



Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

### **Religious Education Program Validation**

Yesterday a team of our teaching staff led by our Assistant Principal for Religious Education, Diane Anderson, were involved in a full day process which aimed to ensure that our current Religious Education program across our classes was in line with our Archdiocesan Guidelines. This process looked to validate what we do at the classroom level and was evaluated against specific criteria which stem from the authorised Religious Education curriculum document released last year. All schools within the Archdiocese have to work through this process. I am pleased to say that our program came through the process with flying colours and this is a testament to the efforts put in by our staff and in particular by the RE Validation Team members who co-ordinated this process across our school during the course of this year. Congratulations go to Diane and her co-workers – Laura Mitchell, Vanessa Munro, Jane Lennon, Deb McKean-Nunan and Dan Allsopp – for a job well done.

### **Doyle Centre Car Park Update**

Our Doyle Centre car park project is pushing ahead although the recent spate of late afternoon storms as well as the drenching we had over the weekend have had an effect on our timeline. Because this area of the school campus is very low and sits adjacent to the forest it takes a long time for any surface water to run off or to soak in. The water table is very high at present so any small amount of rain can affect the work area and cause frustrating delays especially given the civil works which are still happening. These delays have put our joint project with the College behind by about 10 days with an estimated completion time of mid-December at this stage. The belief is that, given dryer conditions, we may be able to make up some of this time. I will endeavour to keep you up to date with this progress as the year continues. Thanks again for your patience with this project, it will we believe, create a much safer environment for our children and families and go a long way to easing the pressure on our traffic issues.

### **Parents and Friends Annual General Meeting – Monday – 16 November**

Don't forget our P & F's AGM which is scheduled for next Monday evening at 7.00pm in our school's Staff room. The meeting will look to elect our Executive – President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer – for the 2016 school year. We will also set our P & F Levy (currently \$160 per family) for the coming year and appoint our association's auditors. Our November General Meeting will follow this meeting and we should be finished by 8.30pm at the latest. As this is our last P & F meeting for the year there will be drinks and nibbles on offer. Please take this opportunity to get involved in our school's P & F as they do so much for our children and the school.

### **Final Combined Schools' Fete Meeting – Monday – 16 November**

We will be holding our last Fete meeting for the year on next Monday evening at 6.00pm in the school's Staff Room. At this meeting we look to finalise our financials as well as review the October Fete in order to make an even better one in 2017. All stall-holders would be encouraged to attend to offer their input and any of our parent body is also welcome to come along to pass on their thoughts. We have already had some preliminary feedback and this will be presented at the meeting which will give us some structured agenda. The meeting will be finished by 7.00pm.

Thanks for your time – enjoy the rest of the week

Yours in Christ

**Greg Casey**

### **Coming Events**

**Wednesday November 11**

Yr 1Y Assembly  
Yr 2P - Ozanam Villa

**Thursday November 12**

Yr 4 Mass - Miami  
Yrs 3 -6 NRL Development session

**Friday November 13**

Yrs 5 & 6 Sport  
Prep Nativity Pupper Show

**Monday November 16**

6pm - Fete Meeting  
7pm - P & F AGM

**Tuesday November 17**

Yrs 2P, 3M & 3A liturgies

**Friday November 27**

Reports go home



### **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

## **End of School Year**

## **Friday 4 December - 12 noon finish**

# Curriculum News

Hello and welcome to Week 6. The end of our school year is certainly in sight and the next few weeks bring a flurry of exciting incursions and excursions to end 2015. Activities include - Year One heading off to explore our local beaches, a number of year levels 'shaking it off' at Zumba classes and/or getting creative with some Christmas clay art. Keep an eye out for further information from the class teachers.

Along with planning end of year activities, our teachers have also been busy working on Semester Two reports. These will be sent home with your child on Friday 27th November. Prep students will also bring their portfolio of learning for the whole year, with Years One to Six bringing a folder containing work samples from Semester Two. Both the portfolio and the folder contain evidence to support your child's results in their report card. Sitting with your child and going through the collection of learning provides a wonderful opportunity to engage in conversation and reflect on their growth and progress in 2015. It also provides a catalyst to discuss what a focus for next year could be. As a Catholic School, we have a holistic approach to education and while there is no doubt we place focus on academic progress, we also want to encourage our students to be socially just citizens who are active participants in our society. Should you have any questions about either the report or the collection of evidence, please contact your child's teacher.

Best wishes for the remainder of the week.

**Laura Mitchell**



## UNIFORM/BOOKSHOP

Socks have now arrived.

### REMINDER

Bookpacks payments are now overdue.

The Uniform/Bookshop will be closed after Monday 30 November at 3.15pm.

Congratulations to Jack Isaacs (5Y) and Isabella Dean (6M) who received certificates for their recent music exams.

## URGENT REMINDER Medical All Stars

The updated paperwork for the 2016 Marymount Medical All Stars is now due. We ask parents and caregivers to attend to this very important matter and return the necessary forms as soon as possible.

A reminder that if your child's Action Plan does not require any changes, it can be kept for signing by your medical practitioner and returned to the school at your earliest convenience.

Many thanks  
**Helen Brosnan**  
**LEC teacher**



We are blessed at Marymount to have a very talented and dedicated pool of staff on which to draw. As mentioned last week we presented our Religious Education Program to a panel in Brisbane yesterday and have been validated. This effectively means that Brisbane Catholic Education is happy with what and how we approach the teaching of religion in the school and the connections we make with our Marian charism and our community. The process was a very lengthy but valuable one. We will validate again in five years time.

We are celebrating mass with Fr Ken and Year Four at Miami at 9am tomorrow. This is an opportunity for the children to take an active part in a mass and we thank Fr Ken for taking the time to pause and discuss with the children the various parts of the mass. Our Year Six children found last week's mass at Palm Beach church a great help in understanding what happens and why.

Our Year 2P class and Mrs Grimsey visited Ozanam Villa this morning and had a lovely time visiting with the residents. This type of connection with the wider community highlights the message we try to achieve by being a visible and active part of the Burleigh Parish family.

Have a great week,

***Diane Anderson***



**Year 1Y at today's Remembrance Day assembly.**

# Sport News

## Queensland All Schools Touch Carnival

Last weekend some of our senior students competed at the Qld All Schools Touch carnival in Brisbane. The boys and girls teams competed against approximately fifty of the best teams from all across Queensland. Our girls team made it into the finals series and finished in the top sixteen. Our boys team made it into the semi final and went down in a thrilling match with the eventual winners of the carnival. Both teams represented Marymount exceptionally and played very well. Congratulations to the students involved.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Brayden Field in year six who on Sunday qualified for the State team for the 4 x 100 relay, medley relay and long jump through Little Athletics. Well done Brayden!

Congratulations also, to Holly McIntock and Mia Ly in 3M. Both girls have been doing very well in their chosen sport.

Holly has recently placed in the top 5 at State Physical Culture Competition in Brisbane. She was also part of the team that placed 1st the week prior to the state event. Holly will soon be traveling to Sydney to compete at the National Physical Culture Titles.

Mia has recently competed at the Australasian Majors for Cheerleading where she placed 3rd.

Mia has also recently placed;

- 2nd at World Cup Cheer and Dance State completion for team cheer;
- 2nd at Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation battle for team cheer, and
- 3rd at Australian All Star Cheerleading Federation battle for stunt

Mia has also been invited to compete in Hawaii next year at an invitation only event.

Well done girls and best of luck at your upcoming events.

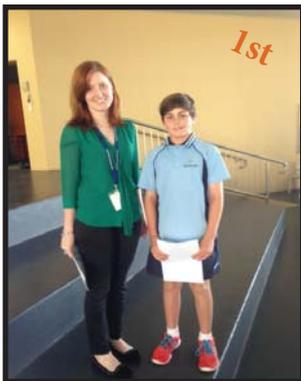


## Paul Hill

## Yr 6 Public Speaking Finals

Last Friday was the annual Yr 6 Public Speaking final which was taken out by Will Ross (6Y), Grace Curtis (6P) placed 2nd and equal 3rd were Josie Hughes (6R) and Willow Howe (6M).

Congratulations to our 15 finalists and thanks goes to Janie-Marie Burgess from Marymount College who was our independent adjudicator.



## Tuckshop News

Thursday 12	Friday 13	Monday Nov 16	Tuesday Nov 17	Wednesday Nov 18
Mel Udodzick Tanya	Aimee Collins Jenny Cowan	No help needed	Aimee Collins	Kate & Mel

## BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Office Hours 9.00am to 5.00pm

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