Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

An Easter Message from Archbishop Mark Coleridge, Bishop of Brisbane
There’s something awfully final about a grave or a tomb. When the tomb of Jesus was sealed by a big round stone, that stone must have seemed like a cosmic full-stop. The party was over. The world is full of what seems like full-stops - situations that seem hopeless. Easter says that there’s no such thing as an ultimately hopeless situation, that every full-stop is in fact a comma or perhaps a dash. That’s why Easter is the womb of true human hope – the hope that was born once Jesus rises from the dead and the tomb itself becomes a womb as the stone rolls away.

May the undying hope of Easter reach deep into the life of everyone, especially those struggling most to find hope in what seems a hopeless situation.

Jesus Christ is risen. Alleluia.  

(Taken from the Easter Edition of the Catholic Leader, 2014)

Easter Assembly Finalised
This morning at our weekly assembly our Year 2 children from Carol Hick’s class completed the Easter story. The story was begun in the last week of Term 1 by our Year 7 children. Today’s assembly focused on the Resurrection of Jesus and his meeting with his Disciples. It marks the peak of the church’s liturgical year and our Year 2’s did a great job in passing on the Good News of life after death in God’s Kingdom.

New Roles for Staff
As mentioned before the holidays we have a number of our staff taking on new roles during this term. These staff changes are:

Diane Anderson – Acting Assistant Principal (for Tony Barron who is on Long Service Leave)
Maree Wright – Acting Curriculum Support Teacher (replacing Diane)
Adam Brooks – Year Seven Teacher (replacing Maree)

We also have Casey Frost teaching in Year 3 for the next four weeks whilst Laura Mitchell is away on Long Service Leave.

On your behalf, I would like to welcome these staff members to their new roles and wish them well for the new challenges ahead.

ANZAC Day Commemoration
This Friday our school will be closed as we take the time to remember those men and women who have served our country in many theatres of war over the last 100 years. Our children have been invited to join in the local ANZAC Day commemoration ceremony which is taking place at Burleigh Heads. It would be fantastic to see as many of our children as possible come along and join the Marymount contingent as we enter the march to the local cenotaph near the Bowls Club and then join in the Ceremony of Remembrance with our Returned Service Men and Women.

If you can be a part of this special day please bring your children to the top end of James St by 8.45am so that we can form up with the children and staff from our College. Our children will need to be in full dress uniform (school hat essential). If you wish to have water handy for them during the speeches this would be great. There will be staff on hand to escort the children and supervise them whilst at the Cenotaph and during the ceremony. At the completion of the service (approx. 10.30am) we will keep the children with us until you come to physically collect them; this ensures that they are all safely collected. Thank you for your anticipated support of this important community event. Please note that if it is raining the parade and service will still proceed and the children would be encouraged to bring raincoats or the like to keep them dry.

School ANZAC Day Assembly
Marymount Primary will hold a special ANZAC Day assembly at 9.00am in the Multi-purpose Centre on this coming Thursday, 24 April. Our Year 6 class (Mary Petersen and Andrea Bedward) will lead the school for this very important ceremony to which all parents are most welcome. We will also have the combined schools’ (Primary and Secondary children) playing during the ceremony. Our children will also play with this band at the College’s ANZAC Assembly which is being held in the College Courtyard area at 12.00pm.
Welcome to Term 2. It is always an exciting time for children and staff to reconnect and swap stories of adventures and at this time of the year, chocolate! With a wonderful break behind us it is back to the business of learning. Over the holidays there would have been plenty of social catching up and communicating happening so it is timely to now remind everyone that social media is not a tool that is to be used at Marymount. Children who have had access to various social media such as Facebook and Instagram over the holidays now need you, their parents, to re-establish the ground rules. You are asked to be vigilant in monitoring your children whilst they use computers at home and access to these sites should be only when you are present. No children should be contacting others in their class or at school by way of these sites and no children should be uploading images or messages. It is easy for children to forget that post they have sent to a best friend can go viral very quickly, and once out in cyberspace it is not erasable.

With a short first week it also gives you the opportunity to check that your child is wearing our uniform correctly. The very popular Loom woven bracelets that have flooded the shops recently are not to be worn to school. Jewellery is not permitted apart from a watch, a pair of small stud/sleeper earrings and religious medals. Our website provides full details of our uniform policy.

If you are reading this newsletter in hard copy and would rather have it emailed to you please leave your details at student reception and you will be added to the email list.

Diane Anderson

The 2014 National Assessment Program Literacy and Numeracy, (NAPLAN), for Years 3, 5, & 7 students will be held on Tuesday 13th, Wednesday 14th and Thursday 15th May. NAPLAN assesses skills in literacy and numeracy that are developed over time, through the school curriculum. All students are invited to participate in these tests, however provision is made for those with particular needs to be given exemption or adjustment from the testing regime.

Shortly, some parents will receive letters offering one of the following options for their child in relation to the Years 3,5 & 7 NAPLAN tests. If you do not receive a letter and after reading the options below believe you should, please contact me on 55208408 to discuss your request.

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR PARENTS: NAPLAN 2014**

**NAPLAN FORMS AVAILABLE FOR PARENTS**

**WITHDRAWAL – (no tests sat)** - If this is chosen your child does not sit the tests and no report is issued.

**EXEMPTION – (no tests sat)** - If this is chosen your child receives a report with their name on it and it will only contain general school / state data.

**APPLICATION FOR ADJUSTMENT FOR DISABILITY** – If this form is used your child sits the tests under modified conditions. These can include: extra time, small group and/or individual.

If as a parent / caregiver you choose the withdrawal or exemption option you are able to keep your child at home whilst the tests are being conducted. If this is not an option, your child may attend school and be placed in another class while the tests are on.

Maree Wright
Class Patron Parents 2014
We are pleased to be publishing the list of volunteers who have offered to be Patron Parent for their child’s class. Some have undertaken this role in the past while others are new to the experience. We are most grateful to all of them for their participation in building community and encouraging networks of parents to grow and flourish.

The role of Patron Parent is primarily a pastoral one – one of welcoming and fostering relationships on behalf of families. They make themselves available to answer simple queries about the school or point others in the direction of the person who can provide information. Many will organise family or parent gatherings during the coming months in order to provide opportunities for parents and caregivers to get to know each other.

Photos of the class Patron Parent/s will be displayed on each classroom door along with a more detailed explanation of the role. Please be in touch with the office if you would like to make contact with your Patron Parent.

ANZAC Day
Did you know……?

The Ode comes from For the Fallen, a poem by the English poet and writer Laurence Binyon and was published in London in The Winnowing Fan: Poems of the Great War in 1914. This verse, which became the Ode for the Returned and Services League, has been used in association with commemoration services in Australia since 1921.

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

Red Poppies

The Flanders poppy has long been a part of Remembrance Day, the ritual that marks the Armistice of 11 November 1918, and is also increasingly being used as part of ANZAC Day observances. During the First World War, red poppies were among the first plants to spring up in the devastated battlefields of northern France and Belgium. In soldiers’ folklore, the vivid red of the poppy came from the blood of their comrades soaking the ground. The sight of poppies on the battlefield at Ypres in 1915 moved Lieutenant Colonel John McCrae to write the poem In Flanders fields. In English literature of the nineteenth century, poppies had symbolised sleep or a state of oblivion; in the literature of the First World War a new, more powerful symbolism was attached to the poppy – the sacrifice of shed blood.


Bernadette Christensen

Refugee Day
On behalf of the families who enjoyed a wonderful day at the beach, I would like to thank you all for your kind donations. Mrs Nunan and Mrs Munro’s families attended and helped the refugees get ready for a great day at the beach. The swimmers, towels etc were all clean and showed great respect for the families who received them. Thanks also to those families who purchased brand new items of wet shirts, towels and beach toys. They were greatly appreciated. The young Tallebudgera lifesavers did a wonderful job of playing with the children and keeping them safe in the water. I am sure the children slept well on the bus on the way home after a fabulous day at the beach and you all contributed to their enjoyment.

Jane Lennon and Deb McKean-Nunan
Prep M  Lee Murphy (Bridie)   Louise Girardello (Eli Glegg)
Prep A  Lisa Bruce (Angelina)  Akiko Tanaka (Yuma)
Prep R  Belinda Gates (Kai)   Tanya Frogley (Indra)
Prep Y  Lorette Withrington (Samantha)  Jade Kolc (Amity & Taylor)
Prep P  Ann-Maree Freese (Scarlett)  Claudene Smyth (Chelsea)
Prep S  Danica Connolly (Kendra)   Lucy Martain (Eva).
1M  Aimee Collins (Grace)   Karlene McDermott (Thomas Bruce)
1A  Jenny Cowan (Katie)   Shelley Roy (Mykenzie)
1R  Liz Clynk (Emily)       Dolores King (Jeffery)
1Y  Brigette Le Sueur (Jacob)  Faye Garrett-Jones (Carys)
1P  Janet Hermosillia (River Suero)  Julie Visser (Isabella)
2M  Alison Keating (Olivia)   Melisa Berriman (Connor)
2A  Belinda Hunter (Blake)    Nicky Stratton (Jed)
2R  Tracey Ricketts (Cameron)  Tanya Frogley (Zane)
2Y  Belinda Binskin (Will)    Lisa Armstrong (Joshua)
2P  Janine Harris (Emerson)   Bronwyn Ward (Rosie)
3M  Catherine Piaud (Harry)   Catherine Isaacs (Tom)
3A  Sheridan Arthur (Isabelle)  Tanya Frogley (Eva).
3R  Jewel Brown (Maddox)    Mignon Cush (Porsha)
3Y  Mignon Cush (Porsha)     Brigette Mallos (Natalie)
4M  Cristina Heaton (Robert)  Bronwyn Ward (Rosie)
4A  Lesley Gamble (Sadie)    Bronwyn Ward (Rosie)
4R  Michelle Glancy (Kate)   Belinda Binskin (Will)
4Y  Barbara Carolan (Chloe)  Faye Garrett-Jones (Carys)
4P  Tina Daniela (Mia)       Kate Galvin (Abbey)
5M  Leigh Swaddling (Keely)  Bronwyn Ward (Georgina)
5A  Jenny Isaacs (Jordan Birtwistle)
5R  Bronwyn Ward (Georgina)  Bronwyn Ward (Georgina)
5Y  Bronwyn Ward (Georgina)
5P  Bronwyn Ward (Georgina)
6M  Jules Sobczyk (Gabriel)
6A  Grace McLintock (Jennaye)
6R  Bronwyn Ward (Georgina)
6Y  Bronwyn Ward (Georgina)
6P  Bronwyn Ward (Georgina)
7M  Bronwyn Ward (Georgina)
7A  Wendy Bazzana (Nikita)
7R  Leanne Collins (Kasey)
**Uniform Specials**

- Track Jackets $25 Sizes 12-16
- Track Pants $20 Sizes 10-16
- Jumpers $30 Sizes 12-20
- Winter Sports Pants $33 Sizes 8 - 16

*Whilst stocks last.*

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**WILD AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES MARYMOUNT PRIMARY**

LEARN TO CREATE, DRAW AND PAINT.

USE YOUR IMAGINATION, IT’S FUN FOR EVERYONE.

WEDNESDAY 3.15PM …. 4.45PM
MEET OUTSIDE THE LIBRARY
MOST ART MATERIALS SUPPLIED
EXPERT TUITION ARTIST/TEACHER
FREE SNACKS SUPPLIED

DON'T MISS OUT.
BOOK NOW!!!
TEXT NOW 0402328987
(INCLUDE NAME AND SCHOOL)
OR
RING 55773293 AFTER 7.00PM

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**School Banking Competition**

Make three or more deposits through School Banking during Term 2 and you are automatically entered into the competition. Remember – school banking day is every Tuesday!

Major student prize. – Family Holiday!!

One student will win an underwater family adventure holiday including:
- Five nights’ accommodation at the Sea World Resort & Water Park on the Gold Coast;
- VIP Passes for two adults and three kids to Sea World, Warner Bros. Movie World, and Wet’n’Wild Gold Coast;
- A Dolphin Family Aqua Adventure; and
- A $3,000 travel voucher to get them there.

Runner-up student prizes - 130 Toys"R"Us Gift Cards to the value of $250 each.

Sunken treasure for schools.
There will be a separate draw of $1,000 cash for a school in each State/Territory of Australia.

School Banking - Smart saving can lead to many treasures in 2014

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**Volunteers Required**

If you have an hour or so to spare on a Tuesday morning (8:30 am), we urgently require some volunteers to help process the school banking. It is really easy and a fun way to meet some of the other parents. Children can be brought along.

Please contact Annemarie Webber on 0419 706 123 if you are able to assist.

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**Seeking Interested Families to Billet Students from the Top End**

Marymount College is excited to be hosting 15 children and 4 staff from Nganmarriyanga community in the Northern Territory for three nights from 25th - 27th August.

Nganmarriyanga has a population of 400 people and is about 400km south-west of Darwin. The first language of these students is Murrinh-Patha. English is their second language. Some of these students have never been out of the community. For about seven months of the year, Nganmarriyanga is isolated by flood water.

This is a wonderful opportunity for the students from Nganmarriyanga, and a valuable learning experience for our students also. We are seeking families who would like to billet one or two students in their home over this period, whilst they attend Marymount College.

*If you are interested, please contact Kim Parker by email: kparker@marymount.qld.edu.au or by telephone at the College 07 5586 1000*
Sports Results for Friday 4 April 2014

Netball
5A - Marymount def St Andrews 11 - 1
5B - Marymount lost to Elanora 3 - 5
6C - Marymount def Elanora 1 13 - 4
7B- Marymount def Caningeraba 11 - 1

Rugby League
Open As Marymount Defeated Elanora 14-4
Open Bs Elanora Defeated Marymount 16-4
U11s Marymount Defeated Elanora 28-12
U10s Marymount Defeated Mudgeeraba 26-22

AFL
Juniors Marymount defeated st Vincent’s 130-0
Seniors Marymount defeated Varsity 139-1

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Don’t forget to sign up with Munch Monitors to order your child’s tuckshop meals.

We are always on the lookout for Volunteers to help out in the Tuckshop. Should you wish to come and have some fun whilst meeting new people please contact the Tuckshop. We don’t mind if you volunteer once a week/fortnightly or monthly. We appreciate the help!

Marymount Cross Country
Thursday May 1
Times and course with this newsletter

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PREP – YR 2 - BLACK

8/9yrs (YR 3/4) ORANGE

10yrs (Yr 5) – PURPLE

11-13Yrs (Yr 6/7) - BLUE
# Marymount Cross Country

**Thursday May 1 2014**

## Race Timetable

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BOOKINGS  Essential: Call or text John 0417634524 or Trish 0439722369

Programs cover a great range of Tennis and Gross Motor Activities

3 – 5 age The Launch Pad stage introduces children to tennis through games and fun activities. Children learn the basics of tennis including how to rally. There are a number of program options at this stage.

5 – 8 age The Red stage is for beginners. The red ball is larger than a yellow ball and doesn’t bounce as high (just 25 per cent compression), making it a breeze for even the youngest players to hit it comfortably. The courts and nets used in the Red stage are much smaller and easier for kids to move around.

8 – 10 age After mastering the Red stage, children move on to the Orange stage where the ball bounces a little higher (50 per cent compression) and the court is a bit bigger.

10+ age The ball used in the Green stage has a higher compression (75 per cent of a yellow tennis ball) and children play on a full-size. At this stage you can play in our parent and child Friday night doubles practice night 5 – 7pm $6 per player. All money goes to school court maintenance.

FREE TRIAL LESSONS HELD AFTER SCHOOL AT THE SCHOOL TENNIS COURTS LOCATED AT THE BACK OF THE COLLEGE ON THE SCHOOL OVAL
EXTENSION PROGRAMS
• English Extension
• Music Extension
• Accelerated and Core Math Year 9 & 10

TERTIARY PATHWAYS
• Griffith University—GUEST program, Connect
• Bond University Scholarships
• Gold Coast TAFE—Direct Entry
• Southern Cross University Direct Entry
• School Based Apprenticeships and Traineeships

EXTRA CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES
• Year 12 Formal & Graduation
• Gold Coast Drama Festival
• Gold Coast Eisteddfod
• Rostrum “Voice of Youth”
• Plain English Speaking Award
• Debating
• Public Speaking
• Mooting
• Music Camp
• French Trip—New Caledonia
• Opti-MINDS Challenge
• Kokoda Challenge
• Drama, Dance and Stage Productions
• Ski Trip
• G’day USA

OTHER FEATURES
• Art Show
• Careers Expo
• Certificate Courses in Business, Children’s Services, Hospitality, Information Technology and Tourism
• Homework Club
• Instrumental Music
• Liturgies
• Maths Tutoring
• Peer Mentoring
• Primary Feeder School Interaction
• School Fete
• Social Justice
• Subject Camps
• Subject Excursions
• Subsidised Music Tuition
• Work Experience
• Year Level Camps, Retreats and Reflection Days

LANGUAGES
• Japanese
• French

SCHOOL FACILITIES
• New Year 7 & 8 Building
• 1:1 Laptop Program
• Science Labs
• Library & Resource Centre
• Learning Support Centre
• Careers Office
• Catering Kitchens (Home Economics)
• Doyle Centre—Theatrette
• Gym
• Tennis Courts
• Netball Courts
• Technology and Design Centre
• Dance Studio
• Pool

SPORTS
• Confraternity Rugby League
• Elective Sport—including Zumba, surfing, beach walking, bowling, ice skating.
• AGCC Interschool Sports including AFL, Basketball, Cricket, Futsal, Netball, Rugby League, Soccer, Tennis, Touch Football and Volleyball
• Queensland Independent Secondary Schools Netball