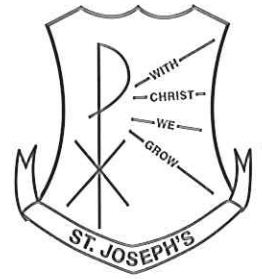


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Wednesday, October 22nd 2014

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

We all welcome the news that St Joseph's has now a new "Principal Elect": Miss Bianca Hodges (Bach. Ed.Primary) who will serve as Principal of St Joseph's with the commencement of 2015.

The Selecting Panel, involving our Parish Priest, Fr Peter and representatives from our School Board and Parents and Friends were pleased to recommend to the Director of Diocesan Catholic Education, Leesa Jeffcoat that Bianca be appointed as St Joseph's Educational Leader.

Bianca is currently the Assistant to the Principal: Religious Education at St Patrick's Catholic Primary School, Bundaberg, a position she has held for the past 7 years. Prior to this Bianca has held various leadership positions within Catholic Education including Acting Principal St Therese's Monto (2005) and Acting Principal of St Patrick's Bundaberg (August 2011-2012).

I've also had the privilege of studying with Bianca within a Masters in Educational Leadership recently. I have found in those encounters, Bianca to be a highly enthusiastic, organised, knowledgeable and motivated educator. These personal traits bode well for the continual development of our school community.

She has a strong faith and is focused on making a difference in the lives of children and collaborating with parents to achieve better learning outcomes for them.

I am confident that the school community will warmly welcome Bianca into our midst and I know she is looking forward to moving to Mackay and joining the school and parish.

We hope to make arrangements in this busy and short term to see if we can have Bianca visit the school and be introduced to as many of the community as possible.

It is very gratifying and encouraging to know we have such a worthy person as Bianca who is very eager and motivated to make St Joseph's School prosper and make a positive difference in the lives our children. We congratulate her on the announcement of her appointment and we look forward to meeting and planning with her in the very near future.

Yours in Christ
Shane.



Prep P Chloe Gray

Well done Chloe for showing great listening skills during carpet time.

Tyson Hatfield

Well done Tyson for showing great listening skills during carpet time.

Prep R Molly Coleman

For your fantastic work during reading rotation time and your effort in completing your group story map work.

Laura Phillips

For consistently trying your hardest and doing your best. Your effort to sound out your words during writing work is to be commended.

1B Chloe Davies

For the fabulous progress you've made in learning your sightwords. Super work Chloe.

Lilly Byers

For the impressive letters you've been writing in class. Great effort Lilly.

1E Mitchell Ruhl

For fantastic work in writing this week.

Monique Vincent

For putting 100% in to everything you do! Well done.

2D Lily Wardrop

For the beautiful way you performed your part on assembly.

Chayse Hollows

For focussing on yourself and putting in a huge effort in all areas.

2WM Reed Coleman

For his thoughtful and detailed drawing in response to a poem.

Nyah Anderson

For her fast and accurate recall of the addition and subtraction facts.

3C Tessa Museta

For settling in beautifully into 3C. Your happy smile is a great gift to our class.

Eliza Crimmin

For being a fabulous role model to your classmates. Thank you for the kindness you show towards your class mates.

3H Grace Nord

For the diligent way you set out to complete all tasks. You always make me smile.

Madeline Pace

For the fabulous effort you always put into your learning. You are a pleasure to teach.

4D Ethan Pinnington

For always offering to help out those around you. Well done Ethan.

Jessica Hackney

For being a responsible member of our class. You set a great example to others.

4FP Savana Smit

For always being a keen participant in reading groups. Fantastic effort.

Zac Grima

For trying hard with our time activities this week. Super effort.

5B Riley Sorrensen

For top marks on your spelling this week. Keep up your hard work.

Josh Ruhl

For always handing in amazing homework. Your effort and presentation is outstanding.

5R Madison Sammut

For working reverently and quietly on your religion prayers and wonderings.

Ashley Bessell

For working incredibly hard to finish your fractions work during maths. Well done.

6D Abbi Wilson

For consistently displaying lovely manners and a positive attitude when approaching tasks.

Connor Dewar

For being a diligent worker who regularly participated in class discussions and activities.

6GG All 6GG Student

For being so reverent, caring and well-mannered during the Anointing Mass.

7B Gus Ward

For how well you worked writing a text to match your picture book!

Sheena Kyesitalo

For settling in so well to your new school. It is wonderful to have you in our class.



NOVEMBER

- 4 Melbourne Cup Day
- 14 Graduation Money Due
- 10-14 Yr 5 Leadership Camp
- 27 Graduation Mass & Dinner

DECEMBER

- 2 Closing Mass 9am
- 3 Carols Evening

APRE NEWS



Liturgy News:

- 24/9: Missions Day Liturgy
- 7/11: First Friday Mass 6D 9.30am
- 11/11: Remembrance Day 11am
- 27/11: Graduation Mass 6pm
- 2/12: Advent Liturgy 5R
- 3/12: Closing Mass 9am

PRAYERS PLEASE

We remember all those in our community who are unwell or recovering from illness. We ask for prayers for Mr Barry Waddington, Mrs Julie Rowen, Mrs Belinda Downes and James Warrington Love.

*Dear Lord bless all who are sick,
especially those in our school community.
May they experience, in a special way,
the great love and concern Jesus has for them.*



SACRAMENTAL DATES

Family Workshop: 2nd November & 5th November,
Ritual: 8th / 9th November
Family Workshop: 16 November and 19 November.



This Friday as a school community we will be holding our annual Mini Mission Fair to raise funds for Catholic Missions. World Mission Day is celebrated every year in every country wherever there are Christian communities committed to building a better world for all of God's people, a world where everyone has all that they need to live a dignified and fulfilling life. Every year we look closely at the Pope's World Mission Sunday statement as a communication of hope and inspiration. This year we focus on the theme of hope with a particular country focus on the Philippines. We look at the Church's work with children and young people who are affected by the extremes of poverty. This poverty leaves them vulnerable and with little hope. The theme for this year's appeal is "When I Grow Up I want To be Alive!".

To begin our Mission Fair we will gather as a school community to celebrate a Mission Liturgy led by year 1B 11.30am. Following the liturgy students will participate in our mini 'Mission Fair'. Money raised at our fair will go towards Mission Partners and the Catholic Mission appeal. Last year we raised close to \$1000. Please help us to make this year's 'Mini Mission Fair' the best one yet!

All items activities will cost 50c - \$1 and we ask that students bring between \$5 and \$10 to spend. The following are some of the activities that children will be involved in during the day.

- Lucky paddle pop sticks
- Guess the lollies
- Lucky Dips
- Target Throw
- Ten Pin
- Mintie wrapper challenge
- Stretch the Snake
- Coin toss
- Slam dunk
- Ice Creams
- Lucky numbers
- Trash and treasure

The theme for Mission month is "Socktober" so students are free to wear some jazzy socks if they wish.

TOUCH FOOTBALL



The draw was not available at the time of printing. Notes will be sent home with players once the times are received.

FAMILIES LEAVING

As our total enrolment drives our school staffing, budget, class sizes and structure, it is important that I have the most accurate numbers of predicted enrolments for the 2015 year. It would greatly assist us in my planning for next year, if parents who know they will be leaving notify the office staff.

SCHOOL FEES

All school fees will be issued this week. BPAY facilities are now available. Please refer to your parent statement for User Codes and payment reference numbers. If you have any concerns after fees are issued, please contact Di Wilson on 49573355.

TUCKSHOP NEWS

TUCKSHOP ROSTER	
Friday 24 th Oct	Tina Kirkwood, Lynda Cook, Jackie Hansen
Monday 27 th Oct	Kylee Kister, Kelly Hawthorn
Wed 29 th Oct	Lida Ospana, Paula McKelvie
HOMEBAKE ROSTER	
Friday 24 th Oct	Sheree Morrison, Roxy Hottes, Lyn Harris
Monday 27 th Oct	Vikki Kane, Emma Nemitz
Wed 29 th Oct	Imelda Kroll, Roxann Allan



DOLLARMITES

REWARDING REGULAR SAVINGS WITH PRECIOUS PRIZES

The Dollarmites have uncovered the ancient Clam of Fortune. Inside they found these amazing prizes that you could win a share of:

- 40 x GoPro HERO3 White Edition Cameras
- 150 x Slip 'N Slide Double Wave Riders

Every deposit you make with School Banking will automatically create one entry for you into the competition. So the more you save, the more chances you have to win (up to a maximum of 6 entries). Competition runs 20th October – 30th November. For more information visit: commbank.com.au/deepsavers



Blue Knot Day is ASCA's (Adults Surviving Child Abuse) national awareness day. It will be celebrated on Monday 27 October, 2014 and activities will be held in the week from October 27 to November 2. On Blue Knot Day Australians are asked to unite in support of the 5 million Australian adult survivors of childhood trauma. This year Blue Knot Day will focus its attention on the education and training urgently needed for health professionals and organisations working with survivors. For further information please go to: <http://www.asca.org.au/blue-knot-day.aspx>



STUDENT TRAVEL REBATES SEMESTER 2, 2014

BUS FARE ASSISTANT

- Does your child attend a school outside the Brisbane City Council boundary?
- Does your family spend more than \$25/week* on fares to and from school (*20/week if your hold a concession card)?
- Does your child travel on a publicly available bus not owned or associated with the school?

STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES

- Does your child have a verified disability that requires transport assistance to and from school?

- Has your school's learning support teacher assessed your child's travel capability rating as 'semi-independent' or more dependent?

Visit www.schooltransport.com.au to see if you qualify for financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and apply by **31 OCTOBER 2014**.

LATE APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE ACCEPTED.



To raise money for Year 5 camp our school will be holding a sausage sizzle.

When: Thursday 6th November

Cost: \$2.00 - sausage on bread
\$1.50 – popper



Students are asked to write their order (with or without tomato sauce), name and class on a brown tuckshop bag and return it to the office no later than Thursday, 30th October.

CONGRATULATIONS & GOOD LUCK

St Joseph's would like to congratulate all our students who have already competed in the Mackay Eisteddfod and wish those who are yet to perform the very best of luck.

CONGRATULATIONS TO Zoe Viero and her classmates from Dance Avenue Mackay and Dance Central Sarina placed 1st in the 8yrs and under Novelty Dance at the Mackay Eisteddfod.

DON'T FORGET: If you would like your child's results published in the newsletter please email the results to sjnm@rok.catholic.edu.au

YR 7 YEAR BOOK

Dear Year 7 parents,

I am putting together for the year 7 students at St Joseph's and seeking input from you all in terms of photos for the book. It would be great if I am able to get a Prep photo for any student that did not attend St Joey's for that year and any photos you might have from school events over the years – musicals, sports days, camps, discos and the like. I am also seeking personalised messages to your child, sharing with them your thoughts about them and their move to high school. There is a printing deadline, so I need the photos and parent messages to be emailed to me at bs996409@bigpond.net.au by Friday 14th November 2014 for inclusion in the year book. Thanks.

Bernadette Wood (PH: 0400 231 595)

ST JOHN'S PARISH FAIR
SATURDAY 1 NOVEMBER
COMMENCING 6PM
ST JOHN'S SCHOOL
GROUNDS



- BBQ, HOT CHIPS, PASTIZZIS
- DONUTS & DRINKS
- HAM WHEEL
- MEAT WHEEL
- CENT SALE

- BOTTLE STALL
- SPUTNIK
- HOME BAKING
- CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES
- JUMP & SLIDE
- BUMPER SOCCERBALL
- WRECKING BALL
- KNOCKEMS & CHOCOLATE WHEEL
- SANTA
- LUCKY DODGER



STREET ROSARY

On Saturday 25 of October "Street Rosary" to pray for peace, reclaim the public square; pray for persecuted Christians and make up for blasphemies.

Where: St. Patrick's Catholic Church, River Street.

Time: 9:30am- 10:30am.

Meet at the front steps of St Patrick's Church. Please bring Rosary beads (spares will be available), a hat and water bottle. Come and pray for peace during the month of the Most Holy Rosary. Please help spread the call to pray by contacting others who may be interested in joining us. This event has the support and encouragement of our Parish Priest, Fr. Rod.

WIN A \$500.00 BICYCLE VOUCHER!

Fill in an anonymous online survey about how the children in your family travel to and from school, to have the chance to win a \$500.00 voucher for the Mackay bicycle shop of your choice.

Active Towns, a Mackay Regional Council and Queensland Government initiative and the Department of Education, Training and Employment's CQ Sporty Schools project are working together to find the barriers to active school travel in the Mackay region.

Follow this link <https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/BRVZ9M3> to complete the 5 minute survey by Friday November 7th 2014 to have a chance to win!

Active Towns
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 Game On!

TOWARDS THE STATE ELECTION 2015

The next state election is likely to be held in March 2015. Catholic schools depend on strong support from the Queensland Government and it is vital that political representatives are made aware of the needs of Catholic schools as they formulate policies over the coming months. The Queensland Catholic Education Commission (QCEC) and the Federation of Parents and Friends Association (P&F) have developed a suite of materials providing information about some of the key issues for Catholic schools. These issues will be highlighted in school newsletters over the coming weeks and more information can be found on the QCEC and P&F websites. Parents are encouraged to become familiar with the issues and raise them, along with any others of particular importance to Catholic schools locally, with political representatives at any opportunity. As part of this advocacy process, the QCEC and the P&F will also seek formal responses to the issues raised from the major parties, and these will be provided for publication in school newsletters in the weeks leading up to the election.

MUSICAL PHOTOS & DVD

We currently have photos for sale from our musical. These are on display in the office but will only be available until the end of NEXT WEEK. Photos are \$1 each. The musical DVD will be ready in the coming weeks. If you have not ordered your copy TOMORROW is the ABSOLUTE FINAL day for your order to be placed. We will NOT place any orders after tomorrow.



TUCKSHOP/HOMEBAKE VOLUNTEERS

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2015 Tuckshop / Homebake Volunteers

_____, is able to assist as a tuckshop volunteer in 2015.

_____, is able to assist to bake homebake in 2015.

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 Mon/ Wed/Fri (please circle)

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