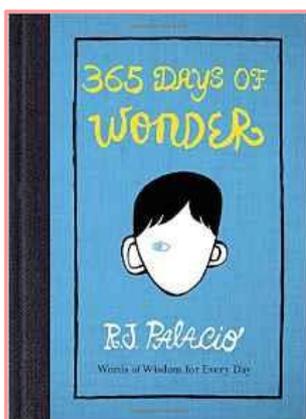
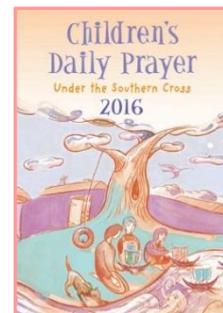


FROM THE RESOURCE CENTRE

Children's daily prayer - Under the Southern Cross is being released again for 2016. Author Margaret Smith sgs has followed the same successful recipe as in past publications with both scriptural and liturgical prayers being included for each day of the Australian school year. The resource is recommended for 8 to 14 year olds. Pauline Books will have the book available for \$39.95 as does Garrett Publishing and I will have a copy in the library but highly recommend that schools should purchase their own copy. Google the resource for further information.



365 days of wonder by R. J. Palacio (2014) is a delightful book and follows on in theme from the author's debut novel *Wonder* released in 2012 (*Wonder* is a children's novel that tells the story of Auggie, an ordinary boy who has a terrible facial deformity, who prepares to meet his fears of acceptance as he commences school). As a companion book *365 days of wonder* offers precepts (a principle intended to regulate behaviour), reflections and inspirations for every day of the year and some anecdotal stories from a teacher who I gather is really the author. The precepts included are from famous people in history and literature, celebrities, children and the odd 'unknown' character. Below are some thoughts from the *365 days of wonder*:

We carry in us the wonders we seek around us - Religio Medici

You were born an original. Don't become a copy - Dustin

You don't get harmony when everyone sings on the same note - Dough Floyd

You can never cross the ocean unless you have the courage to lose sight of the shore - Andre Gide

What you do every day matters rather than what you do once in a while - unknown

It's better to be in the dark with a friend than to be in the light without one - John

An act of kindness never dies, but extends the invisible undulations of its influence over the breadths of centuries - Fr Faber

There are many other books in the Resource Centre that offer daily reflections both religious or secular.

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