

ST TERESA'S SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER



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UPCOMING EVENTS

- 22nd August—STR Cent Sale
- 24th-28th August—Parent Teacher Interviews & Book Fair
- 25th August—Book Week Parade
- 26th August—Lion's Vision Screening
- 28th August—School Photos
- 1st-3rd September—Year 6 Camp
- 3rd September—Under 8s Day
- 4th September—Student Free Day

St Teresa's was Deadly this NAIDOC Day!

Last Monday, St Teresa's proudly celebrated NAIDOC Day, with students enjoying a day of culture, learning, and community.

A highlight of the celebrations was the traditional dances performed by students from Mount St Bernard College and Ravenshoe State School, showcasing the richness and diversity of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultures. Students then participated in a range of hands-on activities, including dot painting, yarning turtles and face painting, while learning about the importance of storytelling, connection, and Country.

A special thank you to Miss Grace for her outstanding organisation of the day. It was wonderful to see students come together to celebrate and deepen their appreciation of Australia's First Nations peoples.



From the Principal's Desk

As we move towards the busy end of the term, there is much to look forward to in our school community.

This week, Mrs Barker and I had the privilege of attending two data analysis meetings focused on student achievement in Reading. We are incredibly proud of the growth our students are demonstrating in Reading. Improving reading outcomes has been a key annual goal for our school, and both staff and students have invested significant time, effort and commitment into developing strong reading skills. The results show that this hard work is paying off. I would like to sincerely thank our families for their ongoing support in encouraging reading at home. Whether it is listening to your child read, reading together, or fostering a love of books, your involvement makes a significant difference. The strong growth we are seeing is a reflection of the collective effort of teachers, students and families working together towards a common goal.

One of our major fundraising events, the Annual Cent Sale, will be held tomorrow. This event is always a highlight on our calendar and provides a wonderful opportunity for families and community members to come together while supporting our school. I would like to sincerely thank the many parents and friends who have generously donated prizes, baked goods, and given their time to assist with preparations and set-up. Your support and generosity are greatly appreciated and play an important role in making events like this a success. We hope to see many of our families there tomorrow.

We would also like to extend our very best wishes to Ruby Lee, who will be representing our district at Sunday's Peninsula Sports Trials in the shot put event. We are incredibly proud of this accomplishment and know that Ruby will represent St Teresa's with pride and sportsmanship. On behalf of our entire school community, we wish Ruby every success at the trials and look forward to hearing about the experience upon return.

A reminder that School Photo Day will take place next Friday (28th August). Our photography schedule will commence as soon as the morning bell rings, so it is important that students arrive at school on time to ensure they are included in their class photo. Parents are also asked to ensure students are dressed in their full and correct school uniform for the photos.

Excitement is building as our Year 6 Camp draws closer. We are very much looking forward to this opportunity for students to build independence, strengthen friendships, and create lasting memories together. A reminder that camp payments are due to the school office by 25th August.

We are also excited to be hosting Under 8s Day at St Teresa's on 3rd September. This special event celebrates learning through play and provides a fantastic opportunity for children to engage in a range of fun and educational activities. Parents are warmly invited to join us and participate in the celebrations with their children. If you know of any children under eight years of age from outside our school community, please extend the invitation and encourage them to come along and enjoy the day with us.

Finally, a reminder that there will be a Student Free Day on 4 September. On this day, staff will be participating in professional development to continue strengthening our teaching practices and supporting improved outcomes for all students.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Cent Sale tomorrow.

Katrina

Catholic Identity In Action

Last Tuesday, our school community gathered to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary. It was wonderful to see our students actively participating in the Mass and reflecting on Mary's important role in our faith. In his homily, Fr Roy spoke about Mary's willingness to say "yes" to God and her trust in His plan. He reminded us that we, too, are called to trust God and look to Mary as a model of faith and discipleship.

On 8 August, we celebrated the Feast Day of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's first saint. St Mary dedicated her life to serving others and encouraged us to "never see a need without doing something about it." Her example challenges us to live with kindness, compassion, and service to those around us.

Looking ahead, auditions for St Teresa's Got Talent are underway as students prepare for our Feast Day celebrations on the final day of term. We look forward to seeing our students share the many gifts and talents God has given them.

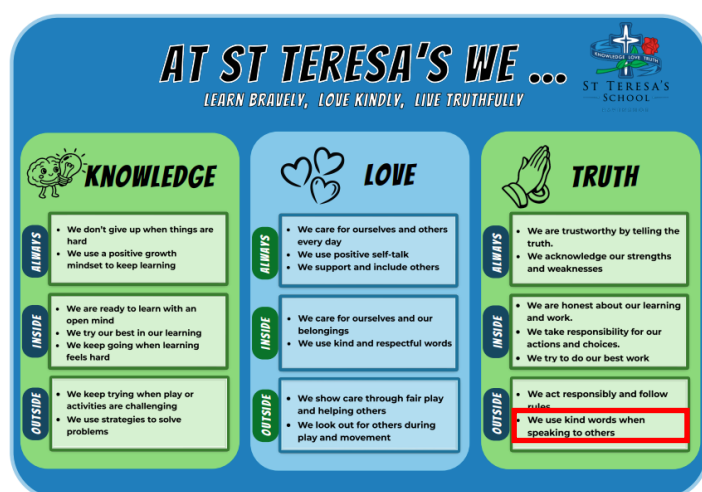
Parish News

Fr Roy is looking for students from our school who would be interested in serving as an altar server at Saturday evening Mass. This is a wonderful opportunity to become more involved in parish life and assist during the celebration of the Eucharist. If you are interested, please speak with Mr Zahra. We would love to hear from you.

Below is a link to the latest edition of Cairns Diocesan News:

Fortnightly Focus:

We act responsibly and follow the rules.



This means making good choices, doing the right thing even when no one is watching, and understanding that rules help keep everyone safe, happy and ready to learn. At school, this might look like following directions the first time, taking care of belongings, speaking respectfully, and being honest about our actions. We encourage families to reinforce this value at home by setting clear expectations, encouraging children to take responsibility for age-appropriate tasks, and discussing the importance of making positive choices. When children see consistency between home and school, they develop the confidence and self-discipline needed to become responsible and trustworthy members of our community.

LIBRARY CORNER

Next week is Book Week! I hope everyone is excited for our Book Week parade on Tuesday the 25th of August at 9:00am. Come dressed in your favourite book character. Also, another reminder that we are having Book Fair next week as well. On Monday, classes will have an opportunity to walk through the library and have a look at what is available. Students will get a chance to fill in a wish list to show their families what they would like to purchase. This is only a wish list, the students will know that it doesn't mean that they get anything or everything on the list. The Book Fair Shop will then be open on Tuesday the 25th through to Friday the 28th of August.

This week our 'Executive Director's LOVE TO READ Challenge' has come to an end. We will be counting all of the participants and let you know how we went.

Have a great weekend!

Warm regards,
Morgan Reynolds

Student <i>Wish List</i>		
Teacher: _____		Child's Name: _____
Class: _____		
School: _____		
I previewed the books at my Scholastic Book Fair. Here are some of the books that interested me:		
TITLE	LOCATION	PRICE
Parents: if you are unable to attend the Book Fair, please see over for a pre-payment option.		Thank you for supporting our Book Fair! Every purchase benefits our school!
		SCHOLASTIC Book Fairs



From our Finance Officer

Fee Reminder Statements have been sent to families, due date is 25 August 2026.

If you feel you may need financial assistance, please email: secretary.ravenshoe@cns.catholic.edu.au to arrange an appointment with the Principal.

Should families wish to enter into a Direct Debit arrangement, forms are available at the office.

Thank you to the families that have already paid!



**Monday
31st August 2026**



**School Basketball Shed
8:00 am - 8:40 am**



Can you beat the clock?

Join us for a fun morning of quick challenges and teamwork!

Bring your Dad, Grandad, Pop, Uncle or Special Person!

St Teresa's STARS REPORT

Ruby

Ruby went to District Athletics Day for multiple events. She felt nervous to compete. On NAIDOC day, Ruby enjoyed doing the activities and spending time with her friends. Ruby said her special talent is her strong arm, she is headed to Peninsula Athletics soon for shot put.
By Hannah

Hannah

Hannah went to District Sports for all the different events, including running races and long jump. Competing at District level was scary, but also fun! At NAIDOC Hannah enjoyed doing all the different activities and watching the dancing. Hannah's special talent is dancing.
By Aela

Kaidyn

Kaidyn went to District Sports for the 800m, 200m and long jump. He was a bit scared to race against other kids, but he said it turned out to be fun. Kaidyn liked playing sports on the oval with the MSB students during NAIDOC. Kaidyn's special talent is being a goalie in soccer and controlling the ball.
By Olivia

Tiberius

Tiberius went to District Sports for running races. He said that competing made him tired! At the NAIDOC celebrations Ti really enjoyed the obstacle course. His special talent is playing soccer.
By Henry K

Challenges include

CUP STACK ATTACK

MARSHMALLOW PICK UP

PENNY STACKER

Under 8's day

WE ARE ON THE MOVE!

HOBBY HORSE RODEO

FACE PAINT

ROADWORKS CREW

BUILD A BOAT

PAPER PLANE AIRPORT

STORY TIME

THURSDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER

9:30 - 11:30 Activities

11:30 Sausage sizzle

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CENT SALE

SATURDAY 22ND AUGUST 2026

RANKINE STREET RAVENSHOE

DOORS OPEN 10AM

DRAWING STARTS 11.30AM

\$5.00 Entry

Lucky Door Prize
Raffle

Light Lunch, Tea and Coffee

SEE YOU
TOMORROW!

ST TERESA'S SCHOOL Be Prep ready for 2027!



Do you have a child starting Prep in 2027?
Why not come for a visit ... we'd love to show you around.
St Teresa's invites you to come and participate in our
Prep Transition mornings in Term 4.
See dates below.



St Teresa's School, Ravenshoe

Any time before beginning school	Book a health check for your preschool age child with your GP or at the Mamu Health Clinic. Hearing and Vision checks are advised before beginning school.	
Any time	Book a school tour with Principal, Ms Katrina Miller. Enrolment packs and information are available at the School Office.	
Date	Prep Transition Session	Parent Session
Wednesday 15 th of October	Prep Classroom Exploration - join us for number games, number search pattern activities, craft and classroom play with our current Prep students. We will also enjoy a morning tea together. Please bring a hat, snack, drink and lunchbox.	Meet and Greet: Principal's Welcome & Curriculum Chat
Tuesday 20 th of October	Teddy Bears Picnic - bring your favourite soft toy to visit as well as a hat, snack, and a drink in a lunchbox. - visit St Teresa's Library & share a story.	Meet Our Support Team: Leader of Diversity, Speech Language Therapist, Occupational Therapist & School Counsellor
Monday 26 th of October	Come and learn about your Specialist classes - who you will meet, where you will go and how to feel comfortable when moving around the school.	School Systems and Processes: Learn about the school systems and process that keep you up-to-date with what's happening at school
Tuesday 3 rd of November	Outdoor Fun - Bring a hat, snack, and a drink in a lunchbox. - Explore the playground and have a go on our obstacle course.	VPG (Guest speakers): Anxiety and Transitioning to Prep & Healthy Lunchboxes



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Help US Prepare for 2027

Planning for the 2027 school year is already underway. If your child/ren will **not be returning to St Teresa's in 2027**, please notify the school as soon as possible. This information is essential for staffing, budgeting and class planning to ensure we can best meet the needs of our students.

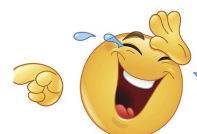
If you know of families considering enrolling at St Teresa's next year but who have not yet submitted an enrolment application, we encourage you to ask them to do so as soon as possible. Early enrolment information assists us greatly in planning for another successful year. Thank you for your support.



JOKE CORNER

Why was the maths book sad?

Because it had too many problems!



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We are seeking the support of our parent community to help keep our school tuckshop operating. At present, we are finding it increasingly difficult to secure volunteers to assist in the tuckshop each week. When volunteers are unavailable, office administration staff are required to step away from their regular duties to fill the gap. Unfortunately, this is not a sustainable long-term solution. The tuckshop is a valued service for our students and families, but without additional volunteer support, we will need to consider closing the tuckshop altogether. If you are able to spare a few hours on a Friday morning, we would greatly appreciate your assistance. Volunteering in the tuckshop is a wonderful way to support our school community and connect with other families. If you are interested in helping, please contact the school office. Even a small amount of time can make a significant difference.

COMMUNITY NEWS



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ST AUGUSTINE'S COLLEGE

CERISE & BLUE OPEN NIGHT

TUESDAY 25 AUGUST from 4:30-6:30pm

St Augustine's College warmly invites parents, carers and prospective families to join us for our Cerise & Blue Open Night.

This evening is highly recommended if you are seeking leading educational opportunities for your son entering Year 7 in 2028. Explore our college and boarding facilities; view presentations and displays for all subjects.

REGISTER EARLY FOR THIS EVENT



REGISTER TODAY!

sac.qld.edu.au/events

- ✓ Talk to teachers and students
- ✓ Take part in interactive displays
- ✓ Enjoy a guided tour
- ✓ Discover a wealth of learning resources
- ✓ Feel part of the Saints community

St Augustine's College
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Entry forms can be collected from the office.



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We recommend that you bring your own protective gear and attend the time that suits your experience level/age

EVERY FAMILY TABLELANDS TERM 3 2026 SCHEDULE

- After Hours- Responding to Behaviour - ZOOM Tuesday 28th July - 5:30 - 7:00pm
- Triple P Parenting Program - ZOOM 2 x Thursdays 30 July & 13 August | 9:30am-11:30am
- Triple P Parenting Program - MALANDA 3 x Tuesdays - 4th, 18th August & 1st September - 1:15 - 2:45pm
- Circle of Security (Abridged) - MAREESA 3 x Tuesdays - 11th, 25th August & 8th Sep - 10:30am -12:45pm
- After Hours - Navigating Screen Time - ZOOM Thursday 27 August | 5:30pm-7:00pm
- Raising Resilient Children - ATHERTON Friday 28th August - 9:30 - 11am
- Raising Respectful Children - ZOOM Thursday 3 September | 1:00pm-2:30pm
- Digital Parent Toolkit- ATHERTON Friday 11th September - 9:30 - 11:30am

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