



Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

Welcome Back

Welcome back to Term 2 and another exciting ten weeks of events and activities here at Marymount Primary School. We have two new families starting with us this week and we especially welcome these parents and children – we have a great community and my hope is that you will be able to become a part of this during your time here. We have some staff changes with Matt Redmond teaching in Year 2 whilst Wilma Kuipersmith is away on Long Service Leave for the next two weeks and Melissa Redman will be teaching our LOTE classes for Terms 2 and 3 whilst Meagan Curry is away on Leave. Melissa will continue in her role as class teacher for her shared class with Kim Jones on Thursdays and Fridays as her LOTE classes are Tuesdays and Wednesdays. I would like to welcome Matt and Melissa to these short-term roles.

Jesus is Alive!!

The Easter season is one of the high points of the Catholic Church across our world. It was great to see vision of Pope Francis as he led the various liturgies over the course of the Easter Triduum – Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Sunday. The death and resurrection of Jesus is the central point of our faith – if we don't believe in the Risen Jesus then we may as well not believe. I see the spirit of the Risen Jesus every day at Marymount. It is present in our children, parents and staff and it is evidenced in the way that we interact with each other and the joy of life which I see on the faces of the above groups. It is alive in the sense of community which I feel at our school and see through our interactions with each other. This positivity and the 'Living life to the full' as Jesus challenged us to do, tells me that Jesus is risen. Am I a believer? Yes – you bet I am – everyday at our school tells me so. Jesus is alive – let's celebrate the Easter message and share it with each other.

Congratulations to Melanie

Over the holiday break one of our Year Four teachers, Melanie Benson, celebrated her wedding to her fiancé, Scott Trembath. Our congratulations go with Melanie and Scott for their recent celebration and our prayers and best wishes are extended to them as they start their married life together. The children in Melanie's class are now getting used to using her new name as Mrs Trembath!!

ANZAC Day Ceremonies

This Friday, 24 April, at 11.15am our school will hold a prayer service to commemorate ANZAC Day and to remember the sacrifices and service of all those who have served their country. Marie Quinlan's Year 6 class will be leading our prayer which will be held in our Multi-purpose Centre. Once again our parents are most welcome to join our school community for this special ceremony.

Our school will also be joining with the children and staff of our College to be a part of the local Burleigh Heads Parade and Remembrance ceremony on Saturday. This will be taking place in James Street with a marshalling point at the top end of the street. The parade will move then to the Cenotaph area near the Bowls Club for the service. If you and your children would like to be a part of our school group then I would ask that you please join us from 8.45am. The Parade starts at 9.15am with the service at the Cenotaph commencing at 10.00am. It is envisaged that this service would be finished by 11.00am. Our Parish Priest, Fr Ken Howell, will be leading the prayers at this service and children from our school and the College will be involved in prayers for the fallen as well. Please ensure that our children are in full school uniform, including their hat. It would be a good idea to bring a water bottle along as well. The RSL committee has asked that if parents wish to accompany our school group that they fill in behind our children rather than walk along beside them. This will give the expected many supporters a better opportunity to cheer the children on. Thank you for your support of this major day of significance for our nation.

Police Presence around Gold Coast Schools

The Gold Coast Police has contacted all schools in their region to inform them that they will be embarking on a road safety program over the next

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Coming Events

Wednesday April 22
Whole School Assembly

Friday April 24
11.15 - ANZAC Day Assembly

Saturday April 25
ANZAC DAY - Meet top end of James Street 8.45 am

Thursday May 7
Marymount Cross Country

MARYMOUNT COLLEGE PRESENTS



WHEN
7:00pm Tuesday 21 April
7:00pm Wednesday 22 April

WHERE
The Arts Centre Gold Coast
135 Bundall Road
Surfers Paradise QLD 4217

TICKETS
Adults \$28.00
Pensioners \$18.00
Child/Student \$18.00

TICKETS ON SALE
9:00am Tuesday 10 March

VISIT WWW.MARYMOUNT.QLD.EDU.AU TO BOOK

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

few weeks which will specifically target school zones. They will be increasing their presence and highlighting their main areas of concern to school communities on safety matters. Included in this newsletter, and republished for the next three weeks, is a flyer from them outlining these points. I would ask that you take the time to read through them and if necessary discuss them with your children. This program is certainly appreciated by us as a school and I wish the members of our police force well with this initiative.

Parent Teacher Interviews

Our teachers have been busily meeting with parents over the last few days as we engage in our important mid-term interviews. These meetings are an opportunity for both parents and teachers to share information on the progress of our children and to look at ways to build on their strengths and work on ways to further develop any areas in need of growth. I would like to thank both our teachers and parents for entering into these meetings in this spirit of advocacy for the child – the more that we can work together as partners in their education the better it will be for them.

Thank you also to those parents who have contacted our office if they have had difficulties engaging in the Parent Teacher Online booking program. If you have still not been able to access a time for an interview please contact our office for any assistance needed.



Fete Convenors needed

On Monday evening just gone parents and staff from both schools met with our Fete Convenors, Tracey Deane and Karen Harrison, for our monthly meeting in preparation for our 17 October Fete. Tracey and Karen have a number of things running along already with many of the administrative issues like permits, licences, ride bookings and the like being organised. They have also developed sponsorship packages and websites / Facebook pages for the Fete. These can be accessed via our school website and a Fete Newsletter will come out regularly to keep all updated on where we are up to. We have already secured a number of stall convenors for this year's event but still need others. Our Craft stall is one which needs a new leader as Trish Hartmann, who has superbly led this one for many years, has decided to step down. Attached to this newsletter is a form which you can access providing a breakdown of what's involved in a stall convenor role. It may be a job which you can take on or it could be something which you share with a few others as has been the case for a number of our stalls over the years.

Wednesday Assembly Starting Time – Now back to 9.00am

Next week the College children and staff will formally move into their new building. This will alleviate the pressure for classroom space which they have been under for the first term, and which saw them require the use of the Doyle Centre each day, and more particularly the morning sessions. This required us to push back our assembly starting time to 9.15 for Term 1. From next week our assemblies will revert to a 9.00am starting time. Thanks for your patience with this change. The new College building looks great and I'm sure that it will be a great benefit to the combined schools' communities. Congratulations to College Principal, Chris Noonan, and his staff on the completion of this classroom and specialist centre block.

Cross Country Date Claimer – Thursday, 7 May

We had to change our Marymount Primary School Cross Country date for this term due to a clash with another commitment for our school and the new date is listed above. Our carnival will kick off at 9:00a.m. and we would look to be finished by about 11.00am. Please keep an eye out on our website for the timetable for the day which will list more detailed starting times for our age groups. Parents are most welcome to come along on the day and cheer the children along.

Friday sports – Years 5 & 6

Our Winter Sports program for our Year 5 & 6 children starts up again this Friday. This program sees our children participating in competitions with many schools in our district in Netball, Soccer and Oz-Tag for the girls and Soccer, Aussie Rules and Rugby League for our boys. We play here and across the Coast each Friday and our draws can be accessed on our website. Our parents are most welcome to come along to these games and share in the efforts of the children. Many thanks to our teachers and staff who take on the roles of coaches and managers to enable these games to go on and best wishes to our teams for the remainder of the season.



Tuckshop Trials

Unfortunately today our Munch Monitors Tuckshop online ordering system which runs across many schools Australia wide suffered a central system outage. This meant that many schools, with little warning, had to default to Plan B. Thanks to our understanding children, and supportive staff and Tuckshop volunteers, under the direction of Convenor Acacia Baldwin, we were able to overcome the challenge. We do apologise for this unexpected situation, and acknowledge that technology is a great tool...when it works!

Thanks for reading this week – I look forward to seeing many of you on Saturday at the ANZAC service.

Yours in Christ



From our Acting Assistant Principal - Religious Education

Diane Anderson

We had a wonderful assembly today. Years 6R, 1R and 2R presented the Easter Story. The first part had been delayed last term but it was certainly a credit to the children to come back from a break and remember their parts and the songs. A credit also to their teachers Mr Allsopp, Mrs McKean-Nunan and Mrs Hicks. Also instrumental in the very moving ceremony were Mrs Cokley and Mrs Beer. This has once again demonstrated that Marymount has a strong commitment to excellence as well as a great teamwork ethos.

As Lent is now over I would thank you for the donations you have made through your home Caritas Boxes. Please send them in this week to the Accounts Office. The money is desperately needed by Caritas to help those in need.

Our Mothers' Day stall will be happening soon. Please keep an eye out for a flyer which will be sent home to let you know what and when we will be selling.

This Friday at 11:15 in our Multi- Purpose Building, (the Shed) we will be conducting our ANZAC ceremony. Visitors are welcome. We will also be taking part in the Burleigh Heads RSL ceremony, Please consider coming to the event with your child at 8.45am for a 9.15am march start. Children must be in full uniform and parents are asked to march at the end of our group and not along the sides or with children as has been the practice in past years.

Have a great week,

Diane Anderson

Curriculum News

Welcome to Term 2! It looks like it will be another busy one with lots of interesting activities for our students to look forward to.

Next month brings the 2015 National Assessment Program- Literacy and Numeracy, (NAPLAN), for Years 3 and 5 students. As previously advised the dates are:

Tuesday 12th May – Language Conventions and Writing tests

Wednesday 13th May – Reading test

Thursday 14th May – Numeracy test

Teachers at Marymount Primary do a great job in helping students be 'test-ready' by familiarising them with the testing format and response types. We also do our best to ensure students are not overwhelmed by the experience. However, despite these measures, the testing period can be a stressful time for some students. It is important to remember that these tests provide a point-in-time reflection of student performance while your child's teacher will be able to discuss your child's progress in more detail throughout the year.

Parents/carers may withdraw their child from the testing regime due to religious beliefs, philosophical objections or other personal reasons. Formal notification is required for this withdrawal and I'm happy to discuss this process with you. If you have any questions about NAPLAN, please contact me by email: lmitchell@bne.catholic.edu.au; telephone: 55 20 8430 or see me in room C4 (Early Years Building).

Wishing you a great week

Laura Mitchell



Welcome back to all our fantastic volunteers.

Thursday 23	Friday 24	Monday 27	Tuesday 28	Wednesday 29	Thursday 30
Tanya Mocke Lisa Nesbitt	Belinda Binsin Bobby A & Tanya Mocke	No help needed	No help needed	Belinda Fairlough	Tanya Mocke



Sport News

Marymount Cross Country

The Marymount Cross Country Carnival is fast approaching; Thursday 7 May. I know lots of students have been training over the holidays. Well done to you all and keep up the good work.

Cross Country training times are Monday and Thursday mornings at 7.45am and Tuesday at Lunchtime 1.20pm.

REFUGEE DAY AT THE BEACH

I would like to thank the Marymount Community for donating a range of items that brought big smiles to around 140 people who came to the beach on Saturday. Some people donated brand new items so I left the labels on so they could see they were new. Everyone enjoys new things.

The weather was perfect and everyone had lots of fun in the water. The lifesavers did an amazing job of keeping everyone safe. You sometimes hear stories about our young people but if Saturday is any indication, our country is in a good place after watching the young lifesavers be so kind and compassionate and freely giving up their time to help others.

The refugee stories were amazing to listen to and they were so appreciative of the kindness shown to them. They were so happy to be safe in Australia.

I would like to thank Mrs Nunan and Gus, Mrs Anderson and Mrs Brosnan for coming along to welcome the visitors and to help everyone find the right size swimmers to wear. Once again thanks for your support

Jane Lennon



Uniform Bookshop

Pre 2000 Prices

on selected items (until 15/5/15 or sold out)



Track Jacket Sizes 12-16	\$33.00
Track Pants Sizes 12-16	\$30.00
Sports Jacket Small (Size 18)	\$50.00
Sports Pants Sizes 8-14	\$33.00

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Office Hours 9.00am to 5.00pm

3 Sunlight Drive, Burleigh Waters (Postal PO Box 73, Burleigh Heads)

Phone: 5576 6317/5576 6466 FAX: 5576 7143

Parish Manager: Mr Jim Littlefield

Parish Pastoral Team

EMAIL: burleigh@bne.catholic.net.au

Parish Pastor: Fr Ken Howell

Associate Pastors: Fr Lucius Edomodi & Fr Stephen Camiolo



Keeping Our Children Safe

Across the Gold Coast District Police are regularly contacted by school's and concerned parents in relation to inappropriate driving and behaviour's around school zones. Speed limits, drop-off and pick-up areas and parking rules exist to keep your children, parents and carers safe. They also help to minimise speed and traffic jams around schools. Whilst we appreciate that the drop off and pick up is a particularly busy time of day it does not excuse dangerous behaviour that could come with fatal consequences.

Gold Coast Police are constantly patrolling our school zones. Some of the offences that have been witnessed are, parents stopping in the middle of the road (double parking) and allowing children to get out of the vehicle, u-turns over double white lines into on-coming traffic, running red lights, speeding, unrestrained children, and road rage (use of offensive language whilst children were in the vehicle).

Over the next few weeks you will see an increase in High Visibility Traffic Patrols. We are keeping our roads safe by performing proactive and targeted traffic enforcement in relation to all school zones on the Gold Coast. So remember the road rules and don't break them just to save a few extra minutes. The consequences will be with you for the rest of your life.

Below outlines some of the penalties which apply to traffic offences that are currently occurring within your school zone.

SPEEDING

School zone times have been standardised in Queensland to help motorists remember when to slow down. The standard operating times for your school zones is **7-9am** and **2-4pm**.

Speeding

<13km over the speed limit \$151 and 1 point

13-20km over the speed limit \$227 and 3 points

21-30km over the speed limit \$379 and 4 points

31-40km over the speed limit \$531 and 6 points

41km and over the speed limit \$1062 and 8 points

PARKING

Make sure to take extra care when parking on school grounds and on the roads and streets around the school and follow the signed parking rules at all times. Remember most schools are around residential areas please be courteous and respectful to these people by not parking over their driveways.

Stop across Footpath \$45

Stop contrary to flow of traffic \$45

Double Parking \$45

Stop Contrary to continuous yellow line \$45

OTHER COMMON OFFENCES

Seatbelts – As the parent you are responsible that your child has their seatbelts on and if required the correct car seat. Penalties for not wearing a seatbelt is \$341 and 3 points. If your child is under 16 and is not wearing a seatbelt you get the ticket.

U-turns – Illegal u-turns when not signed to do so - \$91 and 2 points

Red Traffic Light - \$341 and 3 points

Cross Double Lines - \$204 and 3 points

Disorderly conduct - \$341

HOST FAMILIES REQUIRED

for students of

**Yuhigaoka Gakuen High School
from Osaka, JAPAN**

attending

Marymount College

26 July – 9 August, 2015

This is a worthwhile opportunity for your family to learn about Japanese culture, while sharing with your Japanese student the lifestyle of an Australian family.



- Families are asked to provide all meals and a friendly home for their student
- They will travel to and from school each day the same way as arranged for your own children (please provide transportation fee)
- Payment to host families will be paid to assist with some of the expenses involved when hosting your student
- If you are hosting another Japanese student during Yuhigaoka High School's stay, please refrain from becoming a host family for Yuhigaoka High School students.

Yes, I would like to host a Japanese student, but...



Will the student speak any English?

Yes. However, as their English skills may be limited, we would ask that you speak clearly and slowly (but not in a patronising way) when communicating with them.

Will I have to cook Japanese food for the student?

No. Your Japanese student is here to experience an Australian lifestyle. This includes spending mealtimes with your family, and eating what you and your family normally eat.

Is it OK if the parent/s work fulltime?

Yes. During these times (e.g. after school), your Japanese student can spend time with your own children. Families who live near each other are encouraged to share transport, or other activities outside of school.

Do we need Blue Cards?

Yes. If your family hosts an overseas student for 10 or more days, it is necessary for all family members over the age of 18 to have a current Blue Card. Please contact the school office to obtain blue card application form.

If you would like to host a Japanese student this year,
please contact:

Kanae Aki (LOTE Coordinator)

email: kaki@marymount.qld.edu.au

to obtain a *Host Family Application Form*

Please contact Yoko if you need information about this program.

Yoko Sugimoto (ISS – Study Tour Organiser)
3870-9114 / operations@griffithiss.com.au



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WEDNESDAY 3.15PM 4.45PM

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COMMUNITY NOTICE



100TH ANNIVERSARY ANZAC DAY

SATURDAY 25TH APRIL 2015

BURLEIGH HEADS COMMEMORATION Services

Conducted by RSL (Qld Branch) Burleigh Heads Sub-Branch Inc

COMMUNITY DAWN SERVICE:

WAR MEMORIAL PARK BURLEIGH HEADS CENOTAPH

CONNOR STREET & GOLD COAST HIGHWAY

PARADE 4.15 am

Service to commence 4.28 am (sharp)

MAIN COMMUNITY SERVICE:

**PARADE: 9.15am CNR WEST & JAMES ST's BURLEIGH HEADS
MARCH OFF: 9.30am DOWN to**

WAR MEMORIAL PARK BURLEIGH HEADS CENOTAPH

CORNER GOLD COAST HIGHWAY & CONNOR STREET

COMMEMORATION SERVICE TO COMMENCE APPROXIMATELY 10am