September 8th 2014

Dear Parents and Families, Staff and Children

Today at school we celebrated Father's Day with a special Prayer Assembly followed by a BBQ Lunch. It was a good opportunity to honour the special place that fathers have in a family, and also to remind the fathers and grandfathers present of the large responsibilities they have as role models. It is important to remember that God is a family of three persons: Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and that in fulfilling their role as a father, men are called to reveal something to us about the son of God.

In the early part of the Bible, God revealed himself on several occasions as a 'father', and, in doing so emphasized the qualities of faithfulness, care and protection, and strength. Those who fill the role of a father have a responsibility to care for and protect from harm their children. The best way they can do this is by their example and the good choices that they make.

The fatherly role is also one of strength and faithfulness. Being strong means trying always to do what is right even when others around us do not seem to care or even make fun of us. It also means to learn from our mistakes and seek to do better rather than give in and take the easy path.

Finally, to be a father in the way of God is to be faithful. Fathers and father figures are called to always believe in their children and to support them when they are in trouble. Just as God never abandons his people fathers should never abandon or give up on their children.

We pray in thanks this week for all Santa Teresa fathers, grandfathers and father figures and ask God to continue to bless them and give them the grace to fill their role with courage and love.

Jesus and Mary bless all Santa Teresa families.

Yours sincerely

In JMJ

Br Daniel

Principal

First Reconciliation

Congratulations to the following children from Year 5 who celebrated their First reconciliation last Thursday: Josiah Douglas, Casey Lynch, Carl Ronson-Palmer, Geoffrey Ronson, Anthony Wilyuka, Jamie Young, Lachlan Young, Shara Tilmouth and Dwayne Huddlestone. Special thanks to father Bosco, Patrick, Rachel & Paula.

Thank you, Jesus, for my father who loves me, for my grandfather who cares for me, and most especially thank you for God, your father and mine, who made me and is always with me. How lucky I am. Amen.
Congratulations
Congratulations to the following children who received awards at the assembly last Wednesday: Campion Young (Being Helpful, Shaniqua Smith & Sharlilitha Young (Being Strong); Harold Young (Work Improvement). Shalana Young, Tyson Alice, Nicholas Alice, Chelsya Oliver, Jessie Ronson, Victor Palmer, Oliver Turnbull, Claudia Oliver, Shereece King, Anita Alice, Jacinta Wallace & Jamie Young (Being Clean & Tidy)

Magic Words
Green: Shara Tilmouth  Pink: Taylor Palmer
Purple: Bryce Douglas:  Jade: Jordan Oliver
Blue: Gordon Pararoultja, Jacinta Wallace & Shamaiah Young

Some photos from the Book Character Parade on Friday August 30th