



Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

### **Parents and Friends AGM**

On Monday we held our AGM of the P & F Association. Firstly, I would like to congratulate the 2016 Executive, lead by Anthony Touzell, who have worked tirelessly throughout the year on many different projects, including our very successful Art Show. The new Executive was elected, with the following results.

**President** – Anthony Touzell  
**Vice-President** – Jenny Wood  
**Treasurer** – Jace Cosgrove  
**Secretary** – Sarah Price  
**Fundraising Co-ordinator** – Melissa Hickling

Congratulations to the new Executive for 2017.

### **Incident on Monday**

As you are aware, we had an incident on Monday with the clown craze happening at the moment. I emailed all parents with what had happened so that you had the truth. Unfortunately a number of stories, mostly from the media, have emerged that are completely untrue. I was also saddened to find out that it was my email to parents that was forwarded by someone to the media. Again, I would like to reiterate that the children were safe at all times, that no one was on our school grounds, or amongst the children, all appropriate protocols were followed, including contacting the police, and that our staff have been magnificent in dealing with these issues.

Thank you to those parents who have supported the school and their children. Should you or your child have any concerns, please contact your child's teacher, our Guidance Counsellor, Mary Sanders, or one of the Leadership Team.

### **Pupil Free Day – Monday October 17**

Next Monday, our staff will be involved in Professional Development, dealing with Moderation or CTJ (Consistency of Teacher Judgment). This year our staff will join with two other Gold Coast schools, to ensure that there is consistency across curriculum areas and school with regards to reporting and Australian Standards. **Please remember that the school is closed on this day.**

### **Prep- Year 2 Athletics Carnival**

Next Thursday October 20, we will hold our annual Prep- Year 2 Athletics Carnival. This is always a wonderful day, and parents are most welcome to attend. A copy of the program is included in this newsletter.

### **Children Absent from school**

If your child/children are absent from school due to illness, appointments or holiday plans, it is important that you contact us and let us know that morning. This can be done by phoning the school on 5535 1803 and choosing Option 1 from the phone menu. You can also use the Parent Portal and the Report Student Absence Tab.

It is a safety concern, so that we know that your children are at home, and have not gone missing in transit.

This is really important and helps ensure that children are exactly where we all think they are. This term if you have not notified the school by 9am, you will receive an SMS to contact us and please explain. This is to ensure the safety of our children. This new system began this week, so please make sure you have contacted the school office.

### **Leaving Marymount Primary at the end of the year**

If your child/children are not returning to Marymount Primary in 2017, could you please let our office know either through a phone message (55351803) or via email on [pburleigh@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:pburleigh@bne.catholic.edu.au) This of course does not apply to our Year 6 children, who will be completing their Primary education at the end of the year. We have a number of families who are keen to enrol in our school, and many of our classes are at or near capacity. By letting us know, we are able to more effectively plan for classes, resourcing and staffing for the future. Thank you for your anticipated help with this matter.

Yours in Christ

**Tony Barron**

### **Coming Events**

Wednesday October 12  
1A - Whole School Assembly  
5Y - Ozanam Villa Mass

Friday October 14  
Yrs 4 - 6 Intra-house sport

Monday October 17  
PUPIL FREE DAY

Wednesday October 19  
1P - Whole School Assembly

Thursday October 20  
P - Yr 2 Athletics Carnival

Friday October 21  
Yrs 4 - 6 Intra-house sport

Wednesday October 26  
1R - Whole School Assembly  
2Y - Ozanam Villa  
7.00pm - College Awards Night

Thursday October 27  
5.30 - Yr 4 Camp Parent  
Information Meeting (Library)

Friday October 28  
Red & Yellow Day -  
Surf Life Saving

**MONDAY  
OCTOBER 17  
PUPIL FREE  
DAY**

### **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

Jingerri everyone. Jingerri wallal wahu? = How are you? The correct response to this greeting would be baugull (good) – pronounced bow (as in bow down) gle (as in eagle).

Chris McCane and I recently attended a forum on the Yugambeh language held at the Yugambeh Museum at Beenleigh. We are keen to bring as much of the local Aboriginal language in to our school as we can. In this way we can show our respect for the original custodians of this land on which our school is situated. Already there are signs on many classroom doors with "Jingeri" – meaning hello or greetings. You are most welcome to use this greeting in your own emails and when speaking with people.

To learn some more Yugambeh words and how they are pronounced, you can download the free Yugambeh App. for your phone or computer go to the following link:

<https://itunes.apple.com/au/app/yugambeh-app/id1121672412?mt=8>

### **Mary Expectations**

Our Mary Expectations have been sent out to all classrooms and should now be on display in all areas of the school. We will be spending this term getting familiar with the matrix and introducing some of the positive words and phrases that everyone in the school will be using. We will also be using the Mary Expectations as a teaching opportunity when a situation arises. The school officers will be meeting today so that they can also familiarise themselves with our matrix.

In Term One next year we will begin the task of explicitly teaching each of the behaviour expectations listed on the matrix. Students will know what that behaviour feels like, looks like and sounds like in each of the areas listed. In this way Marymount Primary students can: Make a Difference, Act Responsibly and Safely, Respect Everyone and say Yes to Faith and Learning.

Thanks and have a great week unya jimbelongmang (my friends), Tina.

## Curriculum News

"You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child."

- Dr. Seuss



### **Reading with your child:**

Parents are by far the most important educators in a child's life and reading with your child for a few minutes every day can have a significant impact on their reading ability and their understanding of the text.

Learning to read is about listening and understanding as well as working out what the print says. Through hearing stories, children are exposed to a rich and wide vocabulary. This helps them build their own vocabulary and improve their understanding. Parents can play an important role in helping to keep their children interested in books. Sharing a book with your child allows you to share adventures and experiences in the safe world of the book. It allows you to ask questions, talk about what has happened and decide what you think together.

Some of the things you can do include:

- **Reading aloud to your child:** talking about the words and pictures, and sharing ideas about the book.
- **Reading yourself:** Children who see adults reading, and enjoying reading, are much more likely to want to read themselves.
- **Making sure your child is surrounded by books:** Regular trips to the library or bookshop, not just to borrow books but to spend time together browsing and learning to make choices.

Learning to read is an exciting time for children and as parents your encouragement and support will help them on the road to becoming proficient readers.

Happy Reading  
**Deb Cronin**

**Students in 1M enjoy reading in their classroom.**



**Catholic Mission Month**

October is Catholic Mission Month, a time where we support this Australian agency of the international Pontifical Mission Societies. Locally and globally, Catholic Mission answers the call to love God and love our neighbour, and works to establish the reign of God through building communities of missionary disciples who share faith by proclaiming the Word, serving people in need, acting for justice and creation, and adopting child-focused development programs. Catholic Mission operates in over 160 countries supporting 1,100 dioceses.

This year's theme for Catholic Mission month is, 'Just as you did it to one of the least of these... you did it to me' (Matthew 25:40). Held annually around Australia, 'Socktober is a Catholic Mission initiative that encourages students to raise funds for children in need around the world so they may have a better opportunity for a hope-filled future. This year the funds raised will help the lives of Cambodian children to break free from poverty by enabling them to attend school.

On Friday 21 October we will be holding 'Silly Sock' day to raise money for the children in Cambodia. All children are invited on this day to wear silly socks and to donate a gold coin in support of the work of Catholic Missions. The normal Friday uniform is to be worn on 21 October with the silly socks. Socks symbolise working in partnership with Catholic Mission, recognise the uniqueness of every child, and acknowledges that through normal everyday contributions we can make an extraordinary difference.

**Let's Sock it to Poverty Friday 21st October****Month of the Rosary**

October is also traditionally the month of the Rosary, where we are reminded of the significant influence of Mary in our lives – a time to unite our prayers with the Mother of God. Through meditating on the mysteries of Christ's life: the joyful mysteries surrounding His birth; the luminous mysteries of His ministry; the sorrowful mysteries of His passion and death; and the glorious mysteries of His resurrection, we are enabled to grow into a deeper understanding of the mystery of Christ.

The link below is a Scriptural Rosary from St Mary's Press that is perfect to introduce children to this prayer during this month of the Rosary. You can take one day with each mystery reflecting on the passage from Scripture that is the root of the mystery.

<https://www.smp.org/resourcecenter/resource/2825/>

**Ozanam Villa**

Today Mrs Frost's Year 5 class joined the residents of Ozanam Villa and Fr Ken to celebrate the Eucharist. This is a special time for our students to interact with the residents and learn further about the significance of Mass in their lives. Thank you to Fr Ken and Mrs Frost for preparing and leading the students.

Enjoy the rest of the week.

**Maree Wright**

**Medical All Stars**

In readiness for 2017 all parents and caregivers of our Marymount All Stars should have received current information and relevant forms for updating. We ask that you amend/update the information as required and return in the reply envelope provided by **Friday 4th November**.

All Action Plans for Anaphylaxis must be renewed by your medical practitioner and Medical Action Plans need to be signed by your doctor. We ask that these be returned to the school at your earliest convenience.

If you have any concerns or have not received this information, please feel free to contact me through the school office on 5535 1803.

Many thanks

**Helen Brosnan** (LEC teacher)

## AB PATERSON PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

On Tuesday afternoon Mikayla Hopkins in Year Five went to the AB Paterson Public Speaking Competition. This competition is open to all children in the south region and many children from many different schools present their speeches. Mikayla delivered a well-prepared speech to a large audience. She was enthusiastic and entertaining. I would like to thank Mikayla on behalf of our Marymount community for representing our school in such a positive way.

Well done Mikayla and we hope to see you at next year's competition. The standard of Marymount public speaking is very high and it would be fantastic to see more children at the competition.

Jane Lennon



Book Club orders due **Friday 21 October**.  
Parents can order online, log-in to  
[www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP](http://www.scholastic.com.au/LOOP) or download app for  
iPhone and iPad from the App Store. Thank you!

### THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL

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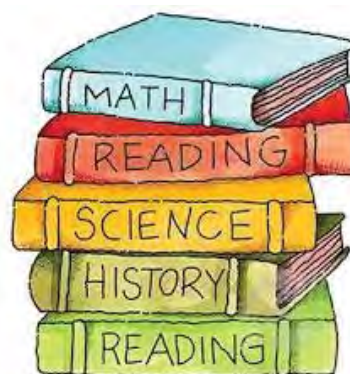


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### Year 4 Public Speaking

First - Archer Matchett  
Second - Soma Byres  
Third - Jack O'Connor



### TERM 4 2016 SCHOOL FEES

Term 4 2016 school fees were emailed or posted on  
Wednesday 28 September with  
**due date of 25 OCTOBER 2016.**

If you are receiving your accounts by email  
please check your junk/spam mail boxes to ensure you have received your account.

As late fees will apply after the due date, if you do not receive your school fee account by the  
end of this week, please contact our Accounts Department on 55208412 or 55208417.

# Sport News

## State Athletics

Congratulations to three of our Marymount students on qualifying for the South Coast Regional Athletics team to compete at the State Athletics Carnival. Well done to Soma, Millar and Kai. Their events are listed below.

Soma Byres - 800m

Millar Brosnan-Ball - 200m

Kai Allen – 100m, 200m and Long Jump

## TFA

Total Football Academy will be running an after school soccer program during Term 4 at Marymount Primary School. The program is for Prep to Year 4 pupils. Registration forms will be distributed during a free demonstration.

During the 6 week program games will be played inside an inflatable soccer field, which captures the imagination of students, giving them a great soccer experience. Training will take place inside a skills square focusing on different skills each week, such as dribbling, turning and shooting. As part of the program players can also purchase a soccer kit (top and shorts).

The program starts on Monday 24th October, 3.15pm - 4.15pm. To sign up online visit [www.totalfootballacademy.com.au](http://www.totalfootballacademy.com.au) or call Danny Morton on 0473 344 778. Find us on Facebook for wet weather information and special offers.

## Paul Hill

## PREP – 2 ATHLETICS DAY PROGRAM Thursday 20 October - 9.00am

### YEAR PREP GIRLS

1st	Activity 3	Throws
2nd	Activity 4	Sprints
3rd	Activity 5	Ball Games
4th	Activity 6	Relays
5th	Activity 1	Hurdles
6th	Activity 2	High Jump

### YEAR PREP BOYS

1st	Activity 4	Sprints
2nd	Activity 5	Ball Games
3rd	Activity 6	Relays
4th	Activity 1	Hurdles
5th	Activity 2	High Jump
6th	Activity 3	Throws

### YEAR 1 GIRLS

1st	Activity 2	High Jump
2nd	Activity 3	Throws
3rd	Activity 4	Sprints
4th	Activity 5	Ball Games
5th	Activity 6	Relays
6th	Activity 1	Hurdles

### YEAR 1 BOYS

1st	Activity 1	Hurdles
2nd	Activity 2	High Jump
3rd	Activity 3	Throws
4th	Activity 4	Sprints
5th	Activity 5	Ball Games
6th	Activity 6	Relays

### YEAR 2 GIRLS

1st	Activity 6	Relays
2nd	Activity 1	Hurdles
3rd	Activity 2	High Jump
4th	Activity 3	Throws
5th	Activity 4	Sprints
6th	Activity 5	Ball Games

### YEAR 2 BOYS

1st	Activity 5	Ball Games
2nd	Activity 6	Relays
3rd	Activity 1	Hurdles
4th	Activity 2	High Jump
5th	Activity 3	Throws
6th	Activity 4	Sprints

## BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Office Hours 9.00am to 5.00pm Shop 5 Executive Place, Executive Drive, Burleigh Waters (Postal PO Box 73, Burleigh Heads) Phone: 5576 6466  
 Parish Business & Finance Manager: Mr Jim Littlefield Parish Pastoral Team EMAIL: [burleigh@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:burleigh@bne.catholic.net.au)  
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### AGES 4+

## TIME & LOCATION

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3:15PM TO 4:15PM**



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