Dear Parents and Caregivers

Congratulations and Thankyou This week we received correspondence from our Minister for Education and Minister for Tourism, Major Events, Small Business and the Commonwealth Games: Kate Jones, to confirm the receipt of $50 000 to St Joseph’s. These funds are allocated: $20 000 towards purchase of chairs and $30 000 for a new kitchen in our school hall. I would, on behalf of our school community, like to acknowledge and thank our Parents and Friends Association who worked tirelessly to secure this contribution to our school. This fulfils Steve Miles election promise. This afternoon, on behalf of the Parents and Friends community, a cheque for $2 000 was presented to our Year 6 leaders as a donation to their Canberra trip. Again, this highlights the significant contributions made by our generous P&F association as part of our school community. Today in the newsletter, is a flyer in relation to our next event “Trivia Night”, I strongly encourage you to support this parent event both socially and as a fundraiser; as all monies raised go back into our school community to provide valuable resources. Thank you for your ongoing engagement and contributions; it is invaluable.

Curriculum News and Updates In 2015, we are committed to our continued investment of building teacher and support staff capacity: Our two identified school goals are: living our School Vision authentically & developing a common understanding and language of learning. As term 2 concludes, each year level team will have a day to prepare the curriculum for Term 3. Curriculum Overviews will be sent home early Term 3. Individual learning goals, as professionals, will be identified as we are committed to fulfilling our goal in the “growth” mindset and reflective of the “Good to Great” initiatives. We will be working in partnership with Kate O’Neill, our Education Officer Curriculum as well as outside agencies. We have in weeks 1 and 2 of Term 3, a teacher from MAC 1 who will be working in Years 2 and 3 to showcase pedagogical approaches to incorporating technologies to enhance the delivery of the learning through engagement, investigations, creating and collaborating. This role of coach will support teachers in using this technology to engage their learners. This will partner our Robotics 3 year partnership with University of Qld. It is with great enthusiasm and excitement that our professional learning community approach this coming semester. This is timely, to praise and acknowledge the incredible work our team continually provide for our St Joseph’s community. We are blessed with a generous, dedicated and conscientious staff.

Mini Vinnies Event Thank you to Linda Beckmann and Rikki Kerr for organising our Homeless Awareness Evening last Friday night. 20 students along with their parents talked about social action and justice in relation to homelessness. Monies raised will go to St Vincent De Paul supporting Fr Stanley in the big sleep out. I would like to acknowledge Hannah, Gretel, Sophie and Esther for deciding on the public holiday to set up a “Bake Sale” to sell cookies, muffins, cupcakes, slices and cordials with all monies going to St Vincent De Paul to raise money for the homeless. $124 was raised by this incredible initiative, the idea brainstormed from their experience Friday night. Social Justice and Action events like this highlight our school vision of actively being a Christ centred learning community.

School Tree Day Friday 24 July, our school will be participating in the School Tree Day. I would like to acknowledge our partnership and sponsorship of Australand in providing both resources and people to help refresh and re-energise the gardens outside and around our Church area. Further information will be provided early next term.
Our Positive Behaviours for Learning is a daily focus in both our classrooms and playgrounds so our school community can live our school vision with humility, care and respect. Attached to this newsletter is our “Steps for Positive Behaviours for Learning”, this whole school approach to language is very important to promote and encourage this restorative justice approach.

Step 1: Warning and Rule Reminder
Step 2: Thinking Space in the Classroom/Play Space
Step 3: Buddy Class
Step 4: Rocket Room

Our Year 6 “Care” Service Group is leading the way in setting up structured physical play activities in our school hall on a daily basis to support our “Stay Safe”. As well, our clearly identified “peer mediators” do a wonderful job in supporting our students in making right choices when challenges occur during play time. These student leadership opportunities develop and promote our keys to success of confidence, getting along, organisation, resilience as well as negotiation skills.

Student Council will commence in Semester 2. This is another avenue for “Student Voice” and to continue to promote student leadership in our school. Please see the attached overview of this new initiative for St Joseph’s.

We will be launching our new Parent Portal Week 1 of Term 3.

“Cuppa and Conversation” will commence in Term 3, all parent and friends are invited to a “Cuppa and Conversation” morning after Assembly each week in the Hall. This invitation also extends to after Mass on Tuesday mornings outside the Church. All parents, friends and parishioners are most welcome. Please join Fran and Amy for a casual cuppa and chat. We look forward to meeting you, sharing ideas and strengthening our school and wider community partnerships.

Early next term, we will be saying “Good bye” to Jan Brewster, our Finance Secretary who has been with our school for 29 years. Jan is taking her much deserved Long Service Leave and then will finish with Brisbane Catholic Education. We wish her well and thank her for the incredible contribution she has made to our community over many years. In the coming days, we will be advertising this position through Catholic Jobs on line, with the intention for the successful applicant to start early August.

Best wishes
Fran

YEAR 6 CANBERRA TRIP 15 – 19 JUIN 2015

The Year 6 students from our school will be undertaking an education tour of the national capital from 15 – 19 June. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion, the Australian Government is contributing funding of $60 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.
Steps for Positive Behaviours for Learning

Child displays inappropriate behaviour

STEP 1: Warning and Rule Reminder
*A clear, explicit instruction is given to the child to modify his/her behaviour
*If the child does not comply with the instruction or repeats the behaviour, he/she is directed to Step 2

STEP 2: Thinking Space in the Classroom/Play Space
*Child is directed to designated area in the classroom for “thinking time” - a short period of time to reflect on his/her choices
*If child does not comply with the instruction or repeats the behaviour, he/she is directed to Step 3

STEP 3: Buddy Class
*Child is accompanied to buddy or nearby space for a short period of time
*If child does not comply with the instruction or repeats the behaviour, he/she is directed to Step 4

STEP 4: Rocket Room
*Child is accompanied to the Rocket Room to complete a Behaviour Support Plan
What is a Student Council?
One student from each class in Years 3 to 5 will be chosen for the position of Student Council Representative. This position is held for one semester. Our goal over years is to share this responsibility i.e. preference is given to students who have not had an opportunity in this leadership role previously. These students along with a group of our Year 6 School Leaders meet on a weekly basis at first break every Friday. They meet with both staff and leadership representatives.

What does a Student Council do?
Our Student Council members will organize many school events and fundraising initiatives to support Social Action and Justice in our wider community expressing our Religious Life of our School. Through their words and actions they live our motto of Humility, Respect and Care through servant leadership.

Student Voice is valued at St Joseph’s. These students are representatives of students and are the voice of their peers. They bring to our school's attention, ideas and concerns from the student perspective. These students share their initiatives through speaking at school assemblies, suggestion boxes, communicating via designed posters and visiting classes on a regular basis to feedback information.

What is the role of the Student Council in our school community?
The main goal of a Student Council is to provide a platform to enable a student voice to be heard within the school community. The position is one of leadership, community service and building school spirit.

The Student Council’s role is to encourage and celebrate the social, fun and friendly side which is very important in our school. During break, they may co-ordinate and run activities like Talent Quests, games and craft. The Student Council are nominated one free dress day a term as a fundraiser linked to our Religious Life of the School. It will be exciting to witness these student ideas come to fruition and to watch as the student's themselves develop confidence, creativity and moral consciousness while living our motto of Humility, Care and Respect.
Student Council Covenant

As a member of The St Joseph’s Student Council my responsibilities include:
- Acting in a way which models appropriate behaviour to all other students.
- Using my initiative to solve problems.
- Helping younger students in the playground.
- Always speaking positively about others and the school.
- Promoting Justice throughout the school community.
- Modelling the school’s Franciscan values of *Humility, Care and Respect*

As a member of The St Joseph’s Student Council my roles may include:
- Organising activities and events for the school community.
- Representing St Joseph’s School at Brisbane Catholic Education or other community events.
- Providing staff with feedback on student ideas and suggestions.
- Working in teams to come up with ways to make St. Joseph’s School an even better place.
- Attending Student Council meetings and leading these meetings with other students.

Name:
Signed:
Date:
Principal:
From the APRE

**STAR Behaviour of the Week: A – Actively Learn**

Last Friday our Year Six students showcased the end result of many, many weeks of active learning when they presented their work on a World War soldier. I was so impressed with the confidence, depth of knowledge and understanding the students showed when sharing their projects. Next week whilst the girls are in Canberra, they will visit the Australian War Memorial to find their soldier and place a poppy beside their name. When talking with Siena, she felt that it will be an emotional experience to find her soldier’s name as she really feels like she knows the young man that she studied.

**Mini Vinnies Winter Evening**

Last Friday, our Prep to Year Two student enjoyed wearing free dress for a gold coin donation. We raised $280 on the day which will go towards Fr Stanley’s Winter Sleep Out on 22 June.

On Friday evening, several of the St Joseph’s and St Finbarr’s students gathered together in our hall for an evening of activities aimed at developing an understanding and awareness of homelessness. Rikki Kerr, from St Vincent de Paul, led the students and their families through a number of activities aimed at highlighting reasons for homelessness and the challenges faced by those who are displaced. At the end of the evening, our students each contributed to a “Helping Hands” artwork where they committed to one simple action that they could do to help with homelessness. The wisdom of our students ranged from, “Smile at them” to “Donate my old clothes to St Vincent de Paul”. Many thanks to Linda Beckman for her work on this social justice initiative.

**Year Five Mass**

On **Tuesday 16th June** our **Year Five** students will gather in the **Church at 9:00am** for Mass. As always we welcome families to join us for sacred prayer time. The Year Five students will be thanking God for the unique gifts and talents they each have.

**Upcoming Mass Times**

**Tuesday 23 June** 9am Year Four

Amy Luscombe
Assistant Principal (Religious Education)

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**Upcoming Events**

(Please check our School Website calendar for latest events)

- **15 - 19 June** Canberra Trip
- **17 June** State of Origin Meal Deal
- **24 June** KM Club Breakfast @ 7:45am
- **24 June** KM Club Medal Presentation @ 2pm in the Hall
- **26 June** Final day Term 2
- **13 July** Beginning of Term 3
Jubilee Parish participates in this year’s Vinnies Community Sleepout - 22 June 2015

The local St Vincent de Paul conferences are proud to be hosting the first ever Brisbane West Community Sleepout. On Monday, 22nd June, participants will be sleeping out and experiencing homelessness for one night at the GPS Rugby Ground, Ashgrove. We have a broad range of local teachers, business and community people who are taking up the challenge and sleeping out with us. **Amongst them is our very own Father Stanley who will be representing Jubilee Parish.** With the help of our sleepers we aim to highlight the issue of homelessness within our own community and help those at risk.

It can be hard to imagine that there are people around us who need this kind of help. As an example in a typical fortnight volunteers from our conference visit up to 60 families, couples and singles at risk in Paddington, Red Hill, Ashgrove, Bardon, Newmarket and Kelvin Grove suburbs. Family breakdown, domestic violence, prolonged illness and sudden job loss are common amongst those we assist.

**WE NEED YOUR HELP! You can support the Sleepout in two ways:**

- **Support Father Stanley’s Sleepout:** donate to Father Stanley’s page online: [http://goo.gl/zI7vtA](http://goo.gl/zI7vtA) or pop a donation into a specially marked envelope in church this weekend. (All donations over $2 are tax deductible.)

- **Signup to Sleepout:** Experience it for yourself, registration is free and all members of our local community are invited to participate. Visit [http://brisbanewestcommunitysleepout2015.gofundraise.com.au/](http://brisbanewestcommunitysleepout2015.gofundraise.com.au/) or alternatively contact Richard Robinson 0434 072049, Alison Nicol 0421365585 or Chris Cahill 0408560039 for details about the event.

A big thanks to local community members that have signed up already, including: Tom Forbes, Biarri; Graeme Chamberlain, Ashgrove State School; David Phillips, NAB Ashgrove; Susie Berkhut, Payne Road State School; Kurtis Pirotta, McGrath Estate Paddington; Cathryn Lloyd, Maverick Minds; Stuart Pullar, Mortgage Choice Ashgrove; Paul Blundell, St George Bank Ashgrove; Study Ninjas; Angela McGinniss; Tegan Welsh, Ashgrove State School and Timothy Cotter, St Peter Chanel Primary School, Lachlan Hastings, Premier Insurance Broker, Helen Henrich, Payne Road State School.

Parent Teacher Interviews - Online Bookings

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held early in Term 3. Bookings will be made online through the Parent Teacher Online Link that will be available on the school website and linked to the newsletter closer to the date.

Please note that only parents who are listed as the main contact in our school database can make appointments through this system. If you are not the main contact, or you are the non-custodial parent, you will need to contact Amanda Gardiner to make alternative booking arrangements. Her email is amanda.gardiner@bne.catholic.edu.au

It is now timely to ensure your email is correct as this is the only way the PTO system handles bookings. If you are in any doubt or would like to check your email, please contact Amanda via her email.

**Please note the dates for Term 3 interviews:**

Year 4 – Week 1 (due to Camp in Week 2)  
P-3 and 5-6 – Weeks 2 and 3  
Further information will follow towards the end of this term.
ATHLETICS FIELD EVENTS CARNIVAL
This year the St Joseph’s Field Events Carnival will be held on Tuesday 23rd June (week 10, Term 2). It has been moved to Term 2 to allow for District Athletics nominations and due to the Zone Athletics Carnival moving earlier in Term 3. All students from Years 2-6 have participated in trials of shot put, high jump and long jump in PE lessons this term and the top 8 competitors have been selected for the Age Final Events. The list of students for each Finals event will be emailed when completed. An opportunity for students who were away when events were trialled in class will be provided at the following opportunities.

Long Jump – 2nd Break Friday 12th June
Shot Put – 1st Break Wednesday 17th June
High Jump – 1st Break Thursday 18th June

A program of the day is also attached to the newsletter. If you or your son/daughter has a question regarding the Finals list, please encourage them to come and see me to clarify before the competition day.

Christie Lewis
PE Teacher

ACTIVE SCHOOL TRAVEL
WALKING SCHOOL BUS: EVERY TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY
The Walking School Bus for the walk from school to Bowman Park is getting bigger every week. We would like more parents to volunteer to help out, so let us know if you think you can give us a hand on any day.

The Walking School Bus has been held up a few times recently while the leaders have had to ring parents due to changes to children’s after school routine. To help us avoid such issues in the future, please make sure you notify the coordinator of any changes. It’s easy, simply text or call Danielle Heenan on 0402 089367 or email - danielleheenan73@gmail.com.

There are some other important points to note:
- 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.
- 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 COMMITTEE MEETING – NEXT TERM - DATE TBA
If you are interested in helping out, please come to our next committee meeting. The meetings are held at 2pm on one Tuesday per term (meet at the office), and we would love to see you there. For more information please contact Christine Brown (AST Coordinator) on 0406 425561 or mickandchris@mail.com.au
Last week the media group were getting all the props ready for the “Aladdin Trouble” Musical. For example: we are painting, making scrolls, decorating Aladdin’s cave with jewels (as you can see from the photos included), cutting apple peeling spirals, putting up signs, getting ready to make a washing machine, typing up VIP cards and taking photos. We are also collecting Perfume Bottles, Unwanted jewellery, socks. We also need spice bottles and a spice rack.

We hope you can make it to the musical!

By Charlie C, Malena and Flynn

PS. Anyone wishing to help with making props, costumes, etc. is welcome to come to the Italian Room (behind the church) on a Thursday afternoon at 2pm.

Media group coordinators –
Mrs Vanderzee, Miss Lorenzo, Miss Walker and Mrs Buckingham.

The Chorus/Dancing group are learning lines and actions to a new song.

The Drama group/Actors are rehearsing lines and movements on the stage.
WE NEED YOUR HELP

Trivia Night

THEME: 80s

29 August 2015  6.30 pm

It’s time to round up your friends and organise a table of 10 for a fun night out at the trivia night. For those new to St Josephs it is a fun night of trivia madness. Whether you are a quiz master or just enjoy a few laughs with friends this is the event for you.

The success of any fundraising event is always boosted by the generosity of those businesses who are able to give a little more. With this in mind, we are asking for your support towards our School Trivia Night fundraising effort to be held at St Josephs on 29th August. This year we are raising funds to support the School’s investment in Library and Music Programs.

In the current economic climate, we know times are tough. We are offering your business the prospect of gaining exposure in our School community by contributing in either goods/products, expertise, or donations/prizes. Please do not underestimate the large or small contribution you may be able to make.

We can offer your business exposure to the Trivia Night attendees through a number of different levels of support:

- Supporter - $50 - business or family name will appear on pre competition trivia night projector screen.
- Round sponsor - $150 business/ family name will be recognised at the beginning of the round with a short message of your choosing promoting your product/ service your name will appear on the answer sheet given to every team for a round of trivia.
- Sponsor - $250 benefits of all of the above, company name/logo present on promotional material.
  Company name/logo prominently displayed on all trivia night material.
- Major Sponsorship of the Event benefits from all of the above as well as being able to place a banner on the bar. $500
- Sponsorship of a major prize for either the Winning Trivia Team will ensure your business is given top advertising space on the lectern of the MC (on the stage of the Event)
- Perhaps you might like to donate a prize for one of our raffles or a lucky number prize?
  For example: gift certificates, cash, movie tickets, meal vouchers, fruit baskets, pamper packs, wine, Bunnings vouchers .
- What about contributing as a prize a couple of hours of your valuable business skills?
  For example: an electrician/plumber house call for 2 hours, or a hairdresser/beauty treatment voucher.
- Help us minimise our event production services by donating your company’s services such as printing, snacks or desserts, cheese for the cheese platters, hire of 20 round tables and tablecloths, plastic cups for the bar. You may also know someone that could give us reduced rates.

What you get:

- An opportunity to advertise on our Sponsors table in the entrance foyer on the Night.
- Your business will be included on the prominent list of Sponsors to be displayed.
- Your business will be mentioned during the Night by our MC.
- Your business logo used throughout the night on the big screen.

What to do next?

Should you wish to contribute to this year’s Fundraiser, please contact Nerine Porteous 0418 166 693 or nerine@cureallpest.com.au
If you would like to volunteer to help create a fun filled evening then the more helpers we have the easier it will be.
Contact us now.
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.scarcella1@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:

Online at www.stjosehsbardon.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

Social Media
Dear Parents and Friends

The P&F are excited to be using social media to help you all stay in touch with our activities and updates! Have you checked out our Facebook page? Simply search for St Joseph’s Catholic Primary School Parents & Friends Association.

We also have a Twitter account for those of you that aren't of FB! - Twitter@JoeysBardon?

We look forward to your likes and comments on our various updates!

P&F Executive
C&K Ashgrove West Preschool
OPEN DAY
9.00-11.00 Saturday 13th June & 10.30-12.00 Wednesday 17th June

You’re invited to come along and see what C&K Ashgrove West Preschool Centre is all about.
Meet our educators
Learn about C&K Building Waterfalls teaching and learning guidelines
Explore our great play spaces

Where: C&K Ashgrove West Preschool Centre
530 Waterworks Rd Ashgrove
Email: awps@smiletelecom.com.au
Phone: 07 33661212

Sausage Sizzle Morning Tea - Mass 21 June
All parents and children are invited to attend a Sausage Sizzle Morning Tea to be held after the 8am Mass at Mary Magdalene Church on 21 June. Please bring a plate to share. All welcome!
ATHLETICS CARNIVAL FIELD EVENT FINALS

TIMETABLE

Shot put, Long jump and High jump to be held on the school oval

Year 6 Girls to assist at all events

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