

T4 W3 Thurs 24th October

St Theresa's



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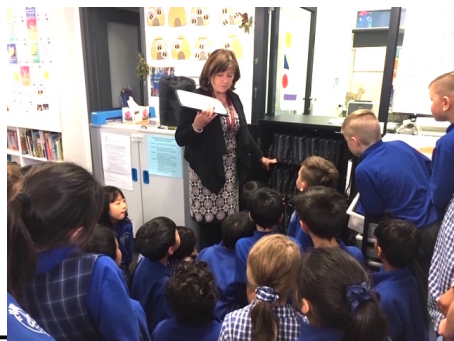
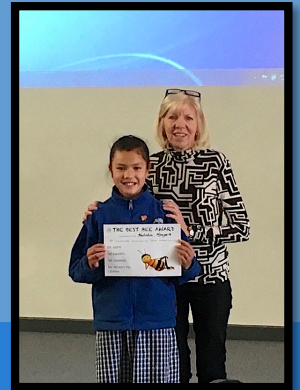
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Be Safe, Be Happy, Be Caring, Be Ready To Learn

Congratulations to
Natalia Nguyen for
consistently displaying
Best Bee behaviours and
receiving the
Best Bee Award.



NEW COMPUTERS FOR OUR GRADE 2s....THANKS TO YOUR FUNDRAISING EFFORTS

Last week Mary made our Grade 2 students very happy when she presented them with 30 new chrome books to help them with their learning. They were thrilled and quickly became totally engaged with using them for their Inquiry research. These computers cost around \$14,000 which is a large amount of money for a small school. However, the many fantastic fundraising efforts over the last couple of years have made it possible to buy these chrome books for the children. We would like to thank our community for your continued generosity, it all goes towards improving the children's learning.



HAPPY DIWALI... Our Indian Community are, this week, celebrating Diwali – the festival of lights. We wish you all a wonderful Diwali full of happy family times and celebrations. A special thanks to Shweta for the beautiful Diwali display in the foyer.



It is with deep sadness that we say farewell to Helen's daughter Nadia today. We hope that Helen and the family find some comfort in those around them and in their beautiful memories of Nadia.

Please keep the Cozmescu family in your thoughts and prayers.

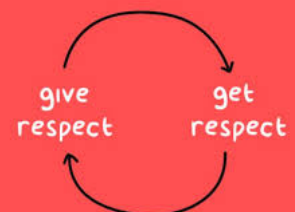
SEL SKILL OF THE MONTH

The skill that we are concentrating on is...

"Respect yourself, Respect others and Respect property"

A good education is more than simply getting good marks. It's about becoming a member of society and succeeding in life – knowing how to build respectful relationships. Respect starts with ourselves and others and our surroundings and is the key to a successful life.

Please support us by talking about Respect with your child.



Don't Forget Dads Night is TOMORROW NIGHT (Friday) 6-8pm

Come along and have a bit of fun with your kids and the other dads.

The theme of the night is "The St Theresa's Cup" so get ready to be involved in some 'horsey' activities. Dinner will be provided but of course, there will be lots of raffle prizes, lollies and popcorn to buy, so bring along some extra \$\$\$\$\$. Don't forget to bring an old sock and something to stuff it with...sounds interesting!!! It should be a great couple of hours.....see you there!



SECONDARY SCHOOL PANEL

Last Tuesday St Theresa's was pleased to host year 7 students from five of our local secondary schools.

The schools attending were the most popular schools that our year 6 students will be going to next year : Caroline Chisholm Catholic College, Marian College, Simonds College, St Aloysius College and Sunshine Secondary College.

The year 7 students sat on a panel and talked about their experiences at secondary school. This was in response to questions that our own grade fives and sixes had previously brainstormed.

After the panel, the year six students from Mother of God and St Theresa's then spent time in small groups talking to the secondary school students from the school they will be attending next year.

Our guests were truly inspiring and great role models for our students and alleviated many of the concerns and worries that they had about what to expect at secondary school next year.

We look forward to continuing our students' preparation for secondary school and will next be enjoying a day run by BluEarth with Our Lady's and MOG year 6 students.

Marie Gamwell & Greg Woolford

Wellbeing Leader / Family School Partnerships

We have completed organisational plans for next year. Class Arrangements for 2020 will be as follows. There will be 9 classrooms : Prep Prep/1, 2 x 1/2, 3 x 3/4, 2 x 5/6.

Staff will soon begin working on student class placements. Much time and thought goes into this process with lots of considerations being taken into account eg gender balance, friendships etc.

We're Great Mathematicians at St Theresa's



Yesterday afternoon the classrooms were buzzing with children and their families discovering how much fun maths can be. Card games, dice, dominoes, counters, game cards were all used to show how easy it is to practice number skills at home and have fun at the same time. It was great to see our children teaching their parents and grandparents how to play the games and improve their maths skills at the same time. Research shows that the more parents are involved in their child's learning, the better the child's learning outcomes. Thanks to the parents who were able to come along and for those who weren't able to but would still like a copy of the games, just ask your child's teacher.

Swimming Program for 2019 - For Grades Prep to Yr 4

We are in the process of finalising the details of our swimming program which begins on Wednesday 6th Nov and runs everyday until Friday 15th Nov. The cost of the swimming has already been covered in the Student Levy Fee paid earlier in the year. If your child **will not** be taking part in the swimming program, could you tell their teacher please so that accurate numbers can be given to MAC (Maribyrnong Aquatic Centre).

Addition to the Term 4 Calendar : The Grade 2 Day Camp will be on Monday 18th November.

Community Events...Halloween Street Party



The businesses of Sunshine Shopping Precinct bring the very first SUNSHINE HALLOWEEN STREET PARTY on Thursday 31st Oct from 4-6pm

Hampshire Rd will come alive with roaming ghouls, scary characters, trick or treating and 3 decorated Halloween Dens for kids to have their face painted and grab some treats. A costume parade and best Halloween costume competition will take place at 5.30pm at Halloween Den 3 – front of Sunshine Marketplace

We invite all of the kids of Sunshine plus their mums and dads to get dressed up in their scariest outfits and join in the fun of the Sunshine Halloween Street Party. This is a safe, family friendly event and it's FREE.

And the 8th Annual SUNSHINE SHORT FILM FESTIVAL will follow at the Village Cinemas in Sunshine. Primary School screening will be at 6pm. FREE for children under 15 years of age. Registrations are essential at

<https://www.sunshinefilmfestival.com.au/>

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Prep L : Liam for his accurate counting of his body outline, using informal units. Brandon for his thoughtful contributions to class discussions.

P/1 S : Alannah for the great way she approaches all learning tasks. Indigo for being such a kind, caring and friendly class member.

1/2 B : Sabreen for an excellent report about pythons. Well done! Connor for great work with fractions in Maths.

1/2 K : Anoop for the great progress he is making in Reading and Maths. Ethan for his attentive listening skills showing that he is ready to learn.

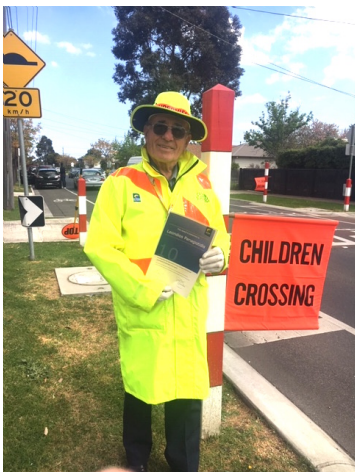
3/4 D : Ruby G for being a consistent worker in all areas of the curriculum. You accept challenges and try new things. Top job! Ruby M for explain her ideas in a mature and informative manner. Ethan for making a very good start to Term 4 and trying hard to complete tasks and be helpful in class.

3/4 F : Angela for working independently on her folk tale. Sena for working towards improving his handwriting.

3/4 CE : Joy for her fantastic handwriting. Venice for consistently being thoughtful, creative and considerate. Ethan for completing tasks, following instructions and displaying a positive attitude

5/6 TM : Nicholas for his amazing writing piece, it was very creative and moody. Benice for being a kind and caring member of our class. Emily for amazing effort she put into the concert last term. Well done!

5/6 P : Jade for knuckling down and working diligently during Maths. She's a champ! Soham for acting on feedback in a timely manner. Well done!



AN AWARD FOR LEON: CONGRATULATIONS!

Recently, Brimbank Council awarded Leon a well deserved Long Service Award. Leon has been keeping St Theresa's kids safe for 10 years now. We marked the occasion by showing a short film entitled 'Leon The Lollipop Man' at our school assembly last week. It is a wonderful depiction of Leon and his love for the St Theresa's community and our love for him. If you missed assembly, we intend to download it onto our school website if all goes to plan. It's really worth a look.



Congratulations to Taylor for receiving her Pen Licence!