

PREP NEWS | FRIDAY 8 SEPTEMBER 2017

NEWS & NOTIFICATIONS

From the Master of the Preparatory School

'Teach me to do your will, for you are my God; may your good Spirit lead me on level ground.' Psalm 143:10

Reflecting On Student-Led Conferences

Last week I had the privilege, like many parents, of participating in my sons' Student-Led Conferences. These conferences are one of my favourite times of the year as both a parent and teacher. They provide a unique opportunity for the boys to share a little more about themselves as learners. As parents, we get a glimpse into their everyday learning experience in the classroom and what learning is like at Trinity in 2017. For many of us, this is really different to the way we learnt when we were in primary school. I trust that the experience has deepened parents' appreciation for their sons' educational experience.

Motivation And Engagement

On Wednesday night, we held a Parent Information session for Year 5 parents about a newly introduced tool called the Motivation and Engagement Survey. The survey is a self-assessment that provides parents of Year 5 students with a summary of their son's perception of himself as a learner in comparison to a series of motivation and engagement factors (both positive and negative). Dr Andrew Martin, a Trinity parent from the High School and lecturer in the School of Education at the University of New South Wales, has created the tool and compiled the large research based behind it. Dr Martin joined us on the evening to speak to parents about the results and how to make use of them. One of the overwhelming messages that he shared was the importance of celebrating each of our boys as individual and unique learners, with different abilities and approaches. He encouraged parents to use the understanding, gained through the survey results, to work with their sons to set short term goals and to invest in partnership with the teachers in the long haul of education. His message tied in very nicely with our recent focus on EQ v IQ. If you missed this presentation, I encourage all parents to find time to watch the video of the night or look at the slides.

Chapel

At this morning's Primary Chapel, Mr Smith organised a quiz related to recent Chapel focuses. It was great to be able to join the boys in reflecting on the important messages that have been shared over the last term or so. One of the strongest messages that rang true for me was the importance of our actions matching our beliefs, or in other words, faith without deeds is dead. This is a message that comes through strongly in the book of James which has been a focus throughout Term 3 at Chapel.

School Camps

Next week is a big week for the boys in Years 3 to 6 as they will be participating in **School Camps** focusing on outdoor education and providing them with valuable opportunities to develop their independence, resilience risk-taking and to support the ongoing development of positive relationships with their peers and teachers. These camps form an integral part of the Trinity learning programme as we seek to provide opportunities for our boys

to develop in Mind, Body and Spirit. Next week Year 3 will be heading to Galston Gorge, Year 4 to Rathane and Year 5 to Waterslea. I encourage the boys to embrace these learning opportunities!

Prior to each of the Camps, I speak to the boys (in grade meetings) to share with them some important information about camps. The focus of the meeting is to ensure the boys understand the purpose of the camps and the importance of looking after one another. I discuss the fact that the boys are Trinity ambassadors, the need for everyone to have fun and feel safe, the value of the learning that they are going to experience and the need to be sensitive and accommodating of one another (and the teachers). From recent experience, these precamp briefings help to set the scene, calm fears and to set the tone for what are extremely valuable learning experiences; in mind, body and spirit.

PYP Exhibition

While Years 3 to 5 venture off to their respective School Camps, Year 6 will be staying at School to delve deeper into their Exhibition inquiries. It has been a very exciting week in the Year 6 Classrooms as the boys have embarked on the challenge of ringing, emailing and interviewing primary sources (adults in the world outside School who are experts in their fields). The mixed look of joy and excitement on the boys' faces shows the value of the Exhibition process as they take learning risks and reap the enormous learning benefits. We look forward to sharing in the boys' learning at the Exhibition evening on Monday 23rd October.

Chris Wyatt

Master of the Preparatory School

Awards for the Week | Preparatory School

IB Excellence AWARDS

Zachary Al Hassan KW Reflective

Rui Rui Li KW Risk-Taker

Winston Phong KW Reflective

Matthew Hu 1C Caring

Harry King 1C Open-Minded

Ethan Koh 1C Risk-Taker

Ryan Frewen 1E Knowledgeable

Adriano Furfaro 1E Enthusiasm

Mohammed **Khaznadar** 1E Risk-Taker

Lucas Quan 1E Caring

Yousef Bakir 20 Principled

Oscar Heralt 20 Enthusiasm

Danny **Tamergi** 20 *Enthusiasm*

Samuel **Wu** 20 *Thinker*

Jaydon Boustani 3C Confidence

Benson **Liang** 3C *Independence*

Angus **Menegazzo** 3C *Balanced*

Cyrus Chan 3H Independence

Noah Figliuzzi 3H Integrity

Andrew Rae 3H Confidence

Carlo **Furlan** 3P *Communicator*

Max McLeod 3P Caring

Ashvin Nagaratnam 3P Thinker

Mitchell **Bowden** 4D *Improvement*

Jacob **Girgis** 4D *Integrity*

Marcus Kekatos 4D Empathy

Michael Kordian 4D Risk-Taker

Roy **Ma** 4D *Tolerance*

Ryan Nguyen 4D Balanced

Anton Dimento 5G Principled

Reilly Farrell 5G Caring

Nathan Nguyen 5G Independence

Lucas Woo 5G Inquirer

Ryan Ma 6K Curiosity

James Moore 6K Appreciation

Brendon-Omar Moses 6K Balanced

Second Bronze

Emmanuel Velkou 1C

Derek Tong 4D

Andy Lin 4D

Nathan **Tsang** 4D

James Cicuta 4D

Khaled Malass 4D

Jonathan Wakim 4D

Ryan **Trieu** 4E

First Silver

James **Hunt** KT

William Wang 5G

Aaron Siva 20

Jeremiah Sydhom 20

Lucas **Dinh** 5G

Jonathan Ly 4D

Jonathan Wakim 4D

Theodore **Tollas** 4D

Matthew Chen 3P

Jackson **Deng** 3P

Edward **Germanos** 3P

Julian Grehan 3P

Harry Jang 3P

Daniel Lok 4E

Harry **Pliatsikas** 4E

Second Silver

Jaiveer Singh 1C

Alex Hu 20

Brandon **Ghannoum** 5G

Marcus **Kekatos** 4D

Thomas **Kanaan** 4D

Jacob **Girgis** 4D

Michael Nasr 4D

Christian Farah 10

Lachlan Yuen 3P

NAPLAN Online School Readiness Tests in Week 10

As part of the transition to move NAPLAN from a paper based to an online test, all schools in NSW are required to conduct a Readiness Test this term. Our school will be conducting the test with current Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 boys during Week 10 on the following days:

- Junior School Years 3 and 5 Monday 18th September
- Preparatory School Years 3 and 5 Tuesday 19th September
- Year 7 Wednesday 20th September
- Year 9 Thursday 21st September

The NAPLAN Online School Readiness Test is an opportunity for schools to become familiar with the online platform and to identify any technical or administrative issues. We are encouraged to treat the test as if it were an actual NAPLAN test. However, it is important to note that student results will not be recorded. The focus is on testing our systems, not the performance of students.

Once all School Readiness Tests have been completed across the state, NESA will review the information generated to assist in determining the most suitable time for schools to move to NAPLAN Online. For further information please http://educationstandards.nsw.edu.au/wps/portal/nesa/k-10/understanding-the-curriculum/naplan-online

Jason Cheers | Academic Dean

Snow Sports

The NSW State Championships were held this year at Perisher, the cover across the mountain being the best it's been for a very long time. All lifts were running and races were positioned on the best stashes of piste across the three main areas of Perisher. Our boarders this year have been the top performers to gain invitation to the State Championships and Louis McCrohon (6Hi), Harrison Waters (9We) and Kris Dahan (11Hi) all flew the flag and raced well in their individual events. Harrison Waters held some tight lines through his Giant Slalom runs, but was unable to seal a top 10 position. Louis McCrohon was racing for the Prep and Junior Schools and raced really well in the Giant Slalom, gaining an invitation to the Australian Championships, but unfortunately missed out in his Boarder Cross event as he slid out on his second run. Kris Dahan, the humble man he is, looked fresh and relaxed at the top of a very technical and challenging Boarder Cross course. He rode the course well, especially as the start was a very difficult set of rollers and put two great times together to finish 5th overall in division 1. Kris continued his good form and slayed his Giant Slalom runs to finish equal 1st with two blistering times, booking himself into the Australian Championships for both his events.

Ryan Nazha (8Mu) flew the flag for the Trinity Skiers, navigating the course extremely well and coming agonising close missing a spot to the Australian Championships by split seconds.

Kris Dahan and Louis McCrohon will be competing at the Australian Interschools Championships at Mt Buller from the 7th-11th of September.

Ben Treloar | MIC Snow Sports



Louis McCrohon (6Hi), Kris Dahan (11Hi) with Mr Treloar

Music News | Preparatory School News

Music in the soul can be heard by the universe

Co-Curricular Rehearsals Week 9

Please note the following Changes for next week due to the Year level Camps and Mrs Campbell absence at the Year 5 Camp.

Date	Ensemble	Changes
Monday 11th September	Chapel Band Concert Band Guitar Ensemble Mc Manus Cello Ensemble	All Ensembles As Usual
Tuesday 12th September	Chamber Ensemble Saxophone Ensemble	Cancelled As Usual
Wednesday 13th September	Trinity Singers String Orchestra	Cancelled Cancelled
Thursday 14th September	Percussion Ensemble Trinity Singers Part 1 Concert Band	As Usual Cancelled As Usual
Friday 15th September	Trinity Singers Part 2 Palmer Cello Ensemble Junior Percussion Ensemble Chamber Orchestra	Cancelled As usual As Usual Cancelled

Denham Court Scholarship

Applications are invited from parents of boys, currently in Year 5 and learning a musical instrument either internal or external to the School to have their sons audition for The Denham Court Scholarship. We encourage you to enter your son for this audition, should you feel that he is sufficiently fluent on his instrument. The minimum standard is Grade 3 AMEB. Every effort is made to ensure that the whole exercise is friendly and enjoyable. Applications will be available for collection from Instrumental Staff and in the Foyer to the Music Centre on Monday 11th September. The deadline for the return is **Monday 30th October** to the Music Centre. No late applications will be accepted with auditions to be held on Monday 13th November from 9am. Ms Louise Welsh will be the official accompanist for the auditions. Once your application is received you will receive confirmation of audition time for Monday 13th November. If you require piano accompaniment please directly contact Ms Welsh who will be holding rehearsals on Monday 6th November from 9am -10:30am to arrange a suitable time.

Royal School Of Church Music

On Tuesday 24th October, Trinity Grammar School Memorial Chapel will be hosting nearly 200 Primary School choristers for the Royal School of Church Music Junior Choral Festival. Permission letters will be distribute and emailed in Week 10 to members of Trinity Singers. We were involved last year and this event promises to be just as rewarding for our singers.

Upcoming Events

24th October - Royal School of Church Music (Trinity Singers)

9th November - Citizenship Ceremony (Chamber Ensemble)

13th November - Denham Court Scholarship Auditions

28th November - (Christmas Service)

2nd December - Fiesta

6th December - Annual Prize Giving

Music Theory Break-Up

This week the Music Theory boys celebrated the end of all their hard work with a luncheon as the exam was held on Wednesday 23rd August. Thanks to Mrs Trynes and all the parents who have supported the boys on this musical journey this year. Classes will resume in Week 5 (TBC) in 2018. Please contact Mrs Trynes if you wish your son to sit for Grades 1-4 AMEB Theory of Music.





Geraldine Campbell | Director of Preparatory School Music

Dates for the Diary | Preparatory School

9th Sep

No Sport

12th Sep

8:00 AM Year 5 - Camp departs Waterslea

13th Sep

9:00 AM Year 4 - Camp departs Rathane

14th Sep

9:00 AM Year 4 - Camp departs Galston

15th Sep

9:00 AM Year 6 Allwell Testing Year 6 Classrooms

9:50 AM K-2 Responsible Pet Programme Classrooms

2:45 PM Year 3 - Camp returns Galston

2:45 PM Year 4 - Camp returns Rathane

2:45 PM Year 5 - Camp returns Waterslea

7:00 PM Pre-K and Kindergarten - Year 12 Function Mozart Room

16th Sep

No Sport Gym

18th Sep

8:30 AM Year 6 Excursion Art Gallery of NSW

19th Sep

7:00 AM Year 4 - Father and Son Breakfast Library

8:15 AM Year 6 Samaritan's Purse Excursion 6K Kings Park

9:00 AM Year 6 Allwell Testing Catch up Day

20th Sep

7:00 AM Year 3 - Father and Son Breakfast

8:15 AM Year 6 Samaritan's Purse Excursion 6L Kings Park

21st Sep

8:15 AM Year 6 Samaritan's Purse Excursion 6M Kings Park

22nd Sep

3:15 PM Trinity Term Concludes

TERM 4

9th Oct

ALL BOYS YEARS PRE K-11 - NOT IN ATTENDANCE

10th Oct

ALL BOYS YEARS PRE K-6 - FIRST DAY BACK [SUMMER UNIFORM]

12th Oct

K to 6 - Musica Viva Mara! Global Song and Dance Mozart Room

13th Oct

9:00 AM IPSHA Debating Gala Day MLC Burwood

5:00 PM Infants Disco Gym

14th Oct

Sport - Summer Round 7

18th Oct

5:00 PM Year 6 - PYP Exhibition Prep School

20th Oct

9:30 AM Pre K-2 - Sports Carnival No. 2 Oval

For full details of co-curricular programmes, please click on this LINK

Christianity Explored

For parents, friends of the School community and guests. All welcome!

A series of discussions and videos in Term 4, Monday Nights Weeks 2 - 8. **Monday 16 October to Monday 27 November | 7.00 - 8.30pm.**

Join the conversation or feel free to sit back and listen.

Venue: Staff Common Room, Ground Floor, Founder's Building.

To RSVP, please contact:

Chris Thanopoulos | Assistant Chaplain and Head of Christian Studies **email** chanopoulos@trinity.nsw.edu.au | 9581 6149

Arch Humphries | Master Teacher, Professional Accreditation **email** <u>ahumphries@trinity.nsw.edu.au</u> | 9581 6053

Trinity Grammar School | 119 Prospect Road Summer Hill 2130 | www.trinity.nsw.edu.au

Years K to 6 Multi-Skills Camp | September School Holidays 2017

Improve your sports skills and fitness with 4 days of intensive multi-skills coaching. Learn skills at appropriate learning levels, so that you gain the knowledge, confidence and experience to ensure success and long-term development.

Mr Ian Moran, PDHPE teacher at Trinity Grammar School will be conducting the clinic.

Participants will have the opportunity to improve skills in the following areas:

- > Basketball
- > T-Ball
- > Cricket
- > Fitness
- > Soccer
- > AFL
- > Touch Football
- > Hockey
- > Swimming

THE DETAILS

WHERE Centenary Centre, Summer Hill Campus - 119 Prospect Road, Summer Hill, 2130

WHEN Monday 25th of September to Thursday 28th of September

TIME 9:00am - 3:00pm

BRING

- Hat
- Lunch
- Towel
- Suncream
- Swimmers
- Goggles
- Drink bottle

COST \$295 for 4 days

All participants will receive drinks and fruit daily

Trophies are awarded each day to boys who show commitment, co-operation and determination.

A BBQ lunch will be provided on the Thursday of the clinic.

Please book online by Sunday 24th September | Click here to book online now

Any questions please contact Mr Moran at: imoran@trinity.nsw.edu.au

All payments are non refundable

Father and Son Breakfast | Year 3

Trinity Grammar School | Preparatory School Father And Son Breakfast | Year 3

Wednesday 20th September 2017

7am in the Preparatory School Library

\$8 per person

RSVP by Friday 15th September 2017

Click here to RSVP and pay online

Father and Son Breakfast | Year 4

Trinity Grammar School | Preparatory School Father And Son Breakfast | Year 4

Tuesday 19th September 2017

7am in the Preparatory School Library

\$8 per person

RSVP by Thursday 14th September 2017

Click here to RSVP and pay online

Big Band Night of Jazz

With Special Guest Artist Ray Cassar

7pm Monday 18th September 2017

Orchestra Room | Trinity Grammar School

119 Prospect Road Summer Hill

RSVP to vdamcevski@trinity.nsw.edu.au

End of Year Events

INVITATION

The School Council and the Head Master invite you and your friends to attend...

MIDDLE SCHOOL SPEECH DAY, 2017

on Wednesday, 11th October at 10.30am at Sydney Town Hall

SENIOR SCHOOL SPEECH DAY, 2017

on **Wednesday, 11th October** at 2.15pm at Sydney Town Hall. Mr Richard Pegg, Chairman of Council, will preside

THE FESTIVAL OF NINE LESSONS AND CAROLS

on Friday, December 1st at 8pm and

on Sunday, December 3rd at 8pm in the War Memorial Chapel, Summer Hill Campus

THE JUNIOR SCHOOL ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING

on Wednesday, December 6th at 10am in The James Wilson Hogg Assembly Hall, Summer Hill Campus

THE PREPARATORY SCHOOL ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING

on Wednesday, December 6th at 2.30pm in The James Wilson Hogg Assembly Hall, Summer Hill Campus

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Stephen Heanly | Senior Master (Summer Hill Campus) | Director of Community Relations

Absentee Reminder

ABSENTEE INSTRUCTIONS

Listed below, in preference order, are the methods available for Absentee reporting that would assist the Office:

- 1. Use the Trinity Grammar School phone APP and follow the prompts (From the APP home page select Preparatory School the select Absentee Form to open the absentee form). Instructions for installing the APP on your phone can be found by **clicking here**
- 2. Using the Absentee email address prepabsentee@trinity.nsw.edu.au. Also, if you wish, you can 'CC' the class teacher on this email.
- 3. Lastly, you can phone 8732 4658 and leave a message with your son's name and class

Trinity Prayer Group | Preparatory School

The Prayer Mornings are run on a rotational basis, on alternate weeks, at the Preparatory School campus and the Summer Hill School campus.

Preparatory School Strathfield - meet in the Christian Studies Classroom Strathfield, on odd weeks of term (Weeks 3, 5, 7, 9)

Term 3: September 12th

Term 4: October 24th, November 7th, 21st, December 5

Contacts:

Stuart Smith | Assistant Chaplain, Strathfield **email** ssmith@trinity.nsw.edu.au **Tamara Gill** (Strathfield) mobile 0432 011 351

Canteen News | Preparatory School

Monday 11th September To Friday 15th September, 2017

Monday 11/9/17 - Xin Zhou, Angelina Huali, Bishan Chen

Tuesday 12/9/17 - Smiths Simonds, Tracey Menegazzo

Wednesday 13/9/17 - Shenuka Nagaratnam, Volunteer Needed

Thursday 14/9/17 - Liying Yan, Chi Dao

Friday 15/9/17 - Michelle Hoang, Volunteer Needed

Please Note- When ordering your child's lunch, could you please write a separate bag for drinks and hot food.

We are in need of volunteers on Wednesdays and Fridays, if you can spare some time to volunteer just one day a month, please call Mary Saba on 8732 4654.

Mary Saba | Canteen Manager