Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

Mission Statement Review – An opportunity for Parent Input

As mentioned in previous newsletters, one of our school goals for this year is to review our school’s current Mission Statement. This was last done in 2003. This week we have begun this task with our teaching and School Officer staff having the opportunity to share what they see as special at our school and what things they would like to keep to the fore as we move forward as a school community. Tomorrow our children will be asked by our Year 7 children and their teachers what the ‘best’ things are about our school and why they love being here. We will then ask the children to come home and ask you (their parents) a similar thing except that it will be in their age-appropriate language. It would be great if you could take the time to sit with your children (some may need a reminder or encouragement) and help by answering their questions. We are looking for what you value about our school and seek your input into the following questions:

• What’s really important to you as parents about your child’s education?
• What’s special about Marymount?
• What would you love to see more of, and
• What are the important symbols around our school?

These won’t particularly be the questions the children will be asking but their themes will be similar. If you wanted to respond to these areas outside of what you provide for your children please feel free to do so and send them in via email to pburleigh@bne.catholic.edu.au or send your handwritten responses to our Parent or Student Reception. Thanks for your anticipated support with this project.

Marymount Combined Schools Fete – Saturday, 19 October

Every two years Marymount Primary School and Marymount College join forces to stage our school Fete. This year the Fete will be held on the above date and will start at 10.00am and run through until the late afternoon. We are looking to have a similar format to our last very successful fete which featured carnival rides, stage bands, BBQ and bar, a variety of stalls like craft, plants and a Cent Sale and an Art Union with very attractive prizes. On Monday evening we held our initial meeting with the P & F Executives and other members to plot out our course of action for the year. It was agreed to utilise the services of Tracey Dean as our Fete Co-Ordinator this year. Tracey was in this role for our very successful 2011 fete so she brings a wealth of experience to the task. We will also be holding another Art Union this year to coincide with the Fete. Our next fete meeting is to be held on Monday, 18 March, in our school staff room at 6.00pm. At this meeting we would like to look at allocating convenors for our various stalls and beginning the work of canvassing for donations or sponsorship for the day or through the donation of prizes for our Art Union or Chocolate wheel please contact Tracey Dean through the Marymount College office on 5586 1000.

Religious Education Professional Development Days – 6 & 7 March

All of our teachers will be involved in a series of Professional Development days designed to help us implement the new Brisbane Catholic Education Religious Education Guidelines over the course of this year. This document, which has the imprimatur of Archbishop Coleridge, will be phased in over the next two years across all schools in the Archdiocese. Our teachers will be working with their colleagues from St Vincent’s Primary School of Clear Island Waters under the supervision of our regional Religious Education Officer. Our first two days for the year are being held next week on Wednesday and Thursday and we will have a number of relief teachers coming as replacements for us on these days. Our teachers will then have another two days each term for the year as they undertake this professional development.

Catholic Schools Swimming Carnival – Friday, 8 March

Next Friday week we will be sending our swimming squad to the annual Catholic Schools’ swimming carnival which is to be held at Pizzey Park at Miami. Our squad will comprise boys and girls aged eight to thirteen years. This squad was selected from our recent Marymount carnival and the children should have received their notes about this day from Paul Hill, our Senior PE Teacher, detailing transport and lunch information as well as what events they will be swimming in. Parents are most welcome to come along on the day and support our school team. Paul is our Team Manager and co-ordinator for this day so all enquiries will need to be directed to him. Our best wishes go with the children for a successful day.

Thanks for reading,
Yours in Christ
Greg Casey
**Project Compassion**
This morning Year 3Y delivered an important message to our community about the work of Caritas who we are supporting through the Project Compassion campaign this Lent.

Caritas works throughout the world and here in Australia to assist people in need. This week students have had the opportunity to share the story of Raymundo from Bolivia. Raymundo left school at an early age to begin working to support his family.

The work of Caritas has helped Raymundo to develop skills as an actor and inspire others to use their talents. The money raised by communities such as Marymount has helped to open doors not just for Raymundo, but for his family and others in his community.

At Marymount we pride ourselves as being people of Justice and Action – people who do something to ensure others are treated fairly. Year 3Y challenged our community today not to aspire to have more, but to be more. Your family’s continuing support of Project Compassion allows our children to be people of Justice and Action and the opportunity to be more.

**Commissioning Mass for Fr Ken**
Many thanks to those students and families who were present to represent Marymount Primary at Fr Ken’s Commissioning Mass last Wednesday night. Thank you especially to Lauren Fitzpatrick, one of our Year 7 School Leaders, who was part of the offertory procession. Such representation of our school was an important gesture of welcome to Fr Ken on behalf of our school community.

**Australian Army Band Excursion**
On Thursday, students involved in the Instrumental Music Program with Mr Hoy and Mr Radford have been invited to attend a concert by the Australian Army Band. This is a unique opportunity for our students to see one of the finest military bands in the country. We look forward to hearing about this wonderful experience for our school musicians.

Best wishes for the week ahead  
Kevin Yates

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Students from 3Y at today’s assembly for Project Compassion.

Making the best of all the wet days recently, students from 3A showed their artistic talents by creating their own chalk art version of our school logo.
There are only one and a half weeks left until the Trivia Night which means tickets will be selling out fast! I would like to remind everyone of the following points:

- Tickets are on sale from parent reception for $7.00 each.
- You may purchase a whole table of 6 – 8 people or purchase individual tickets.
- The theme is St Patrick’s Day so come dressed in your best Leprechaun outfit or perhaps all in green. Prizes for best dressed!!
- BYO drinks and nibbles (yes that includes alcohol!)
- All proceeds going to St Vincent de Paul winter appeal
- Check the facebook sight for any updates

We are planning a fun night full of laughter (and perhaps some tears). So wear your thinking caps (make sure they are green to match the theme) and come along for a night full of fun. Who knows, you may even find out that you are a genius after all!

Genevieve Sly

BANKING NEWS

Welcome all new bankers!!

Welcome to all our new bankers! It’s lovely to see so many new students join student banking!

Ann from the Commonwealth bank will be in Student Reception Tuesday 5th March from 8.15am to 9.30am to open new accounts for anyone who would like their child to participate in school banking. Your child does not need to be with you. If you are a Commonwealth bank customer please bring in your account details or if you do not have a Commonwealth bank account simply bring in your Driver’s Licence or Passport. It is a very easy process and will only take a few minutes of your time.

If you would like to ask any questions about school banking please feel free to come along on Tuesday morning and speak to Ann. Ann is the school banking co-ordinator for about 200 schools so we are very lucky to have her come in for our account opening morning as she is a very busy lady!

Looking forward to seeing many more new bankers!

The Banking Ladies

It’s a Brand New Year! We have Brand New Courts!
And we have a Brand New Junior Competition!

Come Join Us! We are inviting junior players (girls AND boys), from age 5 years to 11 years to play in our Junior Comp commencing April 2013 at Mallawa Dr Palm Beach. Saturday morning training and games.

For more information email: southcoastnetballassociation@gmail.com or call: 0410 209 740

PREPARATORY ENROLMENTS 2014

We are now calling for enrolments for Preparatory classes in 2014. 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 2014 need to have been born between 1 July 2008 and 30 June 2009.

Applications close at the end of Term 1, 2013

Dear Parents/Caregivers

Today your child should have received a brochure from Scholastic Book Club. This book club has been established for many years and provides a great opportunity to purchase good quality children’s literature at great prices. Marymount Primary School students are now able to place orders from this book club and enjoy the fantastic specials that Scholastic Book Club offers.

To enable the ordering and payment of items to run smoothly, we ask that you follow these few simple guidelines:

- Brochures will be distributed by class teachers
- On completing the order form, payment must be made directly to Scholastic by credit card either online at www.scholastic.com.au/payment or by phoning 1800 557 908
- After making your payment, you will be given a receipt number – this must be recorded on the order form that is returned to school (back page of brochure)
- All orders forms must be given to class teachers
- The school will not accept any cash or cheques
- The school will not accept any late orders

As a Scholastic Book Club school, we receive bonus points for each order placed and these points can then be used to acquire free resources for the school. So we hope that you enjoy the many benefits that Scholastic Book Club has to offer you and your family while knowing that by purchasing their products, you are helping to increase the resources in our school. Enjoy!

1M display of their class buddies and First Class Friends.

FEE CONCESSION APPLICATIONS ARE CLOSING

Please note that completed concession application forms must be sent to the Accounts Office no later than Friday 22nd February 2013 to be considered for this Term. If you do not submit your application within this timeframe you will jeopardize your chances of approval being granted for Term 1. Applications must be received with ALL SUPPORTING documentation attached including a CURRENT Centrelink INCOME STATEMENT, before an interview can be made. At this stage the last appointment date with our School Fees Co-ordinator will be Monday 4th March 2013. Please phone Janelle Holmes from our Accounts Office on 55208417 if you have any queries.
Healthy Eating is the way to go, just ask the children of Marymount Primary! Sandwiches, sushi, salads and fruit; throw in a freshly baked cake or pikelet and you’re set to go! Please keep encouraging your children to make healthy eating choices.

FROGS FOR CARITAS…it is fantastic to see so many children giving up a red frog and popping their 10c into our Caritas Box. At the front of the tuckshop we have a timber display showing pictures of what our money can buy through the Caritas programme. We are close to opening one of the doors! Keep up the great work!

**FRIED RICE AND FRUIT.** Our next theme day will be Tuesday March 19. Order forms and notes will be sent home with your child shortly. Please complete and return asap so we can get our numbers together. Your help with the early return of these forms is greatly appreciated.

**ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK**

- Monday 4 March............Sharon
- Tuesday 5 March............Lisa and Karen
- Wednesday 6 March........Kerry Wasson and Leonore Murphy
- Thursday 7 March...........Sharni Hamilton **HELP NEEDED PLEASE**
- Friday 8 March..............Michelle Russell, Stacey, Lisa Bruce and Christiane

Thanks to all our wonderful helpers, and please let me know if you are unable to make your rostered date.

**MORE HELP IS NEEDED AT THE TUCKSHOP. PLEASE CONSIDER ONE DAY A MONTH.**

Vicki Turner

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**District Swimming**

Well done to all of our Marymount students who competed at the District Swimming carnival last Thursday. The behaviour, attitude and spirit displayed by our students was excellent.

Congratulations to eleven of our students who qualified for the Regional Swimming Trials. (Regionals trials are being held Monday 25 and Wednesday 27 February).

Regional swimmers are listed below:

- Mitchell Browne, 50m Freestyle, 50m Butterfly and 100m Backstroke.
- Conall Crowley, 50m Freestyle, 50m Breaststroke, 100m Breaststroke, 100m Butterfly and 200IM.
- Tyler Gilbert, 50m Freestyle, 50m Butterfly, 50m Backstroke, 100m Backstroke, 100m Freestyle.
- Jared Crowley, 100m Backstroke.
- Yasmin Glifos, 100m Breaststroke, 200 IM.
- Zara Glifos, 50m Backstroke.
- Bella McCabe, 50m Backstroke.
- Emily Noyes, 100m Backstroke.
- Amy Sauvarin, 50m Breaststroke.
- Matthew Treggiden, 50m Breaststroke.
- Blake Weise, 100m Backstroke.

Best of luck to all our swimmers at the Regional trials and Catholic carnival.

**Congratulations**

Congratulations to Kelsie Carr who has been selected in the U12 District Netball team to play at the Regional Carnival on March 19. Well done Kelsey and best of luck at regionals.

Kyle Leighton has been selected in the Gold Coast Baseball team. He will be playing against other teams around Southeast Queensland as part of the Gold Coast Rep. team. Kyle plays club games for the Robina Braves. Well done Kyle and good luck with your future games.

**Paul Hill**
### Sandwiches, Rolls, Wraps
- **White, wholemeal, multigrain**

#### SANDWICHES & ROLLS
- **Chicken** $3.00
- **Chicken & lettuce** $3.00
- **Chicken & cheese** $3.50
- **Chicken, cheese & Avo** $4.00
- **Chicken & salad** $4.00
- **Tuna** $3.00
- **Tuna & lettuce** $3.00
- **Tuna & salad** $4.00
- **Ham** $3.00
- **Ham & cheese** $3.50
- **Ham & tomato** $3.50
- **Ham & salad** $4.00
- **Ham, cheese & tomato** $4.00
- **Egg** $3.00
- **Egg & lettuce** $3.00
- **Cheese** $2.00
- **Cheese & vegemite** $2.50
- **Vegemite** $2.00

**WRAPS** add .50c
**TOASTED** add .50c

### HOT FOOD
**Available every day (morning tea and lunch)**
- **Corn cob** $1.50
- **Chicken coujons (4)** $2.50
- **Chicken snack wrap-chicken coujons, lettuce & mayo in wrap** $3.00
- **Garlic bread** $1.50
- **Chicken crackles (4)** $3.00
- **Party pie** $1.50

**NEW ITEMS**
- **B.L.T....lightly toasted turkey bread with bacon, lettuce, tomato** $4.00
- **B.L.A.T..lightly toasted turkey bread with bacon, lettuce, avocado, tomato** $4.50

### Salad Shaker Cups
- Large cup filled with fresh salad ingredients.
- All you need to do is add the dressing, give it a shake and eat!
- **Caesar salad** $4.50
- **Garden salad** $4.50
- Add chicken, tuna, ham or avocado...$1.00

### Fruit
- **Apple** $1.00
- **Banana** $1.00
- **Watermelon slice** .50c
- **Fresh salad bowl** $3.50
- **Add natural yoghurt** .50c

**PLEASE ENCOURAGE YOUR CHILD TO HAVE A PIECE OF FRESH FRUIT EACH DAY. Available from 8.20am each day.**

### Cakes, biscuits & muffins
**BAKED FRESH DAILY**
- **Cookies, muffins and cakes** $1.00
- **Pikelets** 30c

### Drinks
- **Milk - Calcyum - chocolate or strawberry** $2.20
- **Just Juice popper 100% juice 200ml (various flavours)** $1.50
- **Water 600ml** $1.50
- **Play water** $1.80
- **Aroona mineral water (raspberry & apple; orange; lemon/lime)** $2.00
- **Up & Go - banana, choc or vanilla** $2.00

**SLUSHIE IS BACK**
- **Kanga Crush** $1.50
Ordering MUST be done using lunch bags or lunch wallets.

Please clearly name with the individual child’s name and class (one bag per child).

A cost of 20 cents will apply for each lunch bag the tuckshop supplies.

Separate orders would be appreciated if ordering for both breaks.

Ice creams & Ice blocks

- Frozen fruit cups (orange or apple) .................. 70c
- Ice animals .................................................. 30c
- Paddle pops .............................................. $1.20
- Icy twist ................................................... 90c
- Callipo ....................................................... 80c
- Scribbler ................................................... 50c
- Slushie ...................................................... $1.50
- Frozen fruit yoghurt ................................. $1.70
- Ice Mony (Ice Moo) -
  - TNT/Chocolate/kablukey/lemonade/blackcurrant ....... 50c

Chips & Treats

- Jumpys- hot dog, salt & vinegar, chicken, bbq flavoured .......... 80c
- Red Rock Deli chips - sea salt & honey soy ............... $1.20
- Licorice .................................................................. 20c
- Red frog ...................................................................... 10c
- Hello pandas ..................................................... 80c
- Ovalteenies ....................................................... 90c
- Gingerbread man .............................................. $1.20

Tuckshop is open five days per week from 8.20am to 1.30pm.

We serve fresh fruit, fruit juice and flavoured milk from 8.20am.

Class crates are collected and delivered to the tuckshop.

Morning Tea is collected by students from the tuckshop.

Lunch is returned to class eating area.

Morning Tea may also be purchased over-the-counter.

If you have any ideas or suggestions please feel free to contact the Tuckshop convenor on 5520 8413.
School Banking Account Opening Day

The Commonwealth Bank School Banking Program is at MARYMOUNT PS. To help get your child involved we will have representatives from the Commonwealth Bank visit the school on:

**TUESDAY 5TH MARCH**

**Between 8.15am- 9.45am AT STUDENT RECEPTION**

Staff will be available to help complete the application form required to open a Youthsaver account for your child so they can participate in the School Banking program.

- Please ensure you bring along photo identification such as a valid driver’s licence or passport for yourself.
- No identification is required for your child as the school will confirm their identity.
- Siblings are welcome to participate, however you will need to bring along their birth certificate or passport.
- If you can’t make it to school this morning you can visit your nearest Commonwealth Bank Branch with both your and your child’s identification.

**School Banking is every TUESDAY**

This is a great fundraiser for our school. We receive $5 for every child $5 for every Activated Account via the School Banking program (i.e. for each student who banks through the school’s program for the very first time) and 5% of every deposit made at school (up to a maximum of $10 commission per individual deposit).