As the holidays begin, let us put ourselves into the hands of the Lord, and pray that God will bless our families and us during the next two weeks. May each of us help to make our home a place of relaxation, joy, love, peace and safety. May we be generous and considerate not thinking of ourselves but helping others enjoy the blessings of the holidays. May we return to begin a new term, being the best that we can and working towards our goals. Amen

The journey from Palm Sunday to Easter Sunday is one of the most important in the church’s year.

From the Fundraising committee.

Community Market  Thankyou, thankyou, thankyou to everyone who helped at our Community Market. From the paper roll chefs, cake makers, the lucky dip and lolly stall wrappers, the stall helpers, the BBQ sausage turners, the fairies at the fairy floss, the spinning wheel spinners and maker of the wheel, everyone who contributed big or small........... no matter what, a HUGE thankyou to all. Thanks to your hard work we raised $4550 which is just fantastic!!!

It was wonderful to see so many people from the community having fun and enjoying all that we provided for them. To the fundraising team what a terrific job and what a fantastic few months we have had together planning the evening. It was a great success well done! We would also like to thank the staff for their terrific effort to ensure the children had lots of fun activities on the night and for their endless help and encouragement.

Easter Raffle  Thankyou to all the wonderful mums (and sisters!) who helped wrap for the Easter Egg Raffle on Friday morning. Thanks Ladies for your unbelievable bow making skills, the prizes look beautiful. THERE IS NO NEED TO VOLUNTEER TOMORROW MORNING AS ALL IS COMPLETE!

Next Fundraising meeting... Any new members please come along... all welcome.. Don't forget to come along to our next fundraising meeting at school in the staffroom starting at 7pm on Wednesday 1st May. We will need lots of help to wrap Mother’s day gifts and plan our next few fun events, including a parent wine tasting and pasta night in July!! Come along, we promise the night will be a productive evening where we plan the rest of the year’s events, get to meet other parents (hopefully new ones) and have some fun.
Holy Week

This week is Holy Week. Holy Week is a very important part of our church year. On Sunday we celebrated Palm Sunday. This is the day when Jesus rode into town and was welcomed as a leader and king by the people. This was to be a stark difference to the events of the rest of the week that led to Jesus’ death.

Holy Thursday is this Thursday. On Holy Thursday Jesus met with his disciples and shared the first mass and Eucharist with his friends, The last Supper was the first time the church community celebrated mass and Jesus offered his body and blood as his gift to us. After this meal together Jesus took his disciples to a garden to pray and was captured by the Roman soldiers and taken away to be killed.

Good Friday was when Jesus was convicted by the Romans and condemned to death. Jesus was taken to a hill and crucified on a cross with other criminals. Jesus gave his life on this day so that we might know the extent of God’s love and have a path to heaven.

On Easter Sunday Jesus rose from the dead as he had promised and prepared to go back to be with his father in heaven. It took a long time for the apostles to begin to understand what had happened over the whole of Holy week. It was Jesus’ dying on the cross that enabled us to celebrate new life and we celebrate today through the symbol of eggs.

This week we invite you to join us as we celebrate these events of Holy week with the children. As part of our normal lessons and Religious Curriculum at St. Theresa’s all children will be supported in coming to a better understanding as to why these events happened and how they affect us today.

Twilight Sports

This Wednesday is our twilight sports day.
The children start school at 1.00pm on Wednesday and school will finish at 6.00pm at the end of the sports. Children need to have lunch before they come to school. They need to bring a snack and water bottle. They need to wear sunscreen and a hat. They need to come brightly dressed in their team colours.

There will be a free BBQ for anybody who can stay after the sports…. Please join us!!!

IMPORTANT

We are carefully watching the weather as usual. We will send a note home on Tuesday if anything changes due to weather etc........ We hope to be able to go ahead as planned. Please join us for a great afternoon of fun and games with your children. ALL children are expected to attend.

We still need volunteers for the parent relay team on Wednesday at the sports!!!!!!! You will get to run with / against the children…You can join the team by…. Texting Laurie on 0422 612122 or emailing on lauriekrepp@gmail.com or putting your name on the whiteboard when you arrive on Wednesday….BE IN IT.!!!!!!
School Fees

Please ensure you are up to date with all fees and levies before this Thursday. We thank all families who have all of their accounts up to date.

Lost..
During the community market an I.D card was lost in a black pouch. Also a blue tooth item was lost on the night. If anybody has found these, we would be very grateful, please contact the office at school.

Our community Market was a great success on Friday evening. Many of our families joined with members of our local community to raise funds to improve our school environment.

What a great night…. Great food, many fun things to do and music to sing along to……

The children worked alongside parents and teachers to ensure that we all had a great night and shared it with existing and new friends.

Congratulations to all involved in the organisation and running of the night…..
Student awards from assembly.

**Grade Prep / One Alison**

Suzanna Malek for her huge improvement in her writing. It is so neat!
Kiara Nguyen for her improvement in her writing this term.

**Grade prep / one Kathryn**

Gabriella Di Quattro for her hard work in trying to complete all tasks on time.
Margaret Javelona for doing a great recount of Dr. Seuss’ birthday party.

**Grade prep / one Larissa / Jen**

Kate Fernandes for her excellent work in her counting book.
Rory McLeod for her excellent attitude at school and being a helpful member of our grade.

**Grade 2/3 Mary / Sharon**

Patsy Quan for her terrific work in planning her project on “The history of St. Theresa’s.
Nahum Gebremedhin for improving so much in his work this term. We are very proud of you.

**Grade 2/3 Doriana**

Kadee Axiak for wonderful work over the past weeks and for creating great imagery in your stories.
Bettina Dy for being a great all round student. You listen, create, do, write and make wonderful things.

**Grade 4 Aaron**

Monique Smyth for working quietly, enthusiastically and with great dedication all week.
Le Van Phan for writing a sensational heartfelt reflection about living in harmony.

**Grade 5/6 Erin**

Amelia Mancewicz for fantastic achievement of her writing goal and a wonderful term of work.
Anisha Venkatesh for great enthusiasm in creating her history presentation. A wonderful effort.

**Grade 5/6 Tenielle-Marie**

Maddison Blake for showing great sportsmanship at interschool sport.
Jackson Millar for being a great team leader at interschool sport and encouraging his team.

**Reminders**

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