Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

Construction Update
Contrary to notification before the holidays, the Internal Turn-a-round road beside our oval is not yet complete. This is unfortunate but beyond our control. I thank parents for the patience and care extended during this time and ask for continued vigilance to the changing traffic conditions. I feel confident that it in the end it will all be very worthwhile.

Parents and Friends AGM
This important meeting is scheduled to take place in the Staff Room next Monday night beginning at 7:00p.m. This association is a valued part of our school community and I encourage all parents to consider contributing by coming along to the monthly I meetings and supporting the various endeavours organised by the association throughout the year. It is a great way to meet other parents and become well-informed of practices, policies and events pertaining to our school.

At this meeting our President will present his annual report and our audited books for this year will be tabled by our Treasurer. We will also set our annual P & F levy for next year and appoint our auditors for the next year. Following this all of our executive positions will be declared vacant and nominations will be called for the four places.

President – Facilitates the meeting, plans agenda with other executive & school, attends Combined Schools Advisory Council with Parish representation for approximately six meetings per year

Vice-President – Assists the President and takes over in his/her absence

Treasurer – handles P&F accounts, presents Monthly Financial Statements, organises for payments & receipt of P&F levy, organises for yearly audit

Secretary – Handles inward & outward correspondence, takes meeting minutes & distributes them to school & website

Our AGM usually goes for about twenty minutes and we then follow it with our regular meeting which should be finished by 8.30pm. It would be great to see as many parents at this meeting as possible.

Sacramental Policy
As well as circulation of today’s newsletter, we have distributed hard copies detailing the new Sacramental Policy of the Archdiocese of Brisbane. This new policy will affect all children who have not yet celebrated Baptism, Confirmation, Communion and/or Penance. As such it is very important information and I strongly encourage parents to carefully consider the contents of the brochure. If you do not receive the brochure, please request one from the Administration Office.

Southern Excursion
Our Year Six students and staff arrived home safely from their annual trip. From all accounts the benefits to the children are again, beyond words. To the many parents who have taken the time to voice their appreciation, I extend a thanks. Although the staff do not work for such thanks it certainly is always well-received. To the staff (Tony Barron; Maree Wright; Whitney Reid; Vicki Turner; Dwayne Thorburn; Paul Hill; Dan Allsopp; John Jensen, Brayden Pearson) who attended the camp, and to their families, and to those who worked behind the scenes in the planning and preparation, our sincere thanks.

Fete
As we gear up now close to this exciting event, we ask again that all parents consider ways to contribute. The old adage of “many hands makes light work” is certainly most applicable for such events. Again, it is fitting to extend our thanks to the very hard-working committee who have already invested endless hours of thought and preparation.

Leaving Marymount Primary at the End of this Year
If your children are not returning to Marymount Primary School in 2016 could you please let our office know either through a phone message (55 351 803) or via email on pburleigh@ bne.catholic.edu.au. This of course does not apply for our Year 6 children who will be finishing their primary education at the end of this year. We have a number of families who are keen to enrol with our school and many of our classes are at near capacity. By letting us know now we are able to more effectively plan for classes, resourcing and staffing for the future. Thank you for your anticipated help with this matter.

Annette O’Shea
From our Acting Assistant Principal
Deb Cronin

**Spring Fete**
Welcome to Term 4. I hope you had a relaxing holiday and enjoyed time with your family and friends. Our Spring Fete is less than two weeks away and if the excitement on the children’s faces while they were watching our fete clip is any indication of how successful it will be, we can look forward to a great day. Congratulations to Zane Stevens 3M who won the $50 Robina gift voucher.

Please return any Art Union tickets you may still have, sold or unsold. Ride passes are still on special for $25 but this price ends on October 14 (next Wednesday) when they will cost $35 on the day.

A big thank you to all who have volunteered their time to help out on the day. Please find a volunteer form in today’s newsletter if you are able to assist in any capacity.

**New Caledonian Visit**
At the end of last term we farewelled our New Caledonian visitors from Sacre Coeur Catholic Primary School. Thank you again to the billeting families who opened their homes and hearts to these children. It was a once in a lifetime opportunity for them and I know the staff, children and their families back home were very grateful for your generosity.

**Commonwealth Games 2018**
Congratulations to all the students who entered the 2018 ‘Design the Mascot” competition. Designing the Mascot was an important step in the Gold Coast, Queensland and Australia’s preparations for hosting a great Commonwealth Games in 2018. The Mascot will be a leading personality in the lead up to and during the Games. It will truly represent the Games and its values.

The entries are currently being reviewed and the announcement of the winning entry will be made in early 2016. All the students who entered received an official thank you letter from the Games committee, which is a wonderful memento to have.

Thank you and good luck with your entry.

My time in the office comes to an end this Friday and I would like to thank the Leadership Team and staff for their continued support over the past six weeks. It has been a wonderful opportunity and we are truly blessed here at Marymount Primary School to have such a dedicated and caring staff.

Thank you!
*Debbie Cronin*

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From our Assistant Principal
Tony Barron

**Australian Government Assistance for Year 6 Canberra Trip**
Year 6 students from our school have recently undertaken an educational tour of the National Capital. While on this tour they participated in a variety of educational programmes focussing on Australia’s history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit their National Capital as part of their civics and citizenship education.

To assist us in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed some funding under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER) programme toward the travel expenses incurred for each student. This contribution is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

We would like to thank the Australian Government for their support of this program. Activities undertaken as part of the educational tour are outlined on our website.

The children had a great time while in Canberra, and were great ambassadors for our school. Their behaviour all week, and their knowledge on the subjects was outstanding. They were a credit to their teachers and parents. A big thanks also must go to the great staff who looked after 135 children 24/7. Thank you for all you do above and beyond! (Someone asked me if the teachers enjoy getting paid overtime for their week away. I think I responded after I finished laughing!)

There are still lots of photos on our Blogs for you to view. Please login and have a look!

http://year6canberrabus1.blogspot.com.au
http://year6canberrabus2.blogspot.com.au
http://year6canberrabus3.blogspot.com.au
http://year6canberrabus4.blogspot.com.au

Have a great week

*Tony Barron*
Welcome back to what promises to be another busy term. Shortly you will receive, (one per family), a copy of the new Sacramental Policy form the Archdiocese of Brisbane. There are some changes to what has been the policy for the past few years. Please take time to read the brochure and should you have any questions you are welcome to contact the parish office on 55 766 317 or myself.

Our Year Four, Five and Six children will be travelling to one of our local parish centres to attend a year level mass. Letters will be sent home soon with the dates and times. Parents are welcome to attend these masses. It is important for the children to become familiar with the rituals of our faith and these masses will allow them to take part in a full mass where they have the opportunity to engage with the priests and ask questions. These will take the place of class liturgies for these groups for this term.

Our Mini Vinnies will be preparing hygiene packs for distribution to local homeless people in the coming weeks, as well as conducting our annual Socktober Silly Sock Day in support of Catholic Missions. Keep an eye out for more details for this fun event.

Have a great week

*Diane Anderson*

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**IMPORTANT SCHOOL FEES NOTICE**

Term 4 2015 school fees were emailed and/or posted on 2 October with a due date of 27 October 2015.

If you are receiving your accounts by email and have not received your account please check your junk/spam email boxes.

If you do not receive your School fee Account by the end of this week, please contact our Accounts Department on 55208412 or 55208417 to avoid late fees after the due date.

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**Volunteers needed for Clothing Stall**

Thank you for your wonderful donations. We now need volunteers to assist setting up and working at the stall on Fete day.

If you have hangers and plastic bags please send them into the school. We are also in need of clothing racks to borrow. If you know of anyone who can lend these to us we would be most grateful.

If you can help us please text Rommy Salgado on 0404 273 074.

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**ART UNION TICKETS**

ALL TICKETS, SOLD OR UNSOLD, ARE NOW DUE TO BE RETURNED. PLEASE SEND TO THE SCHOOL BOOKSHOP ASAP. Thankyou.

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Curriculum News

Welcome back to Term 4. I hope you and yours had a wonderful spring break.

Term 4 is usually fast and furious with an abundance of activities for students and staff alike. This week we have two incursions happening for our Year One and Year Three students. Star Lab will be here tomorrow for our Year Three students to experience the Cosmodome and Ocean Stars visit our Year Ones on Friday. Both of these incursions offer the opportunity to develop scientific understandings.

The countdown to the Year 4 camp is underway. The camp will take place between Monday 2nd to Wednesday 4th November. Any outstanding forms need to be returned as soon as possible. A camp information session will take place tomorrow, Thursday 8th October, in our Staff Room at 5.30pm. Thank you to the Year 4 teachers for providing this opportunity.

Wishing you a great week.

*Laura Mitchell*
Volunteers needed

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Weekly half hour Speech & Drama classes are held in small groups. Lessons are held during school time and class teachers are consulted regarding a suitable time for the children to attend.

If you are interested in your child commencing Speech & Drama lessons, please send an email to marymountdrama@yahoo.com with your child’s name & class and your name & phone number. Further information, including the fee structure, will then be sent to you. Alternatively, new S&D students may fill in the information below and hand it to the school office in an envelope marked “K.Crosby.”

Kind regards, Katy Crosby

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Kind regards, Katy Crosby

speech & drama – Attention: K. Crosby

I am interested in my child commencing Speech & Drama in Term 4.

Child’s name: ___________________________ Class: ___________________________

Parent’s name: ___________________________ Phone: ________________________

Email: __________________________________________

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telephone news

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No help needed
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Kate & Mel

Class: 3 Sunlight Drive, Burleigh Waters (Postal PO Box 73, Burleigh Heads)
Parish Pastor: Fr Ken Howell
Associate Pastors: Fr Lucius Edomodi & Fr Stephen Camiolo
Parish Office Hours 9.00am to 5.00pm
Parish Manager: Mr Jim Littlefield
Parish Pastoral Team
Phone: 5576 6317/5576 6466 FAX: 5576 7143
EMAIL: burleigh@bne.catholic.net.au
MARYMOUNT SPRING FETE
SATURDAY 17 OCT 11AM - 5PM

HELP NEEDED - ARE YOU ABLE TO LEND A HAND?

Surname: _____________________________ First Name: ___________________________

Contact Phone No. ____________________________________________________________

Email: __________________________________________________________________________

I can help out during the following times:

☐ 9:00-11:00 to assist with set up ☐ 11:00am-1:00pm
☐ 4:30pm-6:30pm to assist with pack up ☐ 1:00pm-3:00pm
☐ Other: ____________________________ ☐ 3:00pm-5:00pm

My preference is: (tick any that apply)

☐ BBQ
☐ Book Stall
☐ Cake Stall
☐ Cent Auction
☐ Chocolate Toss
☐ Craft Stall
☐ Fairy Floss
☐ Garden Centre
☐ Junior Activities
☐ Junior Games
☐ Preloved Fashion
☐ Preloved Homewares
☐ Raffles

Thank you for helping to make this a great day!

Please return to the Primary Office or College SAO
BEFORE FRIDAY 9 OCTOBER
Stall Convenors will contact you prior to week of fete to confirm
MARYMOUNT SPRING FETE
SATURDAY 17 OCT 11AM - 5PM

$25.00 RIDE PASS PREORDER FORM

Access All Rides from 11:30am - 4:30pm
Check out rides at www.marymountspringfete.com.au

Surname: _____________________________ First Name: _____________________________
Contact Phone No. __________________________________________________________

Number of passes _____________ @ $25 each

Payment:

☐ Cash
☐ Cheque *(please make payable to Marymount Combined P&F fundraising)*

OR

Make order and pay for passes online at www.trybooking.com/HUZY

Please Deliver passes to:

Child's Name: ______________________________________________
Class: ______________________________________________________

Please return to the Primary Office or College SAO - marked attention Jo Martin

Prepaid passes will NOT be available after 9/10/15

Passes on the day will be $35 or $5.00 per ride (or 3 slides on Super Slide)

Passes will be distributed week beginning 12/10/14
MARYMOUNT SPRING FETE  
SATURDAY 17 OCT 11AM - 5PM
CLASS DONATIONS
Every class is being asked to please bring in a specific item to donate to the Fete.
PREP
Old Fashioned Sweets
A container will be sent home the week of the fete for you to fill and please send back on Friday 16 October

Please label Sweets with all ingredients used

visit www.pinterest.com/marymountfete/cake-stall-recipe-ideas/

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SATURDAY 17 OCT 11AM - 5PM
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YEAR ONE
Cakes, Slices & Biscuits
A container will be sent home the week of the fete for you to fill and please send back on Friday 16 October

Please label items with all ingredients used

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YEAR TWO & THREE
PARTY PRIZES
Please bring donations to class before Wednesday 14 October

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SATURDAY 17 OCT 11AM - 5PM
CLASS DONATIONS
Every class is being asked to please bring in a specific item to donate to the Fete.
YEAR FOUR & FIVE
Multi Packs of lollies
Freddos
Whiz Fizz
Lollipops
Wrapped Lollies
Please bring donations to class before Wednesday 14 October

MARYMOUNT SPRING FETE  
SATURDAY 17 OCT 11AM - 5PM
CLASS DONATIONS
Every class is being asked to please bring in a specific item to donate to the Fete.
YEAR SIX, SEVEN & EIGHT
Chocolate
Blocks or Bars
Please bring donations to class before Wednesday 14 October