Principal’s Report

Thought for the Week
Never get so busy making a living that you forget to make a life.

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Bullying is a very hot topic which is often talked about by parents, children and teachers all over Australia. In March each year, a day is dedicated across the nation to highlight ‘No Bullying’ and to emphasise that behaviour in our communities.

St Joseph’s is a Catholic Learning Community where we recognise and nurture the whole person so that they may have life and have it to the full. Our mission includes – celebrating our Catholic Tradition, respecting and caring for each other, promoting effective partnerships, and building a safe environment. Therefore, we do not tolerate bullying or harassment in any form. We aim to maintain a setting in which everyone feels valued and respected and where individual differences are appreciated, understood and accepted.

Last year we revised our Behaviour Support Plan and this year we will be revising our Anti-Bullying policy (which will be part of the Behaviour Support Plan) with the assistance from BCE personnel and our School Council Committee.

To assist us in our revising of this policy so far this year we have:

1. Developed individual class charters in line with the school values and the newly developed Behaviour Support Plan
2. Teachers have discussed with their class what Bullying is, the various types of Bullying and what bullying is not
3. Delivered a number of lessons about appropriate behaviour, what is appropriate and what is not and discussing a number of strategies that can assist when encountering social problems
4. Set up a Behaviour Database where reported incidences are recorded
5. Conducted a three week block of intensive data gathering of student’s behaviour in the playground, recording both inappropriate, verbal and physical behaviour
6. Commenced discussions with BCE personnel

We will, throughout the year continue to emphasize with the children that Bullying is not an acceptable behaviour in our school community, teach specifically the social capabilities that are a requirement in the ACARA documents across all year levels and create an open policy where children tell about bullying incidents to an adult so it can be dealt with immediately.

Definition of Bullying and Cyberbullying
Bullying is the “repeated oppression, psychological or physical of a less powerful person by a more powerful person or group of persons” (Rigby, 1996)

Bullying is when someone gains power over another person by hurting or harming that person, more than just once. Bullying is intentional and there is an imbalance of power. Bullying is continuing to ‘pick on’ someone, torment them or exclude them, so that the person feels helpless.

Cyberbullying is another form of bullying using technology, such as a computer or mobile phone via text messaging, MSM, social networking, photographs and web pages.

A Bystander is a person who witnesses a bullying incident as an onlooker.
Forms of bullying:

- **Physical**: hitting, kicking, any form of violence, threat or intimidation that could cause physical harm
- **Verbal**: name calling, sarcasm, spreading of rumours, persistent teasing, intimidation, lying about someone
- **Emotional**: excluding, tormenting, ridiculing, humiliation, intimidation
- **Racist**: taunts, graffiti, gestures, intimidation
- **Sexual**: unwanted physical contact, abusive comments, intimidation
- **Cyber**: unwanted text messages, emails, information technology, intimidation

What Bullying is NOT
In keeping with the above definition, “one off” incidents involving social isolation, conflict, random acts of aggression/intimidation or meanness are not defined as bullying.

SIGNS YOUR CHILD MAYBE THE VICTIM OF BULLYING

- Loss of interest in schoolwork
- Reluctance to attend school
- Diminished academic performance
- Reluctance to talk about school and activities
- Limited social contact with peers
- Mood swings, especially toward depression, irritability, unhappiness or outbursts of anger
- Reported headaches, stomach pains (frequently in the morning before leaving for school), poor appetite
- Loss of sleep
- Visible cuts, scratches, bruises
- Loss of personal property because of theft or extortion or damage to personal property

If you believe your child is being bullied at school please discuss this with your child’s teacher immediately. The school cannot help with this problem if we are not told.

Throughout the year we will continue to put into the newsletter information about Bullying and where we are up to in the review of our policy.

ANZAC DAY MARCH AND SERVICE
It was great to have such a large representation of children from St Joseph’s school at the march on Friday morning to the Ithaca War Memorial in Paddington for the service which followed. Thank you to those children and families who made a special effort to celebrate this day.

PLEASE NOTE – NEWSLETTER DAY CHANGE

AS OF WEEK FIVE THIS TERM OUR NEWSLETTER WILL BE SENT HOME TO FAMILIES ON THURSDAYS (no longer on a Wednesday). This is due to a small restructure of office staff. With more and more administration tasks to be completed we now have Mrs Stagnitti (a current school officer) working in the office on a Thursday afternoon and every second Friday to assist Sam Lucey to attend to a number of administration tasks.

Yours sincerely, Carolyn
Principal
From the APRE

ANZAC Day Mass
On Tuesday we came together as a whole school to pay our respects and to thank all those who have dedicated their lives to the service of our country. We heard a great homily from Fr Stanley comparing the recent announcement of two new saints in our church to the examples shown by those fallen soldiers and those who serve in our armed forces. We need to always be an example to others just like our saints and our service men and women. The Mass was concluded with the school leaving in silence as the Year 6 and 7 classes sung “In Flanders’s Fields”

Cross Country Carnival
Another great day out in this beautiful land of our was had by all who attended the cross country carnival. The involvement of all staff and parents and the participation and behaviour of the students is testament to the amazing school we are. Well done to Mrs Lewis and the Sports Committee and to the awesome competitors.

Michael Robertson
Assistant Principal (Religious Education)

Kilometre Club News
Sunday sessions started last week-end and we had a sensational roll-up of over 60 runners. Enthusiasm levels were high and there was some super running being done, even after the heavens opened and we all got drenched.

Thank you to the generous teachers who give up their before school time each Wednesday to supervise Kilometre Club sessions. Also, a big thank you to those parents who have been assisting with marshalling or stamping duties and to our two mums who help with folders, at our Wednesday sessions. Your help is invaluable and greatly appreciated.

A few reminders…
# Sunday sessions have started - 4pm at Bowman Park.
# Remember to get your joining fees in - $15/$30.
# Make sure to run consistently. Check progress regularly. You will need to provide some time to go for runs outside of school sessions, to ensure goal distances are within reach… without a big rush at the end.
# Goal distances for medals are…Prep and Year 1 - 20km,
  Years 2 to 4 - 30kms, Years 5 to 7 - 50kms.
# Make sure all kms run outside of school sessions are signed by an adult.
# Please do not leave your children unattended on Wednesday mornings prior to the session. Supervision is available from 7:30am. Prior to that time the teachers present are setting up for the morning and are not able to be responsible for unattended children.
# Remember to add Cross Country Carnival distances and sign.

Thank you to all those parents who offered to help on Sundays. As Bowman Park is quite a busy place on Sunday afternoons, you can appreciate parent help is very important in ensuring that the children are safe both on the creek run and around the oval. Mrs Lamb has done up a roster to ensure that we are covered with enough parents each week. If any dates don’t suit, please ask others if they could fill in for you. We also have some kind souls who are not on the roster but who are happy to help each week. We took the liberty of highlighting some names in pink. We ask that those ‘highlighted’ people gather parents and send them out to their positions. This would be much appreciated.

Bern Skelly and Wendy Lamb
Cross Country Squad
There are 3 invitational Cross Country events this term involving Mater Dei, St Peter Chanel and St Joseph’s. (please add these to your CC calendar)

2. TBA
3. Monday June 2 - Jubilee Park, Bardon – 3.30pm

** Please note there is no training on Monday morning on May 5 and June 2.

St Peter Chanel is hosting the first invitational Cross Country event. The first one is this Monday 5th May at Wittonga Park, The Gap (located on Hilder Rd opposite Hilder Rd SS oval). It will commence at 3.30pm sharp and will finish about 4.30 pm. This event is open to all of the children in the St Joseph’s Cross Country Squad.

There will be a 1km, 1.5 km and a 2km race for girls and boys to run separately. Juniors – 1km / Intermediates- 1.5km / Seniors- 2km

The children will need to wear their school sports shirt for this event. It is designed to be a training run, so they will not be competing for a trophy.

Please email me if your child will be attending on mbrockhurst@bne.catholic.edu.au

Parents will be required to transport their children to and from the venue. Please let us know if you are unable to transport your child to the park. If you can assist with marshalling on the course please let Melinda know via email.

Regards
Melinda Brockhurst (Yr 5 Teacher)

St Joey’s Garden
A huge thanks to all our helpers - Mothers and also the Rosella Jam makers. Thanks for your time and effort. Money raised will be going back into the garden.

We are running a Garden Club Mother’s Day raffle with tickets on sale this Friday in the Prep area. Tickets are 50c each or 3 for $1. First prize - Mini Herb Garden; Second prize - Bundle of Jams and Relishes; Third prize - $20 Produce voucher. Funds raised from this raffle will also go back into the garden.

Mrs Harden

Chickens are coming!
At long last we are replacing our chooks with some new, younger models. Ron has been busy making some improvements to our chook living arrangements so that access is easier and safer. This means that we will again be looking for volunteers to go on a weekend roster to make sure our girls are fed and safe. The children really enjoy being “chicken farmers” and there is the added bonus of collecting fresh eggs. Please leave your name at the office or contact Wendy Lamb (Wed – Fri) in Year 2W if you are able to help.

GO-SPORTS - Term 2
Join us for all the fun and learn new skills on:
Tuesday mornings (7.45am - 8.30am)
Netball (grades 2-5) and
Soccer (grades Prep - 3)
Commencing May 6th. Please register online at www.gosports.com.au
ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL

WEDNESDAY ACTIVE TRAVEL SURVEYS
All students are encouraged to actively travel to school – walk, scooter, ride or car pool. A survey is taken each Wednesday by teachers and provided to the Council. Each month a certificate will be awarded to the class who has been the best Active School Travel performer.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS: EVERY TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY
The Walking School Bus has restarted in Term 2 with 20 families registered for the walk from school to Bowman Park. Thank you all for taking the opportunity to help ease the traffic congestion around the school, and giving your children the chance to get a little more activity into their day.

Could those new to, or considering, the Walking School Bus please note the following important points:
- Could you please drop your application off at the school office at least 24 hours before you wish your child(ren) to join the Walking School Bus.
- If you have enrolled your children in the Walking School Bus, and need to notify the coordinator of any changes, please text/call or email Christine Brown as per the contact details below.

If you have an interest in walking, cycling or road safety and are interested in reducing traffic congestion around the school, this is your chance to join the dynamic Active School Travel Committee. Brisbane City Council facilitates the group and all that is required is attendance at a one hour meeting once a term (on a Tuesday) and helping out at a couple of events if you can.

If you are interested in being involved please come to one of our meetings, or contact Christine Brown (AST Coordinator) on 0406 425561 or mickandchris@mail.com.au

P&F News

IMPORTANT NOTICE REGARDING NEXT P&F MEETING
Please note that the next P&F meeting will be on Tuesday 6 May 2014 at 7pm in the room next to the library (and not 13 May 2014). The following meeting will be as usual, on the second Tuesday of the month, on 10 June 2014.

STJOEY’S DADS NIGHT
This year’s Dads night promises to be bigger and better than ever! We are meeting from 6pm – 11pm at Gambaros’ MG Bar Balcony on Friday 23rd May. Cost of the evening is $30 upon entry ($25 for the famous Gambaro food and $5 towards the St Josephs P & F Association). This year the Gambaro family has kindly donated 1 night’s accommodation in their brand new boutique Gambaro Hotel plus dinner for 2 in their world famous seafood restaurant (details below, total value approx. $700) to be auctioned off on the night. Pat Howard has also kindly donated a cricket bat signed by legendary Australian Captain Greg Chappell to be another hot auction item on the night. As previous attendees know, this is a great night for the Dads of the school to meet/catch up/renew acquaintances over a beer or 2! We need to give Gambaros our numbers for catering so please RSVP to Barney McAuliffe on mcauliffe@bcmtrading.com or 0400 090 822 asap.

GAMBARO HOTEL

A new era awaits. Launching in May 2014, Brisbane’s newest luxury boutique hotel - Gambaro Hotel - represents a new era in Gambaro hospitality and boutique accommodation.

With an enviable location positioned in the heart of Brisbane’s Caxton Street precinct, Gambaro Hotel is primed to be the sole luxury accommodation in its locality. Situated adjacent to the multi award winning Gambaro Restaurant and Function Centre, in a purpose-built 4 storey building, the hotel offers a premium location unlike any luxury hotel accommodation in Brisbane.

Mothers Day Stall - Friday 9th of May - HELPERS needed!!!!!
We need 12-15 people who’d be happy to help out for a 2 hour time slot on Friday the 9th of May for the Mothers Day Stall. If you are able to spare some time to help out, please contact Danielle on danielle@stringofbeads.com.au or m. 0430 216 085
ST JOSEPH’S NETBALL CLUB

TEAM NEWS – ROUND 3

St Joseph’s 1 – U12 Gold (Div 1) v Phoenix
The girls came out firing in a very energetic, & fast moving netball game!!! The first quarter was neck and neck with amazing attack and good defence. The game got out of reach with some first shots by our incredible shooters missing marginally. We will come back firing next week with our defence & shooters regrouping, after an incredible training session this week. Well done to the whole team, a wonderful effort against tough opposition.

St Joseph’s 2 – U12 Brown (Div 4) vs Valleys20
Fantastic performance last Saturday! Greatly improved flow and good communication between team members produced a convincing win. Everyone did a great job of winning the ball and bringing it back down the court. Our player of the week was Jess – great attack and almost flawless shooting! St Joseph’s 21, Valleys 12.

St Joseph’s 3– U11 Gold (Div 1) v Phoenix
A very challenging game against Phoenix. Joey’s were leading for the first three quarters and it came down to the wire in the last quarter with Phoenix winning 13-11. A great game which tested the girls’ skill and endurance. Very vocal supporters from the opposition but our girls remained focused. A great team effort and a victory is definitely in our sights in the next round.

St Joseph’s 4 – U11 Brown (Div 3) vs Gap 32
St Joseph’s 4, fresh from their Easter break, were keen to notch up a win. They certainly started well getting the first goal of the match. The girls showed plenty of spirit to see some wonderful defending throughout the match and even though the girls had a draw for the result, the team knows that they are more than capable of a win. Overall the team played well and are settling into a good rhythm as they continue to work as a team. Teamwork Award was awarded to Isabelle for some wonderful defence work and Abigail for accuracy in goal shooting. Result: St Joeys 7 to The Gap 7. Go Girls!!!!!

St Joseph’s 5 – U11 White Gold (Div 5) v Arana 14
Both teams had spectators biting their nails in suspense with well-matched and tightly contested plays throughout the game. St Joey’s came back from 1-4 at the first quarter break to take the match 7-6.

St Joseph’s 6 - U10 Blue vs Canon15
Despite a two week break our girls were back in form showing great possession of the ball. Managing to keep the ball in their shooting circle and converting many shots at goal made for a successful start t to the new term. Well done Joeys Blue.

St Joseph’s 7 – U10 Yellow v Raiders 17
A sad loss for the mighty team 8 to 6. The girls played very well but were a tad distracted by their fabulous holidays. We have implemented our motivational song “Eye of the Tigerrrrrrrrrr!” and know this will make a difference next game. There was some explosive defending by Talulah, Daisy, Amy and exceptional goals by Ash and Charlie. Lovely Niamh, Hads and Sophia were our amazing all-rounders. Well done!!!!

St Joseph’s 8 – U9 Red v St Joseph’s 8 Red v Flugel
We had a great game against Flugel on Saturday. The whole team displayed continued improvement in all areas of their game, but most notably their defence and interception of the ball. Their enthusiasm is more evident with every game, as they gain a better understanding and become aware of their abilities.

St Joseph’s 9 – U9 Red v Flugel
Our girls did a great job under extreme conditions. The girls displayed good team work, their skills are improving rapidly with good interceptions, nice quick passes and fast ball turnovers. Against a strong opposition it was a low scoring game.

Joseph’s 10 - U9 White vs Raiders 29
The girls enjoyed a close game with an excellent second half narrowing the gap. Well done girls! You are showing great improvement in your knowledge of the rules and in sticking with your opponent in defence. Keep up the great team spirit. Nippers White ‘Player of the Week’ goes to Aibhe for great goal shooting. Well done girls!

St Joseph’s 11 – U9 Maroon vs Valley 32
Our girls faced tough competition against Valley 32, and were a little overwhelmed having had no court time since their last game before the school holidays. There was some good passage of play in the first quarter resulting in a goal for the Maroons. And whilst our girls remained energetic for the duration of the game, the last three quarters were dominated by Valley 32. Our girls still walked off the court with big smiles, happy to have played a game. Their effort and sportsmanship were rewarded, thanks to the birthday cupcakes made by Sara (Alice’s mum) for 3 of our girls turning 8 this week. Happy birthday Alice, Grace and Imogen! Special thanks to Trent (Eliza’s Dad) for filling in as Acting Coach.
Raising Kids to Thrive!

Monday 12 May 2014 7:30pm - 9:00pm
St Joseph’s Hall (off Cecil Road, Bardon)

For parents of primary school-aged children

Michael's presentation is based on current research and best parenting practice. Michael will help you feel more confident, less anxious and better equipped to raise kids today.

Raising Kids to Thrive! is the new roadmap to parenting success for parents of children 3 to 12 years of age.

Kids need strong, confident leadership ... from their parents. That's quite a challenge these days as kids grow up at the speed of light and parents are unsure of their place in the lives of kids.

Michael will show parents how to be confident family leaders, able to develop real confidence, character and resilience - the keys to kids’ future success in this ever-changing world.

Here's what Michael covers:

- How to develop real independence in kids so that they are equipped to look after themselves.
- The most effective parenting style for raising today’s kids.
- The secrets to building strong families and how you can apply these principles to your own family.
- Why disappointment, struggle and failure are good for kids and how you can help them to grow from these experiences.
- Great ways to get cooperation from your kids without nagging, shaming or raising your voice.
True GRIT helps kids succeed

Developing character strengths is just as important to your child’s future success as building academic skills.

“Talent or persistence. Which would you choose for your child?”

I often ask this question at my parenting seminars and the responses are fascinating. Parents naturally want both. Sorry, but that’s not an option.

When pushed most parents choose talent over persistence, which in many ways reflects the current thinking around achievement. However, intelligence, sporting prowess and ability in whatever it is we value will only get a child or young person so far. Talent is purely potential. They need more than this to achieve sustained excellence in anything they do. It is the character traits of hard work and the ability to stick at a task and see it through that make all the difference.

Malcolm Gladwell, in his book Outliers, describes twenty-something American student Renee, who took 22 minutes to work out a complicated math question. The average student gives up after THREE minutes, preferring to ask for help than work through the problem.

Renee was unusual in persisting for so long until she got the solution. The funny thing is, she doesn’t describe herself as a good math student, yet she is highly successful at maths. Grit rather than pure math talent is her forte.

Character matters

Cognitive (thinking and reasoning) skills by themselves aren’t enough for children to succeed over the long journey. Many recent studies (most notably the work of US-based Angela Duckworth) have found that character, not cognitive ability, is the single most reliable determinant of how a person’s life will turn out. The traits associated with success include the inclination to persist at a boring task (grit), the ability to delay gratification (self-control) and the tendency to follow through with a plan (conscientiousness). These are invaluable traits at school, in the workplace and in life in general.

Character works as an indicator of success when it’s seen as set of strengths and personality traits rather than personal values such as loyalty, tolerance or forgiveness.

Character is forged under difficulty

The key character traits of grit, self-control and conscientiousness are forged under hardship and duress. This makes our current propensity to over protect and over indulge kids problematic. When kids continually experience easy success we set them up for failure because when they finally face up to difficult situations many lack the capacity to push through the tough times.

Encouraging kids to step out of their comfort zones and take learning and social risks is one of the great challenges for modern parents. It’s critical that we challenge children and young people to attempt activities where failure is a real option. Overcoming setbacks and pushing through difficulties is how character is formed.
Character is malleable

The good news is that character, like intelligence, is malleable. It’s not fixed. It’s important to establish in your own mind as a parent, and also in your children’s minds, that character traits such as grit, self-control and conscientiousness can be developed.

To this end it’s important that parents steer clear of using absolute language to label behaviour and express views that traits and abilities are fixed. Comments such as ‘You’re no good at maths’ become a rule that young people learn to live by, and become default thinking that’s hard to budge.

Make grit part of a family’s brand

In my book Thriving I wrote about how every family has its own distinctive brand, which is a reflection of the strengths and traits that all members share.

For instance, if high work ethic is a common trait then it’s a fair bet that hard work is something parents focus on in their family.

Parents can actively promote grit and persistence in kids by making character part of their family’s brand. They can focus on character in conversations. They can share experiences where character paid off for them in their lives. They can discuss how character contributes to excellence and success in everyday life including at work, at school and in the sporting field. Character and its many components can become part the family narrative regardless of the age of the children.

Build proprietary language around character

Families develop their own language around what’s important to them and that needs to include the language of character if parents want to foster excellence.

Continuous messaging of terms and phrases such as ‘hang tough’ and ‘hard yakka’ help weave character traits into the family DNA.

Parents should reflect on the language and terms they already use and build key phrases and terms around the following key character strengths: grit, self-control, conscientiousness, enthusiasm, social intelligence, gratitude, optimism, and curiosity.

Character becomes the default mechanism

Habit and character go hand in hand. Conscientious young people don’t go around consciously deciding that they’ve got to delay the fun stuff until they’ve done their work. They’ve just made it their default mechanism to stick at their task, or delay gratification or jump into a task with enthusiasm.

Conscientiousness doesn’t always serve a young person well. They can sometimes place full focus on menial or unimportant tasks when a smarter option may be to cruise and save energy for the important times such as exams. That’s where parental guidance plays a part. However, in the long run conscientiousness serves a young person well when it’s their default because when the stakes are high and they really need to work hard, they will automatically make the right choice. In fact, it will be the only option they see when excellence really matters.

Parenting ideas just got better! Parenting Ideas Club has just been launched and has all the answers you need. There are 100’s of articles, videos, guides, how to’s, book reviews and more available for members. Become a member today at parentingideasclub.com.au.
The P&F is holding a Mother’s Day Stall on

Friday 9th of May

Choose a lovely gift for Mum.

Gifts include:
• gorgeous handmade soaps from the Soap Bar in Maleny
• ‘Bling’ pens
• lovely notepads
• handmade crystal bracelets
• recipe book stands
• travel coffee mugs
• tea cups & saucers
• chocolates
• and lots more.......

...........and a small selection of gifts for Grandma/Nanna too!

Prices range from $1 - $6

* you can get several presents to make up a nice package for Mum for $10-15!
St Joseph’s Bardon App

**PLEASE NOTE** – Any important and last minute messages will now be delivered through a push notification via the school app.

It is very important that you ‘allow’ push notifications to your child’s class (eg. 4B) and any other groups (eg. Kilometre Club) to receive up to date messages/cancellations etc.

- Unlimited free instant Push message Notifications (Push anything instantly)
- Unlimited Push message categories for parents to subscribe to.
- Alerts
- Events
- News
- Newsletters
- Information pages - Permission Notes
- Links to website pages
- Embedded PDF documents
- Embedded Videos/Maps and GPS directions
- Unlimited content Categories - RSS Feed and Google Calendar integration
- Password protected content
- Social Media sharing
- Website integration - Timetables
- Reply by SMS and Email - Unlimited photo - Parent eForms for Sick Note/Absent and Change of details.

**iPhone Users**

Simply search for ‘St Josephs Bardon’ in the App Store on your phone, PC or Mac, and install.

After the app is installed on your phone, make sure that you select ‘OK’ to allow push notifications. Also click on ‘more’ then ‘setup’ and select which categories you would like to receive push notifications for.

**Android Users**

Simply search for ‘St Josephs Bardon’ in the Google Play Store on your phone or PC and install.

After the app is installed on your phone, make sure that you select ‘OK’ to allow push notifications. Also click on ‘more’ then ‘setup’ and select which categories you would like to receive push notifications for.
URGENT - Vacancy - School Crossing Supervisor

A casual position exists for a School Crossing Supervisor.

The School Crossing Supervisor position is for 2 - 5 days a week however you may be required to work up to 10 days per fortnight in all weather conditions. The hours of work for the School Crossing Supervisor are 1.5 hours a day and comprises 60 minutes in the morning and 30 minutes in the afternoon.

The current rate of pay is $26.90 per hour.

Commencement of work for the successful applicant is dependent on:

- The favourable outcome of a health assessment carried out by a Government Medical Officer.
- A Positive Notice Blue Card (You will be assisted through this process by the Road Safety Office)

Completed applications should be returned to:
The Principal
St Joseph’s School Bardon
The Drive
Bardon Qld 4060

ASHGROVE WEST PRESCHOOL CENTRE – AFTER HOURS CARE ASSISTANT

Your responsibilities include:

- Deliver the After Hours Care program under the supervision and direction of the After Hours Care Coordinator
- Build a rapport with children and their families
- Assist in delivering the service in accordance with appropriate policies and standards
- Communicate effectively and work collaboratively with the After Hours Care Coordinator

Your qualifications:

- Minimum 2 years qualification in a field directly relevant to the operation of an AHC Service e.g. Certificate 3 of Community Services (Children's Services) or equivalent
- Previous experience in early childhood settings
- Current Blue Card
- Current First Aid/ CPR, Asthma and Anaphylaxis Certificate

The hours of the role will be approximately 12-16 hours per week during school term between 2.15pm - 5.30pm, Monday to Friday. Award rates and conditions as per Childrens Services Award 2010.

This position holds an important place within AWPS as the program provides additional flexibility for families who require additional care, offering an extra 3 hours per day of pre prep care during school terms.

Send applications to awps@smiletelecom.com.au. Or
Post to Ashgrove West Preschool Centre
PO Box 2058

Bike Week - Closed Streets for Kids - Sunday 4 May

The young and young-at-heart will be kings of the road during this new Bike Week event! We're closing Riverside Drive between Jane Street and the Kurlilpa Bridge and turning the streets over to the kids!

Council’s Active School Travel team will be hosting a free, family friendly activity designed to help educate young riders about staying safe whilst having fun on their bikes.

The challenge will involve a scavenger-hunt where children will stop at a number of check points. At each check point participants will have to showcase their knowledge of road rules and their riding skills through a fun challenge.

On successful completion of the route, participants will go into the draw to win a family package at Sea World Resort including one night accommodation and entry into Seaworld. There will also be other prizes and giveaways up for grabs, along with other fun activities for kids, including a jumping castle, face painting, food and drinks.

Scooters, balance bikes, trikes and anything with wheels are more than welcome!

Date: Sunday 4 May
Time: 9.00am – 11.30 am
Location: Riverside Drive, South Brisbane
Cost: Free

For more information on all Bike Week activities, please visit http://bikeweek.bg.qr.org.au/whats-on/events/