Lord God, you are my strength. Hold my hand when things are hard. With you, there's nothing to fear, nothing to worry about.

We pray especially for those who gave their lives for us in defending our country and standing up for what is right even though it was so hard. Keep us all in your care as we stop to reflect on remembrance day today.

**Fundraising**

*Please keep in mind our Christmas Raffle. This is our last fundraising activity for the year. If you have any suitable items that could be donated for this raffle, please drop them into Venetia at the office. The raffle will be drawn at our last assembly.*

**Important closure days coming up**

- **Thursday November 28th**  School closed for staff conference.
- **Friday November 29th**  School closed for staff conference.

**Prep 2014 Orientation Program**

*Please note the orientation program dates for 2014 preps.*

- Monday November 18th from 9-11.00 for children and parents (if they wish to stay.)
- Wednesday November 27th from 9-11.00 for children and parents (if they wish to stay.)
- Thursday December 5th from 9-11.00 for children and parents (if they wish to stay.)
Farewell to Greg... School Board Annual General Meeting

This Wednesday night we have our Annual General School Board Meeting. This is an important meeting and will outline the work of the Board this year. All parents are encouraged to join us and enjoy supper after the meeting.

At this meeting we will formally thank Greg Woolford who has worked with us for the past 4 years as our National Partnerships Family Convenor. Greg has done some great work with all of our parents in this time and we would love it if many families came along to say thank you and share some supper with us.

Board members for 2014

Thank you to all who nominated for the Board. We had four nominations this year and they will all be on the Board for the next 3 years. There was no need for an election this year as we needed that many to fill the vacancies for departing members.

I thank Rose Raniolo, Gaye Reader, Toby Wright and Michelle Bant for serving so well on the Board over the past 3 years. Your work has helped every student and family in our school.

I welcome Maria Linehan (Children in grade 4&6 in 2014)
Suzanne Serra (Child in grade 1 2014)
Patricia Browne (Children I grade 2 & 5 in 2014)
Simon Lovell (Child in grade 1 in 2014)

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Reminders.

After School Sport continues this week on Monday and Tuesday for those children involved.

Swimming is going really well. It will continue for all of this week and finish on Friday.

Lunch Boxes and Lost and Found.

We still have lots of lunch boxes and drink bottles in the first Aide room with no names on them. Please check if you are missing something. It really helps us if all things have names on them so we can quickly return items to their owners.
Farewell celebration

All families are invited and encouraged to join us for a special farewell mass and celebration for Anna Jakob who recently retired from St. Theresa’s. Anna worked at our school for just on 25 years and was a great servant to all of us behind the scenes on all of the activities that we ran.

This is a great opportunity to say thankyou.

Date: Tuesday November 26th

Time: Mass in the church at 2.15pm.

   Afternoon tea in the multipurpose room after mass.

Please join us as the whole school comes together at mass. If you cannot make mass you might like to join us for afternoon tea around 3.00pm in the multipurpose room.

Learning & Teaching at St. Theresa’s.. Citizenship

Remembrance Day 11th November at 11.00am

Every year on the 11th of November we dedicate the day as Remembrance Day. This day is dedicated to Australians who died as a result of war, particularly World War 1 onwards. A minute of silence is dedicated to those who died fighting to protect our country. It is not a public holiday but it is still a very important day.

The date actually remembers the day that World War One finished in 1918. This was called Armistice Day. World War 1 officially finished at 11.00am on the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918.

After the end of World War 2 the Australian and British governments changed the name from Armistice Day to Remembrance Day so that all those who died in the wars would be remembered.

We use a poppy as a symbol of this remembrance.

Our school community will observe a minute’s silence on Monday to acknowledge this important day.
Community Arts Project

Bunjil's Nest
Family Art Activity

We have organised to do the Bunjil’s Nest as part of our Art Show. Here is how it will work.

- **Date:** Wednesday November 20th
- **Time:** 5.30pm
- **Where:** On the basketball court.
- **Who:** EVERYONE!!!
- **Dinner:** BBQ supplied by the school.

We will begin the evening with a quick explanation, then as a family you will write your family motto on your stick.

Some families have already done their motto so we will let you know who needs to complete their motto.

We will then have dinner.

The Art Show will be opened up to the community.

**What You Need.**

Every family needs to collect a stick about 80cm long. Cut all bumps off and sand it lightly so it is smooth. There are examples in the corridor. Please make the effort as this art piece will be part of our new landscaping project.

**School fees etc**

Please try to have all school accounts settled by Wednesday November 27th so we can begin to close off the school books for family fees etc for the year.