

St Theresa's



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ADVENT

Advent is not about Christmas decorations, or sending cards or about buying or gifting presents....Advent is about the true gift – the Gift of God's Son in our lives- and the gift we give to each other...

AN ADVENT PRAYER

God of hope, who brought love into this world, be the love that dwells between us.

God of hope, who brought peace into this world, be the peace that dwells between us.

God of hope, who brought joy into this world, be the joy that dwells between us.

God of hope, the rock we stand upon, be the centre, the focus of our lives always and particularly at this time of Advent.

Amen



Introducing Our School Leaders for 2018

A few weeks ago the Grade 5 students delivered their leadership speeches to the school and we are very pleased to be able to announce the successful candidates.



Sports Captains

Green : Margaret Javelona & Layne Bartram-Hatzi

Gold : Denna Tang & Kirsten Marayag

Blue : Angelina Perez & Cooper Setterfield

Red : Claudia D'Emanuele & Suzanna Malek

School Captains

Rory McLeod & Brodie Weber



SRC

Julliette Pereira (absent)

Khanh Huynh-Vu

Gabriel Teklemarian

Jasmine Nedelokovski

Monitors & Principal Assistants

Ananya Singal, Victoria Montalto, Valentino Huynh, Simon Van Gemenen, Yuan Yuan Lu, Oliver Rossi, Joel Brekalo, Abbey Browne & Olivia Spiteri (absent), Emilia Pereira (abs), Maliano Sasa (abs)



WE HAVE THE YR 6 FINAL ASSEMBLY & PRESENTATIONS TOMORROW AT 2.15 IN THE MPR.
Please join us. It should be fun!

Congratulations to all these children. The staff looks forward to working with you and watching you develop into strong, proud and thoughtful leaders who inspire the other students at St Theresa's to follow your example.

CAROLS NIGHT

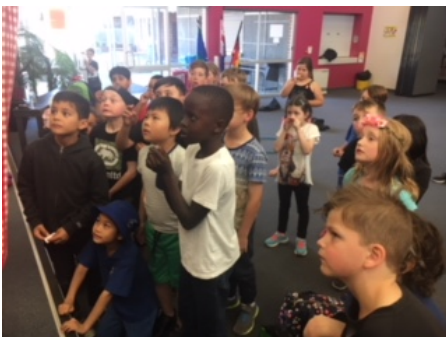


On a warm Tuesday night, St. Theresa's recreated the Nativity Scene on the basketball court, inside a truck! The St. Theresa's Christmas Carols was a great success! Each Grade sang beautifully and the playground was filled with Christmas spirit. Thanks to all those involved and to all the parents and relatives who came along.



Grade 2 DAY CAMP To Williamstown

On Friday the Grade 2 children attended Day Camp at Williamstown Beach and Indoor Rock Climbing at Clip 'N Climb. The children were taken into an unfamiliar environment and provided with challenges that took them out of their comfort zone. They spent the day developing their independence, organisational skills and ability to work as a team. Taking risks and encouraging others were a major focus for the day. These skills are important for every day life and will be the skills needed for camp next year. From Williamstown they came back to school and enjoyed a BBQ dinner and a games night...most importantly the children had a great day! Thanks to Patrick, Kathryn, Genevieve and Lauren for working hard to provide the children with a memorable day! Happy Birthday to Thomas too....what a great way to celebrate a birthday.



STUDENTS OF THE WEEK...and crazy mathematicians!



P/1S : Conor for fabulous improvement with his reading. Well done Champ! Theodora for always acting on feedback and making a fabulous contribution to her learning. Dylan for giving great responses about his animal habitat at our expo.

P/1CE : An for working so hard all the time, always with a smile. Waylin for being an all round spectacular boy in every way.

2/3K : Ethan for working really hard in all areas. Digby for his fantastic Maths problem solving.

2/3 P : Jack for challenging himself to 'Aim High' during Writing and Reading sessions. Anastasia Perez for making massive improvements with her Reading. Well done!

3/4B: Nicholas for being well organized and showing initiative. Shion for trying his best in all that he does.

3/4D : Quyen for writing a very descriptive narrative. Well done! Soham for being respectful when others are speaking. Well done! Shalina for being a super star student with her study work.

5TM : Abbey for getting involved with Maths problem solving tanks and trying her best. Jasmine for writing an excellent discussion text. Well done!

6F : Milkias for showing initiative and working responsibly to keep the classroom tidy. Ava for her great work with her "Discussion Writing" piece. Excellent use of evidence.

BEGINNING OF SCHOOL ARRANGEMENTS FOR 2018

We are beginning the 2018 new school year with 'Parent Teacher Chats' on **Tuesday 30th January from 11am – 7pm** (Interviews-on-line will be available for you to book a time once your child finds out their 2018 teacher tomorrow.)

Wednesday 31st January : Preps will begin school on their own (There will be no school for Yrs 1-6)

Thursday 1st February : All students to attend school : 8.45 – 3.15pm

Friday 2nd February : All students to attend school : 8.45-3.15pm

The school office will be open from Monday 29th January

2018 SOCIAL JUSTICE TEAM



***Sofia O'Neill, Kaleb Mandic, Evan Restall, Kyle Foreman, Marcus Nedelkovski, Lily Rawnsley, Adelaide Nelson and Chelsea Brasher** were the lucky candidates from over 30 applicants who wanted to be on the Social Justice Team for 2018. Throughout the year the team will look for opportunities in our community to help those less privileged than ourselves. Congratulations on your wonderful application letters!*

END OF YEAR ORGANISATION

With less than one week before the students finish school, there is still quite a lot happening....

Tonight we are holding the Year 6 Graduation Mass starting at 6pm followed by the Graduation Dinner for the Yr 6 students and their parents. This is always a happy night tinged with a touch of sadness as we say goodbye to some of our families who have finished their time at St Theresa's.

Tomorrow (Friday) we are holding a lunchtime Piano Concert at 1.30pm in the MPR where our piano students will perform for us.

Tomorrow (Friday) from **2.15** (take note of the earlier starting time), the grade 6 students will present their Final Assembly. A number of presentations will also take place. Please join us.

Tomorrow (Friday) your child will be spending some time with their 2018 teacher from 11.30-12.30. **You will be notified of your child's teacher for next year via a letter going home with your child's report on Friday afternoon.**

Next Monday 18th December the Yr 6s will be spending the day together at Adventure Park.

Wednesday 20th December is the last day of school for the students. **The CHRISTMAS RAFFLE will be drawn at 9am** followed by a short assembly.

We will gather for the last time on **Wednesday at 12pm** for the **ST THERESA'S END OF YEAR MASS**. Parents and relatives are invited to join us as we say goodbye to the school year.

STUDENTS WILL BE DISMISSED FROM SCHOOL AT 1PM ON WEDNESDAY 20th DECEMBER