Dear Parents,

Two themes seem to weave through the readings for this Sunday: treasure and delight. The treasure is the extraordinary gift that comes from God; the delight is the joy that we experience when we realise that the treasure is ours. A third theme, which is found in the first reading is service of others.

The treasure is the kingdom of heaven. It is the prize that gives meaning to the present, and its fullest delight draws us into the future. The treasure that we find is really a gift that is given. We need not work to attain the kingdom, nor can we earn it in any way. It is given to us by God. All we have to do is accept it.

**GRANDPARENTS DAY**

The sight of grandparents, friends and parents sitting amongst children in church yesterday was precious. Thank you to all who attended our celebrations yesterday to turn this into a special event that many found valuable and purposeful. A special thank you to Therese Proy (Natasha & Joshua Aldred’s grandmother) and Terry & Jackie Greely (Alice Greely’s grandparents) who shared their reflections on the unconditional love between grandparents and grandchildren. Thank you to Fr John who celebrated Mass with our community and for the Parents’ Association for setting up and cleaning up the Hall and for the wonderful provision of the delicious refreshments served in the Hall. There were plenty of compliments, hugs, smiles and much joy present in our school. The children were fortunate to have the wisdom and expertise of their grandparents who visited classes and shared photos, stories, games or talents. Again, thank you to all who contributed to the success of the day. We are indeed blessed with such a wonderful community.

**MATHS WEEK**

In the coming week our school is celebrating Maths! Families are invited to attend the Maths Games Evening on Wednesday 30th July. There are two sessions: 4 – 5pm or 6:30-7:30pm. A note was sent home last week inviting parents and children to the evening. We are wanting to gauge the numbers to aid our planning.

**SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY**

There will be a school closure day on Friday 29th August. This day had not previously been advised. Staff have begun working on developing Scope & Sequences for some of the new Australian Curriculum. This is important work as we position our school to commence implementation of the new curriculum from the beginning of next year. As this day draws nearer, an outline of some of the detail about the Australian Curriculum and the work that we have undertaken will be provided as a lead up to this day.

**CANBERRA CAMP 2015**

There will be a meeting in the school hall at 6pm on Monday 28th July for parents of current Year 4 and 5 students. The focus of the meeting will be about the travel and accommodation arrangements as well as the itinerary. Nicolas Hellstern from G.E.T. Educational Tours will speak to parents and will answer any questions.

**PRESENTATION OF EUCHARIST CERTIFICATES**

Father John will present the First Eucharist Certificates to our Year 4 students at both the 8am and 11am Masses on Sunday 3rd August. It is important to inform your child’s class teacher as to which Mass you will attend.

**PARENT-TEACHER MEETINGS**

Thank you to parents and students for attending the meetings throughout the week. It is important to maintain home-school communication and this is another vehicle. It is wonderful to see the progress students are making and sharing their goals for the term.

**CONFIRMATION**

The Family workshop has been changed to Wednesday 13th August as there will be a Vigil Mass on Thursday 14th for the Feast of the Assumption and some parents may wish to attend this Mass as the feast is a holy day of obligation.

**A NOTE FROM SISTER PATRICIA:**

*Dear Parents,*

*I have now completed visiting all our new families at the school, who were available and do not work full-time. I am wondering if there are any families who would like me to visit them again sometime. I visit on Tuesday and Wednesday afternoons. If you would like me to come to visit you, please leave your name at the Office and I will contact you to make a day and time to visit.*

*God bless you all,*

*Yours sincerely,*

*Sister Patricia,*

**FOOTBALL ZONE (DIVISION) FOOTY**

Yesterday the school football team set out to the division football day. They came up against Syndal South and Jells Park who were in our draw. We beat Syndal South by 4 goals and lost to Jells Park by 6 goals but all the boys came off the field with smiles on their faces in both games. The sportsmanship between both teams were great. Throughout the game you saw opposing teammates helping each other, great sportsmanship, no backchat to the umpires and courage and respect. Lastly we played a friendly match against Good Shepherd. They were a strong team. We were beating them in the first half, but they came back and beat us by 1 goal. In our draw we came second and came third.
overall out of six schools. Great effort by the boys well done. Good luck to the Girls Soccer team who compete next week.

**FETE MEETING**

Our next Fete meeting will be next Tuesday, 29th July at 7:30pm. I’m looking forward to seeing you at the meeting.

**ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS**

It is not too late to purchase your Entertainment Book from the office, but we only have a few left.

**SCHOOL UNIFORMS**

Our lost property box is overflowing with uniforms. Please check the box outside the library if your child has misplaced any uniform. Could we also ask that you check your child’s uniform to make sure they have not picked up the wrong jumper or jacket?

**TERM THREE DATES**

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**Tips for staying active this winter!**

Exercise Induced Asthma (EIA) is a common trigger for asthma. However, it does not need to be a barrier to Students participating in sports and physical activities.

**Here are some tips to help prevent EIA in students:**

**Before Exercise** take reliever medication 5-20 minutes **before** warming up.

**Warm Up** before exercise as normal.

**During Exercise** watch for asthma symptoms and administer reliever medication if they should occur. Only return to exercise if symptoms are relieved. If symptoms appear again, administer medication again, until they are relieved. It is not recommended that the Student should return to the sporting activity after a second occurrence of asthma symptoms.

**After Exercise** cool down as usual. Note that asthma symptoms can present up to a half an hour after exercise has stopped. Ensure reliever medication is still easily accessible should it be required.

**Other things to remember:**

- Ensure all students have current Asthma Action/Care Plans
- If possible make activities that are scheduled for the night indoors as the drop in air temperature makes air colder to inhale and acts as a greater trigger.
- Encourage students with asthma to participate fully!

Thomas Coghlan
PRINCIPAL

With best wishes
In Year 3/4 Maths we have been learning about....

**MEASUREMENT**

**VOCABULARY**

- **Length** – the distance between two points.
- **Width** – measurement of length across from side to side
- **Height** – distance across from top to bottom
- **Measure** – the use of standard units to find out the size or quantity.
- **Formal measurement** – length measured in mm, cm and m.

**MEASURE MY JOURNEY**

This game will focus on the following skills:
- Measurement – length
- Addition

**Players:** 2

**You will need:** Dice, A4 paper, ruler, pencil

**How to Play:**
1. Each player draws a car in the upper left corner of their page and then a small house in the lower right corner.
2. Players then take turns to roll a die and draw a measured line from the car to the house. E.g. If a 6 was rolled, a 6cm line is ruled.
3. Players keep rolling and ruling zig-zag lines until their lines reach the house.
4. Players calculate how many cm in total it took for them to get from the car to the house. Record their total on their page.
5. The player with the shortest distance wins.

**Variation:**
*Include other locations to visit in the journey (e.g. Journey home, via the shops).*

**BLOGS**

Want to know more? Visit our class blogs and see some of our learning in Maths.

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