This weekend is the third Sunday of Lent.

The reading this week is a story of Jesus getting quite angry with the people who were selling things in the temple. It was normal to sell animals to sacrifice and to change money near the temple but Jesus was very upset that people were being unfair and unjust to the poor people who wanted to come and offer a sacrifice.

In this story Jesus predicted his Resurrection when He said “After 3 days He would rebuild the temple”....He was talking about himself rising from the dead in 3 days.

This week is a good chance to think about how we treat others and whether we are always fair and honest.

*Why not read the reading together as a family and finish the drawing.*

**NO SCHOOL ON MONDAY**

This coming Monday is Labour Day. This is a public holiday and there will be no school for the children.

We hope that everybody enjoys the long weekend and stays safe.

**SWIMMING RESULTS**

Congratulations to Ned, Sean and Corey who participated in the Division swimming finals at Northcote on Tuesday. All three competed so strongly and were a credit to themselves and great at representing Holy Spirit School.

**Ned came 3rd in his freestyle event, Corey came 3rd in his breaststroke event and Sean came 2nd in his backstroke event.**

All three boys will go to the next level of competition and we wish them well.

**School Fees for 2015.**

All levies were due to be paid by the end of February. Please try to attend to this. Levies for 2015 are $390 per child.
On this evening the classroom teachers will share some of the learning practices that they implement with your children. This evening is replacing our usual parent information night which many parents have found very repetitive.

Please join us for an informative evening, meeting your child’s teacher and hearing from them.

Holy Spirit Parent Conversations 2015

Learners in the Primary Years

We are excited to bring you the first of a series of Parent Conversation and Education sessions for 2015. This will take place on Tuesday 10th March and replaces our traditional ‘Parent Info Night’.

The theme for this conversation is ‘Learners in the Primary Years’. We aim to share with you a sense of what is happening developmentally for our learners at different stages of schooling and how contemporary schooling and our classrooms address these needs.

Tuesday 10th March

Junior E,B,P,T,J

7- 7.30pm
Learning in the Junior Years
(In the hall)

7.30 - 8pm
Visit classrooms and chat to Junior teachers

Middle P,S,NM & Senior E,R,M

7.15 – 7.45pm
Visit classrooms and chat to Middle and Senior teachers

7.45- 8.15pm
Learning in the Middle & Senior Years
(In the hall)

Teachers will give you a window into classrooms and a sense of what learning looks and feels like for learners at different levels. There will be tips for supporting your children with their learning at home and a chance to visit classrooms, ask questions and chat informally with our teachers.

Why the change?

Feedback from parents has indicated that the nitty-gritty organisational details that have been the feature of Parent Info Nights are adequately covered by the termly Curriculum Newsletters.

We know that many parents are interested in the ‘Why’ and ‘How’ of what happens at school. We hope that, by offering sessions that explore contemporary learning and teaching, we can strengthen home-school partnerships and enhance learning for our students.
Prep Enrolments for 2016.

Enrolments for Prep 2016 open on this coming Tuesday, March 10th. Open day tours and a 2016 enrolment information evening will be on Tuesday March 24th.

New families interested in finding out more about the school can join us for a tour at 9.15, 10.00 and 12.00 on March 24th.

There will also be an information session at 7.00pm on March 24th.

Important School Board Meeting.. March 19th, 7.30pm

There will be a meeting of the existing School / Parish Board on Thursday March 19th. We are hoping that all existing members of the Board from 2014 will attend this meeting at St. Anthony’s.

At this meeting we will be discussing “re-launching” the School Board with some new structures. We will be inviting the community to express interest in forming a new Board that can serve the school into the future.

We will be inviting any other interested members of the community to express interest in being part of the new Board at the beginning of Term 2

Last day of Term 1

School will finish for the end of term 1 on Friday March 27th at 1.30 pm. Please put this in your diary so that you are able to make arrangements to collect your children at this time.
Community Conversations ….. “Coffee with the Principal”

It’s time for another chance to sit and have a coffee with Rob and talk about what’s happening at Holy Spirit.

Please come along on next Thursday morning, March 12th at 9.00am and be part of a conversation where we can share some thoughts together.

At this session we can share some of the results of the parent surveys that half of our families completed last September, talk about what is changing at the school and have a conversation around what needs to be on the agenda into the future to make Holy Spirit a better place to be for all.

Why not come along and share your thoughts?

All welcome ……. Free coffee and fattening cake!