



Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

Combined Schools' Fete Success

What a fantastic day last Saturday was as we celebrated the wonderful communities of both of our Marymount schools. We had a tremendous and happy crowd, a huge variety of stalls and activities for all ages and the weather was very kind to us. The new venue seemed to work very well especially given that it was quite hot in the sun and many of our patrons appreciated the shade on offer. There are many people to thank for the success but it is important that I single out our Fete Convenor, Tracey Dean, and our Facilities Co-Ordinator, Quentin McCarthy, for their massive efforts in helping to bring the day to fruition. Both Tracey and Quentin put in many hours to ensure the success of the day and they were tireless on the actual day in making sure that the final touches were put on to create the best environment for all.

I would also like to thank our committee members from both P & F Associations and the enthusiastic band of stall convenors who met regularly from the first weeks of this year. At times the task seemed daunting but the camaraderie which developed in this group was so exciting it inspired us all to keep pushing on. There were lots of behind-the-scenes helpers as well who tied in with these people and together they worked to make it a very successful day for everyone.

We will be having a meeting in a few weeks to draw things together and finalise costs etc. We will also review our day and go over the strengths and weaknesses for the day. I will advertise this meeting in coming newsletters so that you can come along to provide input but if you can't make this meeting you could email pburleigh@bne.catholic.edu.au with any of your thoughts/ ideas so that we can table them and discuss ways to make our Fete even better for the future. Thanks again to all who helped in any way – it was a great day for our schools.

Catholic Education Long Service Awards

At today's assembly we were able to recognise the significant achievement of a number of our staff to Catholic Education. I would like to congratulate Jo-Anne Henderson (30 Years), Paula Kaddatz (20 Years) and Tony Barron (20 Years) for their work in helping children, parents and staff for all of these years. Paula has been here at Marymount for all of this time having worked in the Secretarial role in both of our schools. She has a wealth of knowledge of the schools and parish and this is invaluable to us. Both Jo-Anne and Tony have worked in various schools with Jo-Anne also teaching in New Zealand before coming to Australia a good while back. In Tony's case, he taught in Toowoomba Diocese before coming to our archdiocese in the mid 2000's. These achievements are significant milestones in the careers of these staff members and I would like to congratulate them for these years of dedication. There are similar ceremonies being held across our archdiocese this week with a special one being held in Brisbane to acknowledge those who have contributed forty years to Catholic education. Well done to Jo-Anne, Paula and Tony.

Acting Assistant Principal for 2014

I am pleased to announce the appointment of Julian Cotter to the position of Acting Assistant Principal for the 2014 school year. Julian will be replacing Annette O'Shea who is taking the year off next year to spend time with family whilst travelling with her husband Tony around Australia. Julian's appointment follows a process of advertising and interviewing conducted within Brisbane Catholic Education. Julian is currently on secondment with Catholic Education office at Springwood where he is working with schools across the southern region. He has previously been an Assistant Principal for five years in one of our Brisbane schools. Julian will join with Bernadette, Tony and myself as our school Leadership Team for 2014.

Thanks and Farewell to Sharon

This morning we held a special Morning Tea to say thank you and farewell to Sharon Cooke. Sharon has been with us since 1999 and worked as a School Officer (Teacher-Aide), firstly with our Pre-School classes, and then with Preps when they came on board in the mid 2000's. After a break due to health reasons last year Sharon came back in a part-time capacity this year and worked with our middle classes. Sharon has decided to resign from her position with us and take the time to travel and spend more time with her family. Sharon's gentle ways and dedication to those children under her care will be sadly missed. I would like to thank Sharon for her more than ten years of service to our families, staff and children and wish her well for her future years.

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Coming Events

Wednesday October 23
Whole School Assembly - 4M
7R Ozanam Villa visit
School Discos - details inside

Thursday October 24
Yr 6 Liturgies

Friday October 25
Sport - Yrs 5 - 7

Monday October 28
6.00pm - Prep Information Night
2014

Tuesday October 29
9.15 to 10.15am - Prep
Orientation session

Wednesday October 30
Whole School Assembly
Yr 4 Camp
College Speech Night

**School
finishes
Friday
December
6 at
12noon.**

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

Assembly visit from Michael Hart

This morning our local State Parliamentarian, Michael Hart, visited our assembly to present five children with certificates to recognise their achievement of being participants in a State-wide competition which the Queensland Government conducted. The poster / postcard competition was held in conjunction with the government's 30 year Plan program which has been a focus for communities this year. These children were: Wynesian Patelesio-Faamusili (Yr 1), Zane Frogley (Yr 2), Rory Fenelon (Yr 3), Liliana Pooley-Venz (Yr 4) and Luke Knoll (Yr 5). Wynesian, Rory and Luke also received certificates signed by our Premier, Campbell Newman, to acknowledge that they had made it through to the finals which is a great achievement. Michael was also able to present us with a new Queensland flag. It was great to have Michael with us and we thank him for taking time out of his busy schedule to be with us.

Year 4 Camp – 30 October – 1 November

Next week our children and staff from our Year 4 classes will be heading off to Tallegudgera Creek Sport and Recreation Camp for their annual camp. The children will leave on Wednesday morning and return to school on Friday afternoon. This camp is a great venue for this year level and for their first official school camp. They will be participating in ropes courses, orienteering activities, surf and beach activities as well as team-building games over the three days. The teachers have been busily organising with the camp staff for this exciting camp and our best wishes go with them for a successful time away.

Parish Census Form

Burleigh Heads Catholic Parish is conducting a census of their families over the next five weeks and as such they have asked us to make the Census/ Registration forms available to our school families so that they can get a more accurate representation of our parish. There is a form on our school website www.marymountprimary.qld.edu.au which can be accessed for completion and return to our school office or the parish office. It can be found under the 'Our School' tab and then go to the 'Burleigh Heads Catholic Parish' drop down menu. This form can also be found in hard copy form in either of our Reception offices. The form also gives you the opportunity to nominate for some of the many ministries which our parish offers such as Care and Concern groups, Liturgy helpers and Pastoral Care areas. Many of you as parents have great gifts and it would be wonderful if you were able to share these gifts in the wider community of our parish. Thank you for taking the time to complete these forms.

World Teachers' and School Officers' Day

As mentioned in last week's newsletter we are celebrating World Teachers' and School Officers' Day today. Friday is the official day but it has worked out better for us to celebrate this today. This doesn't mean that you have missed the opportunity to pass on a message of support to your child's respective class or support teacher or to any of our wonderful School Officers. Our staff do a wonderful job of caring for and supporting our children and I'm sure that they would appreciate any kind words during this week.

School Ends – Friday, 6 December

I write to inform you that school will close for the 2013 school year at **12 noon** on Friday, 6 December. The children will be involved in normal class activities on this day and we will close for the day at 12.00. This will mean that the children will only require Morning Tea for this day. I would ask that parents please start to co-ordinate the pick-up of children at this time as there will be no supervision from 12.15pm onwards. Our Outside School Hours Care unit will be open but places are already limited due to their normal client base so it may pay to contact them now to see if there are any vacancies.

Thanks for reading and enjoy the rest of the week

Yours in Christ

Greg Casey

Students received certificates from Michael Hart MP at today's assembly.



Congratulations to Greg Casey (Principal) and Jo-Anne Henderson (Yr 4 Teacher) for 30 years service and Tony Barron (AP) and Paula Kaddatz (Principal's Secretary) for 20 years service.

From our Assistant Principal -
Annette O'Shea

I guess Greg can hardly write of congratulations to himself! Added to Tony, Jo-Anne and Paula as mentioned in his column, he too was recognised at this morning's assembly for his service to Catholic Education. Greg comes to us with wisdom and experience gained from service in both the Rockhampton Catholic Education Office where he served as both classroom teacher and principal, and the Brisbane Archdiocese as the Foundation Principal of Jubilee Catholic Ecumenical School at Pacific Pines. We are certainly fortunate here for Greg's leadership and compassion to staff, parents and children. Along with Tony, Jo-Anne and Paula he is certainly deserving of recognition and congratulations for this thirty years of service.

Enjoy the rest of the week.

Annette o'Shea

Patron Parents

As the year begins to draw to a close some Patron Parents will organise get-togethers for their groups. I would like to formally thank all Patron Parents for their efforts to build community here at Marymount this year. While not all classes have gathered together, there have been behind-the-scenes support endeavours and welcome for many families throughout the year. Amongst other things, we have provided meals to some families as they experience illness, and helped build networks for others who are new to the area. The work might be quiet in nature and somewhat private; however it makes an enormous difference to both adults and children in our school community.

Please keep the 44 children from throughout our Parish who are making their Confirmation this Thursday night at 7.00pm at St Benedict's, Mudgeeraba in your prayers. The Archbishop will be in attendance on Thursday night. The children will be making their Communion at various masses over the weekend.

Enjoy the rest of the week.

Bernadette Christensen



Yr 2R
Ozanam
Villa visit

Porsha shared her 2nd place Public Speaking speech "Dreams". We did a drama performance about the Dreamtime creation of Jellurgal (Burleigh Headland) then sang songs and read stories. We made Yvonne's day singing 'Happy Birthday' to her. Ty's Grandma works there and spoilt the kids with delicious goodie-bags.



PATRON PARENTS EVENTS

0A - Thursday 7 November - 7.00pm
Justin Lane Pizzeria & Bar, Burleigh Heads
RSVP - 4 Nov. to Kim 0412066635

NEW DATE 1R - Friday 15 November - 6.00pm

Dog & Parrot, Robina RSVP - 6 Nov. to Jo 0414572901
5Y - Friday 22 November - 7.00pm
Groove Train, Robina Town Centre
RSVP - 19 Nov. to Lisa 0424381931

**Bookclub orders due back
by 29 October. No cash or
cheques please. Pay online.**

Thoughts from your School Counsellor

This week's article from Michael Grose suggests that we need to bring the Einstein Factor into our parenting. Albert Einstein (one of the preeminent scientists & thinkers of the 20th century) claimed "that he was no smarter than anyone else. He believed he just stayed on problems longer than most people". Whilst we all aspire for results as quickly as possible in whatever we do, in parenting instant results are rare! Michael makes some helpful suggestions to encourage us "to keep on doing the right things, and making the best choices.... day after day". I liked his quote "Small hinges swing big doors" in reference to the little things done by parents on a regular basis that make the biggest difference to children.

Best wishes for the coming week.

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ABPATERSON PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

On Tuesday 15th October Isaac Maurer (Yr 5), Conall Crowley and Carina Young (Yr 6) participated in the competition and spoke very confidently. The adjudicators said the children were excellent ambassadors for Marymount. Carina was one of three students in her heat who got through to the Preliminary Finals which is an amazing feat as so many students enter this competition. Last night she delivered her speech eloquently and with passion. I would like to congratulate all the students who entered the competition. A BIG thank you must go to their parents for giving them this opportunity as speaking in front of people is a life-long skill. It would be wonderful to see more students enter the competition next year.

Jane Lennon



Congratulations to Karlisha Thorpe-Martin; Mackenzie Dowker; Taylor Bruce; Summer Finn; Josie Hughes; Will Ross (Yr 4); Isaak Maurer (Yr 5); Conall Crowley and Carina Serong (Yr 6).



A very big thank you to all who helped with the cake stall on Fete Day last Saturday. Thanks to all who provided cakes, treats and sweets to sell. The fete was a fantastic success, so well done to the many hard working volunteers. I must thank Tom Hutchins and Robbie Freeman (Yr 7) who worked hard all day, from early in the morning making sure the cake stall ran smoothly; a very big thanks boys!

Munch Monitors is operating smoothly with many families now registered; thanks for your support. Please, if you have not registered for Munch Monitors ordering system, do so soon.

CHANGES TO MENU....Monday's special will now be....FRESH FRUIT SALAD, served plain or with a scoop of ice cream...\$4.00.. fruit is fantastic this time of year so please encourage your child to start the week off with a healthy burst of fresh fruit salad.

ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK

- Monday 28 October.....**NO HELPERS...ANYONE?**
- Tuesday 29 October.....TRUDY HUMPHRIES
- Wednesday 30 October.....MEL AND MARG
- Thursday 31 October.....LESLEY G *****help needed please**
- Friday 1 November.....LISA BRUCE, SILVIA WILKINSON, LUCIANA

Our tuckshop is always short of help, PLEASE consider offering a couple of hours if you can....THANKS. Once again, thanks to all for making our fete a great day.

Have a great week
Vicki Turner

SPORTS NEWS

State Athletics

Congratulations to our three young athletes who competed at the State Athletics Championships in Brisbane last week. Xavier Coates competed in 100m, 200m and Long Jump for 12 year boys. Xavier was also named Captain of the South Coast Team, which is a great honour for him. Toby Mayes competed in Shot Put for 11 year boys and Jayden Wright competed in 100m, 200, and Long Jump for 10 year boys. Well done to all three boys.

A special mention and congratulations must go to Jayden Wright. Jayden actually won the 200m event for his age group which makes him State Champion for this event. He placed 6th in 100m and 5th in Long Jump and was part of the winning Regional Relay team for 10 year old boys. Jayden has qualified to go on to the National Athletic Championships, which will also be held in Brisbane. An awesome achievement Jayden. Well done and best of luck at Nationals.

State Gymnastics

Congratulations to Polly Deane-Johns. Polly competed at the State Gymnastics Championships last weekend and placed 3rd in the Rhythmic Gymnastics section for her age group. Well done Polly; keep up the great work.

Paul Hill

EXCITING BANKING NEWS!

Commonwealth bank have just announced a VERY exciting competition for this term. Every student who banks at least twice this term with school banking will go into the running to win one of 60 Apple iPod touch 16GB or one of 100 Adventure DVD Packs. So break out your money boxes and bring in your banking any Tuesday this term for a chance to win one of these GREAT prizes! Remember you have to be in it to win it and all it takes is two school bankings this term to win!

Another important message from Commonwealth bank about student banking is that you need to cash all your tokens in by the end of this term because from the beginning of 2014 everyone's token totals will be registered online and everyone must start with zero. So collect all your tokens and start cashing them in for some great prizes. All prizes are worth 10 tokens and while stocks last you have a great range of prizes to choose from. (all are displayed in the bookshop) To cash in your tokens simply send your tokens and your choice of prize or prizes in with your banking on a Tuesday. Ten tokens will get you one of the following: wallet; hand ball; money box; knuckles game; torch; calculator; headphones;

Good luck with this term's competition! We hope someone from our school will be a lucky winner!

The Banking Ladies!

ART UNION PRIZE WINNERS

Prize	Winner	Ticket No:
1st Prize	Rochelle Cassells	15533
2nd Prize	Debby Cruz	14430
3rd Prize	Debby Cruz	14426
4th Prize	Jenny Payne	22990
5th Prize	Tammi Komulainen	8230
6th Prize	Jane Greffe	10755
7th Prize	Lydean O'Donnell	10990
8th Prize	Sandra Green	18258
9th Prize	Pam Parai	23621
10th Prize	Peter Howell	7668

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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INSIGHTS

by Michael Grose – No. 1 parenting educator



Parenting when you don't see instant results

The results of your parenting often don't come until adulthood but you've got to keep doing your best in the meantime. That's one of the great frustrations of being a parent.

There aren't too many activities you do where it can take years to see the results.

Parenting is one of them.

As your kids grow up, you put in a lot of groundwork teaching them how to behave, how to be confident, how to treat others well and so on. But you don't always see the REAL results of all that effort until your kids are adults.

Nevertheless, you've got to keep doing the right thing regardless, even though it takes a lot of **faith**.

I was reminded about this when speaking to a mother recently whose son had struggled at school all his life. She'd put so much of her emotional and physical energy into helping him learn, jollyng him along and nursing him through the many ups and downs that only struggling kids seem to experience.

Her son, now a teenager, was about to give up trying. And I could see that his mother felt like giving up too!

She asked: **"When do you stop being a child's coach and cheer leader?"**

The answer, of course, is that you can't!



She knew that but, like her son, she needed some encouragement to keep going.

We all do from time to time.

That's why it's useful to remind yourself that parenting is a **long-term activity**.

The Einstein Factor

All parents should be aware of the **Einstein Factor**. Albert Einstein was one of the preeminent scientists and thinkers of the 20th century, yet he maintained that he was no smarter than anyone else. He believed he **just stayed on problems longer** than most people.

In the same way, there are some children with whom you just have to stay on the job longer than you would with others.

- ▶ If you have a **shy** or **socially-challenged** child you might have to stay on the job until adulthood, when she finally finds her own way of building a network of friends and colleagues. Until then, it's all about *supporting, coaching and cajoling*.
- ▶ If you have an **ADHD-type** child you might have to keep on the job longer to keep him out of trouble. You may not see the results until his mid-20s when all that energy goes into starting up his own business or doing something absolutely amazing. In the meantime, *explain, teach and be firm!*
- ▶ If you have a **late bloomer** you probably have to keep him interested in learning until he learns the practical skills needed to succeed in the workplace or in business, just as many kids who struggle at school end up doing. In the meantime, *encourage, scaffold and model learning*.

We all want instant results in whatever we do. Parenting is no different, except that instant results are rare!



That doesn't make it any easier when you don't see results for the effort you put in. But you've got to keep on doing the right things, and making the best choices for your kids. In other words, you need to bring the Einstein Factor into your parenting. To help do this:

1. **Get support and feedback** from your partner, or a colleague. *Feedback fires you up.*
2. **Keep building the skills and knowledge** that will help your kids be successful or overcome individual challenges. *Kids get lifelong learning from parents more than school.*
3. **Be around people who fire you up** and energise you. It's no coincidence that great parents hang out together. *Support keeps you grounded.*

Small hinges swing big doors

A former parenting mentor used to say, "***Small hinges swing big doors***". He meant that it's the little things done by parents on a regular basis that make the biggest difference to kids.

You've just got to choose the right actions and keep doing them ... day after day. Have faith that the results will come ... **eventually!**

NOTE: Get your Kids' Chores & Responsibilities Kit when you subscribe to Happy Kids, Michael's FREE weekly parenting guide at parentingideas.com.au