



St Therese
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
TORQUAY

Mass Times in Parish

Anglesea: Sat 6.00pm

Torquay: Sun 8.45am

Grovedale: Sun 10.30 am

Parish No: 9412 8444

Presbytery No: 9412 8443

2018

Term 3:

Book Week Parade: Fri
Aug 24 @ 9.15 am

**3/4 Father's/Special
Person Day Breakfast:**
Fri Aug 31

Father's Day Stall: Fri
Aug 31

Yr 4 Eucharist: Sun
Sept 9 & 16

School Closure Days
Monday October 8
(First Monday after the
term 3 holidays)
Monday November 5
(Day before Melbourne
Cup)
Monday December 3
**An up to date Calendar
can be found on our
school website.**



Newsletter

August 23 – Term 3, Week 6 2018

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Last Friday we gathered together as a community to support our farmers who are seriously affected by drought. The students, aware of the plight of the farmers, wanted to take action. Farm Fashion Friday was an opportunity to wear casual clothes to school and make a donation, to help give hope to people in desperate situations. We raised \$910. The money will be donated to "Blaze Aid", an organisation, which helps farmers in drought areas, in many practical ways. We thank all families for their support of the farmers.

We have just celebrated Mary MacKillop's feast day and her motto is important to remember: "Never see a need without doing something about it". We thank the families and students for your support of the farmers and for the increased awareness and interest in social justice issues.

Together we pray:

We pray for an end to the drought and the arrival of rain to soothe and replenish the dry and parched land.

We pray for wet weather to drench the earth, to bring new life to seeds, and to insure a good harvest.

We are saddened by the the cracking of the ground, the spread of destructive wildfires, and the resulting deaths of crops and wild animals.

We pray for patience to endure this drought siege as we wait for rain to refresh and renew our lives and livelihoods. We are so grateful for the life-saving capacities of rain, and pray that we never take water for granted.

We offer all these prayers in the name of Jesus.

Book Week 2018:

The Book week theme is: "Find your treasure."

Matthew 6:21 says that: "From where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."

As we embrace Book Week and the many wonderful experiences, also embrace the gift of the treasures in your life and share your gifts and talents with them all. We thank the staff for their continued commitment to the students at St Therese and a big thank you to Ty Hudson for her work leading all aspects of Book Week. We will be having our Book Week parade in the hall, beginning at 9:15 am tomorrow (Aug 24)

This is a very exciting parade for all of the students, who get to dress up as one of their favourite book characters and all parents and friends are invited to come along and watch the parade.



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Student Wellbeing

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Respect – a small, simple word and a word that makes the world of difference when put into action. The Cambridge Dictionary defines Respect as “politeness, honour and care shown towards someone or something that is considered important. The feeling you show when you accept that different customs and cultures are not the same as your own and you act towards them in a way that would not cause offence.”

Each and every day I see respect demonstrated at St. Therese. In the football team representing us at the state championship - the handshake with the opposition, the thank you to the coach, accepting decisions from the umpire... The way children interacted with parents and teachers at the Eucharist Evening, the way the choir listened and followed instructions at the Music Festival and so many more in the everyday routine of school.

Speaking kindly, saying good morning, smiling...are hardly going to cost us anything and yet the results *do* make a real difference. Adults and children alike need to expect, demonstrate and live with respect.

“At St. Therese all learners have the opportunity to discover, grow and be Christ Centred”

Jan Fagan

St. Therese Choir - Congratulations

Last Friday the choir performed at the Geelong Music and Movement Festival held at Costa Hall. 23 students made their debut on a huge stage and in front of a huge audience. They were a little nervous, but what a performance. They looked great in their uniforms and they sang a Medley of Rainbow Songs. Lots of compliments came from other schools and all parents should be rightly proud of the way they represented our school with such a professional performance. Jess Chisholm and I love working with this group as they freely give up their lunchtimes to practise. Choir is open for new members so Friday at Lunchtime in the 1/2 area is where the magic happens.

Thanks to Jess who is such a generous and talented choir master.

Jan



School Advisory Committee:

Last night our Advisory Committee met and welcomed our new Committee members. We are excited about the increased membership of the committee and the gifts and talents that they will bring to our school. Our meeting began with a talk from Andrea Downie, who had been a major part of the development of our Wellbeing Strategic Plan.

Items discussed as part of the meeting included: Induction of new members, strategic direction planning, School closure days and the new volunteer process. Thank you to the following parents who have agreed to be part of the new direction of the school Board and the school. Cameron Healy Chairperson, Nic McGay Deputy Chair, Noel Dillon Principal, Jan Fagan Deputy Principal, Louise Hill Teacher Rep, Rosemary Malone Parish Representative, Jacqui Fenwick, Samantha Arklay, Julie Collett, Ben Smith, Brigid Papaix, Daphne Henderson, Jamie Wheelahan, Juliette McDonald, Laura Gordon.

Planning for 2019:

We are currently in the planning stages for 2019. To assist us with this planning, we sent out information earlier this year to families living near our new School Lisieux, regarding their intention to stay at St Therese.

If this information has changed please contact us immediately, as changes will impact on student numbers, which are very important as we look at class sizes and staffing.

Foundation 2019:

Over the past few weeks we have been meeting with our 2019 Foundation parents and students. It has been a great opportunity to meet with the families as we and they prepare for the 2019 school year.

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Child Safe Standards (These are the approved processes and procedures to be completed as soon as possible):

Our school, like all primary schools in Victoria, has been working at the development of policies and procedures that meet the 'Child Safe Standards' introduced in 2016.

As a result of the new Victorian Child Safe Standards, schools are now required to undergo more vigorous screening and monitoring of volunteers. In the next couple of weeks all parents will receive a package of information relating to how our school will be meeting the new requirements of the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria (CECV) Guidelines for Engagement of Volunteers.

(CECV Guidelines on the Engagement of Volunteers 2017)

"Catholic schools utilise volunteers in a range of capacities. For example, there are volunteers who regularly assist in the classroom, the canteen, the library, with school sporting activities and as members of the school board. There are also volunteers who assist on one-off or more limited occasions such as accompanying a class on a school excursion, helping out with the school production or participating in a working bee. A large portion of volunteers are parents of students in the school, while others are former students, parents of former students or otherwise drawn from the wider community. The Child Safe Standards do not distinguish between these differing roles. Each of the volunteers in the examples above is likely to be engaged in 'child-connected work' and therefore the school must ensure that they comply with the requirements of the Child Safe Standards."

The content of these guidelines will require an additional level of screening beyond our current use of 'Working with Children Checks' and as such additional time and resources will need to be committed to the onerous task of ensuring compliance. Our school web page will be updated with copies of relevant information so I would encourage you to read the guidelines that now apply to anyone volunteering in a school setting, as the implications are considerable.

Toucan Appeal:

The Toucan Appeal is on again and we have a box in the office for any donations of non perishable food items.

Senior Boys Football:

On August 7 the Senior Boys team played in the Western Metro Football Championships. Our team successfully won their championship, going through undefeated for the day. The boys were amazing in the way they played and supported each other on the field and they are to be congratulated for their outstanding effort. The team was also very lucky to have parent support on the day, which certainly made a difference. The team then played in the State Championships yesterday August 22. Both Gerard Douglas and Jan Fagan, attended as staff members and they were extremely proud of their behaviour and their interactions with the other teams and the respect shown to the umpires and their opponents.

Again a huge thank you to the parents and grandparents, brothers and sisters who came to support with cheering and food and practical help. A special thanks to Greg, Craig and Gerard who coach with talent and passion. The team eventually were not successful in winning the championship but they were successful in the way they represented St. Therese.

It's not about winning or losing, but love and respect. Max Lucado (Author of "You are Special")



A word from Greg O'Neil

What a fantastic day for footy. The boys had made the final 8 out of over 1500 primary schools in the state which is a fantastic effort. By my calculations they were better than 99.5% of all other schools in Victoria. They should all be very proud of their efforts to get the SSV State Football Championships.

With the boys having to play 3 games of 30 minutes of footy in 3 hours it was going to be a tough ask but they all acquitted themselves well. I was really pleased with the boys' effort in all 3 games. Our clean hands improved each game and we continually tried to get some consistent outside run going.

Against Apollo Parkways in the first game we had our opportunities and if we had kicked that goal in the first half it would have been a different story as the boys would have been up and about and feeling good about themselves. Our lack of genuine height also caused us some trouble. The boys never gave up and we saw a number of glimpses of what they are capable of.

The second game vs Echuca was a genuinely hard fought affair. We had the majority of the play in our forward line but were unable to convert this in to goals and hence scoreboard pressure. We started to get a bit of run going and our key forwards looked dangerous and started taking some marks and looking dangerous. We were unlucky to lose to them by a goal. Echuca were the eventual winners of the grand final and this just showed me that we were a real chance if we could get our game going.

The third game vs St Bernard's Wangaratta again we had all the play but couldn't convert. We had about 8 shots on goal in the first half and couldn't kick a goal. The boys all stepped it up in the second half and again had the majority of the play and were unlucky to lose after St Bernard's kicked a goal after the siren.

Each boy contributed throughout the day in a number of ways. The following are some highlights that I observed. Rory attacked the ball hard and prevented a number of opposition forward entries being turned into goals. Cooper Pretlove was great in the backline stopping a number of goals. Harry Day was strong in the contest and ensured that his opponent was always restricted. Nash Mangos attacked the ball on a straight line and got a hand or fist in to spoil on a number of occasions. Elwood took some great marks and was a rock at CHB in our last game. Angus Hanley hit the packs hard and ran hard in the last game and took a fantastic mark against taller opponents. Ben Moore was great in the last game and used his pace and raking left foot kick to drive the ball into our forward line. Dylan Mahoney was released from his full back role and was a battering ram in the middle and was rewarded with a great goal in the last game. Fraser Sertic was also released from his defensive role and was great on the wing with his clean hands and run and long kicking to opposition. Sunni Davie was elusive all day and was unlucky to not kick that goal in the first half of the last game after making great position. Merrick's overhead marking was tremendous in the last couple of games and he consistently plucked off the opposition kicks. Angus Taylor provided a contest all day and I loved his massive tackle in front of us in the second half of the last game.

Will Montebello was great in the ruck spoiled well, took some great marks and ran himself into the ground. Max Adams and his younger brother Jai were both tremendous all day getting from contest to contest and physically beating taller and bigger opponents. They were able to physically impose themselves on the game in a way that belies their size. Finn Hislop was elusive all day and was able to present well to a number of contests. Cooper Gaulke provided a great target in the last game when we moved him to full forward, presenting well and being rewarded with a great goal. Kai Garreau presented well and was unlucky not to take a couple of great marks.

Kyan Gervasoni ran hard all day getting to all the right spots and was unlucky not to kick a goal. Zak Stewart was great in the last game and had super clean hands and repelled a number of St Bernards forward attacks beating 3 opponents on a couple of occasions. Mason Ansell laid some great tackles and worked hard whether in the backline or forward line. Cooper Paton moved smoothly all day and used his judgement, pace and foot skills to perfection.

Lastly Hamish McGowan injured his hamstring in the second game and I was so impressed with his effort to mark the ball in the forward line after he was hurt and was unlucky not to kick a goal as a result. Awesome effort Hamish.

Thanks to Lucius too who whilst injured was able to impart his football wisdom to the boys and get them fired up.

A big shout out to all the parents, grandparents, family members and brothers and sisters who made the 2 hour plus journey up to support all the boys. Huge thanks go out to our Assistant Principal Jan Fagan for undertaking goal umpiring duties for all 3 games, Chris Gaulke for getting it out of his sick bed and being runner and Mr Douglas and Craig Hanley for both of their assistant coaching expertise.

Overall this was a fantastic experience for all the boys and they showed great resilience and true sportsmanship in all games. Each of the players are outstanding citizens and can all hold their heads high and it was a pleasure to guide and watch them go about their business on the football field. Go Saints!!!



Dear Parents of St Therese Catholic Primary School.

I am holding a fund raiser for Bravehearts at St Therese on Thursday the 6th of September from 3.30 – 4.30 pm as part of Child Protection Week. Activities include a sausage sizzle, silent auction, a Victoria Police member talking about social media and other issues facing our young. The Bravehearts girls will talk briefly about their program the run in schools.

Bravehearts mission is to prevent child sexual assault in our society and make Australia the safest place in the world to raise a child.

Come and grab a bargain and have a sausage at pick up time at St Therese.

Kind regards,
Dave Watson
Bravehearts Volunteer

Susan Berran

International Author/Illustrator of Hilariously Gross books



Last week we were very fortunate to have Susan Berran visit our school. With her high energy and enthusiasm it was very clear how much she loved encouraging students to read and write. The students found her writing/illustrating workshops informative and fun. We have had so many positive comments about her visit from students of all ages. Susan was very inspiring. Below are some of the children's reflections of the day.

Dr Susan,

We thank you for coming to our school and teaching us to be better writers and drawers. Everyone loved your books and they are really funny. You inspired me to be a better writer and drawer. We would love you to come again one day. With the zoom in action everyone is a much better writer and now we can zoom in and get every bit of detail in.
From Darby 3/4

I liked it when she read her book & we had to make the sound effects.
James Heenan Foundation

Susan was a good author because she writes lots of stories that are funny because of all the weird stuff. Benjamin 1/2

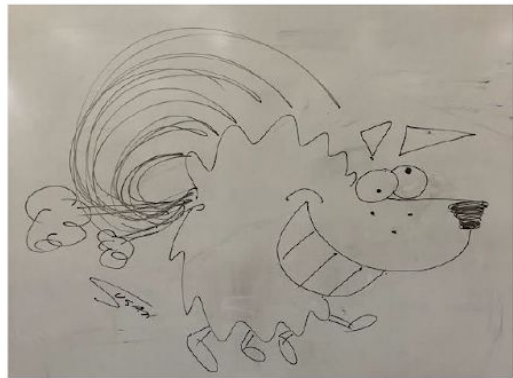


During last week, the amazing author and illustrator Susan Berran came into our classroom and talked to us about writing and illustrating books. She came into each classroom and talked to the big groups, and also had a couple of smaller groups. The focus in the bigger groups was more about telling stories and drawing, but the smaller groups were more about writing, and descriptions. Susan did some actions, and everyone in the group had to describe the action with as much description as they could. The smaller groups had about 2 kids from each class who really wanted to extend on their writing, and Susan was trying to help us do that. The actions she did were pretty disgusting at the start, and when the students described it, some of them got pretty gruesome. Susan also had some great ideas for more writing opportunities at school, like a place in the libraries called the writers notebook, where students can write their own stories and put them in there, and anyone can read them. Susan's visit to the school was a very positive one and we believe it helped more students be interested in writing and drawing.
Lila Burns 5/6



I liked the author because she told stories about herself that were funny, like when she went to the zoo. She looked up and all she could see was the monkeys butt. Amelia 1/2

I Liked it when I learn't how to draw Fluffbutt.
Jacob Falconer Foundation



On Tuesday the 14/8/18 Susan Berran came to our school for a talk about her life. It was fun and funny because she knows how to make people laugh. Her books were full of gross things and were also based on her life. They include lots of disgusting thing like bottoms, vomit and toenail jam. Good and Bad things happened to Sam, one of her main characters, like getting a baby sister which turns out good in the end. She had some good life lessons for everyone, it was a good and fun experience for all of Foundation to year 6. On the day she came, she taught us that anyone can draw and write, and that it might not look the same as other people's but it's ok, because everyone different. She also said that if you just start writing, just like that, a story comes along and so do great ideas!
By Dharma and Jorja 5/6

Susan Berran

On Tuesday Susan Berran visited our school.

Susan Berran is an author illustrator for children books

Firstly she talked about her book series the freaky series (which we have been reading in class) then she taught us how to draw her dog Fluff Butt which is featured in some of her stories.



Fluff Butt

Did you know how Susan Berran named her dog? Well she was coming back from the pet shop and then her dog did a fluff while her daughter was petting him, so from then on they called him Fluff Butt and Fluff Butt is in some of her stories.



Her books

Susan Berran has 13 books and she has a few series that feature the freaky series, the fluff butt series and the yucky disgusting series. She also has a few more books.

Written by Gisele Tieppo and Sari Ashford



St Therese Fathers Day Golf Classic

Friday 7th September 12.30pm
at The Sands Torquay

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Date: Friday 7th September, 2018

Venue: The Sands Torquay

**Time: 11.30am registration
12.30pm shotgun start**

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7th - 14th October 2018

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Friday 31 August

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**Senior Women's
Football Torquay**

Torquay Football Club are on the search for interested people to assist in the development of a Women's Football team for the 2019 season.

We are currently seeking expressions of interests for:

- **Players - Coaches**
- **Trainers - Volunteer helpers**

If you are interested or know of anyone who could be interested, please let them know.

for more information email Paris
admin@torquaytigers.com

Information session held at Spring Creek Clubrooms on Monday 20th August at 6.30pm

CRICKET SUPER CLINIC (HAVE A GO DAY)

This day is designed to allow kids of all abilities to come along and try our different cricket programs prior to registering.

Cost:

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Coaches will be on hand to provide information and guidance regarding our different cricket programs.

When:

Sunday 9th of September

JUNIOR BLASTERS

(Ages 4 – 8 Boys and Girls) **9.00 am to 10.00am**

Where:

Burdoo Reserve

Burdoo Drive Grovedale

MASTER BLASTERS

(Ages 6 – 10 Boys and Girls) **9.00 am to 10.00am**

Contact:

Patrick Klemke

0438 435 763

Mark Brady

0402 848 528

Jason Hornibook

0425 732 600

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Anglesea Memorial Hall

Oct 1 - Alexandra

Alexandra Town Hall

Sept 27 - Bendigo

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Sept 28 - Sale

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