We pray for the grade 3 and 4 children this week as they leave for camp. May they enjoy their experiences with their friends, teachers and leaders.

We pray that they stay safe at all times and are open to all the learning that these new experiences will bring.

A fond farewell and many years of great experiences awaits.....

It is with a great sense of gratitude that I can inform the school community that Anna Jakob has decided to retire from St. Theresa’s after almost 25 years of service to all of us. Anna has been coming in one day each week this year to help us out but the time has come for her to rest up a little. Anna will continue to help us out once in a while when we need it.

I take this opportunity to thank her for all she has done for this community. Many things have gone unseen over many years but one thing has not changed....... Anna has been a great asset to us and has loved St. Theresa’s for a long time. Anna will be missed very much around our school, she has indeed been part our great history. I will ensure that there is an opportunity for the community to farewell Anna and I will keep you informed.... Rob

Grade 2 Overnight
Stay at school

On Friday night our grade 2 children spent the night at school. We had a great night and even managed a little sleep. Thanks to Mary, Sharon, Dorian and Rob for bravely spending the night at school.
A few weeks ago I was fortunate to attend a conference in Sydney with Dot and Kathryn. At the completion of this conference all principals from our zone stayed on to attend some workshops at the Mary MacKillop Centre in Sydney.

I must say that my visit to the heritage centre was quite a moving and spiritual experience. The church on this site is the burial site of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop and it was a privilege for me to be able to attend mass there and visit her graveside.

It must be said that the more I hear of this remarkable woman, the more I marvel at her determination to teach those who needed it most. She was certainly an inspiring lady and if it were not for her commitment to education then St. Theresa’s would most likely not be here as it is today.

I take this opportunity to thank the sisters of St. Joseph for their foresight in opening our school and offering such a great educational legacy to the children of Albion. It made me even more determined to ensure that the history that they brought to our school is not lost. We will continue to learn more about Mary MacKillop and share this wisdom with all in our community.
Grade 3/4 Camp

The grade 3 and 4 children are off to camp today and will return on Wednesday. We know that they will have a great time and hope that the weather is kind to them.

Assembly

Assembly will be on this Friday in the Multipurpose room. The assembly will be organised by grade 4A.

Keilor Interschool Athletics.

Congratulations to all of the children from grades 3-6 who competed so well at the interschool athletics last Friday. It was fantastic to see the enthusiasm of the children and their willingness to support each other.

We must congratulate Laurie who prepared the children so well and had them ready for their events on the day. This is a big job and it was done exceptionally well. Some of our students will go on to represent the zone and St. Theresa’s at Regional Finals in a few weeks.

After school sports

After school sports will continue into week 10 for both Monday and Tuesday night groups.

School Improvement Surveys

Last Friday we sent home School Improvement Surveys to many families. Every year we are required to survey about 60 families to help us in our future planning. The Catholic Education Office requires this. If you received a survey we would really appreciate it if you could complete it either online or on paper and let us know when it is complete. We do have some available in other languages if it helps some families. Thank you so much for your support with this important survey.
IMPORTANT DATES

Please be aware that the school will not be open on Monday November 4\textsuperscript{th}. (Prior to Melbourne Cup day) The staff will be working on school reporting on this day. Please note this date in your diary for term 4.

School will also be closed on November 28\textsuperscript{th} and 29\textsuperscript{th}. On these two days the whole staff will attend a staff conference where we will further look at becoming registered as an ‘e-smart’ school. Please place these dates in your diary.

School Concert tickets

Our School Concert is quickly approaching and we are having a great time preparing with the children. Last week we sent home a booking form for the concert and we hope every family is planning on coming along to join us on the evening.

Please be aware that we are only having one performance and you must book early to ensure that you get a seat. On the first day of selling tickets we sold 120 tickets so it is important that every family books early.

Bookings for tickets close on Thursday of next week but we would recommend you act sooner than this.

Please keep in mind that we do not sell tickets at the office window. All bookings need to be made on the booking form that was sent home and placed in the red tubs. More forms are available from the office if you need them.

HELP... Rob still needs a little help from another person handy with a hammer to help put together a single prop for the concert..... not too hard he thinks but if you can help please let him know in the next day or so.

“Come Fly with Me”

Would this help you?

One of our mums is available each night to collect your child and take them home with her family for you to collect when you finish work. Let Rob know if you are interested.

Tuckshop Roster

If you would like to be included on the Tuckshop Roster for term 4 which can be quite a busy term as the weather heats up... Please complete the form below and return to school so Marie can organise this.

NAME: ______________________________________ Eldest child’s grade __________

I would like to be included on the Tuckshop Roster for term 4.

Please circle the best day for you:

Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday

I can come ........... Fortnightly Monthly Anytime.