Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

Another term has come to an end. This term has been particularly busy with many activities and celebrations being held. We have had Athletics Carnivals, Eisteddfods, class celebrations, Father’s Day celebrations, whole School Mass, completed a Sacramental Program, and Marymount Day just to name a few. I hope everyone has a chance to relax and enjoy some family time over the holidays. If you are travelling or going away, stay safe. Term 4 resumes on Tuesday October 4

Yr 6 Southern Trip – Canberra
Our staff and Year 6 children are having a great time in Canberra. Reports from teachers say the group are enjoying themselves and showing exemplary behaviour. Some of our classes were also lucky enough to meet the Governor General, Sir Peter Cosgrove when they visited Government House yesterday. The group returns on Thursday evening. A special thanks to the staff who have given up their time to keep our children safe and ensure they have a memorable experience. Thank you also to the parents who have shown faith in and support for our staff and children. Finally, congratulations to our children for their excellent behaviour, and representing Marymount and their families with such pride.

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. Beginning next 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

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. 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.

Have a great week, and a great holiday. If you’re like me, then enjoy the NRL and AFL finals!!

Yours in Christ
Tony Barron
Primary Mass celebrating the birth of Mary.
Mass Celebration- Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Last Thursday our school came together to celebrate the feast of the Birth of Mary with a Mass led by our Parish Priest, Fr Ken Howell. We also welcomed one of our Associate priests, Fr Stephen Camiolos to our gathering. This was the first time this year our full school came together to share Eucharist and participate in Mass. Thank you to 5M for leading the school in prayer and to the Primary choir under the direction of Mark Wilkins, who sang so beautifully. A special thank you to Mrs Cathy Carroll, from the Burleigh Heads Parish, who played the organ and to Cameron Saliba, from the College who played the drums. Music is a vital aspect of our liturgy and it was great to have talented musicians and choir to lead our celebration.

After Mass, the children sang Happy Birthday to Mary with Fr Ken cutting the cake along with Kai Crematy and Luke Williams who also share Mary’s birthday. Thank you to those families who joined us to celebrate this important feast day for Jesus’ mother, Mary.

Letter of thanks from St Vincent de Paul
Hans van Mosseveld on behalf of the local members of the Saint Vincent de Paul Society asked to pass on his thanks for our generosity on Marymount Day. 130 baskets of groceries were donated by Marymount Primary and College, which Hans assured will be most appreciated by those in need. These gifts will form part of the food parcels that St Vincent de Paul distribute to the people during visitations, providing them with a measure of hope.

Hans also asked that we keep the needy and the members of Saint Vincent de Paul throughout the world in our prayers.

Sacramental Program
A reminder that registrations for the upcoming Confirmation Sacramental Program close this Friday 16th September. Children aged eight years (Year Three) or older who have been baptised are eligible to be enrolled into the preparation process. Enrolment forms which have been returned to the school have been given to the Parish Office for processing. Please note however that the enrolment won’t be complete until the parish receives a copy of your child’s baptismal certificate (if not baptised in Burleigh Heads Catholic Parish) and $50 contribution towards the cost of resources and administration. If you have returned the form to the school the $50 contribution can be made at the Parish Office with cash, EFTPOS, or over the phone. You may also Direct Debit, banking details are:

| BSB: 064 786 | Account No. 000005066 | Name of Account: Burleigh Parish |

(Please use surname as reference)

Once this is complete your child will be entered into the database and a calendar of dates, a parishioner prayer sheet and a nomination form for group discussion time will be emailed to you.

If you require further information, please contact Sue Thomas, Sacramental Coordinator on 55766466 Tuesdays and Wednesdays after midday, or alternatively email at sc.burleigh@bne.catholic.net.au

Religious Life of the School
As we near the completion of another busy term at Marymount, the culmination of liturgies and Masses will conclude for the term tomorrow with Year 4 celebrating Mass. All classes from Prep - Year 3 have joined Father in our Sacred Space for class liturgies and Years 4, 5 & 6 have participated in Eucharistic celebration at Mass. Coming to the altar to be nourished by the body and blood of Jesus, is the summit of our Catholic faith and it is wonderful to share this with the students and their teachers. A special thank you must be extended to Frs Ken, Stephen and Dantus, who through the business of running the largest Catholic parish in our Archdiocese, always find the time to pray with our children each week. This important time in the Religious Life of our School also provides our students with the opportunity to build and strengthen relationships with the clergy and with God. It was wonderful to see last Thursday the students giving Fr Ken and Fr Stephen a high five as they were leaving the Doyle Centre after our whole school Mass. We look forward to continuing these liturgies and Masses next term and especially next year in Mary, Mother of Mercy Church.

Father’s Day Stall
The Father’s Day stall raised $1450, which will be sent to Catholic Missions to assist those in our community who are in need. Thank you for your support of this important fundraising initiative.

I wish all our wonderful children and their families a safe and relaxing holiday with time to recharge for a busy Term 4.

Blessings

Maree Wright
Year 3 Public Speaking competition

On Tuesday, twelve Year 3 students were finalists in our Public Speaking Competition. Jarvis, Josh, Maddy, Sophia, Gaia, Bryce, Belle, Jacob, Luke, Amber, Biko and Bede spoke brilliantly in front of their peers. The audience were very respectful to all the speakers as they listened intently and were entertained with a variety of speeches.

Luke Ross placed first, Jacob LeSueur placed second and it was a tie for third Gaia Caveglia and Jarvis Peters. Biko and Bryce got highly commended. We would like to acknowledge all the children for competing, as there would be no competition without participants.

A big thank you must go to Mrs Brosnan and Mrs McCane for adjudicating the Year 3 competition. They gave clear and productive feedback to the students and emphasised that it was an extremely difficult task as the speakers all spoke so confidently.

We would like to congratulate all the students and look forward to the competition next year.

Year 3 Teachers

Uniform/Bookshop

It is that time of year again when we need to look at uniform requirements for 2017. Whilst we try to ensure sufficient stock to meet demands, some items/sizes always sell out fast. We will be open each school day in Term 4 until 30 November and then re-open 16 January 2017. If you do not want to take the risk of stock being unavailable or want to spread the expense out, you can layby the uniforms using the Order Form attached to this newsletter. You can nominate whether you want the items by end of Term 4 or start of 2017. A minimum deposit of $20 is required for all laybys. A payment slip has also been included with this newsletter if you are unable to come into the Uniform shop.

Uniform shop will be closed Friday 16 September, last day of Term for stocktake.

Canberra trip

Uniform/Bookshop
AFTER SCHOOL SWIM PROGRAM TERM 4 – 2016

WEDNESDAY 5th Oct. to FRIDAY 25th Nov.
8 week program $64.00 once a week or $128 twice a week
Monday’s 6 week program due to public holiday & pupil free day

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday - $8.00 per session.

Session times:
Learn to Swim (40min. session) 3.10pm – 3.50pm
Mini Squad 3.05pm – 4.00pm
Squad 3.00pm – 4.00pm

Term 4 swimming can fill up. Parents that register early will be given priority

Learn to swim – water safety & entry level to stroke technique
Mini Squad – stroke correction, introducing all strokes of swimming.
Squad – fitness swimming, stroke correction & kicking. Swimmers need to be competent in free style, backstroke, breaststroke and butterfly.

Children will be placed in lanes appropriate to ability, please use the above as a guide to choose the correct class for your child.

As your child’s swimming progresses, they will be moved accordingly.

Should there be no availability for your chosen session, you will be notified and offered another day.
All parents will receive an email confirmation & swim information.

**Signed & completed forms are required back by Tuesday 4th Oct. 2016**

Invoices will be posted to all parents. Payment is calculated on an 8 week swim program.

For further information please contact Jenny Wood, Program coordinator.
Jennifer.Wood@bne.catholic.edu.au | 0421 603 455

REGISTRATION FORM AFTER SCHOOL SWIMMING TERM 4 2016

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Email: .................................................. Parent Signature: ................................

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Please return completed forms back by
Tuesday 4th Oct. 2016
To: Accounts Department or your child’s class
Justice in the Park

Saturday 17th September 2016 | 11:00am - 7:00pm
Southport Broadwater Parklands, Gold Coast Queensland

Entertainment & Food Stalls: 11am - 7pm | Stalls, Workshops & Kids Activities: 11am - 5pm

AN EVENT BY THE COMMUNITY, FOR THE COMMUNITY!
Bringing together families and friends to...

Celebrate Social Justice | Live Entertainment | Cultural Cuisine
Interactive Workshops | Market Stalls | Guest Speakers

WANT TO GET INVOLVED?
Host a stall, volunteer, perform on stage or run a workshop!
Do you have a desire to contribute but need more resources?
Email justiceinthepark@fsg.org.au to express your interest.
We will help bring your idea to life!

Sharing of ideas, knowledge, experience and much more!

Follow the event on Facebook:
@FSGAustralia

Proudly brought to you by:
Gold Coast September School Holiday Rookies2Reds Clinic

Wednesday 28th September 8:30am – 12:30pm
Little Legends (5-7yrs) Introduction to the game skill development and with maximum enjoyment
Advanced Program (8-11yrs) Focus on skill development: catch/pass, tackle, contact and games

Surfers Paradise Rugby Club
Albert Park, Fremar Street, Broadbeach Waters QLD 4217