

Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

Swimming Carnival – Thursday, 13 March

Tomorrow we will be conducting our annual Marymount Primary Swimming Carnival for our 8 to 13 year olds at the swimming complex at Pizzey Park. Our program is included in this week's newsletter and our younger children who are competing would have received a note alerting them to this fact. All parents are most welcome to attend and cheer on the children. They will be travelling to and from the venue on buses under the supervision of their class teachers. If you wish to take your child home from the pool please see their respective teachers so that they can be signed out. Here's hoping for good weather and a fast pool.

February Parents and Friends Meeting

On Monday evening we held our first P & F meeting for the year. We had a very good attendance considering there were other meetings on at the same time and I would like to thank those parents who took the time to come along. One of the things we discussed was the children playing on the oval and water as there are no drink taps near the oval for them to use. We are investigating some options and prices to see if we can rectify this situation but this may take some time given that there are many things happening on our whole school site now and during this year and next (see later note). If your child wants to take their water bottle with them when they go down to the main oval (or even for when the Year Ones go to their play space behind the Multi-purpose Centre) then this is fine. Please however, ensure that these bottles are clearly named, as we can tend to gather quite a collection in a very short time. We have purchased a number of new playground equipment items for them to use and these will be coming out in the next few days – soft balls and bats, grip ball games, Vortex's and so on. Our discussion was very fruitful and the feedback from our parents was much appreciated. Unfortunately as we are a shared campus with the College and the Parish not all things can be accommodated.

School Site Works 2014/15

At our Monday P & F meeting I discussed the ongoing and future works which will be occurring during this year and into next. All of these works will have a major direct or indirect impact on our school campus and we will have times where it will be painful for all – parents, children and staff – but the benefits for our whole parish site will be worth the hassle I'm sure. I have listed below some of the main works, which will be on for your information. As they come closer to commencing I will pass on fuller details for our awareness and action if needed.

- February / March – completion of the new College Year 7 / Arts block (opposite our Year Five class block)
- March – Main Roads roadwork on Reedy Creek Road heading west from Bermuda Street to the Motorway – possible 12 weeks duration with re-surfacing and re-curbings / channeling
- Ongoing from now – the redevelopment of the Bermuda Street and Reedy Creek Road corner block into a major hardware chain store – possible 6 - 8 months timeframe
- June / July – demolition of old College library and construction of a new three storey building which will butt on to the almost finished one - Opposite to the College Admin Block – completion time to be January / February 2015
- June / July – demolition of old parish office (near our Multi-purpose Centre) and then construction of a new church, parish offices, presbytery and associated car park which will spread around the church from where our Grounds men's shed is to near our Year 6 / 7 block. This work will block access to the Sunlight Drive set-down and pick-up point at some stage. Completion time to be possibly Easter next year.

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Coming Events

Wednesday February 12
9am - Whole School Assembly

Thursday February 13
Yrs 5-7 Swimming Carnival -
Pizzey Park

Friday February 14
Yrs 5-7 Sports Trials
Yr 6 Musical Auditions

Wednesday February 19
9am Yr 6 Leadership
Assembly - Doyle Centre
Parent Information Evening

Tuesday February 25
Prep & New Students
Information Evening

Wednesday February 26
9am Yr 7 Leadership
Assembly - Doyle Centre



Mass Times

Children Mass
(Doyle Centre - children read at Mass)
5.30pm 1st Sunday each month

Children's Liturgy of the Word
(Doyle Centre - children are withdrawn for brief lesson)
10.00am 2nd & 4th Sundays;
5.30pm 3rd Sunday
8.30am each Sunday (school term)
at St Benedict's, Mudgeeraba

Parish Mass Times
Sat—5.00pm Miami;
6.00pm at Palm Beach;
6.15pm at Burleigh Heads;
Sun-7.00am at Palm Beach &
Burleigh;
8.30am at Mudgeeraba & Miami;
10.00am at Doyle Centre;
5.30pm at Doyle Centre

Parent Information Evenings – Wednesday, 19 February

I have mentioned these meetings in our last two newsletters. They are an important communication channel between home and school and I would urge for at least one parent if possible to come along. The times are listed below for your information.

Prep – Year 1 - 5.00pm	Year 2/3 - 5.45pm
Year 4/5 - 6.30pm	Year 6/7 - 7.15pm

Preparatory and New Students for 2015 Information Night – Tuesday 25 February

We will be hosting an information session for families looking for Preparatory enrolment or enrolment in other year levels in 2015 on the above evening at 6.00pm in the Doyle Centre theatre. At this meeting we will run through general information about our school and our policies in relation to curriculum, uniform, school fees, religious life and the daily happenings of our school. Our meeting usually runs for around 50 minutes and there is an opportunity for general questions as well as a chance to meet with our school Leadership Team. If our current families know of any parents who are interested in enrolling their children at our school, it would be great if you could please pass on this information. This meeting is not technically for our existing families, but you are most welcome to come along.

Year 6 Canberra Meeting

On Monday evening, our Assistant Principal, Tony Barron, conducted an information session for our Year 6 families on the upcoming Canberra Excursion. This is set for Sunday, 1 June to Thursday, 5 June. It was great to see so many parents come along to hear about this exciting and very worthwhile trip for the children. If you could not make this meeting and want to know more about it please don't hesitate to contact your child's class teacher. Thanks to Tony for conducting this session.

Leadership Badge ceremony

At Marymount we believe that every student has the capacity to lead others in some way. We recognize Year Six and Seven students particularly as they take on roles of responsibility in the classroom, playground and everyday religious life of the school. We will formally acknowledge these students present them with their leadership badges at the school assemblies in the next two weeks – Year 6 on Wednesday 19 February and Year 7 on Wednesday 26 February. We welcome the presence and leadership of Fr Ken Howell for prayer and all family members on both of these occasions.

Art Show 2014 – 25 – 27 July

Every two years our schools, the Primary and College, hold an Art Show. This event is a showcase of local art and sculpture, which also features works from our both schools so it is a great social occasion. The format has been set with a formal Cocktail Opening Gala on the Friday evening and then viewing and purchasing opportunities over both the Saturday and Sunday. It has always been a co-operative effort from both schools led by our P & F Associations. A committee with members from both schools helps to co-ordinate the whole festival. The Art Show has been a tradition here since the early 90's and we need your help to keep the event going. If you would like to help on or around the days or if you would be interested in being a part of our committee please contact our office or email us on pburleigh@bne.catholic.edu.au. Our first committee meeting will be held shortly.

Traffic Issues

The internal road to both of our school Administration blocks is chained off twice a day to restrict vehicular traffic at our busiest pedestrian times. These times are 8.10 – 9.00am & 2.40 – 3.10pm. The inception of this measure has made a massive difference to the safety of our children at these peak times and I would like to thank our families for supporting it. I would ask though that parents please not park at the middle section of the chain as this blocks access in case of emergencies. Over the holiday break we had this area specifically painted so that it alerts people to this fact. Your adherence to this important safety matter would certainly be appreciated.

Enjoy the week ahead and thanks for reading

Yours in Christ

Greg Casey

**NO PARKING
KEEP DRIVEWAY
CLEAR
THANK YOU**

Thoughts from your School Counsellor



“Parent Involvement – the secret ingredient to children’s school success” is the title of this week’s Insights article. Michael Grose points out that positive parent participation shows children that you value learning as well as their school. He makes several suggestions of practical ways that this may be done. This is a link to his magazine that you may find of interest. <http://www.parentingideas.com.au/Parents/Parenting-Magazine>

Best wishes for the week ahead

Mary Sanders

msanders@bne.catholic.edu.au

Leadership Badge ceremony

'Servant Leadership – Helping Hands' is the focus for Year Six students. They will be engaging in activities throughout the year that highlight practical ways of assisting others, both at school and engaging with the community.

Year Seven have chosen the theme 'Let Your Light Shine' as they reflect on their individual contribution to the religious life of Marymount and their capacity to positively influence the lives of others.

Student Leadership Pledge

*Lord, teach us to be generous in serving you:
to give ourselves, our talents and our time without complaining;
to try to do good, even when it is difficult;
to be interested in helping others without giving up;
to spend this year in a spirit of giving
that we may live in joy and peace with you and with each other. AMEN.*

Enjoy the rest of the week

Bernadette Christensen



Orders need to be in by
Friday February 14.

A reminder that payments are made on line. Please return your order form and receipt to the library by Friday.

Uniform/Bookshop

All sock sizes are now in stock.

Now is the time to place your order for winter uniforms. Please see the order form included with this newsletter.

PREPARATORY ENROLMENTS FOR 2015

We are now calling for enrolment for Preparatory classes in 2015. Many of our parents have already filled out an application form for their prospective Preppies, but there are still many not yet submitted. If you wish for your child to be part of our great school in Prep next year, please contact the Administration Office to complete and submit your Application for Enrolment form. Children eligible for Preparatory in 2015 need to have been born between 1 July 2009 and 30 June 2010.

Applications close at the end of Term 1, 2014.



Parents please make sure to update your child(s) classrooms on Munch Monitor to ensure they will receive their orders in time for the breaks. The children find it difficult to receive their orders when the class is wrong. Please make sure to sign up with Munch Monitors and use this great site to make ordering your child(s) food so much easier.

Check out the new Tuckshop menu sent out yesterday. It is also available to view online on the school's website. Our food is made fresh and is home cooked from recipes which eliminates preservatives in your child's food. Should you wish a copy of the menu please come and see the ladies in the Tuckshop.

Our Healthy Choice Menu is designed for all student's needs including allergies, gluten-free and vegetarian. We also have Daily Specials!

SPORTS NEWS

Swimming Carnival

Our Marymount Swimming Carnival is scheduled for tomorrow (Thursday 13 Feb) at Miami Aquatic Centre. The carnival is planned to start at 9.15 with the Butterfly events.

Students, please remember to bring all your swimming gear including swimming caps, food and water, hat and sunscreen. Swimming caps must be worn in the pool.

A division swimmers turning 10, 11 or 12 please remember to hand in 100/200m times if you wish to nominate for those events.

Please check the school website for changes due to unsuitable weather! Best of luck to all swimmers.

Queensland Oztag

Congratulations to four of our Marymount students who have been selected to represent Queensland in Oztag.

James Barns U12 Boys Matthew Sexton U11 Boys Ellie Beer U11 Girls Tatiana Wright U12 Girls

These students were recently selected into their respective Queensland teams to play at the National Carnival in Canberra in May.

Well done to your all and best of luck at Nationals.

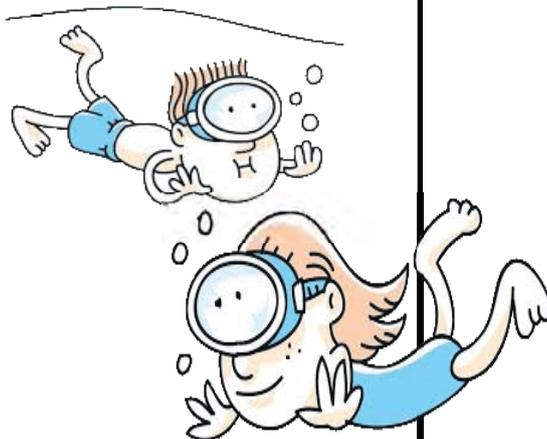
Paul Hill

Congratulations to Ellie Beer (left) and Izzy Davidson members of the undefeated Under 11 girls Qld OzTag team.



Marymount Swimming Carnival Events Timetable 2014

Time	Age	Event	Time	Age	Event	Time	Age	Event
9.15	8y Boys	Butterfly	11.15	8y Boys	Breastroke	1.15	8/9y Boys	Relay
	8y Girls	Butterfly		8y Girls	Breastroke		8/9y Girls	Relay
	9y Boys	Butterfly		9y Boys	Breastroke		10y Boys	Relay
	9y Girls	Butterfly		9y Girls	Breastroke		10y Girls	Relay
	10y Boys	Butterfly		10y Boys	Breastroke		11y Boys	Relay
	10y Girls	Butterfly		10y Girls	Breastroke		11y Girls	Relay
	11y Boys	Butterfly		11y Boys	Breastroke		12/13y Boys	Relay
	11y Girls	Butterfly		11y Girls	Breastroke		12/13y Girls	Relay
	12y Boys	Butterfly		12y Boys	Breastroke			
	12y Girls	Butterfly		12y Girls	Breastroke		2.00pm	Clean up
	13y Boys	Butterfly		13y Boys	Breastroke		2.10pm	Depart
	13y Girls	Butterfly		13y Girls	Breastroke			
	10.15	8y Boys		Backstroke	12.15		8 Boys	Freestyle
8y Girls		Backstroke	8y Girls	Freestyle				
9y Boys		Backstroke	9y Boys	Freestyle				
9y Girls		Backstroke	9y Girls	Freestyle				
10y Boys		Backstroke	10y Boys	Freestyle				
10y Girls		Backstroke	10y Girls	Freestyle				
11y Boys		Backstroke	11 Boys	Freestyle				
11y Girls		Backstroke	11 Girls	Freestyle				
12y Boys		Backstroke	12 Boys	Freestyle				
12y Girls		Backstroke	12 Girls	Freestyle				
13y Boys	Backstroke	13y Boys	Freestyle					
13y Girls	Backstroke	13y Girls	Freestyle					



BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Office Hours 9.00am to 5.00pm
Parish Manager: Mr Jim Littlefield
Parish Pastor: Fr Ken Howell

3 Sunlight Drive, Burleigh Waters (Postal PO Box 73, Burleigh Heads)
Parish Pastoral Team
Associate Pastors: Fr Huong Van Nguyen & Fr Lucius Edomodi

Phone: 5576 6317/5576 6466 FAX: 5576 7143
EMAIL: burleigh@bne.catholic.net.au
Pastoral Associates: Sr Patricia Tomlinson



MARYMOUNT PRIMARY WINTER UNIFORM ORDER FORM

Student Name: _____

Class: _____

Student Code: _____

Date: _____

To ensure your child has a tracksuit, jumper or sports jacket, order must be placed NOW.

TRACKSUIT TOP & PANTS

BOYS -Tracksuit pants may be worn with both day and sports uniform.

GIRLS – Tracksuit pants may be worn with sports uniform only.

Girls may wear black stockings for warmth with day uniform.

Track Top - \$44.00

Size: (please circle)

4 6 8 10 12 14 16

please size for me

Track Pant - \$38.50

Size: (please circle)

2 4 6 8 10 12 14 16

please size for me

JUMPER

Jumper - \$58.30 (Optional – to be worn with Day Uniform only)

Size: (please circle)

6 8 10 12 14 16 18 20

please size for me

SPORTS JACKET

Sports Jacket - \$69.00

Size: (please circle)

6 8 10 12 14 XS S

please size for me

Please note: Orders without a deposit cannot be processed.

Credit Card Payment Details

Student's Name: _____

Date: _____

Student's Class: _____

Student's Code: _____

MASTERCARD

VISA

BANKCARD

AMOUNT:

CARD NUMBER:

EXPIRY DATE:

Cardholders Name: _____

Signature: _____

INSIGHTS

by Michael Grose – No. 1 parenting educator



Parent involvement – the secret ingredient to children’s school success

Positive parent participation demonstrates to children that you value learning as well as holding their school in high regard.

If you want the best outcomes for your child or young person then it’s important that you become involved in as many aspects of your child’s education as practical.

The involvement of parents helps break down the mystique about school that can exist for some children. Their chances of success are better when they see school as an extension of home rather than merely an institution for learning.

Positive parent participation demonstrates to children that you value learning as well as their school. Children copy many of their parents’ views so your positive attitude to school and learning is catching.

Parent involvement takes energy

Many primary schools offer parents classroom jobs such as hearing kids read, taking small groups in elective activities and assisting children when writing stories.

Unfortunately, finding parents who are willing to take part in these activities is increasingly difficult. Many parents find themselves worn out from working too hard or being involved in a variety of activities. They find themselves with no energy left to be involved in their child’s school.

Make sure kids are school ready every day

Participating as a parent can be much broader than helping out in the classroom. There is a range of simple things you can do at home that will assist teachers to maximise the learning of your child.

These include: talking with your child about their day, hearing young learners read, helping with homework and making sure kids go off to school happy, healthy and having had plenty of sleep.

Here are some more ideas to help you participate in your child’s education in positive ways:

✓ **Find out** what your school is trying to **achieve** for your child and show your support for its aims. Discover what sets your child’s school apart from others.

✓ **Support** a broad, balanced curriculum that offers children a **variety of educational experiences** rather than a program that focuses narrowly on the traditional 3 R’s.

✓ **Direct conversations** through the **correct channels** such as your child’s teacher, the principal or the school’s governing body. Gossip or thoughtless criticism within the general community can easily tarnish a school’s reputation.

✓ Become an **advocate** for your child’s school and promote its positive features throughout the wider community. Encourage your child to take **pride** in their school through your example.

✓ **Attend** school activities such as open days, concerts, sports events and celebrations. **Invite** other members of the community along as well.

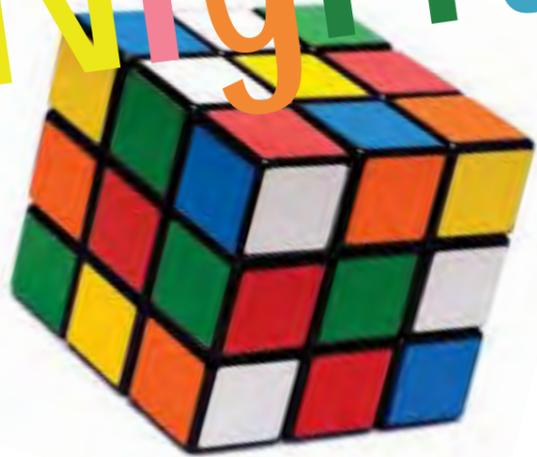
✓ **Consult** with your child’s teacher about practical ways that you can assist both at home and at school.

Positive parent participation in school and learning is a proven contributor to student success. One practical way to assist your child as a learner is to become actively involved in his or her school life.



Parentingideas just got better! Parentingideas Club has just been launched and has all the answers you need. There are 100’s of articles, videos, guides, how to’s, book reviews and more available for members. Become a member today at parentingideasclub.com.au.

Trivia Night



Saturday 29th March 2014

Arrive 6.30pm for 7.00pm start

Doyle Centre

P & F Social Event

WE ♥
80s theme

Hosted by
Anthony Touzell

\$8 per ticket
(buy table of 8-10 tickets for \$7 each)

Make up your own table of
6 to 8 or join a table and
meet new people.

BYO Drinks & nibbles
Lots of prizes to be won!

All enquiries to
Genevieve Sly
0412 211 854

Tickets available to purchase from Parent Reception.

CASH ONLY PLEASE

(Tickets must be pre-purchased as they will not be available on the night)

All money raised will go to St Vincent de Paul.



MARYMOUNT
College

TOURS

- Student Guides
- From 5:30pm
- Mondays

24 FEBRUARY

28 APRIL

21 JULY

13 OCTOBER

Enquires or RSVP contact the Enrolment Secretary enrolment@marymount.qld.edu.au (075586 1003)





EXTENSION PROGRAMS

- English Extension
- Music Extension
- Accelerated and Core Math Year 9 & 10

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

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

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

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

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



**JOIN OUR FOOTY
FAMILY IN 2014!**



The Robina Raptors Junior Rugby League Football Club is a local not for profit organisation aimed at providing children with the opportunity to play rugby league in a fun and safe environment.

Located at Station Reserve at the end of Bayberry Lane, Robina (behind Robina Hospital)

Watch our website or facebook for 2014 registration details

www.robinaraptorsjuniorrugbyleague.com



www.facebook.com/robinaraptors