Dear Parents and Caregivers

Tonight I look forward to celebrating the Arts in our school. This will commence at 6.00pm this evening with P&F refreshments in our Hall. Our Arts Soiree will commence at 7pm. This is an opportunity for many of our students to share their improved skills and talents. Special thanks to Mrs Rosie Zorzetto, Mrs Linda Pendrith and all our instrumental teachers at St Joseph’s. It is sure to be a lovely night of entertainment.

**Art Specialist Position** I am very pleased to announce we have successfully filled our Arts Specialist position. Arts Specialist lessons in 2016 will be every Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. We have two people who will share this role. On a Tuesday: we warmly welcome Dr Jennie Jackson. Jennie currently lectures and tutors at the QLD College of Arts. Her strengths are in the areas of Visual Arts, Drama and Dance. Every Tuesday Jennie will be covering the Visual Arts Curriculum. Wednesday & Thursday: we warmly welcome Mrs Angela Williamson. She has worked at St Bernardine’s at Regents Park. Every Wednesday & Thursday Angela will be covering the Music, Dance and Drama Curriculum.

In 2016, we will continue to engage Mrs Hedwig Shears to complete Visual Arts Projects: she will be working with us on our “Spirituality Wall”. Mrs Shears has worked with our students in 2015 to complete the Prep Creation Mural, the Year 5 and 6 “With Caring Hands and Daring Hearts” Mural and our Year 6 legacy project: STAR Wall silhouettes. Dr Jackson & Mrs Williamson will be meeting with Mrs Evelyn Chapman (Education Officer The Arts) and Ms Kate O’Neill (Education Officer Curriculum) this Friday to begin planning for 2016.

As part of the Master Plan, we will look at the multi-purpose room currently being used for Languages: Italian to become a space for Visual & Media Arts. We need a central location where all Art supplies can be stored and utilised by students in Arts specialist lessons but also for teachers’ to book for Visual & Media Art purposes. We are working towards this Visual and Media Arts room to be ready in 2017. For 2016, Jennie will utilise the Music room on a Tuesday for lessons.

Every student at St Joseph’s on a weekly basis in 2016 will have a 40 minute specialist lesson in the Arts, Health and Physical Education and Languages Curriculum.

**Remembrance Day** Thank you to our Year 5 leaders, Miss Lorenzo and Mrs Luscombe for leading our school in a special prayer assembly in our new amphitheatre space yesterday to recognise and commemorate this significant event, in solidarity, in peace and in hope.

**P&F AGM** Last Tuesday we farewelled our 2015 P&F Executive. Thank you to Cate Clifford (President), Erin Hancock (Vice President), Susan Santomauro (Treasurer) and Denise Kerr (Secretary). The acknowledgement of their energy, enthusiasm and dedication in the role was certainly celebrated. We welcomed in our new 2016 P&F Executive: Andrew Keogh (President), Angela Richardson (Vice President), Justine Best (Treasurer) and Susan Santomauro/Louise Foley (Co-Secretaries). The meeting was well attended with 65 parents and friends. This attendance was a transparent display of our unique St Joseph’s culture of strong collaborative partnerships with parents in supporting the education of your children. It is vital that school and home partnerships are healthy, supportive and positive so we can fulfil our school vision of equity and excellence in education and be living examples to our children of humility, care and respect.
Celebration of Learning Event: Friday 27th November will be our next Celebration of Learning Day. Please see the flyer that will be emailed home tomorrow. I would really encourage you to attend during this day. In particular, please find time to visit our Year 3 classrooms to view the incredible work in the area of Robotics. This is a special partnership we have with the University of Queensland to engage with the ICT General Capacity and the new Technologies Australian Curriculum. In 2016 we will look forward to extend this initiative to Year 4 and Year 1 as well as continue in Year 3.

New timetable for 2016:
8:30 Warning Sound (this will signal to students that play time is finished, it is time to stop, have a drink, go to the toilet and line up outside their respective classrooms. Teachers will be in classrooms from 8.30am)
8.35 School Bell: Start of Session 1 of Learning
10.35 Eating time: 10 minutes class teachers supervise
10.45 Play time 25 minutes
11.08 Warning Sound
11.10 Start of Session 2 of Learning
1.10 Eating time: 10 minutes class teachers supervise
1.20 Play time 20 minutes
1.38 Warning Sound
1.40 Start of Session 3 of Learning
2.50 Pack up Sound
3.00 Dismissal

Staffing: This week it is my hope to finalise our staff for 2016. I am very pleased to announce that both Mr Mark Deegan and Miss Eireen Lorenzo will continue in 2016. It is with sadness, I announce that Mrs Diane Rose will be transferring to Darra. We thank Di for her incredible contribution to St Joseph’s and will acknowledge her in our farewells at the end of this year. At the moment, I am finalising our PLL position (Primary Leader of Learning). This is a new position that Brisbane Catholic Education have identified. This successful applicant will have a teaching load but will coach/mentor our professional learning community to improve practice and build capacity.

2016 School Fees Overview: It is my hope to send this overview to our families at the end of next week. I do not anticipate any change or increase to the core fee. As communicated earlier, we will be replacing the parent stationery booklists by introducing a $100 stationery level per child. We will be opening up the building contributions for the tax deductible building fund which is totally voluntary. The only other change will be to the ICT levy and Instrumental Music in Year 4 (voluntary)

Last day of our 2015 School Year:
9.00 Last Day Whole School Mass in St Mary Magdalene Church (to finish about 10.15)
10.30 Morning Tea (to finish at 11.00)
11.15 Last Day Whole School Assembly in our School Hall
12.00 2015 School Year is dismissed

Yours in education
Fran
From the APRE

Year 6 Spiritual Mandala Workshop
On Tuesday our Year Six students participated in a Spiritual Mandala workshop with a visiting teacher. During the workshop, our students reflected on our 2015 school theme of “Shine your light” and the lyrics of our school song "with caring hands and daring hearts". In prayerful reflection, the students created a personal mandala.

Upcoming Class Mass Times

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Parent Portal and BCE Connect App
As you are aware, this year we have launched our Parent Portal as another communication tool for our school families. Our first month statistics showed excellent engagement rates and we commend you for your enthusiasm with this initiative. Our next exciting step is to launch the BCE Connect app for smartphones and devices. This application syncs with our Parent Portal and uses the same log-in as you have already been provided. Until the end of 2015, we will continue using the Skoolbag app and begin using BCE Connect, with a full transition to BCE Connect in 2016.

To begin using our BCE Connect App:
- Open your App store of choice and search “BCE Connect”
- After Downloading, use the School Search to find St Joseph’s, Bardon (and any other corresponding schools for your family) and click the Star on the top right of the screen to favourite our school.

Having favoured St Joseph’s, Bardon:
- All Push notifications that are sent by the school will provide you with an alert.
- A badge count will display on the home screen to identify how many items have been added to the school lists since your last visit.

Similar to when we launched the Parent Portal, we ask for your patience and understanding in working with something new. As we teach our children, when working with technology there will be glitches, but we stay calm and show patience as we work through a solution. Please let us know if you experience any difficulties or require your Parent Portal log-in information again.

Active School Travel Competition
The competition to be the most active travellers on Wednesdays with a pizza party prize continues. Last week’s leaders are:
P-2: 2B
3-6: 4W
Not long to go until the winners are announced so keep those feet walking and wheeling!

Amy Luscombe, Assistant Principal (Religious Education)

Robotics Rule
This term in Year 3 we have continued to learn how to program our EV3 robots. We were set the challenge of using a 6x6 grid to move our robots around. Each class has taken a different approach to this; 3B have created a city, 3G are creating maze riddles and 3W are creating ‘The Amazing Race’. We had to design maps and re-design them to ensure our robots could successfully travel from place to place, avoiding any obstacles in their way. Once our plan was successfully we began turning our plan into a 3D city or maze. This has proven to be challenging and exciting, seeing our visions come to life. We are now busy programming our robots, using specific and precise code to move around our mazes and cities.
Dear Parents,

The P-2 Swimming Fun Day will be held on Thursday 19th November. The program for the day is attached. **Please note this is an approximate time and if we are running ahead of schedule the races will continue as per the program order.**

The children will be transported from school to Taylor Range Country Club by bus and return to school on the completion of their races. The Preps will leave school at 8.50am and the Year 1’s and 2’s will begin boarding the bus around 10.30am. The Preps will return to school at approximately 11.00am and the Year 1’s and 2’s at approximately 1.00pm.

Children are to come to school dressed in their swimmers (including sun shirt) with their sports uniform over the top and their thongs or flip flops as their shoes. If they are returning to school after the Carnival, they will need to bring their school bag and a swimming bag (it will be easier for them to find at the pool). If they will be picked up from the pool they only need to bring their swimming bag. In their school bag they need a change of dry clothes and for Preps some lunch. In their swimming bag they will need a towel, goggles, sunscreen, swim cap, 2 drink bottles of water, morning tea and lunch. It is VERY important that sunscreen is put on before sending your child to school. Children will also need their school hat as normal.

It is VERY important to note: Children will not be able to swim without a sun shirt and a cap. Please note a decision has been made that the wearing of **swimming caps is mandatory** in all Brisbane Catholic Education schools. This applies to both male and female students.

It is a very exciting and big day for the children and they love having their parents come and watch them. There is a **$2 entry fee** for all adults to the Taylor Range Country Club. Please pay at the front office as you enter the pool. **If you are at the pool and you would like to take your child home with you when you leave please make sure you see the classroom teacher to have your child’s name marked off the roll. Could you also please return the following slip indicating if you will be taking your child home or they will be returning to school on the bus.**

Please note there is limited parking near the main entrance to Taylor Range Country Club. An area will be clearly marked with cones to allow the bus to park and students to enter and exit the bus safely. **Please do not move these cones and park in this area.**

Other swimming pools in the complex are out of bounds for all students in Prep-Year 2 and the supervision of siblings is the sole responsibility of the parent or guardian at the pool.

There will be a canteen operating at the pool for the use of parents only. The canteen is out of bounds for all Prep-Year 2 students.

Each child will be allocated 3 races and a relay to swim chosen by their swim teacher and classroom teacher. You will be notified of their races before the carnival.
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We look forward to your support on the day.

Thanks

Christie Lewis

PE Teacher

My son / daughter ____________________________ from class __________

☐ Will be returning on the bus back to school after the Swimming Fun Day
☐ Will be taken home with me from the pool after the Swimming Fun Day

Signature - ____________________________  Date - ______________

Emergency Contact and number - ____________________________
SPORTS NEWS
Congratulations to Gabby H who represented St Joseph’s at the All Schools Triathlon trials at Kawana Waters on the Sunshine Coast last weekend. Gabby performed very well in a tough field of over 80 female competitors. We wish her all the best this weekend as well in the Gold Coast City Surf Lifesaving Titles at Northcliffe - great effort Gabby.

Jump Rope for Heart
Well done to all the boys and girls who have raised money for the Heart Foundation through the Jump Rope for Heart Program at St Joseph’s. This Friday afternoon from 2.00-3.00pm we will celebrate the Program and the fantastic skipping the students have been doing in class and at lunch. The Year 6 girls will be performing their skipping routines to the school from 2.20-2.40pm and all students will be involved in a final skipping celebration. Parents are more than welcome to join us in the hall at this time. As the Jump Rope for Heart Program has completed if your son or daughter has sponsorship forms and cash at home could they please bring it to the office by Tuesday 17th November. The money donated by the school will be then sent to the Heart Foundation and thank you prizes delivered back to school before the holidays. Thank you all for your support and generosity.

Table Tennis Thursday
For the last 3 week of Term, the students will be able to play table tennis on Thursday before school and at lunch under the Year 3 classrooms. This is open to all students in Years 1 – 6.

Christie Lewis
HPE Teacher

Ice Creams
Year 5 will be selling ice creams for Prep and Year 1 tomorrow $1 - please support us, we are saving for our Canberra trip!!!
Dairy Free/GF available.

Star Awards
9 November

School Fees
Term 4 School Fees are now overdue. Your prompt attention to this matter would be appreciated. Our preferred option is BPay or payment at the school office. If you are experiencing difficulty making this payment, please arrange a time to meet with Fran or options can be discussed with our Finance Secretary, Mandy Hodge.
Music News
Why teach the Arts in school?
The Arts, because of their multi-modal delivery, offer a natural fit for different styles of learning. The Arts nurture young people's cognitive, social and personal competencies. The Arts engage all five senses. The arts offer opportunities to learn by seeing, thinking, moving, collaborating, problem solving, speaking, reading, writing, scripting, recording, shooting film/video, visually expressing, touching, molding, modeling, cutting, pasting, shaping, forming, presenting, responding, the list goes on.
Gillian Gardiner
Education Adviser, Australia Council for the Arts

Expressive Arts Soiree Thursday 12th November 6.00 pm for a prompt 7.00 pm start.
All parents and friends of St. Joseph’s are cordially invited to our annual Arts Soiree in the hall on Thursday 12th November for a wonderful concert featuring our talented students in the Year 3 and 5 choirs, the Year 4 band, Year 4/5 junior Band and the Senior Band, selected piano and guitar students and our fantastic string students. Refreshments will be available for purchase from 6.00 pm and during the interval. Many thanks to our Parents and Friends Association for making these available and for their ongoing support of the Music Department.

All students performing are to be in brown stripe dress uniform with correct shoes, socks and hair accessories.
Come one, come all for this not-to-be-missed performance. Free entry.

Year 5 choir Christmas concert for St Paul’s Villa
Our Year 5’s will be performing at St Paul’s Villa on Thursday 19th of November. This is one way of giving back to our local community with our students performing Christmas carols and other items for an entertaining concert. A bus travel form and information letter will be sent home closer to the date.

St. Josephs Christmas Carols Friday 20th November 4.30 – 6.30 pm
Our Joey’s Junior choir, Year 3 Choir and Year 5 Choir will be leading some of the Christmas carols featured in this year’s carols. Please refer to the P & F advertisement in this newsletter for information about this night.
Stay tuned.
Rosemary Zorzetto
Music Teacher

Junior Choir Update

Well done to all of the very enthusiastic singers in Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 who have been a part of the Junior Choir this year.

Thank you also to the very dedicated Mums and Dads who have dropped their children to school a little earlier on Tuesday mornings!

A big thanks to the teachers – Eireen Lorenzo, Lucy Walker, Sam Lewis and Simone Bannon - who have assisted with rehearsals on Tuesday mornings.

Our last choir rehearsal for the year will be next Tuesday, 17th of November.

We look forward to seeing as many children from the choir as possible at the Christmas Carol evening next Friday, 20th November.

We have been learning two songs to perform on the night.

Yours in singing
Katie Jordan

Have you changed your contact details?
If you have had a change of details, please contact the office via the Parent Portal or email pbardon@bne.catholic.edu.au to ensure that your details are up to date.

Student Absentee Line
If your child will be absent from school due to illness or any other reason, please call the Student Absentee Line to inform the office on 3876 3701 or use the Attendance Variation tile in the Parent Portal.
ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL

PIZZA PARTY CHALLENGE – ONLY ONE WEEK LEFT!!
If your class is the best active travel class for the 4 weeks of the challenge, you will win yourselves a PIZZA PARTY!!

Congratulations to 2B from the Junior Comp and 4W from the Senior Comp for stepping up to take their turn on the leader board. Full results for the third week are shown below. With some impressive scores across the classes, it is turning into a very close race for the finish line. Well done everyone!!

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EVERY CLASS IS IN WITH A CHANCE. You just need to make an effort to actively travel to school on Walking Wheeling Wednesdays.

WALKING SCHOOL BUS: NOW STARTING ON MONDAYS!!!!
The Active School Travel committee is very pleased to be able to announce that from next week, there will be a Monday Walking School Bus to Bowman Park.

The first Monday Walking School Bus will start on 16th November so if you would like your child (ren) to join us on the bus please get your enrolment form, there is one included in this newsletter, into the office by this Friday 13th November.

The Walking School Bus for the walk from school to Bowman Park is a great way to reduce the traffic congestion, and the chance of being fined by the police, around the school at pick up time.

There are some important points to note:
- The Walking School Bus will not be cancelled due to rain, so please pack an umbrella or raincoat for your child.
- If the Walking School Bus is cancelled due to an adverse weather event, you will be notified by text to pick your child(ren) up from the roundabout.

NEXT AST COMMITTEE MEETING – DATE TBA
For more information please contact Christine Brown (AST Coordinator) on 0406 425561 or mickandchris@mail.com.au
Child / Children’s Name:

1. _____________________________________ Class: _____

2. _____________________________________ Class: _____

3. _____________________________________ Class: _____

Parents/Guardians: _____________________________________________

Contact Numbers: Home: ___________________ Mobile_____________

Adults who will sign and pick up if you are not on time

______________________________________________________________

I agree to my child / children, named above, joining the afternoon walking group to Bowman Park:

Mon ☐ Tues ☐ Wed ☐

Days parent can walk/ assist______________________________________

The Afternoon Walking Park Group will be conducted by volunteer parents. Your child will be signed onto the bus by a school official and issued with a visibility vest to wear, walk as a group to the park and then will be signed out by a nominated adult, no later than 3.15pm from the park stop. Your assistance would be appreciated if you are free walk with us on either of the days – even if you meet us half-way this will ensure extra eyes for the safety of our children.

Please note this is a P & F initiative to assist with traffic congestion and a healthy way to finish a school day!

Questions can be directed to Danielle Heenan - Mobile: 0402 089367 or danielleheenan73@gmail.com

Name: __________________ Signature___________________ Date: _____________
Netball 2016

The Netball Club’s web page (under ‘Contacts and Links’ on the school website – http://www.stjosephsbardon.qld.edu.au) now has all the important dates for the 2016 netball season.

Important dates to note are:

- Online registration will open Wednesday 27 January
- Training clinics for the competitive girls (Under 11 and Under 12) will take place on 5 and 6 February
- Grading for competitive teams will take place Sunday 14 February
- Trial games for the net-set-go teams (Under 8/9 and 10) will take place on Saturday 19 March
- The FIRST GAME OF THE SEASON is Saturday 16 April 2016 (Term 2)

2016 Netball Executive Committee

Following the Club’ AGM on 26 October, the following volunteers make up the 2016 Committee:

- President: Chantelle Daveson
- Treasurer: Nicky Alati
- Secretary: Catherine Myers
- Registrar: Erin Hancock
- Umpiring Convenor: Jodie Walsh
- Uniforms: Alissa Parker
- Canteen: Sophia Cameron
- Equipment: Lisa Hoult

The P&F’s Christmas Carols next Friday 20 November (4.30-6.30pm) is shaping up to be a great family evening. (Look out for the flyer in this newsletter)

As well as warming up your vocal chords, please note, there are two other things to action:

We need MANY volunteers to help on the BBQ or Bar – PLEASE click on (or copy and paste) this link, to nominate your preferred role and timeslot: https://www.volunteersignup.org/DFPWB

Pre-order and pre-pay for your BBQ - http://www.flexischools.com.au
Evening St Joseph’s Bardon Christmas Carol

Invite: Your Family and Friends

Date: Friday 20th November

Time: 4.30 - 6.30 pm

Location: School Oval
(please bring blankets for comfortable seating on the ground)

Our choirs will be performing much loved carols on the night. There will be a bar, water and soft drinks available. BBQ - hamburgers and sausage sizzle on the night. Children will receive a Super Dooper courtesy of the P&F. There will be glow sticks and Christmas Lolly Bag’s available for purchase on the night.
**P & F News**

**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:

- Online at [www.stjosephsbardon.qld.edu.au](http://www.stjosephsbardon.qld.edu.au) – see the link for TENNIS COURT BOOKINGS (under ‘Quick Links’)
- OR

  - Email – stjoeystennis@gmail.com

The calendar of tennis court bookings can be found at:
[https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=stjoeystennis%40gmail.com&ctz=Australia/Brisbane](https://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=stjoeystennis%40gmail.com&ctz=Australia/Brisbane)

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 meeting’s agenda items. We encourage you also to provide any suggestions/feedback to the Committee on the agenda items. Come along to our meetings if there is a particular agenda item that might interest you.

Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of term months at 7.00pm.

You can access the past minutes from P&F on the School website under the Parents and Friends Tab.

If you have any suggestions/feedback for our future agendas please email Denise Kerr on kerrdn@gmail.com.

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**Community News**

**Vacancy - School Crossing Supervisor**
Two casual positions exist for a School Crossing Supervisors at St Joseph’s Bardon. 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 $27.49 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 (If recommended for the position, you will be assisted through this process by the Road Safety Office)

Completed applications should be returned to:

- The APRE
- St Joseph’s School Bardon
- The Drive
- Bardon Qld 4060

**AUDITIONS - The Iona Passion Play**
Experience Easter 2016 as part of the cast or crew of The Iona Passion Play

All are welcome – you can involve the whole family!

Plenty of speaking, non-speaking and support roles available.

*All 2016 performances will be in Brisbane.*

**Sunday Nov 22nd @ 1pm** (Wynnum West)

If interested please contact Veronica on 3333 1993 or info@ipp.org.au

The Iona Passion Play greatly appreciates your community’s support and please keep the Play in your prayers.

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**Ceremony of Carols - St Brigid’s Church,**
**Musgrave Rd Red Hill**

**Sunday, 13th December 2015, 7.00pm.**

St Brigid’s church, with its choir and organ in the beautiful acoustics, is once again set to spread the spirit of Christmas. Beginning with the church in darkness with only candle light, the choir will perform arrangements of carols, as well as leading the community in singing a number of well loved carols, interspersed with readings.

This year includes a performance of the gorgeous ‘Fantasia on Greensleeves’ by the string ensemble and Harp.

Supper, with live music, follows the ceremony.

We’re raising funds for the Jubilee Parish Refugee Support Group, as well as funds to support the music at St Brigid’s, and there will be an opportunity to give if you wish.

Parking is available in the church yard, accessed from Musgrave Rd.
CHRISTMAS PAGEANT – St Mary Magdalene's Church

Baby Jesus lying in the hay, Mary and Joseph, the stable, the Angels, the donkey – these are all facets of Christmas that appeal to the minds and the hearts of children. Being a part of the Christmas Pageant allows children to fully appreciate the real Spirit of Christmas.

Christmas Present is made of memories of Christmas Past.

Christmas Eve Service will be held in the School Assembly Hall. The Service will begin at 4.00pm with the Christmas Pageant and Carols, followed by Mass at 4.30.

Children of all ages can be involved. Costumes are basic (no sewing required).

Rehearsals will be held on:

Monday 14th December at 9.00am       Thursday 17th at 9.00am.

If you can’t make it to both, then make the one that suits you, but please let me know of your intentions.

Anyone acting in a major speaking role will be required at ALL rehearsals.

Dress Rehearsal (attendance essential) – day/date will be advised next week.

Anyone interested please contact Therese Beavis on 33664103/leave message, mobile 0403 784 778 or email on mtbah@optusnet.com.au
ST JOSEPH’S P & F and MEL NOONAN CREATIVE FAMILY PORTRAIT DAY
SATURDAY 21 NOVEMBER 2015
(20 minute sessions from 8am - bookings essential)

Only $30 for a portrait sitting and print and the money is returned to the P&F as fundraising!

CHRISTMAS IS FAST APPROACHING, GIVE THE GIFT OF MEMORIES THIS YEAR!
(LIMITED SPOTS - BOOK NOW)

Book a spot today for our family portrait day. For just $30 you will have a portrait session with local award-winning family photographer Mel Noonan. Mel specialises in and has captured many families and children and with a wealth of experience and passion for what she creates, Mel knows how to extract the most difficult of smiles and make your family portrait sitting an enjoyable one.

Your entire $30 session fee will be donated to the school for fundraising purposes and you will also receive a complimentary 8x12 inch print of your family shot. Please contact Mel at mel@melnoonancreative.com.au or on 0403077272 to book in your session at this very special price and help to raise funds to give back to your children at the same time.

Inclusions:
- 20 minute session to capture family/siblings/individual/couple photos
  (Indoor studio setting in the hall or outdoor on the oval weather permitting)
- 8x12 inch print of the family photo
  (can be exchanged for smaller sizes at no charge)

Optional Extras Package available for just $220 including:
- 5-10 artistically edited digital files
  (depends on family size and amount of images captured on the day)
- 2 additional 8x12 inch prints
- 3 additional 5x7 inch prints
Strategic Resourcing and School Improvement Master Plan 2015:
Overview of Completed Projects:

- Outdoor furniture (outside Year 3, 4/5 and staff room)
- New pathway along Cecil Road to be completed by the end of next week
- Completion of new amphitheatre on school oval, installation of 3 tier flag pole and upgrade of sewage and water drainage
- Upgrade of STAR room (including new furniture)
- New shade sails over both the sandpit and playground in the Early Years playground
- New sand pit cover
- Extension of concrete outside Year 3 and removal of extra steel poles under OSHC, new garden bed
- Completion of Art Projects: Creation Mural, Years 5 & 6 “With Caring Hands & Daring Hearts” Mural and the Year 6 Legacy Silhouette Project
- Installation of $15 000 audio & visual upgrade & equipment in the Hall
- $120 000 spent on technology upgrades: front office phone communication system, server upgrade, purchase of more technology devices for students
- Installation of new garden beds and planter boxes around the school
- External painting and internal painting of administration, staff room and STAR room
- New furniture for staff room and STAR room
- New signage around the school
- Installation of two new notice boards to enhance effective communication
- New sporting equipment: year level kits
- $10 000 spent on Prep classrooms “hands on” resources
- $5 000 spent on Year 1 classrooms “hands on” resources
- $2 000 per class on classroom resources to support the implementation of the Australian Curriculum
- Thank you to P&F for securing the monies for new chairs, trolleys and upgrade of kitchen in hall (to be completed 2016)
- University of Queensland Partnership in Robotics for Year 3: $20 000 contribution
- Purchase of individual classroom prayer resource box
- New St Joseph’s lectern
- New carpark and fencing outside the Church
- $15 000 spent on classroom resources for Inclusive Education
- $15 000 spent on library resources
- Italian Grant – used to purchase resources and fund activities ie. Year 6 excursion
- $5000 Dual Pressure Washer
- $1000 Boom gate
- $2300 Phonic Ear: Soundfield System

Proposed Strategic Resourcing and School Improvement Master Plan 2016 – 2020:
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- Building in under Year 3 (completion estimated - beginning 2016)
- Refurbishment of Forest Building and removal of asbestos (completion estimated - beginning 2017)
- Refurbishment of Eakin Building and removal of asbestos (completion estimated - beginning 2017)
- Upgrade & refurbishment of Early Years playground, extra storage, area under PB classroom and concrete path entrance (Jan 2016)
- Rosewood Street clean up in partnership with local council (Jan 2016)
- Outside OSHC: short term car parks – additional 10 car parks (Jan 2016)
- Oval levelling, landscaping and drainage (Jan 2016)
- Partnership with Council – 6 extra carparks along The Drive (2016)
- Carpeting of Prep and Administration