Dear Parents and Friends,

It is with much sadness that I inform you of the death of Mr David Finch. David is the grandfather of Fletcher in Year 1 but was also our Fete Co-ordinator. We are all most grateful for David taking on this position and for the work he had already undertaken.

**TRINITY SUNDAY.**
Next Sunday the 26th May, we celebrate Trinity Sunday. Trinity Sunday falls one week after Pentecost and is an opportunity for us to learn about or revisit the concept of the trinity, which refers to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit being one God.

**ATHON.**
This Friday is our Games-athon which should be a great day full of fun and challenges. It is a major fundraiser for the school so please keep up the enthusiasm and the sponsorship.

**UNIFORM.**
All children are required to wear correct school winter uniform which includes correct shoes and socks, headbands, jackets etc. Please support the school by monitoring what your children are wearing.

Mrs Legrand
Principal

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**KINDER 2014 ENROLMENTS**
Enrolment packs are available from the school office. All applications must be received by May 31st, 2013.

**STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY – PUPIL FREE**
Tuesday, June 11, 2013

**WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN:** Don’t forget to ask for the Earn & Learn stickers when shopping in Woolworths.
FROM THE REC......

Feast of the Holy Trinity

Jesus said, “When the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth. He will glorify me since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine.”

The Father loves the Son and Jesus loves the Father, and from their love the Holy Spirit bursts forth to give life to the world. The love between them is so strong, even though each is a unique and individual divine person, they act and love as one.

Try praying to each person of the Trinity – give praise and thanks to the Father; ask forgiveness for your wrong doings from the Son; request help from the Holy Spirit, the source of grace. Conclude with the Glory Be.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end.

Amen

When explaining the concept of the Trinity to children, I have often used the idea of a cup of coffee. There are 3 main ingredients - the coffee, the boiling water and the milk. Each ingredient has its own properties (identity), but when put together, they can’t be separated. A bit like the Trinity!

Mrs Leanne Ryan
Religious Education Coordinator

St Monica’s Games-Athon
Friday, May 24

The children will participate in activities involving ball games, old-time games, strategy games, “Minute-to-win-it” games and much more! Students are to wear their sports uniform on the day.

We ask you to get behind the event and help your child obtain as many sponsors as possible. We do not suggest the children go “door knocking” but seek sponsorship from people they know. Please fill in the sponsor card, which is to be returned with the money after the Games-Athon on May 24.

The children will receive one ticket for every $10 they raise. There will be a grade prize, a major school prize and a prize for the class with the greatest total.

If you have a business or know someone with a business or would like to sponsor the Games-Athon please contact Mrs McKay at school. Sponsors will be acknowledged in the school newsletters and at school assemblies throughout the term.

Prayers......

Please pray for Anthony Pace’s (5W) great grandmother who passed away last Thursday.

FUN PHOTOS: Class fun photos will be available for viewing in the school office foyer from tomorrow, Wednesday May 22nd. Cost $15.00 each, order forms will be sent home tomorrow with each child.
SPORTS NEWS....

Congratulations to the following three children for their selection in the NSWCPs Mackillop Teams. They will be competing in the NSWPSA Carnivals this term. Adam Zahra, Rugby League, Sophie Balmforth and Angelina Parkes Girls Football (Soccer).

We wish our Parramatta Diocesan Cross Country Team Members all the best as they compete in the NSW Combined Primary and Secondary Cross Country Championships in June. Holly Dalrymple, Amy Sheffield, Kristina Barclay, Jordan Webster and Molly Horne.

We are very proud of your efforts.

Judy Gray - Sports Coordinator

HAPPY BIRTHDAY: To students celebrating their birthday this week:

- Elise Lewis
- James Apap
- Chanel Bastin
- Jai Carratt
- Dylan Tanti
- Paige Lewer
- Jarred Ryan
- Molly Warren

2012 YEAR 6 DISPLAY FOLDERS

Are now available for those Year 6 students in 2012 whose Graduation Folder was not the right one. Please collect from the school office

URGENT: Any student who has a St Monica’s Football Jersey at home. Please return ASAP.

Thank You – Miss Gray

YEAR 5 - A JOURNEY TO ANTARCTICA

On Friday 17th May, Year 5 were lucky enough to have a visit from Chris Olsen who has travelled to Antarctica a number of times.

Chris told us about three of his journeys to Antarctica. Chris travelled to Mawson’s Hut in 1997 and in 2007. In 2004 he went to the Antarctic Peninsula.

Chris also showed us photos about his journeys and adventures. One great photo showed Mawson’s dog, which was still preserved under the floor of the hut.

We enjoyed seeing and touching shoe spikes, boots and an ice pick. Chris chose some students to hold rocks and the equipment which had all been to Antarctica.

Before he chose more children to wear clothing, he showed us some entertaining videos from his trip.

Finally he finished by letting us touch ice all the way from Antarctica, and he showed how an ice pic is used to break ice apart.

After the incursion, everyone was saying how good the presentation by Chris was.

Thank you Year 5 teachers for planning this excellent incursion.

By Liam Buchan and Mary Godsell.

CANTEEN ROSTER

Thank you to the following parents who will be working in our canteen this week. We appreciate the time and effort you give to our students. If you are unable to attend on your rostered day in the canteen, please contact Lyn 45885405

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CAKE RAFFLE

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FETE FUNDRAISING
MUFTI DAYS
FOR 2013

The following day will be Mufti Days to support our up-coming Fete on Saturday August 3rd, 2013.

FRIDAY MAY 31ST

Friday 31 May, 2013 - will be a fete fundraising mufti day and all children are asked to dress in their favourite sports outfit or team colours and donate the following as a mufti fine:-

K – 2 Blue Classes – A boys small toy/gift eg: hot wheel cars, sports balls/equip, puzzles, magic tricks etc
K-2 White Classes – A girls small toy/gift eg: jewellery, hair items, dolls, makeup, stuffed toys, etc
Years 3 - 6 – Bathroom items eg: soaps, washers, body sprays, body/hand creams etc

FRIDAY JUN 21ST

Friday 21st June, 2013 - will be a fete fundraising mufti day.

All children are asked to
dress as a Scientist (lab coat,
wacky hair, lab glasses, stethoscope)
and donate the following as a mufti fine:-

K – 2 Blue Classes – Bathroom items eg: soaps, washers, body sprays, body/hand creams, hand towels etc
K-2 White Classes – Kitchen items eg: tea towels, heat gloves, tongs and other utensils, mugs, bowls, etc
Years 3 - 6 – Gourmet food items eg: biscuits, chocolates, tea/coffee, sauces, oils, small jars of jams etc (please ensure that “use by dates” exceed the fete date of 3.8.13)

FRIDAY JULY 26TH

Friday 26th July, 2013 - will be a fete fundraising mufti day.

Mufti dress theme is “Christmas in July”.
The following will be the mufti fine:-

K to 2 Blue Classes – A girls small toy/gift eg: jewellery, hair items, dolls, makeup, stuffed toys, etc

K to 2 White Classes – Gourmet food items eg: biscuits, chocolates, tea/coffee, sauces, oils, small jars of jams etc (please ensure that “use by dates” exceed the fete date of 4.8.13)

Years 3 - 6 – A boys small toy/gift eg: hot wheel cars, sports balls/equip, puzzles, magic tricks etc