

Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

ANZAC Day Thanks

I would like to thank our parents for bringing their children to the Burleigh Heads ANZAC Day service last Saturday. We had a group of just on 80 children and it was great to see the way that they involved themselves in this important community event, especially given the hot conditions and the length of the service. The children were great ambassadors for themselves and our school. The parental support was fantastic and it was really appreciated as it helped to build even more on our school's feel of being a big family. I spoke with our Master of Ceremonies, Chris Keating, after the service and he was overjoyed with the support from the parents and children from all of the local schools and he asked that we pass on his thanks to all for supporting the Centenary service. These days make us all proud to a part of our Marymount school community. Well done to all and thanks.

Parent Teacher Interviews

These interviews will wrap up this week and it has been great to see the response of our parents to them. The partnership between our parents and teachers is a critical one for the successful progress of our children and these meetings form an important part of this ongoing relationship. Please know that just because these formal meetings are finished it does not mean that communication is stopped. I would encourage both parents and teachers to continue to share concerns or challenges as well as commendations with each other over the course of the year.

If parents wish to speak again with teachers then all you would need to do is to contact them via our office or emails or notes so that a suitable time can be arranged. I would suggest that before school meetings aren't always the best times as often our staff are busy with preparation for the day and there are also often many children around which doesn't always lead to the best atmosphere for these meetings. Wednesday afternoon is also our main Staff Meeting day so this day is usually not great.

Thank you again for your commitment to making these meetings. I trust that they were fruitful for all.

Class Liturgies

This week we have recommenced our class Prayer Liturgies. These Liturgies of the Word will be conducted for all classes over the course of the year and will be held in our school in a spare classroom which the children know as our Sacred Space. I would like to thank our Parish Priest, Fr Ken Howell, and our Associate Priests, Father Lucius and Father Stephen for their support in leading these prayer services. The Liturgy of the Word service consists of readings from our Bible and the Gospels as well as Prayers of Intercession and some of the same prayers which are found in our normal masses. One of the main differences with this ceremony is that we do not have the part of the mass known as the Consecration and we do not have communion. They are a great way though for our children to share and pray with our priests and to be able to benefit from their wisdom. Experiences with these liturgies will eventually lead to masses later in the year.

Staff News

We have one of our School Officers from our Learning Enhancement Centre off on Long Service Leave at present. Deb McLean is away for the next six weeks as she plans to take some travels with family. We welcome in her place Colleen Henderson. Colleen has done some relief work with our school over the course of this year and we are pleased to have her with us for this time.

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Coming Events

Wednesday April 29
Whole School Assembly
Oz Villa - 1R

Friday May 1
Yrs5/6 Interschool Sport
'P' Dress up Day - OP

Wednesday May 6
Whole School Assembly

Thursday May 7
Marymount Cross Country



ANZAC 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)
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

Marymount Primary Cross Country Carnival – Thursday, 7 May

Our school's Cross Country carnival will be held on the College ovals next Thursday commencing at 9.00am with our Prep classes and running through to about 10.30am for our 12 Year Olds. Parents are most welcome to join us for the morning to cheer the children on. A map of the course they are running is attached to this newsletter.

Parents and Friends Financial Support - New Adventure Playgrounds

Before the Easter holidays our Parents' and Friends' Association submitted an application to Brisbane Catholic Education's Planning Advisory Committee for the construction of new Adventure Playground equipment for our school. This application has been approved and we have commenced on having this new equipment installed. As it is a reasonably major project we will look to remove our existing structures and replace them just before and during the June / July holiday break. Much of the old equipment was beginning to show signs of wear and tear and we had, over the last few years, replaced various components of it due to safety reasons.

Our school's Outside School Hours Care unit also utilizes these playgrounds and they have decided to help us with the funding for them and to enable the construction of a shade sail roofing structure as well. This is great support for our school and our P & F Association and I would like to thank Megan and her staff for this help. The project will come to just under \$110 000 to complete and our P & F and OSHC will be sharing the costs two thirds to one third.

This is tremendous support from our P & F and we certainly appreciate it. More news and photos on this project as it nears construction.

School Hours

I remind parents of our school times. We have staff supervision in place from 8.10am in the morning and our final duty finishes at 3.30pm in the afternoon. It is important that arrangements are made to have children picked up from school by 3.30pm and that they are not here in the morning before 8.10am. These are important safety matters for the children. We do have a fantastic Outside School Hours Care unit on our school site which operates outside of these times for parents to utilise. Their contact number is 55 763 756.

Bell Times	8.35am	Preliminary Start bell
	8.40am	Classes start
	10.40–11.10am	Morning Tea
	1.10–1.50pm	Main Lunch
	2.55pm	End of School

Please also note that our two Adventure Playground areas near our Multi-purpose Centre and our Prep Playground structure should not be used by the children after school ends at 2.55pm as there is no direct supervision of this equipment. The Adventure playground structures also need to be free for our Outside School Hours Care children and staff.

Thanks for reading – enjoy the rest of the week

Yours in Christ

Greg Casey



ANZAC

Our Year Six Y class with their teacher Mrs Quinlan led our school ANZAC service last Friday. Fr Stephen was also there as were a number of parents. The class presented an excellent moving, and respectful acknowledgement of ANZAC Day and they are to be congratulated.

At Marymount we also acknowledged ANZAC Day by creating our own poppy wall of remembrance. We had 1000 poppies, each with a red tag which combined to form a large poppy and hearts. Each member of our school community attached a poppy to the wall. Some had the names of loved ones who had been in the armed forces, and others had messages of thanks for the efforts of our brave men and women who have and are still serving our country.

This week we will dismantle the display of poppies and the tags will be mulched and placed under our ANZAC tree to nourish the memories of those to whom they were dedicated as well as the tree, which represents much of the hope for peace in our world.

Our Marymount Mob also created a memorial to our indigenous soldiers at the site of our ANZAC tree. This tree has been grown from a seedling taken from Lone Pine in Turkey. The tree is located in the area between the Primary and College administration buildings. Thanks to Mrs Chris McCane for guiding this effort.



Caritas

With the devastating news from Nepal of the earthquake I have included a quote from Caritas;

Eleanor Trinchera, Caritas Australia Programs Coordinator for Nepal, is in Kathmandu and said, "We witnessed terrible scenes of destruction – hospitals were evacuated with patients being treated on the ground outside."

If you have not yet returned your Project Compassion box please do so as this money is needed in Nepal and elsewhere to bring immediate help to those who are suffering.

Have a great week

Diane Anderson



Curriculum News

The next few weeks see a flurry of activities at Marymount Primary.

Week	What's happening
2	<p>Year One students are looking forward to a visit from The Teddy Bear Hospital next week. This visit endeavours to educate the students on different aspects of health such as exercise, healthy eating, dental health, sun safety, medications/poisons.</p> <p>Year One students also begin a 5-week program with the Act for Kids not-for-profit organisation. The program is titled 'Learn to be Safe with Emmy'. Marymount Primary supports both of these programs and believes they will be of benefit to our Year One students. However, should you not wish your child to take part, please notify your child's teacher in writing by the end of this week (Friday 1st May).</p>
4	<p>Our Year 3 and 5 students sit NAPLAN. Tuesday 12th is the <i>Language Conventions</i> and the <i>Writing</i> task. Wednesday 13th is the <i>Reading</i> test and Thursday 14th is <i>Numeracy</i>. As mentioned in last week's newsletter, here at Marymount we help our students be 'test ready' and do our best to ensure students are not overwhelmed. 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 the 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).</p>
5	<p>Year 4 will be heading to the Gold Coast Arts Centre to see a performance of 'I am Jack' based on the book by Susanne Gervay. Year Four students have or will be engaging in a novel study of this text which covers a range of themes including friendships, school life, family relationships, bullying and identity.</p> <p>Street Science will be visiting our Year 5 students with a stage show titled 'The Fire, Earth, Air and Water Show'. The students will also take part in workshops to assist their learning in their Chemical Science unit - 'What's the matter?'</p>

Warm regards

Laura Mitchell

Prize winners from the Writers Group



ANZAC DAY PHOTOS





Mothers' Day Stall

Tues 5th – Thurs 7th May 2015

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Please note this is an optional activity

Tuckshop News



A big thankyou to all our wonderful volunteers.
 "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" to Colleen Henderson and Tanya Mocke



Thursday 30	Friday 1	Monday 4	Tuesday 5	Wednesday 6	Thursday 7
Tanya Mocke Lisa Nesbitt	Tanya Mocke Jenny Cowan Bobby Binskin	Rebecca Jackson	Dionetta Regan	Liz Deeley Monica Zidar	Tanya Mocke Lisa Nesbitt

Sport News



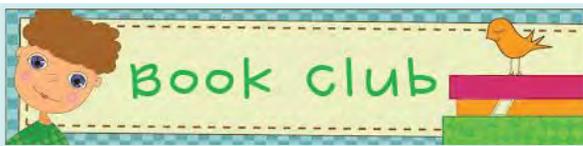
Regional Rugby League

Congratulations to Jayden Wright who was been selected into the South Coast (regional) Rugby League team. Jayden will go on to play at the State Carnival at Runaway Bay, starting 25 June. He will be playing for selection into the Queensland team. Well done Jayden and best of luck at the next round of selection.

Marymount Cross Country Thursday 7 May 2015

Race timetable:

Prep boys	9.00am
Prep girls	9.05
Year 1 boys	9.10
Year 1 girls	9.15
Year 2 boys	9.20
Year 2 girls	9.25
8 year old boys	9.30
8 year old girls	9.35
9 year old boys	9.40
9 year old girls	9.45
10 year old boys	9.50
10 year old girls	9.55
11 year old boys	10.00
11 year old girls	10.05
12 year old boys	10.10
12 year old girls	10.15



Book Club Issue 3 orders due
Monday 4 May.
 No CASH or CHEQUES accepted
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Book Clubs LOOP
 Online ordering
 &
 Payment platform for parents
 included in this week's newsletter.
 Thankyou!



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Sports Pants Sizes 8-14	\$33.00

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 Parish Pastor: Fr Ken Howell Associate Pastors: Fr Lucius Edomodi & Fr Stephen Camiolo



PREP - YR 2 - BLACK
8/9yrs (YR 2-4) ORANGE
10yrs (Yr 4-5) - PURPLE
11-12Yrs (Yr 5-6) - BLUE

PARENTS
(West of
Cricket
Pitch)

STAFF
AND
CH'N

Finish

PARENTS

Tennis
Courts

Shed

Parish Park

Sea Eagle Drive

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**BEGINNERS CLASS
MONDAY 3:30-4:30pm**

Coordination, Confidence, Grace and Flexibility are all developed!

