



Acting Principals Message

Dear Students, Parents & Carers,
Week 10! Where has the term gone? I would like to thank all the parents/carers for your support, patience and understanding, as we have navigated through a very different term. The children also have my thanks and admiration for the flexibility and determination they have shown through this time. My thanks also go to the staff who have had to contend with many changes to the way our programs are delivered. They have worked tirelessly to ensure the children have been provided with interesting, relevant and purposeful learning activities.

Over the past few weeks we have been collecting food items for the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal, as well as having Pyjama Day last Friday. The generosity of our community, in a time when I know many families are struggling themselves, has been heart warming. I always feel so grateful to be a part of this beautiful community that lives our Mercy Values of respect, care & compassion, integrity and inclusivity. I wish the students, families and staff a safe and restful Winter break.



Reports and Interviews

A modified report has been developed by the Catholic Schools Office. These will be available on Monday 3 August after 4:30pm (Term 3 Week 3).

In Term 3, parents may also have an opportunity to meet with their child's teacher to discuss their progress- **depending on NSW Health and CSO guidelines, Parent Teacher Meetings may need to be done via Zoom or phone conferencing and this will be clarified early next term.**

Dates to Remember

**3RD JUL ACTIVE LIFESTYLE
SPORT UNIFORM FOR
ALL STUDENTS**

**3RD JUL LAST DAY OF TERM 2
WINTER FOOD APPEAL
ENDS**



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

22ND JUL FIRST DAY OF TERM 3

**WEEK 3 INFANTS PERSONAL
PLANNING MEETINGS**

**WEEK 4 PRIMARY PERSONAL
PLANNING MEETINGS**

**WEEK 5 PARENT/TEACHER
INTERVIEWS FOR TERM 3**

7TH AUG JEANS FOR GENES DAY

To bring Christ and His message, in all its richness, into the hearts and lives of all.



- Infant Personalised Planning Meetings (PP) – Week 3 (3-7 August). These are held for students that have additional needs and involve the classroom teacher, parents and Learning support teacher. Parents who have children who require a PP meeting will be notified via Compass on Friday 24 July after 5:00pm
- Primary Personalised Planning Meetings (PP) – Week 4 (10-14 August). These are held for students that have additional needs and involve the classroom teacher, parents and Learning support teacher. Parents who have children who
- Require a PP meeting will be notified via Compass Friday 24 July after 5:00pm
- Parent Teacher Meetings (PT) in Week 5 (17-21 August) – these are for all students. If your child has already had a PP meeting, there is no need for another PT meeting. PT meetings can be booked from Friday 24 July after 5:00pm

Distancing Restrictions

At this stage, distancing restrictions will continue for adults next term. Parents/carers you are asked to remember you cannot walk your child into school or pick up children from their verandah. Please let any grandparents, friends etc. who drop off or pick up know also. Entering the school is for **essential** reasons only, this may be meetings organised by the Principal, school counsellor or learning support teacher. Meetings to discuss general queries about how a child is doing, checking the lost property collection or buying second hand clothing is not considered essential. If you would like to purchase anything from lost property, please contact the office. Our procedures are in-line with CSO procedures and are in place to keep the staff and students safe.

Afternoon Dismissal

Thank you to all the parents/carers, as afternoon dismissal particularly on Burke and Royal Streets has been much more organised and efficient. We have purchased another microphone for Royal St, so parents please ensure you have your surname clearly displayed on your windscreen. On Burke St next term, we will rotate the surnames as follows:

- M-L dismissed from 3:15pm
- A-L dismissed from 3:25pm

Good News Story

My good news story for this week is a very personal one for the St Therese's community. I take pleasure in announcing that Mrs Bonnie Maier, 1 N, and her husband Sam are expecting their first child in early November. Bonnie will continue to teach throughout Term 3 and will be on leave from the beginning of Term 4. We wish Bonnie & Sam all the very best at this very exciting time.

Kaylene Maretich
Acting Principal

Acting Assistant Principal's Message

Year 6 Active Lifestyle Team

This Friday, 3rd July the Active Lifestyle team will organise some fun activities for all students, K - 6. The activities and games will be during lunch and recess time and it will be a fun and healthy way to end the term. Thank you to the year 6 students in this team for their effort and leadership skills. All students on Friday are welcome to wear their **full school sports uniform**. Some of the fun activities will include: Dodge ball, an obstacle course, egg and spoon races, basketball, just dance and ribbon dancing.

Winter Appeal

This week will conclude our Mini Vinnies winter food appeal. A big thankyou to all our families who have generously donated over the last four weeks, this Friday will be the final day for any donations. Congratulations to the Year 5 students who have taken responsibility for making this appeal such a success.

Deb Petersen
Acting Assistant Principal



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RE News

Mission Day Thanks – Thank you to all of our St Therese's community who supported last Friday's Mission Day, "Pyjama Day". The children had great fun wearing their pyjamas to school and all for a good cause, with the money raised on the day going towards Catholic Children's Mission. Some of the photos included show the children having a wonderful day.

A special thankyou to Mrs Vicki Pettett who made and donated all of the beanies and scarves which were sold by the Social Justice team at lunchtime on the day. They proved to be very popular, especially in this cold weather, and contributed greatly to our fundraising for the day. **The total raised on the day was \$930.00.**



Project Compassion

The students and families of St Therese's have been extremely generous in their response to the **Lenten Project Compassion fundraiser with \$551.00** having been forwarded to Caritas this week. This was an amazing response given the difficulties of the current climate.

Mass Reminder

Just another reminder that Mass has now returned to our parish at St Therese's (max. 50 people). Masses are held Sundays (9:15am), Tuesdays (7pm) and Saturdays (8am). Please be aware that you need to contact the Parish Office by 3pm Thursdays to express your interest should you wish to attend. The following link is to the parish bulletins where more information can be found: <https://holyltrinityparishblackbutt.com.au/parish-bulletins/>

Family Prayer & Activities

The link below can be accessed through your child's MN login details and is a great resource to access at home for family prayer, access to the Sunday Scripture and related activities. May you all have a blessed and safe time over the school holiday period and may the love and peace of Christ continue to be with you all.

https://mncatholic.sharepoint.com/:b:/r/sites/CSO-Wellsprings%20Formation%20for%20Mission/Shared%20Documents/family_prayer_wbw_13_ordinary_time_8675.pdf?csf=1&web=1&e=1YJ9bv

Luke Smith

Religious Education Coordinator

School Community News

Canteen News

Garlic Bread & Cheesy Garlic Bread is now available from the canteen. Home-made garlic butter spread on a hot dog roll, \$2 for plain & \$2.50 for cheesy.

School Fees

School fees have been sent out for Term 2. If you are experiencing financial difficulties due to COVID 19, please contact the school on 4957 4922 or alternatively via the CSO website. (see attached instructions)

Enrolments

Dear Parents, if you or someone you know wished to send their child to Kindergarten next year at St Therese's, please complete the enrolment form and return to the school ASAP as we are finalising our numbers and sending out letters of offer shortly.


Head Lice











It is that time of year again and head lice are about. Please check your children's hair and treat as directed. Children are required to have all their hair tied up and back at all times. Loosely tied back hair is an invitation for infestation.


Vicki McSpadden
Bursar

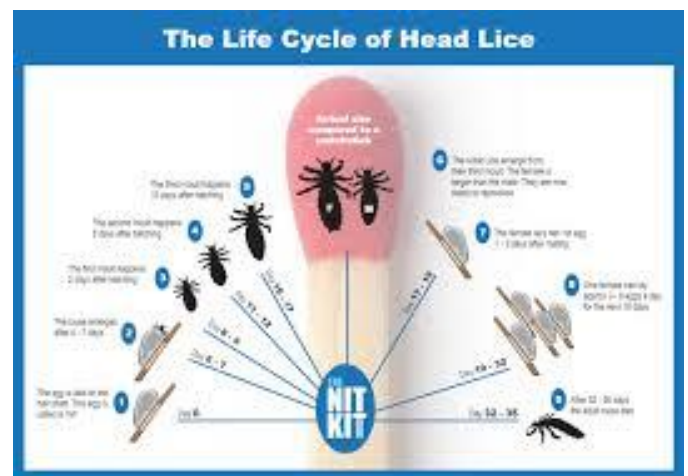
10 TRUTHS ABOUT HEAD LICE

GET THE FACTS ABOUT THIS CREEPY, CRAWLY PARASITE AND LEARN HOW TO DEAL WITH AN INFESTATION



-  Lice are **NOT A PRODUCT** of **POVERTY** or **POOR HYGIENE**.
-  Head lice **CANNOT HOP, JUMP** or **FLY**. They crawl from person-to-person from direct contact, like **POSING FOR A SELFIE** or using **A FRIEND'S HAIRBRUSH**.
-  Sometimes, **LICE DON'T CAUSE SYMPTOMS FOR 4-6 WEEKS**. The main symptom is **ITCHING**.
-  Head lice **DO NOT** spread disease.
-  Contrary to popular belief, head lice **CANNOT BE SPREAD** by pets.
-  Lice **LIVE CLOSE** to the **SCALP** on the head and on the **BACK OF THE NECK**.
-  **LICE EGGS** – called nits – are very **HARD TO REMOVE** by hand. Use a **NIT COMB** to **SCRAPE** them off the **HAIR SHAFT**.
-  Adult lice usually **DIE AFTER 48 HOURS** and **NITS DIE A WEEK** or two **FOLLOWING REMOVAL**.
-  Washing clothes and bedsheets in **WATER HOTTER THAN 130 F** will kill living lice and nits. Items that cannot be washed should be **PLACED IN PLASTIC BAGS FOR TWO WEEKS**.
-  Head lice **CANNOT BE KILLED BY REGULAR SHAMPOO** or frequent **BATHING**. **TREATMENT** of lice may **TAKE TWO APPLICATIONS** of a medicated shampoo applied **9 DAYS APART**.

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School Spirit Awards

This term we are focusing on the value of **Integrity**. We congratulate the following students who received the School Spirit Award last week for demonstrating this value by **persevering**:

School Spirit Award for demonstrating INTEGRITY by <i>Persevering</i> .					
KN	Thomas P	KW	Larz G	KL	Riley L
	Santiago P		Ruby M		Emily S
1N	Harry S	1W	Tayla A	1L	Olivia H
	Bellamy W		Flynn P		Caleb A
2N	Noah K	2W	Oliver K	2L	Archie L
	Charlie L		Koby P		Sophie L
3N	Lachlan M	3W	Jordy T	3L	Sienna A
	Sofia D		Hunter C		Liam B
4N	Luka M	4W	Marcus P	4L	Finn N
	Ava R		Isla O		Isabelle A
5N	Sonny D	5W	Jocelyn Y	5L	Willow B
	Ayla D		Oliver N		James M
6N	Kieran S	6W	Sarah D	6L	Max P
	Amelia B		Austin H		Ellie M

Principal Awards

The following students will receive a Principal's Award at this week's Zoom school assembly:
 Ashton P (KN), Mia D (KN), Hamish K (2N), Mia H (KN), Amelia S (KN), Bastian T (KN), Roman A (KW), Joshua P (KL), Henry B (KL), Ayla P (KL), Sadie S (KL), Emily S (KL), Benjamin C (KL), Slade M (KL), Isaac S (KL), Lennox F (1L), Miah F (2L), Ryder P (2L), Nina D (3N), Gracie B (3N), Isaiah S (3N), Tully H (3N), Liam R (3N), Vincent C (3N), Ruby T (3N), Rose H (3W), Archie D (3W), Hugh B (3W) & Stella W (6N).

Date: Friday 3rd July

Time: 2:40pm

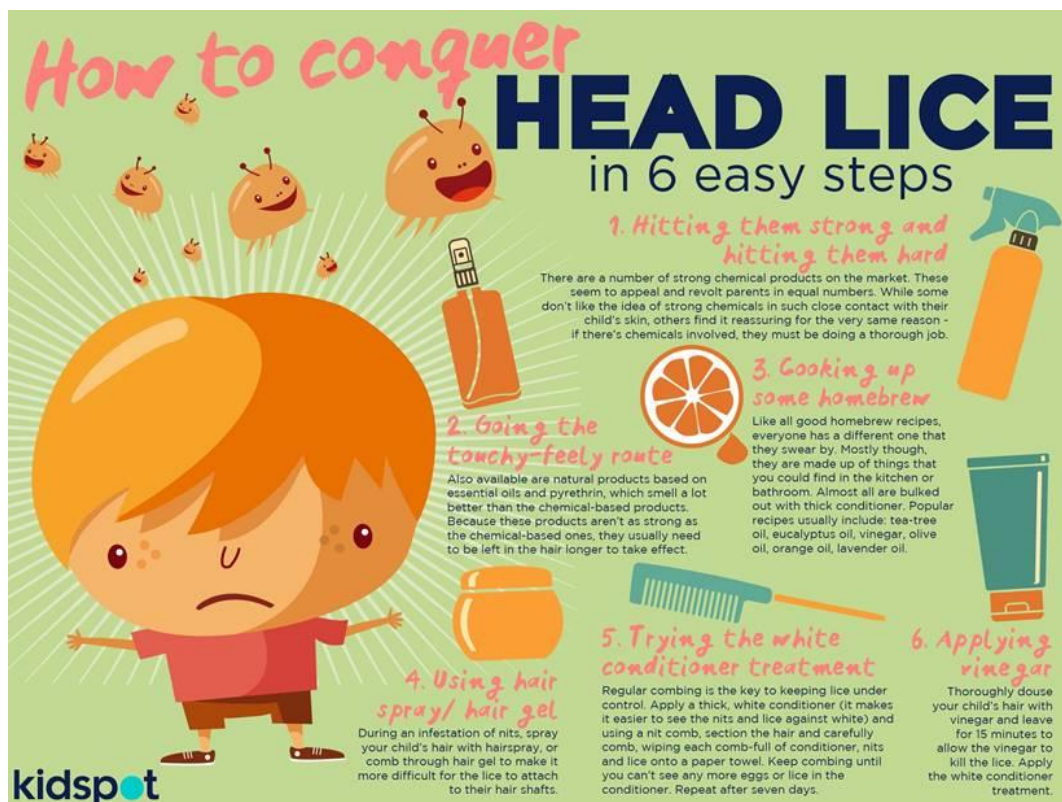
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Congratulations and thank you children, for upholding the values and principles of St Therese's.

Janine Schneider

Primary Coordinator



News From the Classroom



On Thursday 25th June Year 3 participated in Bee Day. We have been learning about Bee's and their life cycle in English and Science. Year 3 was lucky enough to watch a video on the process of how honey is made, some of the equipment used and how it gets transported from site to shed. Miss Parker's Dad is a Bee Keeper and was able to answer all of our questions we had about Bees, especially the Queen Bee. Throughout the day we did a variety of activities that involved building a bee hive, using the Bee Bots and creating an artwork of Bee's in the honeycomb. Harvey L wore a bee hat, Ada N brought in some honey for us to try, and so did Miss Parker. We now know that raw honey from a local supplier tastes a lot better than store bought honey.





ORGANIC VEGETABLES AT HOME!

FRESH! LOCAL! SEASONAL! AND NOW DELIVERED!

Feedback Organic Recovery is excited to launch, in collaboration with St. Therese's Primary School, a zero waste, closed-loop, food-waste-into-food delivery service.

Newcastle's Feedback Organic Urban Farm now offers The Feedback, containing locally grown, seasonal and organic day-of-harvest produce - all delivered directly from the farm to your door! Each premium box contains a selection of handpicked healthy produce showcasing some of our finest seasonal vegetables and herbs - with the additional option of local Just Been Laid eggs, of course! We also include regular plant-based recipes and updates on our fresher than fresh seasonal produce.

**\$50
/WEEK**

HOW IT WORKS

Our delivery day is Saturday -
we harvest in the morning and deliver
to your door in the afternoon!
That's straight from the ground to
your dinner table in the one day.
Pretty amazing huh!

EGGCELLENT!

Need eggs delivered as well?
We are also able to include
Just Been Laid - some of the
freshest eggs possible, straight
to your door for just an extra \$10!



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