Principal’s Welcome

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community Members

On Monday’s pupil free day, approximately 150 teachers and leaders from our neighbouring BCE communities gathered at St Joseph’s. The purpose of the day was to compare and moderate learning samples across year levels to ensure consistency of teacher judgment in preparation for reporting. What was clearly evident as I went around the groups was the strong conversations around the learning intentions of assessment tasks and the success criteria children were required to demonstrate. It was also evident that our children are provided multiple ways to demonstrate their learning. It is also beneficial for school leaders to discuss initiatives and projects in their various communities. I reconnected with a Principal that I had not seen for some time whose community is doing fine work in learning enrichment for strong achieving students. We have scheduled time to continue these conversations and learn from each other as our student support team continues to build on the area of learning enrichment at St Joseph’s.

Over the coming weeks, your children may notice teachers from other year levels in their learning spaces. This is part of the Making Learning Visible project that was launched from the Story Bridge a few weeks ago. Teachers will spend time in the learning spaces of their colleagues to witness learning and teaching practices that they could adopt for their learning spaces. This project will continue over the coming years and is part of a BCE initiative that has proven results for increasing student achievement.

We are continuing the process of preparing class lists for next year. At this stage, we are planning on having seventeen classes (three stream Prep to Year 4, one stream Year 5 and Year 6). The process of placing children into class groupings is a lengthy and thought out process. This involves many conversations with teachers, student support and guidance as well as the children. Please make contact with your class teacher if you have any concerns regarding class groupings for next year and this will be taken into consideration.

Currently we are short listing and interviewing for a number of our teaching vacancies for next year. With the anomaly of losing Year Seven at the end of the year, we are required to follow a set of guidelines in response to this. As a result, I anticipate that it won’t be until quite late in the term that I can advise on class teachers for 2015. This includes our prep teachers who as I understand would normally be announced at the prep information evening in early November. I will endeavour to get this information to the community as soon as we have finalised the staffing for next year. Please keep all those involved in the application process for teaching positions in your thoughts and prayers.

If you have any particular requests or comments in relation to class teachers for your children next year, please email them to pbardon@bne.catholic.edu.au or see me by the end of October. It is worth noting the while requests are made, these are for consideration by the leadership team, and need to be for authentic educational purposes. Thank you for your consideration of this.

Thank you if you have updated enrolment information regarding your intentions for next year. Our projected numbers have a significant influence as we prepare contracts for staffing and your conversations with the office assist greatly in our planning. Please advise Sam Lucey if you are planning on changes that we are not aware of.

Congratulations to Grace and Abigail our Year 6 public speaking representatives who did a fantastic job on Tuesday night. Both girls were presented with medals as runner ups. Best wishes also for our chess students heading to Nundah next week for the Brisbane Individual Age Chess Championships.

Enjoy the week ahead,

With Humility, Care and Respect,

Kevin Billion

Acting Principal
From the APRE

Caritas Community Announcement! – Family Portraits

Kiss Photography under the direction of Margherita Gregory has raised over $10000 for Caritas. Any family interested in having family portraits taken can contact Margherita directly to organise everything.

Designer Family Portrait Package $80 (normally $485)
The $80 is then donated straight to Caritas.

See attached Flyer
Contact via the website: www.kissphotography.com.au

Class Masses Term 4

| Week 3 | Tuesday 21 Oct | Year 1 |
| Week 4 | Tuesday 28 Oct | Year 5 and Prep |
| Week 6 | Tuesday 11 Nov | Year 4 |
| Week 7 | Tuesday 18 Nov | Year 2 |
| Week 8 | Graduation Week | Years 6 and 7 |
| Week 9 | Tuesday 2 Dec | Whole school mass |

Michael Robertson
Assistant Principal (Religious Education)

IMPORTANT - BOOK LISTS 2015

The 2015 Book Lists are now available online at Campion Education www.campion.com.au
For ordering please use the 4 digit code D9M9.

ALL BOOKLISTS WILL BE ORDERED ONLINE - NO HARD COPIES WILL BE SENT HOME.

Families have until Wednesday 29 October 2014 to place their orders.

Please note: Year 2 will also require a handwriting text. This will be supplied by the school and invoiced on Term 1 fees.

St Joseph’s Athletics Club 2015
CALLING ALL INTERESTED PARENTS WILLING TO HELP

A meeting is being held on Wednesday 29th October at 2pm at the school hall, to commence discussions regarding the introduction of an Athletics Club at the school from Term 1 2015.

For the club to be successful it will require both the support and involvement from interested families/parents.

No athletic prowess is required just enthusiasm and a desire to help the children keep fit and improve their athletic capabilities.

Please direct all enquiries to either Christine Brown (0406 425 561) or Kathryn Gett (0403 193 659).

Important Dates - Term 4

| Monday | 3 November       | Prep Orientation Evening |
| Friday | 7 November       | Prep Orientation Morning |
| Tuesday| 11 November      | Morning with Matthew Ames|
| Friday | 14 November      | G20 Summit Public Holiday|
| Tuesday| 25 November      | Yr 6 Graduation |
| Wednesday| 26 November  | Yr 7 Graduation |
| Monday | 1 December       | Christmas Concert |
| Friday | 5 December       | Term 4 Ends (School finishes @ 12 noon) |
CONGRATULATIONS!!! to all winners (see list below).
All winning and highly commended entries will be kept until 21 November where they will be put on public display on the occasion of the StuditaliA 2014 awards ceremony. These entries will be returned after this date.

Prep-Yr 1
1st Prize: Charlie E (St Joseph's Bardon)
2nd Prize: Emma N (Rainworth State School)
3rd prize: Rosie P (St Joseph's Bardon)

Year 2-3
1st Prize: Abby I (St Joseph's Bardon)
Tie 2nd Prize: Alessandro B (St Joseph's Bardon); Ludovico F (Bulimba State School)
3rd Prize: Charlotte R (St Joseph's Bardon)

Year 4-5
1st Prize: Loren W (Rainworth State School)
2nd Prize: Lily A (St Joseph's Bardon)
Tie 3rd Prize: Madeleine D, Genevieve M, Ella P (St Joseph's Bardon)

Year 6-7
1st Prize: Giulia B (St Joseph's Bardon)
Tie 2nd Prize: Misato N (Kelvin Grove State College); Louie G (St Joseph's Bardon)
Tie 3rd Prize: Maya W, Aurora H (St Joseph's Bardon)

Highly Commended
Prep-Yr 1
Charlotte E, Ella M (St Ignatius Toowong) ; Jacob M (Holy Cross Wooloowin)
Ryan T, Samantha D, Ariana S, Gabrielle M (Holy Spirit Cranbrook)
Abbie J, Isabel V, Grace D (Rainworth State School)

Year 2-3
Ella D, Emily F, Maya H, Bella H (St Joseph's Bardon)
Ava K' (St Columba's Wilsion)
Kate W, Ruby L, Willem L, Arabella E (Kelvin Grove State College)
Kia G (Talara Primary College) ; Jack (Cannon Hill State School)
Emeline A, Hayeon B, Jenny C (Somerset College Mudgeeraba)
Shine C (Caboolture Montessori School)

Year 4-5
Zoe F, Georgie H, Karissa K (St Columba's Wilsion)
Kate J, Amy F (Somerset College Mudgeeraba)
Alexandra B, Morgan S, Oscar C, Olivia R, Alice V, Lucinda M (Rainworth State School)
Lilly S (Talara Primary College) ; Jennifer T (St Finbarr's School)
Brianna C, Anai T (Holy Spirit Cranbrook)

Year 6-7
Brianna W, Grace Z, Amaya T, Isabella F, Caitlin H (St Joseph's Bardon)
Olivia I, Aaliyah M (Talara Primary College)

Bravissimi! e grazie della partecipazione!

Rosella Dermedgogliou and Jeanette Vanderzee
The P&F are happy to share with you all our monthly meeting agenda a week prior to our meetings in the school newsletter. The P&F are hoping that this will give you all the opportunity to view the month’s agenda items. We encourage you also to provide any suggestions/feedback to the Committee on the agenda items. This is also a fantastic opportunity to invite you to come along to our meetings if there is a particular agenda item that might interest you.

If you have any suggestions/feedback for our future agendas please email Nicole Scarcella on n.scarcellal@optusnet.com.au or call on 0413 180 083.

TENNIS COURT BOOKINGS
As you may know, one or both of our two (2) tennis courts here at St Joseph’s are available for hire at the rate of:

$10 per hour during the day; or
$12 per hour when lights used

BOOKINGS
Online booking can be made at www.stjosephsbardon.qld.edu.au – see the link for TENNIS COURT BOOKINGS (under ‘Quick Links’)

OR
Please contact Catherine Myers on 0422 000 321 or catherine.myers@optusnet.com.au for bookings or any other queries regarding court hire.

St Joseph’s School Tea Towels 2014
Our whole school community has had their portraits added to a tea towel to commemorate the 2014 school year!

A wonderful present for families and a great way to remember all teachers and students at our school.

One tea towel= $12
Three tea towels= $30
Five tea towels= $45

All orders must be submitted by Friday 7th November.

Payment is to be made either through the Tuckshop online system or left in the Locked P&F letterbox outside the library. Please enclose money with child’s name, class and amount of tea towels on the envelope.

For further enquiries please contact Sara Wenck on sjwenck@mac.com
Jubilee Parish Pot-Luck Dinner

All Jubilee parishioners are invited:
When: 7pm, Friday, 7th November
Where: St Finbarr’s Church Hall, Ashgrove
Cost: A “note” donation

Bring: BYO drinks and a savoury dish, side dish (rice, vegetables etc), or dessert to share. Please bring your dish ready to serve (hot or cold) with appropriate serving utensils.

It will be a great opportunity to get together with your fellow parishioners and also raise some money towards the parish Refugee Support project and Blind Eye Ministries (a grass-roots Catholic ministry devoted to journeying with the most vulnerable in our society). Put together a table of eight, or let us seat you with others from your local community – a great way to meet new people. RSVP to Millie at the Parish Office on 3369 5351 and let her know what dish you plan to bring. Be quick – numbers strictly limited!

Mater Dei P&F invites you to Music in the Moonlight
A night of fantastic music, great food and out-of-this-world entertainment - all inspired by your favourite cult movies!
Saturday 25th October
Dorrington Park Ashgrove
Gates open from 6pm

Visit the following link for further details www.musicinthemoonlight.com.au
A Stunning Framed Portrait of Your Family
Ready to Hang.

(Total Value $485) - Limited Time CARITAS Fundraising Offer - Just $80

STOP PRESS: Margherita is donating the entire $80 to Caritas to help continue with their great work.

Your Family Portraiture Pack Includes:

- designer portrait consultation
- natural & relaxed portrait sitting (value $180)
- 12” Fine Art portrait print (value $195)
- gorgeous contemporary frame
- and... $80 printing credit

These exciting portrait packs are limited in numbers and are only available on a first-come first-served basis. You’ll have to hurry to secure yours. (Your Pack is then valid for 12 months)

To answer any questions you may have please call Margherita on 3355 1576

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You will all look fantastic - Guaranteed.
Margherita personally guarantees it.

**The 100% All Smiles Guarantee™** - Margherita’s guarantee for you - Naturally all my work is backed by a 110% satisfaction guarantee. As I specialise purely in family portraits I’m proud to say that it’s rare that I don’t get a great shot of everyone, but if for any reason you’re not totally enthralled with your images I’d love to make it up to you with a romantic meal (with your special person) at one of my favourite restaurants - the fabulous ‘Alchemy Restaurant & Bar’ on the river in Brisbane.

“My never realized just how much I would love my family portraits”

After having some major surgery followed by 5 months of chemotherapy. It was the biggest wake up call to prioritize my life on what’s important, we had put off having family portraits for a couple of years. Now, if I wasn’t going to be around, I did want something special for my girl to look at and see the love I have for her. After a friend recommended her she called the wonderful Margherita... We all really enjoyed the session. Our family’s love shines through each image. I felt beautiful despite my appearance. My lovely husband and his Mum sat nearly in tears. Each day is a blessing from God. Each day now we have a vibrant snapshot into our life and love, some fun, some serious. I can’t say I have a favourite, but I do love the one of my beautiful girl gazing from in front of the old shed. Thanks so much Margherita, its clearly evident you love what you do … Dr Charley McNabb

“I’m pretty sure I’ve heard of kissphotography, please tell me more…”

Margherita’s portrait studio kissphotography specialise in creating Family Portraits. All her portraits are taken in natural outdoor locations - not in a studio. Her studio is a ‘mobile studio’ and she also conveniently shows you your images at your home. Margherita is also a published author - recently publishing a gorgeous coffee table book - this book captured a stunning collection of family portraits of Brisbane families and it was very excitedly received. She is well known throughout South-East Queensland for her natural and relaxed family photos and is described as being fun, very easy to get along with and a genuinely-natural people person who brings out their best.

To answer any questions you may have please call
Margherita on  3355 1576 or  0403 448 078