From the Master of the Preparatory School

“Cast all your anxiety on him because he cares for you.” 1 Peter 5:7

Book Week

Book Week is always a significant highlight and this year has been no exception. One of the highlights this year was the appearance of ‘Captain Read Aloud’ who visited classes throughout the week to read picture books to our boys. It was wonderful to see the joy on boys’ faces as they enjoyed the chance to interrupted from their usual learning to have some quality books read to them.

The Book Parade is also one of the special events of the week. This year we had many parents join us for the fun and frivolity of the Book Fair. It was fantastic to see the boys, teachers (and even the occasional parent or sibling) dressed up in so many creative costumes. Thank you for your support of this fun event!

Book Week is always a great opportunity to promote the rich learning and enjoyment that is possible through reading and literature. This is an ongoing focus across the School and particularly through our strong Library and class-based literature programmes. Our sincere thanks go to our Library Team; Ms Elliott, Miss McLeod and Mrs Kwok, for their creativity in designing this week’s activities.
Trinity Memorial Day

On Thursday, we commemorated the annual Trinity Memorial Day; a day where the School stops to remember those boys and staff that have died during their time at school. This occasion held greater meaning for many of the boys and teachers given the loss of Jordan Liu last year. The service offered the opportunity to remind the boys of Jesus' death and resurrection and the fact that nothing can separate us from the love of God; two great truths that are comforting in times of sadness and loss, and provides great hope.
Parent Information Session – ‘Is EQ As Important As IQ?’

On Wednesday night, approximately 80 parents joined us for this term’s Parent Information Session that focused on the topic, “Appreciating’ Social and Emotional Learning in a Primary Years Programme context...Is EQ as important as IQ?” Throughout the session, we explored the strength of Trinity’s approach to developing the whole person through our focus on mind, body and spirit.

As a school, we have access to a range of data about our boys, their learning and progress. This includes NAPLAN and regular academic measures of achievement, however, we also use information about our boys social and emotional wellbeing. On the evening, I shared some data from an ACER Wellbeing Survey that boys in Years 2, 4 and 6 participate in each year. Over a number of years, this data has highlighted some opportunities for growth and development in our boys’ emotional intelligence. This year, Mrs Thornley, one of our School Counsellors, and I, conducted a focus group with some of our current Year 5 boys to gain a better understanding of the way the boys were interpreting the questions and the thinking behind their answers. It was tremendously informative and has helped to guide our future practice.

Some of the specific things that we learnt about the boys from this process were:

- When the boys think about having a ‘good life’, their thinking is focused on what level of income they might have in the future and how ‘successful’ they might be.
- The boys find it hard to differentiate between getting ‘frustrated’ and ‘losing their temper’.
- The boys commented that the cause of their nervousness was often ‘parent pressure’ and meeting expectations.
- The boys continue to associate ‘schoolwork’ with ‘grades’ despite recent efforts to provide more constructive and task related feedback to assessment tasks.
- The boys commented that some of their peers lack resilience and react poorly when only small things are said to them.

These findings have provided great food for thought for the teachers as we consider how to continue to support the boys in having strong social and emotional wellbeing and developing their emotional intelligence.

The good news is that much is already being done and we have some additional ideas for ongoing development.
Throughout our discussions with the focus group, the boys also commented on several School initiatives that are making a difference for them in these areas. They discussed:

- The Primary Years Programme framework that allows the boys to specifically focus on, and develop, attitudes and approaches to learning.
- Life Skills – boys reflected that these lessons help...they are practical and relevant.
- F.A.I.L. (First Attempt In Learning) - focus on growth mindset rather than just ‘grades’.
- Appreciation – has helped to focus on all the great things that are happening. One of the boys commented that ‘Appreciation has become a habit.’
- Circle Time – opportunity for safe and supportive reflection about social and emotional issues.
- Relationships with teachers and other boys.
- School Counsellors.

For the remainder of the year, the teachers are going to use Circle Time to specifically target some of the areas mentioned previously.

One of the most critical messages of the evening was the importance of partnership between home and School. Boys need consistent messages and encouragement about these areas of life and development. I encourage parents who weren’t able to attend the session to watch the video and look at the slides.

Student-Led Conferences

An extremely valuable and highly recommended way of finding out about your son’s learning and progress is the upcoming Kindergarten to Year 6 Student-Led Conferences which will be taking place on the afternoon / evening of next Thursday, 31st August. It is important to book your conference time using the link contained in the email you were sent last week. Please contact the School Office if you require assistance with this. The boys are very much looking forward to sharing their learning through the Student-Led Conferences. Don’t miss the opportunity!

Athletics Team

Once again, I want to wish our Athletics Team the best of luck for tomorrow’s King’s School Invitational Carnival and next Tuesday’s IPSHA Carnival. It is tremendous that we have such a strong contingent of athletes striving for personal bests and supporting one another along the way.

Kiss And Ride Area

The safety of our boys is of the highest priority. With this in mind, I urge all parents to abide by the road rules outside the school and make use of the Kiss and Ride area provided for drop off in the morning and pick up in the afternoon. Our Kiss and Ride Buddies in the morning continue to do a fine job of looking after the younger boys by walking them to their classrooms. Under no circumstances is it appropriate for a boy to cross the road on his own from the other side of Llandilo Avenue. Performing U-turns in Llandilo Avenue is a very dangerous practice and places the safety of our boys and other driver in jeopardy. Thank you for your partnership in ensuring the safety of our boys as they are entering and leaving the school ground.

Hilliard And School House Family Service

I look forward to the Hilliard and School House Family Service on Sunday in the School’s War Memorial Chapel at Summer Hill. The service begins at 10:00am. It is expected that boys in Years 3 – 6 from these Houses are in attendance as we worship together as a community. Boys in Trinity Singers need to arrive at 9:00am for final preparations before the service.

Year 5 Parent Night – Motivation And Engagement Survey

On Wednesday, 6th September at 6:30pm in the Mozart Room, there will be an important Parent Information Session for Year 5 parents about the boys’ participation in, and results from, a Motivation and Engagement Survey. The evening will be an opportunity for parents to hear about this new wellbeing self-assessment survey that is being used with Year 5 boys and to receive a summary of their son’s results. To support parents, we have invited Professor Andrew Martin, the creator of the self-assessment tool, a Trinity parent and lecturer at UNSW, to speak to parents on the evening. Please note that boys do not attend this presentation. Each boy’s results will be made available to his parents at the conclusion of this session and parents will be well-placed to understand...
the results after the presentation. As such, parents are strongly encouraged to attend this evening. Please click on this link to RSVP. If parents are unable to attend, the results will be mailed in the following week.

**Australian Interschools Snowsports Championships**

Congratulations to Louis McCrohon who has qualified for the Boarder Snowboard GS event at the Australian Interschools Snowsports Championships taking place in Week 8. We wish Louis all the best as he prepares to compete at this event.

Chris Wyatt
**Master of the Preparatory School**
Awards for the Week | Preparatory School

**IB Excellence AWARDS**

Wenson **Li** KO Risk-Taker
John **Roufas** KO Reflective
Jayshan **Shanmugaratnam** KO Knowledgeable
Ethan **Natkunamanickam** KT Risk-Taker
Max **Nguyen** KT Reflective
Eshaan **Qureshi** KT Knowledgeable
Kerry **Chen** KW Risk-Taker
Nicholas **Khouzame** KW Reflective
Karim **Tamergi** KW Inquirer
Alessandro **Calciano** 1E Reflective
Justin **Ng** 1E Balanced
Alessio **Caridi** 2C Reflective
Ryder **Darlow** 2C Commitment
Louis **Do** 2C Respect
Zachary **Hovilai** 2C Thinker
Alex **Chanine** 2M Thinker
Athan **Fudeh** 2M Principled
Henry **Grewal** 2M Principled
William **Hunt** 2M Thinker
Marcus **Kuit** 2M Thinker
Tomas **Keomanivong** 2O Reflective
Thomas **Lee** 2O Principled
Ace **Sharma** 2O Thinker
Jeremiah **Sydhom** 2O Risk-Taker
Jordan **Fudeh** 3C Thinker
Lucas **Huang** 3C Commitment
Aston **Tran** 3C Thinker
Bailin **Ashcroft** 3P Curiosity
Ryan **Le** 3P Thinker
Isaac **Sandroussi** 3P Open-Minded
Jameson **Chau-Vuu** 4B Risk-Taker
Benny **Chen** 4B Risk-Taker
Christian Galettis 4B Inquirer
Tarun Mutalithas 4B Inquirer
Oliver Peric 4B Reflective
Gerard Shalala 4B Reflective
Nikhil Akula 4D Thinker
Marcus Huang 4D Risk-Taker
Aaron Soosay 4D Tolerance
Theodore Tolas 4D Curiosity
Derek Tong 4D Curiosity
Jonathan Wakim 4D Caring
Eddy Ajami 5H Risk-Taker
Jaden Fung 5H Thinker
Kristian Stamoulos 5H Respect
Samuel Rofail 6K Reflective
Ari Tashtan 6K Independence
Noah De Barros 6L Empathy
Henry Osmond 6L Cooperation
Emmanuel Rizkalla 6L Tolerance
Adam Bahmad 6M Independence
Brandon Lieu 6M Independence
Gabriel Simoes Peixeiro 6M Balanced

Second Bronze

Alexander Ishak KT
Juan Borg 20
Matthew Yang 2C
Yousef Bakir 20
Christian Ghannoum 2O
Thomas Lee 20
Maurice Marroun 2O
Nikolas Roufas 2O
Ace Sharma 2O
Danny Tamergi 2O
Lucas Wan 2O
Samuel Wu 2O
Jameson Chau-Vuu 4B
Hunter Fernandes 4B
Christian Galettis 4B
Lachlan Hovilai 4B
Tarun Mutalithas 4B
Benjamin Sulyok 4B
Andrew Lee 4E
Aidan Russell 4E

First Silver

Jeremiah Lee KT
Ethan Natkunamanickam KT
Laith Radwan KT
James Borg 4B
Jameson Chau-Vuu 4B
Oliver Peric 4B
Matteo Portolesi 4B
Aveer Shah 4B
Malikrehaan Tamboli 4B
Priyann Thanujan 4B
Gavin K Tran 4B
Dylan Yee 4B
Reilly Farrell 5G
Jaden Fung 5H
Imran Parker 5H
Chase Quach 5H
Ata Arkan 5O
William Cicinelli 5O
Domenic Furfaro 5O
Jeffrey Huang 5O
Luke Leckie 5O
Justin Lee 5O
Luke Raptis 5O
Jonathan Su 5O
Henry Wang 5O
Timothy Braga 6L
Kareem Choukair 6L
Noah De Barros 6L
Adam Gill 6L
Lucas Gullotta-Thomas 6L
Jordan Ho 6L
Joshua Lee 6L
Jiwon Lee 6L
Jonathon Lenard 6L
Jaden Leung 6L
Pravin Nagaratnam 6L
Emmanuel Rizkalla 6L
Adam Taleb 6L
Alex Trinh 6L
Andy Wu 6L
Isaac Wyatt 6L
Andrew Yang 6L

Second Silver

Louis Bi KT
Aidan Kuoch 5G
Dominic Peric 5G
Kevin Wang 1E
Michael Whiting 1E
Hugh Darlow 4B
This week the boys have been excited about book week. The library had a number of events planned for the boys throughout the week.

The week started with a lunchtime scavenger hunt. We had 25 teams participate and they proved to be good thinkers, collaborators and communicators by working together sharing their thinking and decoding the cryptic clues. The clues related to literature and also contained information on which location they needed to visit next. We were very fortunate to have a number of teachers on duty who were willing to wear a silly hat to help the boys out. Our winners were...

**First Place:** Noah Blomfield and Jayden Higgins  
**Second Place:** Domenic Peric and Ben Moloney  
**Third Place:** Liam Guthrie-Cash and Timothy Braga

On Tuesday the boys were invited to the library at lunchtime to participate in a literary Kahoot! Quiz. There had two rounds of competition to accommodate all the boys who wanted to play. Our favourite comment from one of the boys was ‘All the questions are about books!’ We hope all our participants and winner had fun and enjoyed the activity. On Wednesday and Thursday the boys participated in a literary match-up and a teacher guessing competition.

Throughout the week we have had the annual Scholastic Book Fair. We have been very busy in the library helping boys create wishlists, find books and handle sales. None of which would have been possible without our wonderful parent volunteers who helped out. We were very fortunate especially on Friday which is our busiest day.

The boys also had Captain Read Aloud visit them in their classes to read a story and promote reading. The boys have been reporting sightings of Captain Read Aloud in the playground, outside classes and in their classes. Our Year 1 boys thought Captain Read Aloud was Mr Wyatt but then ran into Captain Read Aloud and Mr Wyatt at the same time! Mr Dunphy was then named as Captain Read Aloud but not long after there was another Captain Read Aloud spotted. It is proving to be a great mystery.

**Claire Elliott | Teaching Librarian**
PK and 5O Unit of Inquiry

As part of the PK Unit of Inquiry Sharing the Planet the boys are focussing on the concepts of responsibility and change.

To help the boys demonstrate their understandings and consider new perspectives, Mr O’Neill brought in his two dogs (Juno and Rhea) during our Year 5 Buddy Time. The boys were able to make some great connections in their descriptions of what it means to be a living creature and in how people demonstrate responsibility in caring for our beloved pets.

Juno and Rhea spent the whole day at school and all the boys, but particularly 5O, had a great time caring for them.

Mr Trevor O’Neill | 5O Class Teacher
Year 1 Unit of Inquiry

As part of our Unit of Inquiry into ‘Where We Are In Place and Time’ Year 1 went to the Museum Discovery Centre. We wrote diaries about the day.

Dear Diary,

Yesterday we went on an excursion to the museum. We learnt about the past and the present. At the museum we had recess. First we went to see a black car from the olden days. Next we went to see a horse carriage’ I think you needed to have a wedding. Then we went to see the post truck. After that we went to see the trams. Some boys went to see the dinosaurs but I didn’t!

Lucas Quan 1E

Dear Diary,

Yesterday we went to a museum and we saw tons of cool stuff. We saw aeroplanes, awesome cars, fire engines and cool bikes. The most amazing thing was the super bikes because one was the fastest bike in the world!!!! The saddest part was when we left!

Michael Whiting, 1E
Music News | Preparatory School News

Music is a more potent instrument than any other for education because rhythm and harmony find their way into the inward places of the soul. Plato

Family Service

The Hilliard and School Family Service will take place this Sunday 27th August at 10am. All Trinity Singers and Chapel Band members to meet in the Choir Room at 9am.

Week 9 Co-Curricular Arrangements

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Due to the Year level camps occurring in Week 9 the above arrangements have been made in regard to Co-curricular Ensemble rehearsals that week.

Lost Property

A pair of sunglasses were left in the Mozart Room after the Evening of Music. They can be collected from the Music Centre.

Theory Of Music
On Wednesday we had twenty-four boys who sat for their AMEB Theory exams from Grades 1-3. Thanks to Mrs Trynes for all her hard work from the start of the year to prepare the boys for this week. We look forward to celebrating the results at Chapel in due course.

**Upcoming Events**

Family Service – 27th August 2017

_Geraldine Campbell_ | Director of Preparatory School Music
**EVENTS**

**Dates for the Diary | Preparatory School**

**Week 6**

26-Aug Track & Field - Invitation 3

27-Aug 10:00 AM Family Service - Hilliard and School Memorial Chapel

**Week 7**

29-Aug Track & Field - IPSHA - Championships SOPAC

29-Aug Book Fair concludes

29-Aug 11:55 AM Year 1 Incursion - Visit from Blue Tongue Lizard Library

31-Aug 7:30 AM Years 5-6 IPSHA Debating Jones Room

31-Aug 3:30 PM Years K-6 - Student Led Conferences

1-Sep 8:00 AM Father’s Day Stall Chessboard

1-Sep 8:00 AM Year Pre K - Father’s Day Celebration PK Area

1-Sep 10:00 AM Year 6 Fundraising Day Top Basketball Court

1-Sep 3:00 PM Year 3 Sport - Cricket (3)

**Week 8**

4-Sep 8:30 AM Parent morning tea with Prep Executive Library

5-Sep 12:00 AM Photographs - Years K-6 [Sport and House]

5-Sep 1:45 PM Samaritan’s Purse Visit during Chapel - Craig Jennings Mozart Room

6-Sep 9:00 AM Strathfield Auxiliary - Meeting JR

6-Sep 6:30 PM Parent Information Evening - Prof. Andrew Martin Mozart Room

6-Sep 7:30 AM Years 5-6 IPSHA Debating Jones Room

8-Sep 10:00 AM Year 6 IPSHA Debating Tara Anglican School for Girls, Parramatta

8-Sep 3:00 PM Year 3 Sport - Cricket (4)

9-Sep 12:00 AM No Sport

**Week 9**

12-Sep 8:00 AM Year 5 - Camp departs Waterslea

13-Sep 9:00 AM Year 4 - Camp departs Rathane

14-Sep 8:45 AM Year 3 Camp departs Galston

14-Sep 8:00 PM Track & Field Post CAS Dinner Mozart Room

15-Sep 12:00 AM Year 3 - Camp returns Galston

15-Sep 12:00 AM Year 4 - Camp returns Rathane

15-Sep 2:45 PM Year 5 - Camp returns Waterslea
15-Sep 9:00 AM Year 6 Allwell Testing Year 6 Classrooms
15-Sep 1:45 PM House Debating - Round 3 Llandilo Theatre
15-Sep 7:00 PM Pre-K and Kindergarten - Year 12 Function Mozart Room
16-Sep 12:00 AM No Sport

**Week 10**

19-Sep 7:00 AM Year 4 - Father and Son Breakfast
19-Sep 8:15 AM Year 6 Samaritan's Purse Excursion 6K Kings Park
19-Sep 9:00 AM Year 6 All-Well Testing Catch up Day
20-Sep 7:00 AM Year 3 - Father and Son Breakfast
20-Sep 8:15 AM Year 6 Samaritan's Purse Excursion 6L Kings Park
21-Sep 8:15 AM Year 6 Samaritan's Purse Excursion 6M Kings Park
22-Sep 2:00 PM IPSHA Debating - Round 5 Llandilo Classroom

For full details of co-curricular programmes, please click on this [LINK](#).
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
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
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**Arch Humphries** | Master Teacher, Professional Accreditation
email [ahumphries@trinity.nsw.edu.au](mailto:ahumphries@trinity.nsw.edu.au) | 9581 6053

Trinity Grammar School | 119 Prospect Road Summer Hill 2130 | www.trinity.nsw.edu.au
ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:
Guessing game competition
Sand bag throw
Lucky Dip + More (all games $1-$2 per turn)
Jelly cups ($1 small $2 large)

Lots of prizes to be won!

All money raised goes to the Year 6 Gift Fund

Bring your money on the day!

Click here to download the flyer
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
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
COMMUNITY

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.
Entertainment Books | Trinity Fundraising

Trinity is Fundraising with Entertainment Books and for a limited time, when you purchase an Entertainment Membership from us, you’ll receive a BONUS $10 Woolworths WISH eGift Card!

Hurry, stocks are limited.

Just in case you’re after a gift for Dad this Father’s Day, there is also **FREE DELIVERY (save $12)** for a limited time!

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**Stephen Heanly** | Senior Master (Summer Hill Campus) | Director of Community Relations
Preparatory School | Father's Day Stall

Preparatory School Fathers' Day Stall | Friday 1st September 2017

Click here to download this year's Pre Order Form for great gifts for Dad this Fathers' Day.

Brought to you by The Preparatory School Auxiliary
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: August 29th, 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
Monday 21st August To Friday 25th August, 2017

Monday 28/8/17 - Pare Higgins, Marie Nguyen
Tuesday 29/8/17 - Volunteers Needed
Wednesday 30/8/17 - Michelle Hoang, Volunteer Needed
Thursday 31/8/17 - Volunteers Needed
Friday 1/9/17 - Lee Emma Iwanicki, Volunteer Needed

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

The Canteen is still in need of volunteers on Wednesday and Thursday- 9am to 1:30pm, once a month.

Please call Mary Saba on 8732 4654, if you can spare some time to volunteer.

Mary Saba | Canteen Manager