International Food Fair
A meeting was held at HTG last Friday with parents and Mr Rick Grech, Acting Principal of Delany College. A number of issues were discussed including stalls, Chocolate Wheel and location of the event. The Fair will take place on Friday 22nd November in the Delany grounds from 5pm to 9pm. The next meeting will be held at 2pm on Friday 13th September. We are looking for a variety of different food stalls and people to coordinate these.

Fathers’ Day Happenings at HTG
Thank you to our parent helpers, Mrs Sue Bou-Francis, Mrs Annie Ghribian, Mrs Maram Salloum and Mrs Paulette Zaiter, who generously gave their time to sell gifts at the Fathers’ Day Stall last Thursday. Thank you also to the families who donated gifts for the Raffle. A total of $395 was raised which will be used to purchase new furniture for the school. A special thank you to the parents and staff who assisted with donations, setting up, cooking, serving and clearing up at last Friday’s Father’s Day BBQ Breakfast. The community atmosphere was wonderful and it was great to see so many fathers, grandfathers and families in attendance.

Staff on Long Service Leave
Over the coming weeks a number of staff will be on long service leave. Mrs Morrissey will begin leave from tomorrow, 5th September until Thursday 17th October. Kindergarten will be looked after by Mrs Craft and Mrs Georges. Mrs Tripp will be on leave from 16th September until the Friday 11th October and Mrs Johnson will be on leave from 16th September until Thursday 17th October.

Debating News
Last week, both our Year 5 teams won their debates. The topic was “That Celebrities are Poor Role Models”. One team, unfortunately, has finished its rounds. Thank you to Marcus El-Khoury, Jennifer Georges, Toaila Liutai and Hayley Toman for representing Holy Trinity so well. Good luck to Adriano Rubbi, Julia Ljubicic, Ruby Zreika and Hamish Buultjens, who won all their debates. They will now compete in the Delany Cup Final next Wednesday, 11th September. The topic has not yet been announced but when it is, these keen debaters will be working very hard to do their best.

Children Left at School After Hours
School hours begin at 9.00am and end at 3.10pm. Supervision is provided by staff from 8.30am until 3.30pm. Please ensure to pick up your children by 3.30pm or make other necessary arrangements as there are times when all the staff will need to attend meetings off site. A number of children attend before and after school care with Parramatta West OOSH, and the contact number is 9633 5246.

First HTG Parent Excursion
The first HTG Parent Excursion to Mary MacKillop Place North Sydney is being held on Tuesday 17th September. We have a limited number of places still available for $10 per adult. We are sorry but we are unable to take babies and toddlers due to OHS and Road Safety Rules. Please contact the school office by this Friday.

Staff Professional Learning Day
On Friday 20th September all the staff will be attending a combined Professional Day with Delany College off site. There will be no one at school at Holy Trinity or Delany College.

Kindergarten’s Excursion to Calmsley Hill Farm
On the farm I milked a cow. The farmer helped me milk the cow. I liked it.

Charbel Estephane

On the farm I milked a cow and it felt good. I patted a duck and a rabbit and saw some sheep and a big tractor.

Vivien Mata

New Baby
Congratulations to Mrs Stephanie Finch and her husband Garry on the birth of a new baby girl Erica Rose, a sister for Chelsea on Tuesday 27th August.

HTG Library Open for Parents
The HTG Library is open every Friday from 2pm for parents to come along, have a tea or coffee, chat, look at books and use the computers. This Friday learn some new Maths games you can play at home with your children.
Children's Photographs and Images
Holy Trinity takes photographs of children throughout the year. These photographs and children’s names are used in the school newsletter or update, in media releases, on the school and Catholic Education Office websites. Parents are asked to notify the school office in writing if they do not want their child’s photograph to be published.

Numeracy Hints
Regularly practise counting by 2, 5 and 10. This can be done both forwards and backwards. For children who master this quickly, count off the decade. This means instead of counting 10, 20, 30...start at 13 and continue 23, 33, 43. This helps them to see the patterns in numbers.

Students of the Week
Week ending 30.8.13
Kindergarten  Angelina Divine
Year One  Claressa Bechara
Year Two  Makalili Liutai
Year Three  Ashiati Peacock
Year Four  Jay Filo
Year Five  Adut Aken
Year Six  Brenda Karam

Birthday Celebrations
Congratulations to the following students who will be celebrating their birthday in the month of September

Canteen Roster
If you are able to help on the roster between 10am and 2.15pm on a Tuesday or Friday please contact the school office. Volunteers must complete Child Protection Training which is accessed online at www.parra.catholic.edu.au/childprotection.

 Fri, 6th September  -  Sue Bou-Francis, Amne Zreika
 Tue, 10th September  -  Maram Salloum, Janine Estephanhe
 Fri, 13th September  -  Almaza Faddoul, Sandra El-Khoury
(13TH SEPTEMBER LAST CANTEEN DAY FOR TERM 3)
 Tue, 17th September  -  No Canteen due to HTG Parent Excursion
 Fri, 20th September  -  STAFF PROFESSIONAL DAY – No children at school

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers without whom we could not run the canteen or the uniform shop.

Calendar Dates
Fri, 6th September  -  Stage 2 Touch Football Gala Day / Mass - Year 5 - 9.30am
Wed, 11th September  -  Dance Fever Challenge at Homebush – Years 3-6
Thu, 12th September  -  Stage 1 Excursion to Art Gallery
Tue, 17th September  -  NO CAUENT (due to First HTG Parent Excursion)
Thu, 19th September  -  Last Day of Term 3 for children
Fri, 20th September  -  Staff Professional Day – No children at school