Breaking bread – a St Therese Foundation initiative.

You may have heard that we’re running a new fund-raising initiative for the St Therese Foundation, aimed at supporting families of our little primary school who may need a helping hand from time to time. We’ve called it “Breaking Bread” which captures the spirit of our school’s close community, always looking to share the love and support each other through the tough times as well.

Now, families and friends of St Therese can bid for items traded on the Breaking Bread website, each trade intended to be a little more in value than the last. This approach is called ‘trading up’ and simply means that we start with something simple and in-expensive and keep on trading other items upwards until we have something really valuable to finally sell on the open market (like GumTree or eBay) donating the final amount to the St Therese Foundation. In this case, we’ve started with a humble loaf of bread and have already raised the equivalent of nearly $200 in only a couple of weeks!

It’s loads of fun and you can even have a look at a couple of examples of ‘trading up’ here, where in one case a guy started with a red paper clip and ended up with a house (yes, a real house!) and another mob who have started with a simple, single egg and have already raised $50,000!!http://oneredpaperclip.blogspot.com.au/http://www.1egg1world.org/. So, who knows how far we can go?! C’mon Torquay!!

So now it’s your turn – visit the Breaking Bread site, have a look at what has been traded so far and think of something that you may have around the house that hasn’t been used, un-wrapped and is just un-loved and make us an offer. Good luck.

http://breakingbread3228.org/

Michael Adlam
School Board

School Oval The ‘School Advisory Board’ have recently investigated the feasibility of installing artificial turf. The quotes we have received indicate a cost of approximately $250,000. After discussions with the Board and the School Management Committee the general consensus is that this is beyond our financial capacity at this stage. Our toilet blocks will be completely renovated over the holiday period and this is our major priority for the new school year.

Notice of intention to leave St Therese in 2016
Please notify the school if you are not intending to return in 2016 as we will soon be preparing classes for next year.
Fees Reminder:
Please endeavour to finalise your outstanding fees before the end of term.

**RE News:**

**Sacraments 2015:**
This year our parish has celebrated Reconciliation, Eucharist and Confirmation. Unfortunately, some students were away on holidays when the Sacraments were celebrated. A special Mass at St Therese Church has been set for those who have missed out on Eucharist or Confirmation. That Mass is Sunday November 15 at 8:45 A.M. If you have a child in this situation, please contact Peter Caddy via email on the following address. I will arrange for your child to be prepared for the Sacrament in advance.

pcaddy@sttorquay.catholic.edu.au

**St Therese/Mission Day:**
This week our school celebrated St Therese Feast day along with our Mission Fete. St Therese Feast Day is October 1 which falls during the school holidays. St Therese helped to teach the Church what Jesus meant when he said that people must be more like children in order to enter Heaven. She called it, ‘her little way.’

What God wants most from us are not the big things but to do the little things well. Not all of us can do the big things for God but we can all do the small things. St Therese knew so much about God's love that she became a great teacher for all the Church. Today and every day, we can focus on doing the little things that matter.

Our Yr 5/6 students ran their Mission Day Fete in order to raise funds for our Reach Vietnam Project and other worthy charities. We also played host to 60 students from Nazareth School as well as many family members who came to join the festivities. The weather was very kind to us and it was a great success. We raised approximately $4,500.

**Prep News:**

**Sandwich Shop Now Open!**
The Prep Learning Community have been focusing on healthy eating and have created their own sandwiches. The children have embraced the opportunity to sample and include healthy options in their sandwich such as, wholemeal and mixed grain bread, hummus, capsicum, tomato, cucumber.

“I had ham, lettuce, carrot and cheese in my sandwich. I chose wholemeal bread. I loved it!” Jett

“I had carrot, cucumber, lettuce and chicken. I liked eating my sandwich because it was crunchy!” Will Ansell

**Library News:**

**Scholastic Book Clubs**
Have you ever wondered what happened to the Scholastic Book Clubs flyers? **Flyers with great bargains & the newest books on the market!** Flyers aimed at year levels! **Flyers that promote reading & have great contests!**

Well………..
St Therese is one of only 2 schools in Victoria who are trying to make the Book Club available completely **online**, making it “paperless”, saving resources and supporting our schools **5 Star Sustainability Rating**.

Issue 7 is now available. Issue 7 has a new GIFT feature, to ensure discretion if your order is a **Christmas Gift**. Find instructions on how to access Scholastic Book Club and **Order using LOOP** on your **Learning Community Blogs**.

**SAVE THE DATE:**
*Our final Book Fair of 2016, will be held in Week 6, Nov 11-12, times TBA. As per tradition, it will be organized by students from the Year 6 Learning Community. More information in the next newsletter.*
Secondhand Uniform Shop – Thank you to the St Therese community for your donations to the secondhand uniform shop - keep them coming in! We would love any girls summer dresses and boys shorts to bump up the summer stock! The labelled wheelie bin outside the hall is the spot. The shop is open from 3.15 to 3.45 pm on Wednesdays. Thank you also to some new volunteers who have put up their hands to help out on the Wednesdays. It is much appreciated. Contact Kristin Dalton kristind71@yahoo.com.

Hot Dog Days Every 2nd Wednesday - for all students run by parents who volunteer their time. Each child is to bring their money to their respective classroom and fill in the forms located in their class. Correct money is required.

Prices:
Hot dogs $2.50
Prima drink $1.00
Icy poles 50c

ORDERS CANNOT BE TAKEN AT THE KITCHEN!

The next Hot dog day will be Wednesday 21 October. If you would like to volunteer on hot dog days, please email Leanne O'Brien leanne_obrien@bigpond.com. All that is required is 1.5 hours on the day, once a term.

Sushi Days Alternative Wednesdays are Sushi days

Prices: Snack pack $3.50, Lunch pack $7.
Vegetarian, Chicken or Tuna

The next Sushi Day is Wednesday 11 November. There is NO Sushi on October 28. Place your child’s name, classroom, order and correct money on a brown paper bag. Bags are placed in a container in each learning area.
Community News:

**Night Out for Bree**
At the Anglesea Football Club **October 24** from 6.30pm til late.
Live Bands – Silent Auction – Refreshments – Drinks at Bar Prices. Tickets $50
Bookings – M: 0434 438 374 E:paul@groundswelldesign.com.au
All funds raised go to our local family.

**Torquay Surf Life Saving Club**

**TORQUAY SLSC**
**NIPPER REGISTRATION DAY**
**OCTOBER 17TH 10AM - 1PM**
**UNIFORM SHOP OPEN**

E: info@torquayslsc.com.au  W: www.torquayslsc.com.au
T: 03 5261 4110

**Nazareth Social Justice Group**
**Colourful Chaos** Supper Dance Saturday November 7 from 7pm to midnight at St Therese School Hall
A fun night of dancing, competitions, community building, friendship, Raffles & Auctions
Tickets $15 per person, book table of 10, smaller groups, couples or single. Supporting - ‘The Welcome Place’ - Geelong
For more information contact Jeanne 0407 822 744 or Joan 0408 314 763
Numbers will be limited so contact us now!!!

**Art Spot - Showcasing Art from across the Surf Coast Shire**
The best spot to be this Melbourne Cup Weekend
Fairhaven Surf Life Saving Club Saturday October 31 and Sunday November 1 10am – 7.30pm,
Monday November 2 10am – 4pm. Sunset Bar open Saturday and Sunday 5pm - 7pm (Enjoy the Art with a drink)

**Build Grow Live in Torquay**
Sunday 25 October, 2015
Tours of Architect Designed Eco Homes, Shire Precinct & a Free Range Farm.
Local Food Producers, Workshops, Stalls, Music and Pizza.
Selected Open Properties and Danawa Community Garden
For more info and book tickets at sceg.org.au
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- 3 simple carols
- have heaps of fun
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Contact Meagan: mbmt@bigpond.com

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Geelong West Toy Library Annual Toy Sale
The Geelong West Toy Library Annual Toy Sale sells quality pre-loved toys including games, costumes, puzzles, baby toys, construction, DVDs, Lego, books, bikes...and more to the community.
This year’s Toy Sale is on Saturday 24 October 9.00am - 11.00am at the Virginia Todd Community Centre, Clarence Street, Geelong West (off Pakington Street). This event is well known and loved in the community with buyers lining up on the day to enter. Funds raised support the work of the Geelong West Toy Library, an all-volunteer run community group. The sale is a great opportunity to pick-up some toys at bargain prices.
Too much clutter? Have your children outgrown their toys? There are still some spots left for sellers. To request a Seller Information and Registration kit please contact Toy Sale Coordinator Cynthia Scherer at geelongwesttoylibrary@gmail.com or 0404 712 107.

Ever wondered what it would be like to host an international student?
Here is your chance to try a short visit to see how much you like it; we are sure you will!
It is a GREAT experience for the whole family.
Experience another culture without travelling overseas.

WE HAVE 80 JAPANESE STUDENTS NEEDING HOST FAMILIES FROM 06/11/15 to 11/11/15

CHOSE A SCHOOL TO SUIT YOU!
* Students will be based at:
Geelong High School, Newcomb Secondary, Surf Coast College and Bellarine Secondary where they will have an interaction day and go on excursions.
* Students can travel by bus to & from school
* Japanese language not necessary
* Provide normal Australian meals
* Separate room not necessary
* No airport runs

Volunteer host families will receive a stipend of $25 per night to assist with hosting costs

For further information - call:
Jenny on 0439 654 939 for Gilg High
Julie on 0411 056 191 for Surf Coast
Sue on 0414 579 900 for Newcomb
Tracey on 0418 320 537 for Bellarine
Lynn on 0427 507 990 Regional Manager
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