



St Therese
CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
TORQUAY

Mass Times in Parish

Anglesea: Sat 6.00pm

Torquay: Sun 8.45am &
10.30am

Grovedale: No Mass

Parish Phone

Number: 52646918

2018

Term 1:

School Athletics Day: Fri March
9 @ Landy Field. Details below

Labour Day Public Holiday:
Mon March 12 (no students)

School Closure Day:
Fri March 16

St Therese Twilight Fair:
March 23 5pm-9.30pm

Last Day of Term: Thurs
March 29 @ 1.30pm

Term 2:

First Day of Term: Mon April
16

Anzac Day Public Holiday:
Wed April 25

An up to date Calendar can be
found on our school website.



Newsletter

March 8 – Term 1, Week 6 2018

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Closure Day Friday March 16

This Sunday is the 4th Sunday of Lent

Gospel Reflection

The account describes the way in which the people began to neglect their relationship with God. Despite prophets and messengers being sent to them, they turned their backs on God. At about this time the Israelites were conquered, the Temple in Jerusalem destroyed and the survivors taken into exile in Babylon. For many, this was seen as a punishment from God because of their neglectful and selfish behaviour. But the reading demonstrates God's infinite patience with humankind. God gives the people another chance and calls on them to rebuild the Temple in Jerusalem. God is willing to wipe the slate clean and start afresh.

It is in this context that we must understand the gospel passage. In yet another attempt to demonstrate love and forgiveness, God's only Son – the Word made Flesh – is sent into the world to lead the people from darkness to light.

In our day to day relationships, it is true that we often seek to test the limits of the love that is expressed. Young people in particular often test the boundaries of their parents' love and the boundaries of others who care for them. It is often a test to reassure themselves of this love – will you still love me, even if I do this? Today's readings portray the people of God as adolescents constantly testing out the limits of God's love. In a remarkable act, God's own Son is sent into the world to die as a sign of the lengths to which God will go to assure humanity of the love that is theirs for the taking.

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Student Absences:

According to new School Attendance Guidelines it is now a requirement that the parent/carer of a child marked absent without notification receive an email from the school during the morning of the absence. This will begin next week.

It is important that you contact the school, leaving a message on our absentee line 52 614246 as early as possible on the day your child is away.

Athletics skills session:

Thank you to Leigh Kentish, Narelle Schmidt and Brad Manczak for their help with the athletics skills sessions. We had a good number of enthusiastic children and parents attending. We appreciate the time and effort given by these people to enable the program to run. Depending on interest, we will look at further sessions throughout the year.

Grade 6 Camp:

Thank you to the St Therese staff who attended the grade 6 urban camp last week in Melbourne. This is a considerable commitment from the staff, as they were away from their own families for the days and gave significant amounts of their time before and during the camp. We thank them for their ongoing commitment to the students.

Supervision of students:

St Therese School offers a service through Camp Australia to provide Before School Care for students to be supervised before classes commence each week day from 7.00am to 8.40am. The School asks that parents consider utilising the Before School Care Program if supervision is required before 8.40am. Please also note that when dropping off students before school, yard supervision is from 8.40 a.m. We appreciate your ongoing support.

WHERE IS OUR PARISH HEADED?

Fr Linh has already been communicating to some of the groups that he has participated in within the last week or two, that the time has come to share the Master Plan for the Parish that the Advisory Team has been working on over the last couple of years. Now he and the Advisory Team are ready to share this work with us, and there are three meetings planned between now and the middle of April (this span of time takes into account Holy Week, the Easter Triduum and the school holidays after Easter) and everyone will have a chance to participate in at least one of these meetings. The first two of these meetings are planned for specific groups within the parish, and the third meeting will be an open meeting for the whole parish.

As this third meeting is immediately school returns from the term holidays we are giving you plenty of advance notice! It would be great to have a large number of school families at this third meeting to be held on Tuesday, April 17, in Lisieux Place at 7.30pm. So please, mark it on your calendars NOW and plan to be there.

Because this Master Plan is something that is expected to have a positive influence for the life of our parish into the future, it is highly desired that as many as possible participate in these meetings. Consequently, Fr Linh invites every family to be represented at the April meeting and hopes to welcome many of our families. Please give it your best shot!



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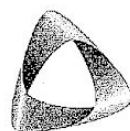
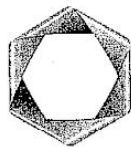
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Positive Norms to Encourage in Maths Class

By Jo Boaler

1. Everyone Can Learn Maths to the Highest Levels.

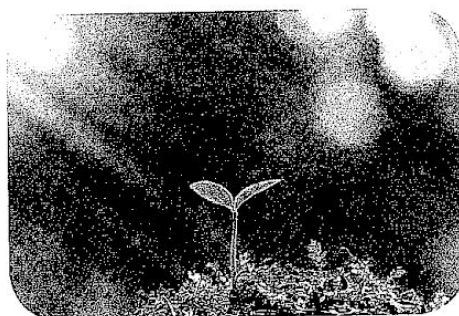
Encourage students to believe in themselves. There is no such thing as a "maths" person. Everyone can reach the highest levels they want to, with hard work.

2. Mistakes are Valuable

Mistakes grow your brain! It is good to struggle and make mistakes.

3. Questions are Really Important

Always ask questions, always answer questions. Ask yourself: why does that make sense?



4. Maths is about Creativity and Making Sense

Maths is a very creative subject that is, at its core, about visualizing patterns and creating solution paths that others can see, discuss and critique.

5. Maths is about Connections and Communicating

Maths is a connected subject, and a form of communication. Represent maths in different forms eg words, a picture, a graph, an equation, and link them. Color code!

6. Depth is much more Important than Speed

Top mathematicians, such as Laurent Schwartz, think slowly and deeply.

7. Maths Class is about Learning not Performing

Maths is a growth subject, it takes time to learn and it is all about effort.

Dear families. Team holiday are surveying families in Torquay to see if there is enough interest in running a holiday program. If you are interested in the program running, please complete the survey attached

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SfTheresePSVacCare>

P & F News:

Easter Raffle

The Easter Raffle is an absolute hit with the kids so we are asking for donations for the Easter Raffle Hampers. **Please bring an Easter related item** (it doesn't have to be an Easter egg) **to be placed in the box in the School Office before Tuesday March 27.** Tickets will be sold on the last day of term for \$1 each or 3 for \$2. The Easter egg raffle is held in the hall at 1.10 pm on the last day of Term 1 (Thursday March 29) prior to school finishing at 1.30 pm. All students will attend with their classes, parents welcome!

Many parent helpers are required at 9:00 am Thurs March 29 to sell tickets in classrooms. Also helpers are required Wednesday March 28 in the evening to assist wrapping prizes. All helpers please contact Paula.muir@gmail.com

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TWILIGHT FAIR

FRIDAY 23RD MARCH
5PM-9.30PM

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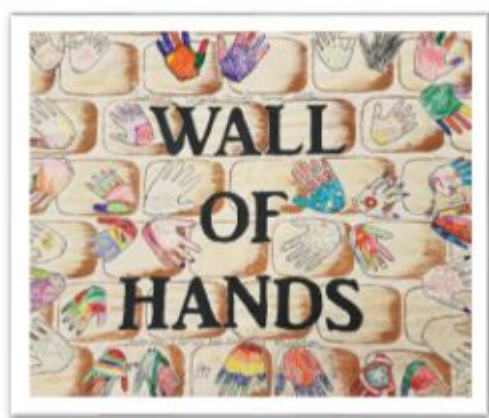


Tips for easing kids into Outside School Hours Care

Attending Outside School Hours Care for the first time can be an overwhelming experience for children, particularly if they are also settling into the new school year.

To help your child feel comfortable in the program, we thought we'd share a few tips to help make the transition as seamless as possible.

1. We welcome you to drop by and visit us in program. You'll meet the team and find out what kinds of activities your child can look forward to in session.
2. If your child is nervous about attending the program for the first time, let the Camp Australia Team know. We want to help ensure your child feels as comfortable as possible.
3. If there is something in particular your child would like to see, play, or do in Outside School Hours Care, we welcome you or your child to let us know.



Program details

We're here to make Outside School Hours Care the best experience possible for your child.

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit www.campastralia.com.au

We look forward to seeing you and your family soon.

From the Team at Camp Australia Team.

Community News:

Wing and a Prayer - 116 Moorabool Street Geelong

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Sunday 18th March

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Tuesday 10th April
Thursday 12th April
Friday 13th April

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Wednesday 14th, 21st
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