Catholic Education Week

As part of Catholic Education Week we take time to share in the growing of knowledge and faith of all our families here at St. Theresa’s. We have the opportunity to be involved with our children and share some very precious moments. We thank God for the gift of belonging to a family and may we always appreciate them and never take them for granted.

From the fundraising committee........Community Market and Easter Raffle

Our community Market is on in less than 2 weeks..( On Friday March 22nd from 5.00pm – 8.00pm) and it promises to be a great evening of fun, bargains and even a little entertainment. Please make sure this evening is in your diary and that you bring along a few friends as well. There will be plenty of fun things for the children to do during the market and the parent group has worked really hard to make it a success.
If you are having your own stall, please pay for this so that we can allocate space for you.
Last week we sent home information about classroom stalls, if you are able to donate some of the simple items that the children are using in their stalls please contact the teacher involved.
Please note that ALL money raised at the market is going towards our upcoming landscaping projects… this will really change the look of our school for all.

We’re still collecting donations for our Easter raffle and thank you to those people who have already donated.
Tickets for the raffle were sent home last week. The raffle will be drawn on Tuesday March 26th. If you can help with donations of an egg or chocolates then that would help us to have lots of prizes for the draw!
We will need some helpers to help wrap the raffle prizes, so if you could spare some time straight after the bell in the morning on Monday 25th or Tuesday 26th, we would really appreciate it.

TWILIGHT SPORTS
The Twilight Sports are on Wednesday, March 27, from 3 p.m. to 6 p.m., followed by a free family BBQ. Any parents who can run 75 metres are invited to join the parent relay team to compete against the best of the students. See Laurie if you are interested. All children should know their colours now and can begin organizing their uniform for the day. The sports begin at 3.00pm and finish with a free BBQ at 6.00pm.

Please note that school will start at 1.00pm for all children on twilight sports day so that they are not too tired by the end of a long day. If any family has a problem with this late start please see Rob as soon as possible.
This week is Catholic Education Week. It is a time when we stop to celebrate all the great things that happen in Catholic Schools all over Melbourne.

St. Theresa’s is just one of over 400 catholic primary and secondary schools in Melbourne and we are proud to be offering an excellent quality education to every child who attends. We strive to ensure that our families are well catered for and that we work in partnership with you to provide every opportunity for every child to succeed and be their best.

Our school has a statement of Vision that guides all the decisions that we make and helps us to keep our eyes firmly on what is important. Below is our St. Theresa’s Vision. Please take the time to read this and we are sure you will better understand why we work as we do and why we do the things that we do at our school. Our vision helps us to keep our priorities in sight at all times.

**St. Theresa’s Vision**

St. Theresa’s is a Catholic School community that strives to teach and celebrate the Catholic faith and traditions that enable us to live the Gospel values.

We are committed to providing an education, which allows for individual needs to be catered for. We believe that learning should be promoted in a positive and relevant way. We accept the challenge to provide a diverse and developing curriculum, which caters for a variety of academic abilities and interests of our children. The promotion of self-esteem, self-confidence and self-discipline is held as an important characteristic of our school life.

We foster the understanding that education occurs between school and home. We share the responsibility for all the children in the school and work in partnership with the home to support the school vision.

We acknowledge the richness and diversity of each other. We foster respect, acceptance and understanding and encourage each other to live harmoniously and justly.
On Friday the grade prep / one children celebrated Dr. Seuss’ birthday with a real party. The children made fantastic hats and they were joined by many parents for a parade and birthday cake in the multipurpose room. It was great to see so many parents come in to join us and share lunch with the children even though it was so hot. Congratulations to all of the children and teachers for the effort they put into making the day so wonderful.
Student awards from Assembly.

**Grade Prep / One Alison**

Emily Lukic for a great improvement already in all her written work. Cooper Setterfield for great improvement in his hand writing.

**Grade prep / one Kathryn**

Angelina Perez for being a great responsible and caring class member. Emanuel Woldmichael because he listens so carefully all the time.

**Grade prep / one Larissa / Jen**

Brodie Webber for his work in producing his Dr. Seuss inspired books. Matthew Boudoloh a great Dr. Seuss party hat.

**Grade 2/3 Mary / Sharon**

Charlotte DiCiero for wonderful improvements in her maths… she worked so hard this week! William Flanagan for his magnificent poster on what he learnt at Sovereign Hill….it was full of fantastic detail.

**Grade 2/3 Doriana**

Milkias Alemseged for being a focused and consistent worker in all areas. Nicholas Dolbel for always being ready, willing and able to assist others in need. You also listen so carefully to instructions.. well done!

**Grade 4 Aaron**

Jasline Tran for a great Indigenous picture reflection. Sharneece Catania for a great powerpoint presentation for homework on how to saddle a horse.

**Grade 5/6 Erin**

Casey Smart for a great effort in all areas and a really helpful and positive attitude. Aidan Wright for taking on the responsibility of being a senior student so well and displaying a fantastic attitude.

**Grade 5/6 Tenielle-Marie**

Rohan Negi for his outstanding presentation and work in his maths book. Nathanim Gebremedhin for being a helpful and supportive class member all the time.

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**School Photos**

Thank you to all for ensuring that paperwork was in and ready for the school photos last week. We will let you know as soon as they are ready.

**Reminders**

- School Board Meeting : Wed 13th March
- Landscape Committee : Wed 20th March
- Community Market Day : Friday 22nd March 5pm – 8pm
- Twilight Sports & BBQ : Wednesday 27th March from 3pm onwards. 1.00 pm start for the children.