Jesus. For them, Jesus is absolutely real, and infinitely lovable!

**Presenters**

Fr Gerald O'Collins sj
Rev Merrill Kitchen
Dr Clare Conklin
Ms Paul Billingston

**When:** Saturday, July 18

**Time:** 9.30am - 11.00pm

**Cost:** Donation appreciated

**Register:** By Friday, July 10

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**Mary MacKillop Exhibition Centre**

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**Business Hours**

Monday - Thursday

10.00am - 4.00pm

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**A Day with Hildegard**

**Presenter:** Val DeBrenni

Explore the spirituality of Hildegard of Bingen, a German mystic who created theological treatises, musical compositions, illuminated manuscripts and poetry.

We will allow the mystic within each of us to awaken through a variety of prayer forms, music and art.

**When:** Saturday, July 4

**Time:** 9.30am - 3.00pm

**Cost:** $30 or $20 unwaged/concession

**Register:** By Friday, June 26

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