Do Small Things Well

St Theresa’s

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Learning & Teaching @ St Theresa’s: Maths

Mary Magdalene

This is the feast day of St Mary Magdalene. Mary was a loving follower, who saw Jesus die, knew where he was buried and went to his tomb on Easter Day.

Loving Father, we place all those we love in your tender care, and we pray also for those who do not know you or who are experiencing hard times this winter. May they receive a sign of your loving presence.

10 minus 1 GOOD REASONS TO VALUE NUMERACY

1. You are more likely to obtain higher paid jobs.
2. There is a positive influence in overall development especially in early childhood.
3. It is a key pillar of learning.
4. Solid basic numeracy skills help develop life-long learners.
5. You are generally more successful at school, considering all subjects draw on basic forms of numeracy and literacy.
6. Numeracy skills provide the ability to adapt to multiple career paths and open doors to opportunity later in life.
7. It allows you to have better use of digital technologies.
8. It may lead to having better communication skills and social development, more friends and less conflict at school.
9. It develops the imagination, allowing you to enjoy all sorts of games, puzzles, books and technologies.
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DON’T FORGET OUR FAMILY MATHS NIGHT

THURSDAY 1ST AUGUST at 6.30pm

Here’s a little brain teaser to get you in the mood...’ TREE PLANTING’

Rob has bought 10 trees for our playground. He wants the trees to be planted in 5 rows, with 4 trees in each row. Can you help Rob to arrange the trees so that he still gets the row layout that he wants?
Great Art Work

Some students at our school have created fantastic art work for entry into the SKA 2013 Art Prize Competition.

My Holiday In Vietnam by Christine Alatsas

On the holidays I went to Vietnam with my brother and Dad. We went for three weeks. When we got there we saw my grandma, grandpa, six uncles, one aunty and one baby cousin. We went to a Fun Park and played there and then went to the village. I played with my family and watched some movies. We went to the zoo and saw big snakes, big rats walking around and striped tigers. We had a lot of fun in Vietnam but it was exciting to see my mum and brother when we arrived home.

You are invited to a meeting with visitors from Santa Fe

Last year on our trip to Santa Fe, Marie and Michele were lucky enough to be invited to Ramirez Elementary School, a school that had been under performing for a long time but under the new leadership of Robin Noble, had turned its results around. Robin was both fascinating and inspiring to listen to and we highly recommend coming to school on FRIDAY from 1 – 3pm and spending some time listening to Robin tell her story. Miguel Acosta will also be here and together they will explain how they have worked over the past 3 years forming a strong partnership with their communities to improve the learning outcomes for their students. The meeting will be in the multi-purpose room and toddlers are welcome. There will also be a light lunch provided! Please consider coming along...it will be very interesting!
We’re ready to plant…Hooray!

After 3 weekends (and a few weekdays as well) of hard work from our dads, our path is down, our planter box is built and filled with soil and the plants are arriving this week. It looks like we’re ready to go...

So now we are inviting our families to a planting weekend. This Saturday the 26th July and Sunday 27th July (if needed) we are asking our families to come and plant our garden. You don’t need any special skills; you just need to want to be part the project. So please come along and help…anytime from 8am onwards.

There will be a sausage sizzle for any helpers. See you on Saturday!

A Message From The Fundraising Group

I’m sure you’ve all noticed our new pathway with the personalised bricks around its edge. We have had some inquiries from current school families wishing to purchase a brick to also be included in our path. So very shortly we are having a fundraiser for these pavers. You haven’t missed out, here’s your chance to really leave your mark on St Theresa’s. More information will be in next week’s newsletter.

IMPORTANT!

Health Care and Pension CARD HOLDERS

If you are a new cardholder of a current Health Card or a Pensioner Concession Card valid as at the 15th July 2013 you are entitled to receive the second instalment of the Education Maintenance Allowance. Please see Venetia in the office for more information.

This is only for NEW card holders. If you have already given us your details you do not have to worry.

ACTIVE AFTER SCHOOL SPORT

This is a free program and is offered on Monday and Tuesday nights from 3.15 to 4.30pm. This term we are offering Badminton and T-Ball coaching to all students from Prep to Grade 6. A note went home last Friday explaining the program. If your child wants to be involved just make sure that note is returned to the office ASAP.

Active After-school Communities

Helping kids and communities get active

NO ASSEMBLY THIS WEEK
Assembly next week with 2/3MS
This week’s “App of the Week” .. for you to download and use at home is “ADDITION WHIZZ” and it’s free to download from the app store. The I.T. handy hint of the week is Never open an email from someone you don’t know especially if it has no subject.

Important Information

- School Board Meeting: Wednesday 24th July 7pm
- English Classes every Wednesday 9-11am
- Kinda Kinder for preschoolers begins again on Tuesday from 9-10am
- Working With Children Check: For those who have updated their cards and for those with new cards, could you make sure you give us a copy of it if you haven’t already. Thanks.
- School Nurse: The nurse was at school last week and she has almost completed her work with the children. The nurse should have contacted families if there were things to follow up.
- Below is a table of all the events listed for term 3 at this stage.

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<td>Parent conversation with principals from New Mexico on supporting Student learning.</td>
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<td>Sat July 27th &amp; Sun 28th</td>
<td>Working Bee to plant out new planter boxes in the yard.</td>
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<td>Family Maths night.</td>
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<td>Children finish for the end of term 3.</td>
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<td>School resumes for term 4.</td>
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School Concert date to be confirmed.