

Marymount Primary News Wednesday 18 August 2010 Term 3 Week 6



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Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

Year 7 Canberra Trip

Wow! What a wonderful (if somewhat tiring) experience this was for all concerned. The children had the opportunity to be part of a well-planned excursion which covered educational, social and just plain fun activities. It was exciting to see the way that the children responded to the challenges of a trip like this – sharing meals together with over 120 people, remembering what they had learnt about politics, getting organized to catch planes, trains and buses, learning to sleep in a bedroom with more than just one or two people, and tackling the challenge of moving over snow for the first time. Our children received many accolades from all fields for their behaviour, manners, sense of respect and knowledge of content and this is a credit to themselves and their teachers. Thank you to our staff who accompanied the children – Kathy Frost, Kerry de Ruyter, Diane Anderson, Sylvia Kelvin, Debbie McLean, Mary Sanders, Rena Harvey, Jackson Elliott, Dan Allsopp, Paul Hill and Oliver Blenkin. We as a school are indebted to them for giving up their own personal and family time to ensure a memorable trip for the children.

Welcome Back to Tony

This week we welcome back our Acting Assistant Principal, Tony Barron. Tony has been away as the State Manager of the Queensland Primary Schools Rugby League Squad who participated in the Australian Titles. Congratulations to Tony and his colleagues and the team on winning the competition. The team scored 242 points and only had 12 scored against them in the whole week's tournament – a remarkable effort.

Thanks to Brad and welcome back Barry

This week we welcome back Barry Millar, one of our groundsmen who has been on sick leave and a period of Long Service Leave. Sadly we say farewell to Brad Doughty who has filled in for both Barry and John for the last 13 weeks and done a very good job. We thank Brad for sharing his skills and talents with us and wish him well for his future endeavours.

Powerlines Update

Energex have informed us that they would be looking to finally remove the high tensile lines from our school campus by Christmas of this year. As parents may have noted, they are currently doing work on the location of the new poles which are to be in the car park area and grassed area adjacent to Reedy Creek road. The project deadline has been pushed back a few times over the last few years due to departmental issues but we are hopeful that by the start of next year our school will be devoid of any power lines.

P21 BER Project Update

Our new covered area is almost complete with the flooring going down at present. This is expected to be down (weather permitting) by the end of August and then it is only external oval works on the northern end of the building to finish off on. So we are hoping to be able to utilize it by early September for classes and sporting activities. Thank you again for your patience with this project.

Volunteers Sign In

We have many parents and grandparents who help out as volunteers in our school and this support is really appreciated be it for classroom or sport help or tuckshop time. Could I please ask our helpers though, to ensure that they sign in and out at either our Parent or Student Reception areas. This is a Workplace requirement and is necessary for things like Fire Drills and Lock Down procedures. Thank you for your ongoing support and your help with this safety matter.

Gold Coast Show Holiday - Friday, 27 August

Please be advised that Friday week, 27 August, is the gazetted Gold Coast Show Holiday and as such our school will be closed on this day. The Outside School Hours Care unit will also be closed for the day.

Thanks for reading and enjoy the rest of the week. Yours in Christ

Greg Casey

COMING

Wednesday August 18 6.00pm—Art Show Meeting

(College Boardroom)

Thursday August 19
Band Concert—Ozanam Villa

Wednesday August 25 Whole School Assembly—PJM Regional Track & Field

Thursday August 26 Eisteddfod Performances

Friday August 27 Gold Coast Show Holiday

GOLD COAST SHOW HOLIDAY

FRIDAY 27 AUGUST

OSHC CLOSED

CATHOLIC ATHLETICS & BALL GAMES CARNIVAL SEPTEMBER 6 2010

MASS TIMES

Children Mass

(Doyle Centre - children read at Mass) 5.30pm 1st Sunday of each month <u>Children's Liturgy of the Word</u>

(Doyle Centre - children are withdrawn for brief lesson)

10.00am 2nd & 4th Sundays;

5.30pm 3rd Sunday

8.30am each Sunday 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

From our Acting Assistant Principal - Administration

New Caledonian Visit

Bonjour! Visite des étudiants

This year from October 17 - 23 we will be hosting approximately 40 students aged between 10 and 11 from the Sacre-Couer Primary School, Noumea, New Caledonia.

We are seeking families interested in billeting these students for the school week between Monday and Friday. There will be no weekend time in billeting the students this year.

During the week, the billets come to school with your children. They spend the day at various activities, and often return to school a little later in the afternoon, before spending the evening with you.

If you are willing to host *one or two* of these students please complete the form below and return it to your class teacher as soon as possible.

Yes I am willing to host students from New Caledonia

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Qld 12 Years Rugby League Team

A big thank you to everyone for their support especially Greg, Annette, Bernadette, and Kev Yates, who had to shoulder the extra workload while I was away with the Queensland 12 years Rugby League Team in Townsville and Adelaide.

The team performed at a very high level against the other States and Territories, having only 2 tries scored against them all week.

This culminated in the QLD team winning the National Championships by beating NSW 22-0, in the final.

A great achievement and one I am proud to have been involved with.

I look forward to getting back into the swing of things and meeting more families and children at Marymount.

Tony Barron



AUGUST SALE

Discontinued polos only \$5.50 Day socks \$1.00

Available from the Uniform Shop NOW

From our Assistant Principal - Administration

Whilst there are many books about parenting, and I'm sure each has some value, a recent publication is one of the best I have read. *Politically Incorrect Parenting* by Nigel Latta (Harper Collins Publishers, 2010) provides a no-nonsense approach to the difficult task of parenting. Latta has attempted to simplify the process and raise awareness of pitfalls, whilst also offering some common sense advice. He does so from the point of view of both a clinical psychologist, and as a parent of two young boys. It's an easy read with a good dose of humour amongst some serious messages. Over the next few newsletters, I will summarise some of the key points.

The tone of the book is set in the Preface where Latta outlines some "nonsenses" which he says are being "pelted out" in Parentland to normal mums and dads like himself. For example, he challenges the notion of the purchase of special foam crash helmets for toddlers so that their heads are protected as they learn to walk. In responding to this he writes:

If your kid needs a crash helmet to learn to walk, then walking is the least of their problems.

His preface, "Never mind the kids...save yourself" signals his intent to create a situation of balance in parenthhood. He argues that "we all screw up in one way or another" because of the very nature of the parenting role. He cautions that there is no million dollar lottery win at the end of parenting but "if you're half decent and a bit lucky" there will be some very fond memories that will remain with you forever.

For this week, perhaps the focus can be on what Latta says is the most important rule of all; that is, to remain sane at all costs. He argues:

The crazier **you** are, the less well **they** tend to do. The happier **you** are the happier **they** will be.

Have a great week as you enjoys the highs and lows of parenting (and of course remind yourself of your sanity).

Annette O'Shea

SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC

The School Dental Service is currently offering treatment to all students at Marymount Primary in Year 7 and Prep. If you have not returned your medical form to school, please return it as soon as possible or your child may miss receiving a dental examination and treatment this year. If you have misplaced your child's form there are more available from Student Reception.

This year the school dental van will not be attending the school, so parents will have to take their child to the Burleigh School Dental Clinic at Burleigh State School for each appointment.

The staff from the clinic will phone to arrange an when they receive your child's form.

Thank you **Dental Staff**

From our Assistant Principal - Religious Education



Stewards of a Sustainable Future– Environmental News

- Friday is the last day for orders of Reusable tuckshop bags
- Nude Lunch Thursday tomorrow

Yr 7KD students recently conducted a **water audit** of the school and found 10 instances of broken gutters and taps dripping or not turning off properly. Those results have been forwarded to the appropriate staff members for maintenance and repair. Well done Year 7 for your keen observations!

As a result of a two year application process, Marymount Primary has recently benefited from the National Solar Schools Project to the tune of about \$50 000! Initiatives include provision and installation of:

- a water tank behind the senior toilets to collect rainwater for use in flushing toilets and washing hands
- solar panels on the roof of the Early Years Centre to collect energy for use in the school thus reducing our dependence on the grid
- energy efficient lighting in the admin block

Further information is on the website for your reference at www.marymount.solarvu.net. Thanks to Lachy and Blair from 7KD for researching these changes and letting the wider school community know.

Guest Musician

We welcomed John Burland to Marymount today to conduct music workshops with the students. John is a well-known Australian composer and singer of religious music for children, some of which you may already have heard at assemblies. His work will add to our repertoire of songs used in class prayer and on public occasions.

Marymount Day is coming

The annual celebration of our school feast day is fast approaching! Marymount Day 2010 will be celebrated on Friday September 10. It marks the feast of The Birth of Mary, a perfect occasion for celebration for students and adults of all ages. The day will begin with a combined schools' Mass and continue with sporting events for older students and classroom activities for younger ones. The P&F will generously donate a small treat for each student on behalf of all families. Please note it is NOT a free-dress day for primary students.

A significant aspect of our celebration is the reaching out to those less fortunate in our local area. St Vincent de Paul Society members are very grateful for our contributions of non-perishable food and personal hygiene items which they distribute between now and Christmas. Please see the attached posters for information about what to bring for your particular year level. Items may be near their 'best by' date but must NOT be past the 'use by' date so that they are able to be passed on.

Enjoy the rest of the week

Bernadette Christensen









Competition Finalists

Earlier this term many children in Grade Six participated in a Science Week Competition to design a logo for an environmental bag. Six finalists were selected from the Gold Coast, including Alahni Brown, Claudia-Rose Slaven and Jake Lizoguboff from 6DH. These students will attend a presentation day this Saturday at the Southport/Broadbeach Parklands where the winning finalist will be announced. The winner will have their design printed onto 2000 enviro bags. We wish our creative students the best of luck and look forward to hearing the results next week.



Congratulations

Noah McKitterick (4CC) recently competed in the 2010 Qld Schools Canoe Marathon Championships at Karana Downs. Noah represented Marymount in the 1.5km K1 Division racing up an age group in the under 11s. Noah placed 2nd in a very tough race which came down to a sprint to the finish.

Well done, Noah.

Centenary Celebrations



Sacred Heart Parish Childers is celebrating its centenary on Sunday 26th September with Mass commencing at 10am. Archbishop John Bathersby will be the main celebrant and there will be a church blessing and BBQ lunch to follow.

Please RSVP before 20th September to Denise 4130 4650 (w), Maureen 4157 9642 or Gloria 4126 2366 and share this information with anyone who may have worked in or attended St Joseph's School or lived in Childers.



Today we went down to the high school to make pizza with my mum (Chef Greffe) and Year Twelve. We got to make yummy pizza. We liked it because you got to roll out the dough and put yummy fillings on the pizza. After that the chefs made us chocolate, caramel desserts. Everyone liked them, they were delicious. We had lots of fun!

Pierce Greffe 2LC

Sign on at Burleigh Heads S.L.S.C—Sunday 5 & 12th September 8.00am to 10.30am. Please bring togs and goggles for pool swim. More information from www.burleighslsc.com.au

NOBBY'S BEACH SURF CLUB NIPPER SIGN-ON & POOL SWIM – Sunday September 5th and 12th at 9am-11am at Indepth Swim School Miami High School. New members welcome; Surf Safe and Fun; Family friendly orientated club. Enquiries: 55725173



CONGRATULATIONS...**ISAAC MAURER** of 2GC, you are the "winter warmer" meal deal prize winner for this week. Please collect your prize from the tuckshop.

WINTER WARMER MEAL DEALS ARE AVAILABLE FOR BOTH LITTLE AND BIG LUNCH.... *purchase a winter warmer and go in the draw for our weekly prize giveaway!!!

BAZZA BANANA - \$3

cheese toasty, banana, bottle water of popper

KIWI KID - \$3

chicken snack wrap, kiwi fruit & orange cup, bottle water or popper

NODDY NARCHOS - \$4

home made nachos, berrie cup, bottle water or popper

HOT CHOCOLATE now available beforew school and at little lunch. \$1.50

It is fantastic to see how many orders for the STICKY-BEAK LUNCH WALLETS received so far. Don't forget the last day to have your order in is Friday August 20. Order forms are available at the tuckshop. DON'T MISS OUT!!!! Sample of lunch wallet at tuckshop.

Please return the slip below to the Tuckshop along with your **cash** payment in an envelope which is clearly marked "**LUNCH WALLETS**".

RETURN WITH MONEY TO TUCKSHOP BY FRIDAY 20TH AUGUST 2010

PLEASE CIRCLE COLOUR CHOICE

(Cash only please)	TOTAL AMOUNT: \$			
\$ QTY:	TOTAL: \$			
BLACK WITH BLUE/GREEN/PINK EDGING:				
CHILD'S NAME:	CLASS:			
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ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK

Monday 23 August Jade Grumley
Tuesday 24 August Lisa Hatton
Wednesday 25 August ...Jodie Terry & Irene Gilfius
Thursday 26 August...*********HELP PLEASE*********
Friday 27 August.... ********HELP PLEASE********

Unfortunately the tuckshop recruitment drive did not find any new volunteers. A HUGE thanks to our regular band of helpers for all the additional days you have been putting in at the tuckshop. Your efforts are greatly appreciated by the staff and children of Marymount.

CHANGE OF DATE FOR YEAR 5,6 & 7 ITALIAN DAY will now be held on FRIDAY 27 AUGUST

Pre-order forms will be sent home with your student on Monday 23 August

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Office Hours 9.00am to 5.00pm Parish Manager: Mr Jim Littlefield 3 Sunlight Drive, Burleigh Waters (Postal PO Box 73, Burleigh Heads)
Parish Pastoral Team

Parish Pastor: Fr Pat Molony Associate Pastor: Fr Rafal Rucinski Pastoral Associates. Sr Patricia Tomlinson, Sr Moira Broderick

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Marymount Day



Friday 10 September 2010



Join us to celebrate Mary's birthday and our school feast day!



- Mass 9.15am start in the Doyle Centre with the College
- Food donation to St Vincent De Paul bring items to your class by Wednesday 8 September
- Enjoy a special treat!
- Please note: this is NOT a free dress day for primary students



The St Vincent de Paul Society helps people in our local area who need food, clothing, housing or just a friendly chat.

You can help by bringing in food items for donation. Bring to your class by Wed 8 September.

•	Prep	canned goods – vegetables, fruit and meals
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• Yr 1 pasta & sauce packets, dry soup packets

Yr2 porridge, milo & toothpaste

Yr 3 tea bags, sml coffee & toothbrushes

Yr 4 packet jellies, sugar & cakes of soap

• Yr 5 museli bars, cracker biscuits & combs

• Yr 6 pasta sauces in jars & roll-on deodorants

• Yr 7 dry rice, pasta & toothpaste







