



Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

## 2017 Staffing Changes

Our staffing for 2017 has been finalised. Below is a list of our changes.

**Greg Casey** – Greg will be returning to Marymount as Principal. Greg has completed his time as Acting Area Supervisor for Brisbane Catholic Education.

**Annette O'Shea** – resigned as Assistant Principal, will take a further 6 months leave from BCE.

**Deanne Krueger** – has been offered a position at Emmanuel College. We wish Deanne all the best as she takes on this new challenge and thank her for all she has done at Marymount over the last 7 years.

**Jackson Elliott** –resigned from BCE to continue work at TSS. Best of luck Jackson in your future endeavours.

**Meagan Curry** – Meagan has worked at Marymount for 15 years. During this time she has taught classes, LOTE and run some very successful musicals. We wish Meagan all the best for the future.

At this stage we also say goodbye to Melissa Redman, and Amanda Schijvens who were on contract with us this year. Thank you for your passion and dedication and all you have done for Marymount over the years. We also wish Sharyn Herbertson (Accounts) all the best as she takes leave for 2017.

We welcome Samantha Thorpe as Accounts Support for 2017. Samantha has a wealth of knowledge and comes to us from the College.

We also welcome back to Marymount in 2017 Matt Redmond (Yr 6), Angela Lane (Yr2), Melanie Trembath (Yr 3) and Louise Lowe (Prep School officer) for 2017.

## Farewell Year 6 students

We say our farewells to our Year 6 students on Thursday evening at 6pm at the End of Year Liturgy. Fr Ken Howell, will lead our Liturgy as we pray for their future lives after Primary School. This cohort has grown into a remarkable group of young men and women and have shown great leadership skills throughout the year. We also farewell the children as a school community through our Guard of Honour on Thursday. The children process through the school at 2:40pm and finish outside the Doyle Centre. I would also like to thank our Yr 6 teachers; Whitney, Jonnene, Dwayne, Dan and Marie for their guidance and leadership with our students. We wish each of our students the very best as the venture into High School in 2017.

## Goodbye Fr Stephen Camiolo

Today at Assembly we said goodbye to our Assistant Priest Fr Stephen. Fr Stephen has been appointed as Parish Priest at Kingaroy and Nanango from January 2017. The children have certainly enjoyed having Fr Stephen at Masses and Liturgies. We wish Fr Stephen all the best in his new Parish.

## Semester Two Report Cards

Our end of year Report Cards are now available on our Parent Portal. No reports are printed by the school, in line with BCE policy. These reports provide a summary of their progress over the course of this semester in all of our Key Learning Areas as well as provide an outline of their work and social habits.

## School Ends for 2016

Our school will officially close for the year on this coming Friday, 2 December, at 12.00pm. The classes will finish at this time and I would ask that parents please organise for the pick-up of their children. The children will only require Morning Tea for this day. Our day will commence at the normal time and we will break for Morning Tea at 10.30am. After this break, the children head back to their respective classes for dismissal for the day by their teachers at 12.00 noon.

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## Coming Events

**Wednesday November 30**  
Whole School Assembly-Awards  
11.15am Yr 6 Mass  
Last day for Bookshop

**Thursday December 1**  
6pm - End of Year Liturgy

**Friday December 2**  
**School Ends 12 NOON**

**Tuesday January 24**  
2017 School Year begins

**Thursday January 26**  
AUSTRALIA DAY Holiday



## 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)  
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

**School ends on  
Friday December 2 at 12 noon**

### **School Starts 2016**

Our first school day for 2016 will be Tuesday, 24 January. The classes will commence at our normal time with the first bell going at 8.35am. Thursday 26 January will be our Australia Day Public Holiday.

I would like to say a special thank you to an amazing staff who have shown great care and concern for all our children throughout the year. I also thank the parents and families who each day entrust their children to our care, and who support the school in every way possible. Finally to the children of Marymount, who always manage to bring a smile to our faces. They are the reason we are here. Thank you for being wonderful ambassadors for Marymount.

I have enjoyed my time as Principal, and am so grateful for the support, smiles and friendship. Have a safe, happy and relaxing holiday. We look forward to seeing you all again in 2017.

Yours in Christ

**Tony Barron**

### **Marymount Student Awards**

**The Charlie Clarke Aussie All Rounder Award** recognises the Year 6 student who demonstrates a real love of life in their interactions with others. Charlie was a staff member who was friendly, mischievous and fun loving with just a touch of rogue. Charlie died suddenly during his first year of teaching at Marymount, yet left quite an impression on those who knew him.

**The Pat Dolan Award** recognizes the Year 6 student who clearly demonstrates a genuine friendship and concern for fellow students, particularly by assisting and encouraging them in their school life. Pat supported Marymount for many years, especially during the establishment of the school. Much of what we enjoy now is testament to the efforts of Pat and his crew.

**The St Vincent de Paul Inspiration Award** recognises the student who, in everyday interactions with others, offers a 'helping hand' to those in need. This student shows respect for the dignity of others, shares a sense of hope, and encourages others to become the best person possible.

**The Simon Hogan Memorial Music Award** in memory of Simon Hogan who attended Marymount Primary School for six years until 2001 when he lost his courageous battle with Leukemia. Simon was an energetic student, popular with his classmates and loved especially Rugby League and music. In fact, music was a great companion for Simon especially during his treatment in hospital. He loved music of all styles and this Music Excellence award is named in Simon's memory.

In her life, Mary the Mother of Jesus, demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to God's call. She persevered in the face of difficult times to achieve and be the best that she could be. **The Spirit of Mary Award** recognises the student who has exemplified this attitude and worked hard to achieve in the areas of learning, positive behaviour and high standards.

### **From our Acting Assistant Principal**

**Tina O'Keefe**

Jingeri everyone. Baugull yau-un (good afternoon). I hope you are all baugull (good).

Just wanted to finish this wonderful year by saying a big THANK YOU to everyone. As a newcomer to Marymount Primary this year, I have been very impressed and heartened by our warm and welcoming community, and the professionalism and commitment of our staff. I am also very excited by all the things we have planned for 2017.

Have a safe Christmas break and enjoy this most special time with your loved ones. Nimbulima bullang ya baugull (Return strong and well).

**God gave His greatest gift to us  
on that first Christmas Day  
and may the wonder of it  
always guide and light your way...  
MERRY CHRISTMAS!**



**Tina O'Keefe**

**Annual Awards**

Today we presented the major Marymount Awards for 2016. Below is a list of the nominees and the winners. The Charlie Clarke, Pat Dolan, St Vincent de Paul and Spirit of Mary awards are voted by staff. The Sport and Music awards are criteria based and the winners are chosen accordingly. Below is a list of this year's nominees and winners. Congratulations to all of our children who were nominated on these achievements and I thank them for the special presence they have brought to our school this year and in preceding years.



*The Charlie Clarke "Aussie All Rounder" Nominees*

Cooper Hatton                      Jaxon Visser  
Charli Ackerman                      Oscar Devine  
**Keely Whatman (Winner)**

*Pat Dolan Award Nominees*

Jarah Frogley                      James McGregor  
Cahill Wharton                      Annie Kennedy  
Jack Isaacs                      Ashleigh Brown  
**Chelsea McCarthy (Winner)**



*St Vincent de Paul Inspiration Award Nominees*

Kyan Jackson                      Tahlia Gee  
Piper Stockell                      Charlotte Threlfall  
**Abbey Galvin (Winner) Max Tanaka (Winner)**



*Spirit of Mary Award Nominees*

Julien Sim Sing                      Linda Restaino  
Kiana Young                      Abbey Galvin  
Zain Daley  
**Zara Nunan (Winner) Remi McLellan (Winner)**



**Year 6 Academic Awards**

Congratulations to the Year 6 students who received academic awards at their final Primary assembly. The criteria for receiving this award was to achieve a minimum of 5 As on their report card with two of these from the English strand or 6 As and above. This is a substantial achievement and testament to the dedication and commitment they put into their studies. Congratulations to:

Remi McLellan	Abbey Fields	Nicholas Ranson	Charlee Carr	Chelsea McCarthy
Max Tanaka	Caitlin Marshall	Mikayla Cameron	Tahlia Gee	Zara Nunan
Charlotte Threlfall	Jack Isaacs	Olivia Marshall	Hannah Mitchell	Sebastian Pennisi
	Daria Mistic	James McGregor		



**Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year**

I would like to wish all our families a very merry Christmas and a safe and relaxing holiday. Mass times for the Burleigh Heads Parish over the Christmas period are listed in this newsletter. Please take the time this Christmas season to make it to Mass as we celebrate the new born Christ.

Maree Wright

**Curriculum News**

Have a wonderful Christmas with your loved ones and we look forward to seeing you in 2017.

**Deb Cronin &  
Deb McKean Nunan  
Curriculum**



*Christmas Mass Times*

**Saturday 24th December**

VIGIL – 5pm Miami & Mudgeeraba  
VIGIL – 6pm Doyle Centre & Palm Beach  
VIGIL – 7.30pm Burleigh  
MIDNIGHT – Burleigh



**Christmas Day - 25 December**

7.00am – Burleigh Heads  
7.00am – Palm Beach  
8.30am – Miami  
8.30am – Mudgeeraba  
10.00am – Doyle Centre

Marymount Doyle Centre – **NO EVENING MASS**

# Final Assembly 2016



**A happy and holy Christmas and safe holidays to all our Marymount families.**



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