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EDITION

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Dear Parents,

RECONCILIATION

On Wednesday evening, many of our Grade 3 students received the Sacrament of Penance for the first time. I wish to congratulate all of the girls and boys and their families. A big thank you to the teachers who helped to prepare the children and plan the celebration – Doriana Cooper, Brigid Wisniewski, Patrick Gamwell and Kathryn Pulis.

SCHOOL AUDIT

Next Tuesday the school will have its finances audited by accounting firm Deloitte. I wish to thank Sally Patkin and Vivien Taylor for their book keeping work and for preparing materials in readiness for the audit.

EASTER RAFFLE

The Fundraising Committee is again conducting an Easter Raffle. Tickets will be \$1.00 each and you will be receiving a book of 10 to sell or buy next week. The Committee are calling for donations of Easter Eggs, chocolate or Easter related items to make up the hampers for the prizes. Donations can be sent to the school office.

CHILD SAFETY – WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECKS

Parents are encouraged to apply for a Working with Children Check which will give you a card that approves your suitability to work with children. Having the card will allow you to accompany classes on excursions and camps and will assist the school if you wish to volunteer in other ways. Applications can be made on-line and are free if you nominate the school as the organisation you wish to volunteer for. Simply search Working with Children Check and follow the links. The process is relatively simple.

**REMINDER – MONDAY IS A PUBLIC HOLIDAY.
NO SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN THIS MONDAY.**

2018 ENROLMENTS

Applications for enrolment for 2018 open next week. If you have a child who is at 4yo Kinder this year please collect an application form from the school office.

HOUSE NAMES

We are planning to change our sports teams into 'Houses' so that throughout the year children can be grouped in the Houses to do activities around such things as Social Justice, Student Well-being and Social and Emotional Learning etc.

As part of this process we intend to rename the houses from colours (Red, Yellow, Blue & Green) to names that have significance to St Theresa's School e.g. MacKillop (after St Mary MacKillop of the Cross).

I am aware that many of you have had very long family connections with the school and Parish and may be aware of significant people in our history so I invite submissions for House names from you all.

After we have submissions from Staff, Students, Families and Parishioners we will shortlist them and ask the children to vote for the four House names.

Please email submissions to principal@stalbion.catholic.edu.au with the subject field – 'House Names'.

QUIET PLAY

Some children find it difficult to play outside for the whole lunch break while others prefer more passive activities. To cater for these children, we will be introducing "Quiet Play" for the second half of the lunch break each day of the week. This will be introduced in the near future.

All children will be invited to nominate to join the "Quiet Play" group and I will also invite some children to join. I will write to you if I believe your child would benefit from joining the group.

Teachers have volunteered to supervise the group and special games and activities will be purchased.

Please note that the group size will be limited so not all children who wish to join the group will be able to. Attending "Quiet Play" does not have to be a permanent arrangement.

Parish Mass Times:

Monday:	
Tuesday:	
Wednesday:	9.00 am Queen of Heaven 10.30am Mother of God. (Polish)
Thursday:	9.00am Mother of God.
Friday:	9.00am Albion 6.00pm (Polish, Mother of God)
Saturday:	6.00pm (Vigil) Mother of God.
Sunday:	10.30am Albion 9.00am Mother of God, (Polish). 9.00am Queen of Heaven.

DATES AND EVENTS

March

13th Labour Day – No School
14th Lent Paraliturgy
22nd Advisory Board Meeting
31st Last Day of Term One

April

18th First day of Term 2
25th No School – ANZAC Day
26th – 28th Gr 5 & 6 Camp

May

3rd No School – Staff P.D
12th Mothers' Day Mass
12th High Tea for Mothers 11.30 a.m.

*Have a great weekend.
Yours sincerely,*

*Robert Macklin
Principal*

