Dear Parents and Caregivers

The first semester comes to an end this Friday and I would like to sincerely thank the staff for all the time and effort given to teaching and supporting the children during the first half of the year. It has been a very busy six months with many challenges along the way. Thanks to all our children for their enthusiasm for learning and involvement in all that is offered at the school and finally, thank you to all the parents who give their time to assist in and out of the classroom. I hope you know that you contribute much to our school community.

I take this opportunity to thank Mrs Majella Deegan who has been teaching Year 2G for the past six weeks while Mrs Anne Gole has been on leave and welcome back Anne at the commencement of Term 3.

Recently our teaching staff participated in a workshop titled “Bullying, Student Wellbeing and the Australian Curriculum” which was facilitated by Melissa Graham from BCE. We looked at research and data that had been collected and began revising our Anti-bullying policy in accordance with BCE guidelines and the Australian curriculum.

It was noted that at St Joseph’s we will:

- Openly talk about bullying – what it is, how it affects individuals, groups and the community and what we can do about it.
- Provide our students with opportunities to develop skills, which will build their self-awareness and self-management skills (as stated in the ACARA documents)
- Encourage students to ‘tell’ of incidents of bullying or of being bullied. Establish ‘telling’ as acceptable and responsible behaviour valued in our community.

All staff will:

- Be models of caring and tolerant behaviour
- Discourage any signs of bullying or anti-social behaviour
- Be vigilant and observant for signs of bullying in the playground and classroom
- Encourage students to report bullying incidences
- Deal with all reported and observed incidences of bullying as set out in this policy.
- Where applicable ensure that incidences are reported to the principal.
- Provide children with skills and strategies to recognise and manage stress which may arise through relationships
- Record identified bullying incidents.

Students will:

- Not bully another person
- Not stand-by and watch others being bullied
- Report to a teacher or a staff member and/or their parents if they feel they are being bullied or if they witness any incidence of bullying. Pass all details of the event onto a teacher or member of the leadership team.

Thought for the Week

Be faithful in small things, because it is in them that your strength lies. Mother Teresa
Our Star Student of the Week is Olivia Williams (PW) From the APRE

Mini Vinnies Winter Appeal – Finishes today
Thank you to everyone who donated to our Winter Appeal. We have baskets and baskets of food and on our first week next Term, Mr Jeff Cowan will personally thank our school for its ongoing support. If at any time you would like to donate food or funds to St Vinnies please drop it at the school office or contact me.

Also a big thank you to all the staff who through their winter soup Fridays raised money to support our appeal.

Communion and Confirmation
The dates for the necessary enrolment nights for Communion and Confirmation etc are below. Any questions or queries can be directed straight to the Parish Office on 33695351 or feel free to come see me here at school.

Date Claimers:
Tuesday 29 July – Parent Information (enrolment) Night: 7.00pm Scared Heart Rosalie
Thursday 4 September- Retreat Day Lavalla Centre
September 5/6/7 – Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion

Term 3 Masses:
Week 3: Year 7 and Prep – Catholic Education Week
Week 4: Years 5 &6
Week 5: Whole school Mass –Feast of the Assumption
Week 6:Year 2
Week 7: Year 3
Week 8: Year 4
Week 9: Year 1

Michael Robertson
Assistant Principal (Religious Education)

Parents should:
- Listen sympathetically to reports of bullying from their children
- Speak to relevant school personnel (not the alleged student/s concerned)
- Work in partnership with the school to discuss their concerns and seek assistance for their child
- Instruct and encourage their children to ‘tell’ if they are bullied
- Watch for signs that their child may be demonstrating bullying behaviour
- Work with the school to address any bully behaviour in their child.

We will continue to work on this area throughout the year and keep parents informed of further developments.

AMBROSE TREACY COLLEGE

Over the past few months a number of discussions have taken place to investigate further options for families seeking a Catholic Education for their sons in the Brisbane west corridor. Today I write with information of a developing relationship between, Mr Michael Senior, Principal of Nudgee Junior College, Indooroopilly and the Brisbane Catholic Education, Executive Director, Ms Pam Betts, Directors of Schools and the Principals of the Brisbane Catholic Education western corridor schools. The aim of this relationship is to develop a “Memorandum of Understanding” between Brisbane Catholic Education and their western corridor schools, including our school, St Joseph’s School Bardon and Ambrose Treacy College to provide further Catholic Education options for families in the area. As part of this agreement, Ambrose Treacy College aims to offer Catholic families attending Brisbane Catholic Education western corridor schools a “guarantee” of enrolment in Year 7 for their sons. This offer of a place at Ambrose Treacy College for Year 7 will be made at the same time as the College’s enrolment process for their year 4 intake is made. This option would effectively mean that parents will be able to make a family decision to have their son continue in his BCE Catholic school (St Joseph’s Bardon) until the end of the primary years (Year 6) with a place confirmed at Ambrose Treacy College for Year 7. The “guaranteed” offer for a place in Year 7 will be made available to Catholic families who have a committed enrolment at BCE western corridor schools from Prep and it will be dependent on families fulfilling the Ambrose Treacy College’s Enrolment processes and the College being able to meet the educational needs of the student. Information about enrolling in Ambrose Treacy College is available on the College’s website at http://www.njc.qld.edu.au/preview/index.html.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a safe and relaxing holiday this break. First day of Term 3 is Monday 14th July with school commencing at 8:35am.

Best wishes, Carolyn
cyber(smart:)

Internet privacy in an age of oversharing

We are holding an information session for parents on:

CYBERSAFETY

@ St Joseph's Hall 30th July, 6-7:30pm.

Join in the discussion with an ACMA Cybersmart expert.

Arm yourself with the knowledge of ‘what’s trending’ and how to assist your child navigate safety online.

www.cybersmart.gov.au
Dear Parents,

Parent-Teacher interviews will be held for all Year levels except Year 4 during Week 2 and 3 of Term 3 - Monday 21st July to Friday the 1st August. Year 4 will hold their interviews in Week 1 - Monday the 14th to Friday the 18th July due to their camp taking place in Week 2.

*Interviews with parents of children in 2G (Anne Gole) will occur later in the term. Parents of students in 2G will be unable to make bookings at this time.*

Interviews will be of 15 minutes duration.

For these interviews we are introducing a new internet-based booking system called Parent Teacher On-Line (PTO). Using this system you will be able to book the interview times that suit you best from any internet-connected computer. Information regarding how to access the new system will be sent home via email by the end of the week. This email will contain a PIN that parents will need to use to access the online booking system.

We are sure the system will be of benefit to students, parents and staff. Any feedback you may wish to provide once we begin using the system will be most welcome.

**Full instructions are provided to you after log in. Please note the following:**

**PTO WILL BE ACTIVE FOR PARENTS FROM MONDAY THE 30TH JUNE.**

1. Use this link to access PTO for our school.  

2. Alternatively, this link is also available on the school website under **Quick Links.**  
http://www.stjosephsbardon.qld.edu.au/Pages/default.aspx

3. Click on “Obtain PIN/Password”, enter the email address you have recorded at St Joseph’s and press **Send Email.** As long as the email matches the one we have on record, you will receive a link via email which you can use to enter PTO without the need for a username and PIN.

4. **If your email has changed since you last updated your school record it will need to be changed in PTO. Please email Amanda Gardiner immediately at:** amanda.gardiner@bne.catholic.edu.au **so this change can be put in place to allow you to login to the booking system.**

5. When you log on, the system displays only your own child/children. Bookings are made for **individual** parents/guardians, not for couples. Couples can however log on to the system simultaneously to coordinate bookings. If two parents/guardians wish to attend a single interview time slot, one parent/guardian should make the booking then both can attend.

6. You will only see time slots that are **available** at the time you are using the system. As time slots are booked for teachers, those time slots are no longer displayed as available. PTO prevents double-booking of teachers or parents/guardians.

7. When you have made all the bookings you require, you can download or email a **report** of your bookings in time order for printing. You can log in and **change bookings** any time up to the day before the interview.

8. Other parents may be making bookings at the same time that you are using the system. It is possible, though unlikely, that a time slot is displayed to you as available, but is then booked by another parent shortly afterwards. If you then attempt to book this time slot it will not be available and a message will be displayed to indicate this.

Kind Regards,

Amanda Gardiner  
Teacher Librarian  
St Joseph's Catholic Primary School  
41 The Drive, Bardon, 4065  
T (07) 3369 3020 | F (07) 3369 8437  
Amanda.Gardiner@bne.catholic.edu.au

*The more that you read, the more things you know.*  
*The more that you learn, the more places you'll go*
Our Star Student of the Week is: Jacob (Prep W)

KILOMETRE CLUB NEWS
What a great end to our Kilometre Club season! Thank you to Glenda and Chris Hawley for organising this morning’s BBQ. Thanks also to the parents and students who helped with setting up, cooking, supervising and serving food. This is always a great social event.

The medal list is almost finalised and medals are about to be ordered...there’s been a lot of wonderful running. Well done to all of the children who came along and ran so enthusiastically each Wednesday and Sunday. Thanks to the parents who organised their families so that children could be at the park ready to run.

Medals will be awarded in distances that are multiples of 5. Some runners will find they have their total rounded slightly down and others, who just missed a distance, have been asked to run the extra in the holidays. Those runners who handed in a folder but did not reach their goal distance will receive a certificate on medal day. Folders will be returned to all club members this week.

Medals will be given out early next term.

Kilometre Club is a wonderful and very worthwhile activity but it couldn’t happen without the generous help of others.

A big thank you to...
* The Hawley Family for organising our BBQ
* Kate Nunan and Mel Hislop for helping to sign folders each Wednesday
* Our wonderful parent volunteers on Sundays and Wednesdays
* Our generous staff members who helped on Wednesdays, either on the oval or park or walking children back to school
* The Year 6/7s who helped sort folders
* Mrs Lamb who is always there
* Janet and Peter McFadden…what would we do without them!

UNIFORM SHOP SALE
Thankyou for the great support of the Second Hand Uniform Shop this past Semester. The donations have been huge, and of such a high standard that there has never been such a great variety of sizes available.

Some of our more popular items are listed below, but we also have limited numbers of House Tee’s, Km Club tees, Netball Dresses and Visors.

Prep Shirts $5
Girls Skorts $2
Dresses $10
Boys Shorts $2
Boys Shirts $5
Sport Shirts $5
Jumpers $10
Hats $5.

Thankyou to all those who have settled outstanding IOU’s, and a big thankyou to Izzy T and the Year 5 shop girls!

We are still operating in the mornings (8am – 9am) of the first Friday of each Month, with the next open being the first week back of Semester 2, Friday 18th July.

While the weather is great you will find us on the lawn outside Bardon House.

★ SEE YOU FRIDAY 18th July ★
From Clarissa & Carolyn

KM Club BBQ
We had some hungry children this morning using 240 sausages, 17 loaves of bread and 200 apples.

Our food came from:
Bread from Francy’s at Rosalie
Gluten Free sausages from Stuartholme Butchers
Apples from Ashgrove Fruit Shop

So please support our local suppliers. Also thanks to all of our wonderful helpers, especially Mrs Lamb and Mrs Skelly.
Prep B  Lucy for always demonstrating a wonderful enthusiasm for learning. Well done Lucy!

Prep G  Luca for making sure everyone has a light and happy heart this week.

Prep W  Brooklyn for “blowing us away” with her creative projects in class and for showing great persistence during tasks.

1B  Emme for being persistent in class and getting her work done.

1G  Flynn for a wonderful effort with his diorama and a pleasing improvement in effort in other areas.

1W  Rose for great creativity and enthusiasm making your diorama this week. Mollie for a big improvement writing on the red and blue lines and for being a helpful class member.

2B  Finnbar for being a responsible student who works quietly and conscientiously in class as well as showing care and concern for others.

2G  Connor for his consistent and conscientious effort in all he does. Well done!

2W  George for always sharing interesting ideas during class discussion.

3B  Olivia for an engaging history presentation.

3G  Hugo for making a wonderful effort in his History talk. Everyone enjoyed it. Well done!

3W  Emily for following instructions and doing her best. Well done!

4B  Ava for showing persistence when faced with a problem and improved results with her maths facts.

4W  Sam for being a hard-working and reliable member of 4W. Thank you!

6B  In Canberra

7B  In Canberra

PLEASE NOTE!
There will be NO District Athletics Training on the oval this Friday afternoon from 3.15pm due to the last day of school. More District training will be provided early Term 3.

Important Dates

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Term 2</th>
<th></th>
<th>Term 2 Ends</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>27 June</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Term 3</th>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>14 July</td>
<td>Term 3 Commences</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>23 July</td>
<td>NWD Track and Field Carnival</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>24 July</td>
<td>NWD Track and Field Carnival</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thurs &amp; Fri</td>
<td>24 &amp; 25 July</td>
<td>Yr 4 Underwater World Camp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>21 July to</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>31 July</td>
<td>Parent Teacher Interviews</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>29 July</td>
<td>Parent Information Night - Confirmation @ Sacred Heart Rosalie 7pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Monday</td>
<td>11 August</td>
<td>Athletics Carnival @ Marist (Track only)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tuesday</td>
<td>12 August</td>
<td>Athletics Carnival @ St Joseph’s (Field only)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>13 August</td>
<td>Ekka Holiday</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wednesday</td>
<td>20 August</td>
<td>Yr 5 Camp</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sunday</td>
<td>31 August</td>
<td>Family Fun Day</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>4 September</td>
<td>Father’s Day Stall (Preps)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>4 September</td>
<td>Retreat Day @ Lavalla Centre</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>5 September</td>
<td>Father’s Day Stall (Yrs 1 - 7)</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fri, Sat &amp; Sun</td>
<td>5, 6 &amp; 7 September</td>
<td>Confirmation &amp; Holy Communion Evenings</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thursday</td>
<td>11 September</td>
<td>Zone Athletics</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>12 September</td>
<td>Zone Athletics</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>12 September</td>
<td>Confirmation Evening</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Friday</td>
<td>19 September</td>
<td>Term 3 Ends</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**Athletics Training**

Pre-season Athletics training sessions will start week 1 of next term. All interested students 8 years and above are invited to attend long jump and sprint training and students 9 years and above are invited to attend shot put and high jump training.

After our school carnival, a Zone Athletics squad will be selected to represent the school at the Zone Athletics Carnival. The Junior Carnival (ages 8, 9, 10 Years) will be held on Tuesday 9th September and Senior Carnival (ages 11, 12 and 13 years) will be held on Wednesday 10th September. Please note these dates have been changed recently by the Zone Committee.

The full training program through to Zone Athletics Carnival is listed in the calendar below.

Preparations for our School Athletics Carnival will consist of an introduction to skills and trials in PE lessons and the opportunity to practise the skills at lunch time. Each skill will be held on a different day with odd classes (Years 3, 5, 7) using odd weeks (weeks 1 and 3) and even classes (Years 2, 4, 6) using even weeks (weeks 2 and 4).

Zone Athletics training will begin in week 6 after our Carnival and consist of Monday afternoon training sessions on the oval and Bowman Park for sprint/ relay training.

Any parent assistance will be most welcome to any of the trainings.

Make sure to bring along appropriate clothes for training and sneakers. Children will also need a cap and a full drink bottle.

Participation in these training sessions is NOT compulsory but is encouraged.

Regards,

Christie Lewis  
Athletics Coordinator

Carolyn Hayes  
Principal
The Athletics Calendar and training sessions will be as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>MONDAY</th>
<th>TUESDAY</th>
<th>WEDNESDAY</th>
<th>THURSDAY</th>
<th>FRIDAY</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>JULY 14TH Week 1</td>
<td>15TH</td>
<td>16TH</td>
<td>17TH</td>
<td>18TH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TERM 3 BEGINS</td>
<td>1st Break</td>
<td>Before School Sprint Training All Years 7.45-8.15am Oval</td>
<td>1st Break High Jump Practise Years 3, 5, 7</td>
<td>1st Break Shot Put Practise Years 3, 5, 7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>21ST Week 2</td>
<td>22ND</td>
<td>23RD</td>
<td>24TH</td>
<td>25TH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1st Break</td>
<td>1st Break</td>
<td>Before School Sprint Training All Years 7.45-8.15am Oval</td>
<td>1st Break High Jump Practise Years 2, 4, 6</td>
<td>1st Break Shot Put Practise Years 2, 4, 6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28TH Week 3</td>
<td>29TH</td>
<td>30TH</td>
<td>31ST</td>
<td>AUG 1ST</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1st Break</td>
<td>1st Break</td>
<td>Before School Sprint Training All Years 7.45-8.15am Oval</td>
<td>1st Break High Jump Practise Years 3, 5, 7</td>
<td>1st Break Shot Put Practise Years 3, 5, 7</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4TH Week 4</td>
<td>5TH</td>
<td>6TH</td>
<td>7TH</td>
<td>8TH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1st Break</td>
<td>1st Break</td>
<td>Before School Sprint Training All Years 7.45-8.15am Oval</td>
<td>1st Break High Jump Practise Years 2, 4, 6</td>
<td>1st Break Shot Put Practise Years 2, 4, 6</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11ST Week 5</td>
<td>12ND</td>
<td>13TH</td>
<td>14TH</td>
<td>15TH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>ST JOSEPH'S</td>
<td>ST JOSEPH'S FIELD</td>
<td>EKKA HOLIDAY</td>
<td>1st Break</td>
<td>1st Break</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TRACK CARNIVAL -</td>
<td>CARNIVAL -</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>MARIST ASHGROVE</td>
<td>ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL OVAL</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18TH Week 6</td>
<td>19TH</td>
<td>20TH</td>
<td>21ST</td>
<td>22ND</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Zone Athletics Sprint/ Relay Training Bowman Park 3.15-4.15pm</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Sprint/ Relay Training Bowman Park 3.15-4.15pm</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Sprint/ Relay Training Bowman Park 3.15-4.15pm</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Sprint/ Relay Training Bowman Park 3.15-4.15pm</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Sprint/ Relay Training Bowman Park 3.15-4.15pm</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25TH Week 7</td>
<td>26TH</td>
<td>27TH</td>
<td>28TH</td>
<td>29TH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event Training 3.15-4.15pm School Oval</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event Training 3.15-4.15pm School Oval</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event Training 3.15-4.15pm School Oval</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event Training 3.15-4.15pm School Oval</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event Training 3.15-4.15pm School Oval</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>SEPT 1ST Week 8</td>
<td>2ND</td>
<td>3RD</td>
<td>4TH</td>
<td>5TH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event Training 3.15-4.15pm School Oval</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event Training 3.15-4.15pm School Oval</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event Training 3.15-4.15pm School Oval</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event Training 3.15-4.15pm School Oval</td>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event Training 3.15-4.15pm School Oval</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8TH Week 9</td>
<td>9TH</td>
<td>10TH</td>
<td>11TH</td>
<td>12TH</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Zone Athletics Field Event and Sprint/Relay Training School Oval 3.15-4.15pm</td>
<td>ZONE ATHLETICS JUNIOR (8, 9, 10 YRS) CARNIVAL ARANA HILLS</td>
<td>ZONE ATHLETICS SENIOR (11, 12, 13 YRS) CARNIVAL ARANA HILLS</td>
<td>ZONE ATHLETICS JUNIOR (8, 9, 10 YRS) CARNIVAL ARANA HILLS</td>
<td>ZONE ATHLETICS SENIOR (11, 12, 13 YRS) CARNIVAL ARANA HILLS</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
ST JOSEPH’S NETBALL CLUB

IMPORTANT DATES:
End of Season Presentation – Sunday 14 September
Team Photos and Action shots – Saturday 28 June

TEAM NEWS – ROUND 9

St Joseph’s 1 – U12 Gold (Div 2) v Aspley 11
Well this was certainly our best game of the year. After a week in Canberra and a couple of girls out due to other commitments, we were expecting a weakened team, but the hunger, passion and determination was fierce in this game by our girls, and the result at the end of this game reflected this. Thank you to Chloe who filled in for us today, you were truly remarkable and a deserving winner of our player of the match alongside Kate who played 4 quarters in centre with ease!! Thank you also to Rose for her patience on the sideline as our sub. I’m so proud of you guys, a great win to this Joeys team 31-18. Go Joeys!! X

St Joseph’s 2 – U12 Brown (Div 4) vs St Margaret’s
Our girls rallied in a fantastic game against St Margaret’s, who are currently at the top of the leader board. After being 6 points down at half time the girls fought back hard in the second half to even the score in the final quarter and finish with a 21 all draw! Huge thanks to Ella for stepping in in the last quarter, as our team was a few players down and those who were there were flagging after an exhausting week in Canberra and an intense game! It was an awesome game to watch and great result – well done Joeys! St Josephs 21, St Margarets 21.

St Joseph’s 3 – U11 Gold (Div 1) v Raiders
This team is to be admired for their sportsmanship and resilience in such a tough draw. They go out there week after week and play their hardest and are great role models for all the younger girls watching. Thanks Nick for a beautiful selection of fruit at half time, the girls really enjoyed it. The second half of the game saw Raiders play a more defensive game as the girls worked really hard to get the ball into the circle. Well done Issy for some great shooting. After our game this week the girls can relax and enjoy the holidays. Well done girls.

St Joseph’s 4 – U11 Brown (Div 3) v The Gap 32
Well what a match! The girls were absolutely firing from the start. The first quarter saw them head to head with The Gap. In the second quarter St Joeys trailed by 3 goals but the team did not give up and they levelled the score with The Gap by the end of the third quarter. The defence in the fourth quarter was outstanding and the girls not only managed to hold out The Gap but they put on 3 goals. In their previous match up, St Joeys and The Gap drew, however this was a solid win for our team. Keep up the good team work! Teamwork Awards were received by Grace for great intercepts, and Abigail for great shooting. Result: St Joeys 12 to The Gap 9. Go Girls!!!!!

St Joseph’s 5 – U11 White Gold (Div 5) v Arana 14
The girls were all on fire today! Real confidence and cohesiveness as a team saw the girls passing beautifully and shooting like professionals. But just when we thought it was going to be a landslide win, Arana fought back and made our girls sit up and take notice! We stayed strong and won convincingly 16 to 6. Well done girls!

St Joseph’s 6 - U10 Blue vs Canons 15
Well it certainly smelt like Team Spirit this week as our girls showed us their incredible ability to transport the ball down the court to their goal. While our opponents are constantly improving throughout the season, our girls seem to be able to stay a step ahead with solid attacking skills and clever play, even outmanoeuvring a particularly difficult defensive pair in their shooting circle. A well deserved win this week Joeys! A big thank you to Janelle Ingham for preparing our reports each week – we will miss you and Sophia next term.

St Joseph’s 7 – U10 Yellow v AHS 34
Well, when you are pitched against a team of players a year older, some weaker mortals would shiver! Not the Joeys girls, they dug deep and gave their best. We were evenly matched for the majority of the game - an acknowledgement to all our hard training sessions. We have mastered the long powerful throw and fancy foot work. We are all very proud of our girls, they shine as always!!!

St Joseph’s 8 – U9 Red v Flugel
The girls had the best game of their season on Saturday, coach Chantelle was so impressed and overjoyed to see all of the drills, training, explaining etc finally come together, resulting in a fast and competitive game. Special mention should go to our shooters this week for their pin point accuracy displayed at goal. Great game girls, well done.

St Joseph’s 9 – U9 Red v Flugel 15
Our girls displayed fabulous team work, moving around the circle well to ensure opportunities on goal. The defence also worked well with good interceptions, nice quick passes and fast ball turnovers. Against a strong opposition the girls were hungry for the ball and showed assertiveness. Well done Nippers 9!

St Joseph’s 10 - U9 White vs Raiders 28
As usual our girls maintained their enthusiasm and good sportsmanship throughout Saturday’s game against Raiders. We can see how much you are improving each game. Nippers White ‘Player of the Week’ goes to Charlotte, for a playing so well for an entire game. Girls, have to look over the netball positions and get in some shooting practice over the holidays. Nippers White loves netball!

St Joseph’s 11 – U9 Maroon vs Raiders 11
Our girls are going from strength to strength! Once again - our strong defence allowed us to dominate possession of the ball and this week, we were to capitalize on the opportunities scoring 5 goals! Fabulous teamwork Maroons. Thank you Zoe, Aibhe, Sophie and Jess for filling in as our Goal Keeper.
The P and F has a Facebook page called St Joseph's Catholic Primary School Parents & Friends Association, located at https://www.facebook.com/joeysPandF?ref=hl. 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.

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.
Why praise can be a double-edged sword

The way we praise our children, even from a very early age, can have a lasting impact. When done effectively, it can really promote resilience.

It seemed to come out of nowhere. One day we had a happy, confident, thriving daughter who was doing really well at school and the next she was alternating between a quiet sullenness and loud arguments, telling us, “I just don’t care”.

The problem appeared to lie with her maths. She had previously found maths quite easy, and had got good enough marks to be put up into the higher level with the ‘smart’ kids. The result: a very unhappy daughter and a significant slump (aka tailspin) in her performance.

Putting on our best parental hats, we tried to work out what was going on. Our daughter’s response to our gentle probing was “I should never have been put into the smart kids’ class because I’m dumb” and “My teacher just thinks I’m not trying”.

Kids (and adults) learn best when feeling confident and motivated to do well, even when the work is hard. The trouble is that in many instances our education system is set up to reward cleverness or smartness before effort. Those who excel in learning and passing exams often enjoy an elevated status and are held up as the example for others to emulate. There is much less recognition for effort alone.

The problem with this is that it potentially damages the confidence and self-belief of some children around their abilities.

As parents it is natural to want to see our children do well. When we see our kids reaching those first milestones, we marvel and celebrate their brilliance. It turns out those words we use in praising our kids at the age of one to three years will determine the mindset and desire for challenge that shows itself five years later, when they start school. This can even affect the way we think about ourselves right into adulthood.

When we praise intelligence – “You are so smart”, “Aren’t you clever!” – we are using language that suggests these are the traits that we value the most, and that make our children different from others.

In contrast, when we praise effort – “I can see you tried hard with that”, “Well done for doing all that work” – we are rewarding progress and intrinsic motivation. That promotes a ‘growth’ or ‘possibility’ mindset.

Unfortunately for our daughter, somewhere along the line she had come to believe that she was only doing well if she constantly got ‘A’. Being put in a class designed to stretch her capability resulted in the opposite occurring as she was no longer achieving those high scores. She now felt a failure and, not liking to be made to feel stupid, had decided it wasn’t worth giving the harder work a try.

What she needed was more of a growth mindset. Helping our children to develop a ‘growth’ versus ‘fixed’ mindset is what makes the biggest difference in determining our their level of self-confidence, resilience and motivation. Professor Carol Dweck, in her book Mindset, describes how by choosing to develop a growth mindset we can start to learn from our mistakes, and feel we are succeeding when we master a new skill or piece of learning that has been challenging or difficult.

Our mindset is not something we are born with, it is formed and shaped through experience, and who we hang out with. We used to think that intelligence was innate, a ‘fixed’ quality, and we now know that is simply not true.

Tips for encouraging a growth mindset:
1. Look at learning as a way to stretch and grow the brain. Learning new things is great exercise for seeing new possibilities or ways of doing things. It encourages imagination and creative thinking.
2. When congratulating your child, use words that praise the outcome that has resulted from their putting in the work and effort.

more on page 2


parentingideas.com.au

© 2014 Michael Grose
... why praise can be a double-edged sword ...

Building parent-school partnerships

3. When things go wrong, ask, “What could you do differently next time to get a better result?” Failure and making mistakes is normal. Learning to deal with them effectively helps build resilience.

4. Use the power of “yet”. If your child tells you, “I’m no good at...” or “I can’t do that”, your response could be, “You’re just not there... yet”. This implies that it is work in progress and success may come through perseverance. It’s not about false hope, but encouragement.

Other research is now uncovering additional benefits from adopting a growth mindset. It can:

- encourage a student to want to stay at school longer
- facilitate transition to university
- diminish bullying or aggressive behaviour
- develop resilience in the face of adversity
- help see challenge as opportunity
- develop tenacity in persevering to overcome obstacles
- help see effort as the route to mastery
- build the ability to use criticism as something to learn from
- promote inspiration and new learning from sharing in the success of others.

We all want our children to do well and one of the best ways we can help is to promote a growth mindset so they become more positive in their outlook as to their own capabilities, broaden their perspective of the world and elevate their resourcefulness.

Dr. Jenny Brockis is a brain health specialist. Her focus is on promoting optimal health and function for all brains. She is also an author and speaker, and mum to two young adults. www.drjennybrockis.com

Jenny Brockis


parentingideas.com.au
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

St Pius X School will celebrate our 50th Anniversary on Sunday 3rd August 2014 at 73 Golda Avenue, Salisbury.
The day will commence with Mass at 9:00am followed by a welcome address in Owen Hall. The school choir will perform and the Time Capsule will be opened.
There will be a memorabilia display, morning tea, sausage sizzle and a Superslide on the oval for the children.
Past students, staff, parents, parish members and our current school community are warmly invited to come along and enjoy the day.
www.facebook.com/pages/St-Pius-X-Primary-Salisbury-Qld-50th-Anniversary/257441244437631?fref=ts

The Gap Health and Racquet Club
Player of the Week: Flynn
"Flynn has made great improvements to his tennis and is developing his skills all round extremely well.”
Matt Day (Coach)

Ithaca Creek Swim Club News
Learn to swim and squad bookings are now open for Term 3.
See the swim club website for details. The club is located at Ithaca Creek State School, Dacca Street Red Hill and welcomes swimmers from all schools. Prices are extremely competitive, the pool is heated and there are comprehensive options for learn to swim and squad groups including fitness squads for adults and high school aged children. If you would like to discuss which learn to swim group or squad is suitable for your child, come and see the swim coaches at the pool canteen after school.
St Finbarr’s Primary School invites you to MIDAS Fashions on Parade

Date: 31st August 2014
Time: 2 - 5 pm
Venue: Marist College
        Champagnat Centre
        142 Frasers Road
        Ashgrove
Tickets: Early bird tickets $60 (ends 14 July). $65 from 15 July. Tickets can be purchased by contacting the school on 3366 1397 or pashashgrove@bne.catholic.edu.au

This year St Finbarr’s is proud to announce that $5 from every ticket sold will go to Mummy’s Wish - a charity that assist mothers affected by cancer.