

Reflections on RE.... & Upcoming events

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DOES JESUS KNOW YOU???

This weekend, Fr. Aneesh gave us much to consider in posing this question to the congregation. He is calling on us to be mindful of our actions with others, and to engage with Jesus through prayer.



There is a direct link to Fr. Aneesh's homily, and the learning your children are undertaking in Catholic Social Teachings. Through our Acts of Kindness, as well as repairing relationships through Forgiveness and Reconciliation, we are coming to act in the footsteps of Jesus, as Pilgrims of Hope.

Have you asked your children about the prayer they engage in at school?

Have they had a special role, such as leading prayer, holding the class candle, writing or selecting a prayer, or updating the prayer table?

Every class has a different way of engaging in prayer, and its always interesting to see their classroom prayer table, and the student's participation in daily prayer.

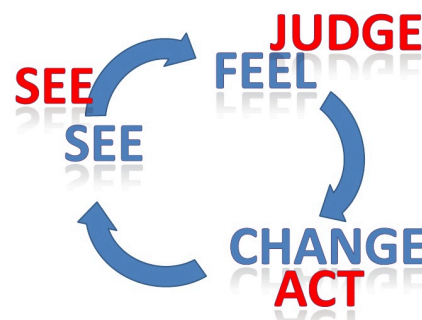
Combined Gospel & Assembly 22nd August.

Students were introduced to Nobel Peace Prize recipient Malala Yousafzai as a modern day example of a young person who had the courage to act and to seek support to bring about change.



As an integral part of our student's social awareness, and understanding of the catholic faith, we are implementing a

school wide initiative where each classroom acts to bring about change at a local level. Stay tuned for more details through your child's classroom teacher.





SACRAMENTAL JOURNEY

Wednesday 17th September: More than 40 students from our local schools will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time. This is a vital step in the journey of faith and personal growth, as we are supported in recognising and repairing relationships that have been damaged through the choices we have made, which is directly linked to our Catholic Social Teachings.

7 students from St Patrick's, Stratford are participating in the preparation for this sacrament, and will then be able to consider preparing for the Sacrament of First Communion (Eucharist) in Term 1 next year.

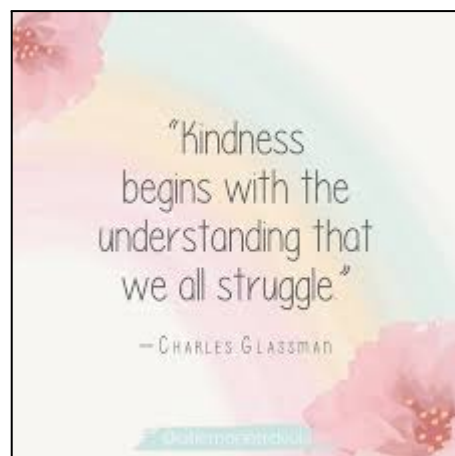
If you would like to receive information on the Parish Sacramental Programs, please contact myself on emorrison@stpstratford.catholic.edu.au.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Gospel - every second Monday @ 3pm - St Patrick's Church, Stratford.

Come along and join our students in learning how to integrate teachings of the Catholic Faith into their school day, and beyond.

All are welcome!!! This is not a mass, but an engaging discussion with a song or two. Come and hear what your children are thinking.



Baptism - 9:30am September 21st, St. Patrick's Church, Stratford

We warmly welcome all members of our school and parish community to attend the Baptism of Jemma Pattison. This is a very special occasion for Jemma, who, after much consideration, has been preparing for this for some time.

The Foundation class is learning about members of the Parish community, and ways that we welcome people in our communities, including through the Sacrament of Baptism. *Attending a Sacramental Mass is a wonderful opportunity for our students to deepen their understanding of their classroom learning.*