Dear Parents and Caregivers,

For the last 5 weeks, our teachers at HTG have been working hard to assess your children in Mathematics and English.

Teachers have been conducting Mathematics Assessment Interviews with every child in their class, so that they can understand students’ learning needs – to identify strengths and challenges in the mathematical strands of counting, place value, addition and subtraction, and multiplication and division. This information will allow your child’s teacher to target their teaching to meet the needs of each individual child in their class.

Teachers have also been listening to every student in their class read and have been analysing their writing. Again, this time has been spent to direct teaching and learning and to ensure that each child has their learning needs in English met.

As a staff, we are committed to providing education that is differentiated to cater for every child’s learning needs. We are dedicated to knowing the strengths and challenges of all our students and to engage them in quality learning. As a school we are setting goals for our learning tasks and developing success criteria to achieve these goals.

“Learners learn best when they understand what they are learning and what is expected of them.”

You can support us by taking time each day to talk to your children about their learning at school. Ask them about what they are learning; get them to explain what they are doing and how they know when they reach their goals. We want our children to be reflective about their learning and understanding, and be the best learners they can be.

Please help us celebrate Catholic Schools Week next week by joining us on Monday morning for a Mathematics Parent Workshop – 2 sessions at 8.30am and 9.15am.

See attached for further information on walk through with the Principal. This will be a great way for all HTG parents and caregivers to see what kind of learning we are doing in our classrooms. We can’t wait to see you there!

God Bless,

Ms. Kathryn Salkeld
Assistant Principal

Monday 2nd March 2015

Your children may have mentioned that the police were at school on Monday. Stage 3 students reported an 11 year old boy, outside the fence, was harassing them at recess. In keeping our children safe I contacted the police who responded immediately.

I am very grateful that our relationship with the Local Area Command is strong. The young boy was taken to the safety of his home by the police.

Constable Elli El Jammal will visit our school again next Wednesday at 2.00pm to speak to all children about keeping themselves safe.

I commend our police for their quick action and support in keeping your children safe.

Helen Boyer, Principal
Important Notice re Catholic Schools Week

Please be advised that there will be no walk through the learning spaces on **Tuesday 10th March** with the Principal at 9.15am, but there will be **one at 2.20pm on Tuesday instead**. The reason being that members of the Catholic Education Office and many principals from other schools will be walking through with the principal on Tuesday morning.

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**Birthday Celebrations**

Congratulations to the following students who celebrate their birthday in **March**:


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**Students of the Week**

**Week ending 27.2.15**

- Kindergarten: Saharsh Kontham
- Year One: Christabelle Al-Katrib
- Year Two: Alethia Sewell
- Year Three: Azekial Teunon
- Year Four: Claressa Behara
- Year Five: Garang Angui
- Year Six: Anne Nguyen

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**Canteen Roster**

Volunteers must complete Child Protection Training before working with children in schools. Access this online using the following link: [http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au/training](http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au/training)

- **Fri, 6th March** - Lisa El-Hajj, Volunteers Needed – please
- **Tue, 10th March** - Joyce Irima, Camilla Liutai, Parameswary Rajadurai
- **Fri, 13th March** - Sandra El Khoury, Almaza Faddoul
- **Tue, 17th March** - Paulette Zaiter, Rosette Bou-Francis
- **Fri, 20th March** - Sophie Depares, Amanda Georges
- **Tue, 24th March** - Mabel Chen, Lillian Ibrahim
- **Fri, 27th March** - Sue Bou-Francis, Maram Salloum

If you are unable to make your rostered day please contact the school office as soon as possible.

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**Calendar Dates**

- **8th - 16th March** - Catholic Schools Week – see attached
- **Wednesday 11th March** - 2.00pm Const. El Jammal to speak to children on keeping safe
- **Sunday 15th March** - 9.30am Mass – all children and families to attend
- **Tuesday 17th March** - School Cross Country
- **Wednesday 25th March** - Feast of the Annunciation
- **Sunday 29th March** - Palm Sunday
- **Tuesday 31st March** - BBQ for students with 100% attendance for the term
- **Thursday 2nd April** - Holy Thursday – Last day of Term 1
Thank you to our volunteers without whom we could not run the canteen.

Catholic Schools Week

“Educating for Today & Tomorrow”

Catholic Schools Week
March 8-15 2015

Visit our school – see how your children learn

Monday: 9th March
Maths Mania for parents
2 Sessions – 8.30am and 9.15am
Join in the fun

Tuesday: 10th March
2.20pm
A walk through the learning spaces with the Principal

Wednesday: 11th March
9.15am
A walk through the learning spaces with the Principal

Thursday: 12th March
9.15am
A walk through the learning spaces with the Principal

Sunday 15th March – 9.30am Mass at Holy Trinity Church

Catholic Schools Week 2015

I would like to attend:

Maths Mania on Monday 9th March at
☐ 8.30am  ☐ 9.15am

Walk through with Principal on:
2.20pm Tuesday 10th
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9.15am Wednesday 11th
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9.15am Thursday 12th
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Mass 9.30am Sunday 15th March at Holy Trinity Church
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Name: ____________________________________  Child’s Class: _____