**Keep the flames of Hope, faith, and Love burning.**

Do you ever get the feeling that something is simply going on too long....?  Get that bored feeling? Get that "ok, ok, I get it- just enough already" kind of attitude... and that's from you... not just the learners!

It can feel that faith and the Gospel message of love is like that and perhaps more so working in a Catholic School. The message of love, faith and service is repeated and echoed so many times every day that it can be easy to become immune to it, for it to be background noise, especially at this time of year when the buzz and excitement of Christmas is most certainly over... and the January payday seems like it will NEVER arrive! 😱😱😱

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It is easy to think of the words faith, love and service as boring and hollow words. The word LOVE certainly can often be thrown around without much real thought.

However, our faith is not boring. It is, was and forever remains, a radical faith.

That is because it is a call to love and to love is to encompass so many other attributes. As St Paul tells us in the famous passage from 1 Corinthians.

Words have so much power, don't they? That must be why Jesus spent so long talking and teaching! That must be why we all do the vocation we do.... our words have meaning, and they have power.

To end the week, take a look at the poster below, it resonates with us as we can see that words and what they call us to do, can transform lives so quickly.

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The words that Jesus calls us to use and live by transform lives. They can change how we feel, act and respond.

So instead of thinking that our faith is background noise that we have already heard a million times before, today, and everyday stand proud and shout that our school is built on Jesus' message of love, service and faith- and gosh what transforming words those really are.