Dear Parents and Caregivers

Welcome back for the commencement of the fourth term. I hope you all had the opportunity to relax and spend some time with your family and friends during the two weeks holidays.

It was great to see so many smiling faces on Tuesday morning as the children returned to school.

We welcome back Mrs Andrea Murphy who returns after having back surgery last term. We wish her all the best for the term ahead.

Franciscan Week
Next week we will celebrate Franciscan week due to our rich tradition with the Franciscan Missionary Sisters who began our school, St Joseph’s in 1938. During the week, the children will be reminded of our motto and the Franciscan Five - care, respect, responsibility, humility and equity and in particular how these values are reflected in their own lives. As a school community we will celebrate with a whole school Mass on Tuesday 15th October commencing at 9am, followed by pastoral care groups where children (grouped across the year levels) will focus on learning about the life of St Francis.

You are most welcome to join us for our Eucharist celebration on Tuesday 15th October at 9am in the church.

Enrolments, Staffing and Class Allocations for 2014
Over the next month, the process of finalising our anticipated enrolments and staffing for 2014 will occur.

The process of allocating children to classes for next year will begin in the next few weeks and is a task taken very seriously by our staff. This process involves consultation with teachers and myself as we consider a wide range of factors relating to each child’s educational needs. The areas that staff consider when allocating children to classes are:

- The best learning combinations (what we know about the students) for each class
- The special learning needs for each student. Consideration for students with disabilities, learning difficulties, difficulties with a particular Learning Area and those who are gifted in a particular area
- Balance of learning styles including those independent learners, those who grasp concepts quickly and those who need additional time to grasp concepts
- Boy/girl ratio
- Combination of students that impact both positively and negatively on their ability to achieve the best possible outcomes
- Social/emotional considerations
- Twins, triplets – same/separate classes
If you have an educational concern that I need to be aware of before teachers begin this process please inform me in writing by Friday 25th October stating all relevant educational reasons. I wish to stress that this is not an opportunity to select a specific teacher for next year or particular friendship groups for children. Please be aware that no promises can be made other than a commitment to consider carefully the information we receive. I ask you to trust the teachers’ judgement and professionalism in making a decision that is in each child’s best interest.

Once the class lists have been published and are sent home with the end of semester report in the last week of term, they are final and changes will not be made.

**Mrs Zorzetto Takes Leave**
After “Alice the Musical” is performed on Thursday 17th and Friday 18th October we wish Mrs Zorzetto happy travel as she takes seven weeks of well-deserved long service leave. Rosemary’s last day will be the finale of Alice and she will return to St Joseph’s in 2014 ready for the commencement of the new school year. While Rosemary is away we welcome to staff Mrs Leasl Murray who will teach music lessons for the rest of the year. Leasl teaches music at St Ignatius, Toowong.

**PUPIL FREE DAY – OCTOBER 21 OCTOBER**
This day, across the diocese, has been set aside for the professional development of teachers focussing on consistency of teacher judgement. This professional development is an ongoing process that enhances consistency and comparability of teacher judgements about student learning. Teachers will meet with others from neighbouring schools (Gap, Toowong, Ashgrove, Indooroopilly, Ashgrove West) to discuss assessment tasks, criteria sheets and best practice in classrooms focussing on the Key Learning Areas of History.

This day is a pupil-free day. Please keep your child at home on Monday 21 October.

**NAPLAN TESTS HAVE ARRIVED AND HAVE GONE HOME WITH YOUR YR 3, 5 OR 7 STUDENT TODAY. PLEASE READ THE LETTER ATTACHED WITH THE REPORT.**

**Star Student of the Week - Louis**

**ACARA STUDENT BACKGROUND DATA REQUEST**

**PRIVACY NOTICE** - Information required to determine the Index of Community Socio-Educational Advantage (ICSEA) for schools.

This notice is from the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA), to advise you that ACARA has requested your child's school to provide ACARA with information about you and your child. Your school may disclose to ACARA information such as your child's gender, date of birth, country of birth, background language, School Year level, Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander heritage, Australian Citizenship or Permanent Residency Status with Visa sub-class number and arrival date in Australia, residential address, parental occupation, parental education and main language of parents. PLEASE NOTE NO STUDENT NAMES HAVE BEEN REQUESTED.

This information is disclosed to ACARA under the ACARA Act 2008 for one or both of the following purposes:

- formulating national reports consisting of aggregated data on school performance; and
- assisting government to formulate policies in relation to education matters.

ACARA will not disclose this personal information to any third party. **If you do not want your school to provide this information to ACARA, please advise your school by Tuesday 15th October.**

Further information about ACARA can be obtained from the ACARA website at www.acara.edu.au

**MICHAEL GROSE PARENTING ARTICLE**

Please find attached to this newsletter an article from Michael titled ‘Let’s talk about Literacy’, where he talks about the importance of reading to children on a daily basis from birth and beyond. Please take the time to read his article. The link to his magazine is http://www.parentingideas.com.au/Parents/Parenting-Magazine which also has some great ideas for us as parents.

We have booked Michael for an inservice for staff followed by a parent session on **May 12th 2014**. Please mark this date in your calendar. He is a great speaker with fabulous ideas.

**Cyber-Safety Information Evening for Year 3 parents on Thursday 10 October at 7pm**

Enjoy the rest of your week, Carolyn
From The Acting APRE- Michelle Johnson

Welcome back!!!!

On the 4th October was St Francis of Assisi’s Feast Day, as our school’s patron saint we will celebrate this next week. There will be a Whole School Mass on Tuesday at 9am and all are welcome to join us. In class the children will learn the Story of St Francis and participate in Pastoral Care group activities. Our Pastoral Care groups are mixed from Prep to Year 7 with students learning with new students and teachers all about ‘Franciscan Five’. Teachers prepare a fun and engaging activity focused on one of the ‘Franciscan Five’ values.

**Franciscan Five**

1. **Humility**
2. **Responsibility**
3. **Respect**
4. **Care**
5. **Love**

Next week teachers will in class and in the playground reinforce ‘Franciscan Five’ values when giving Star Awards and Student of the Week Awards on assembly. Further on Monday Sister Christine Zammit a Missionary Franciscan Sister (MFS) will visit to educate students on how our school began.

This week we focus our prayers on thanking the Missionary Franciscan Sisters for opening our school and for their many years of service in our community. Together may we pray together the ‘Peace Prayer’ of St Francis.

**Peace Prayer of St Francis:**

Lord make me an instrument of your peace  
Where there is hatred,  
Let me sow love;  
Where there is injury, pardon;  
Where there is error, truth;  
Where there is doubt, faith;  
Where there is despair, hope;  
Where there is darkness, light;  
And where there is sadness, joy.

O Divine Master grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled  
As to console;  
To be understood, as to understand;  
To be loved, as to love.  
For it is in giving that we receive,  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
And it is dying that we are born to eternal life.  
AMEN.
Alice The Musical

Have you got your tickets for our extravaganza “Alice – The Musical” for Thursday 17 and Friday 18 October?
If not please order using the tear off form below or purchase from the school office.
  Family tickets $25 (2 adults + 2 children)
  Adults $10
  Children $5

For Thursday:
All children from year 3 to 7 children need
  • black long pants/leggings,
  • black shoes and black socks

Chorus will need to have their own
  • sweat bands (head and wrists) and handtowel.

Actors to have all their props and costumes organized. (e.g. fry pan, wooden spoon, etc.)

We are still in need of a few props for the musical
  • Big sponge, cardboard, blow up hands.
  • Signs with “Go team”, “GO GO”, “This Way”, “ ” etc.

I ________________________________ would like the following tickets.

Your child’s name and grade __________________________

Please Circle tickets you have ordered.

Family tickets $25 (2 adults + 2 children)
Adults $10
Children $5 (those not involved in the musical. Free for year 3 - 7 children in the musical)

Enclosed is ___________ for the cost of the tickets

Signed ________________________________
The P&F will be running a BBQ dinner from 5.30pm with juicy, mouth-watering hamburgers and sizzling sausages! Water and soft-drinks will also be available for purchase.

For catering purposes, can you please return the slip below to the office asap. Thank you.

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Please detach and return to the school office by Monday 14th October

ALICE THE MUSICAL – BBQ DINNER

Please tick night attending:

☐ Thursday 17th October
☐ Friday 18th October

FAMILY NAME: ____________________________

HAMBURGER $5 number: ________

SAUSAGE (in bread) $2 number: ________

NO NEED TO INCLUDE MONEY NOW – JUST PAY ON THE NIGHT

Australian Girls Choir Open Day
Congratulations to girls in Year 1 and above who recently took part in the AGC assessment workshop at school. By now you should have received your personalised assessment report either posted to your home or via your school. Girls in Prep will be receiving an information flyer about the AGC Open Day and we hope that you will be able to join us! Everyone is welcome to come along to the Open Day which will give girls the opportunity to try a free class and attend an information session. Phone 07 3256 0207 for more information or visit www.aspagroup.com.au
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### Student of the Week

- **Prep B**: Alexander for always showing kindness and care during all classroom activities. Well done!
- **Prep G**: Emme for persistence when making her animal with construction materials.
- **Prep W**: Prue for always displaying kindness and warmth in her interactions. Frank for allowing others to join his games.
- **1B**: Thomas for taking wonderful risks and trying new things. Great job Thomas!
- **1G**: Dan for being brave, showing persistence, and having a go at so many things in Year 1.
- **1W**: Eleanor for always bring a smiling face and a positive attitude to school each day.
- **2B**: Umberto for the great care and effort taken when writing the good copy of your information report.
- **2G**: Maddie for consistently working well and showing respect, humility and care to all.
- **2W**: Aibhe for always acting with humility, respect and care in all school activities.
- **3B**: George for being respectful and caring.
- **3G**: Eli for being more focused and settled in class.
- **3W**: Keegan for his positive attitude and coming to school with a big smile.
- **4B**: Oscar for your friendly and respectful manner toward your teachers and classmates.
- **4W**: Ben for practising the values of humility, care and respect at all times throughout this term.
- **4/5G**: Maz, for your independence and determination. You have completed all school tasks with enthusiasm.
- **5B**: Candice for always being an inclusive and happy member of our class.
- **6B**: Ava for her positive and enthusiastic attitude towards her peers and her learning.
- **7B**: Nieve for contributing to class tasks and for achieving well in all.
YES IT’S ON AGAIN!

Welcome back to our final term for 2013. Our major event for this term in our library at St Joseph’s is our BOOK FAIR.

The Book fair will be held from **Monday 11 November** until **Thursday 14 November** with a parent viewing/purchase evening on Monday night 7pm - 8:30pm. Watch out for more details closer to the event.

There are also a number of events that might interest you on around Brisbane.

The Brisbane City Council Zillmere library is holding a Cyber safety for parents’ session Saturday 19 October 10 – 11am. Phone 3403 8888 for more information and booking.

At the State Library of Queensland there is an exhibition called *Children’s Voices* running from 19 Oct – 19 Dec. See the link below for more details.


**One for the Dad’s** - Below is a website you might like to explore for some tips for reading with your child. http://dadsread.org.au/

**One for the Mum’s** – Meet Frances Whiting at Chermside Library on Thursday 24 October 6 – 7pm as she launches her novel.

We have a short term with borrowing ceasing in week 5 so please encourage your children to borrow each week from the school library and enjoy as many books as they can in the time we have left. The Year 5 class is challenging themselves to read 25 books each in the next 5 weeks.

We look forward to seeing many of you at this year’s Book fair.

Josephine Hill
Teacher Librarian

**Chess Club - Term 4**

**St Joseph’s Chess Club** will resume next Monday, 14th October (3.10pm - 4.10pm) in the Library. There will be no Chess Club Monday, 21st October because of the Pupil Free Day. It will continue the following Monday and every Monday until 2nd December. If you are interested in your child/ren participating in St Joseph’s Chess Club please see Mrs Lucey for an enrolment form. **We have only four spaces available.**

Jane Robinson (St. Joseph's Chess Club Co-ordinator)
Year 2W

**2014 BOOK LISTS** are being sent home with children today.

Parents are requested to read the order instructions very carefully, as there may have been some changes to previous requirements. **Note all orders are required by Wednesday 30th October** to ensure early delivery in December. Late orders will result in late delivery.

Please note that Campion will only accept Credit Card or EFTPOS payments, no cheques will be taken.

We would prefer families to order on line wherever possible, however orders will be accepted at the office up until the 30th October (no cheques or cash accepted). Late orders will not be accepted at the office – you will need to send them direct to Campion.
P&F News

P&F Minutes, Agenda & Principal’s Report Available on Website

On the Menu Bar, Click into About Us, Community, Parents and Friends, make your choice from the Menu, then download the appropriate file, press Ctrl and click into:

P & F Minutes of Meeting:  P & F Meeting Agenda:  Principal’s Report:

Fair News:  P & F Constitution:

The Files will be uploaded to the site as the documents become available.

Tuckshop Roster for next week

Tuckshop  Patty Cakes
Joan Coles  Jodie Walsh
Sara Wenck  Louise Gaspar
Erin Hancock  Nicole English
Penny Storey  
Kate Roche

DON’T FORGET!!! ORDER FRIDAY, EAT MONDAY


If you are on Facebook we would love you to ‘Like us’ as this will be one more way that we will communicate P and F news to you.

St Joseph’s Netball Club reminder:
The club AGM will be held next Monday at 7.30 pm in the Italian room. All are invited to attend.

P & F IT/Social Media/On-line presence

We have had a number of suggestions regarding how we move forward as a P & F with regard to social media, web page, networking, on-line ordering/communications etc. We have decided to meet at 3pm on Friday 18th October in the school library to try to formulate a cohesive strategy that utilises the best of these alternatives without compromising the spirit of our school. If you have some thoughts or would like to know about what is being discussed please come along – as always, everyone welcome. If you can’t make it but would like to contribute a thought, please email Barney at mcauliffe@bcmtrading.com

Cheers
Barney
P & F President

Community News

The Catholic Guy Mission Event
St Joseph’s Catholic Church, Cnr Oxley Rd & Martindale St, Corinda.

Morning sessions at 10.00am ~ Repeated each evening at 7.30pm

Wednesday 16th October  Thursday 17th October  Friday 18th October  Monday 21st October  Tuesday 22nd October

Each session will be approx 1.5 hours in length.
Come to one session or come to the whole week!

Everyone from high school aged to 100 are Welcome!

For more information please contact visit www.brisbanewestdeanery.com.au or phone 3379 1534
St Joseph’s P&F Fundraiser

GREETING/CHRISTMAS CARDS, CALENDARS & DIARIES

Surprise your family and friends with a high quality personalised card, calendar or diary featuring your child’s artwork or a treasured family photo.

The cards will feature St Joseph’s Bardon logo on the back. Art cards will also feature the artist’s name and age in their own handwriting.

Easy to follow instructions on the back of the art paper – use lots of strong bright colours and try to fully cover the art paper. Let your child’s creativity show you the joy of their imagination.

Calendars featuring artwork or photo
ONLY $12 each.

High quality cards in packs of 8 including red envelopes
ONLY $12 per pack

A5 Diaries only $16 each

Card, Calendar and Diary samples are on display in the school office.

The same artwork or photo can be used for calendars, cards or diaries. All original artwork is returned.

You submit your Digital photos online. The option of adding text to a photo make these cards distinctive.

The artwork with your order and payment are to be returned to class teacher by Wednesday 23rd October.

DON’T MISS OUT 2 WEEKS TO SUBMIT!!

Delivery will be prior to the end of November.

Thank you for supporting St. Joseph’s P & F

Sue Donovan (Genevieve Moore 4W) 0412 835 265