

Dear Parents, Friends and Guardians

Easter – The Crux of Our Faith

The other day I was speaking with a Year One child and I asked her what she was hoping for in the coming holidays. Like most children of this age she said that she couldn't wait until the Easter Bunny came and brought her a number of 'yummy' chocolate eggs. She had already told me that she and her family were going camping for the Easter time so I quizzed her a little more about how she knew she would get these eggs as she wasn't at her normal home address. "It's OK", I was told, "the Easter Bunny knows where we will be and she'll deliver them to us during the night." I was taken by the sheer faith that this young child had in the bunny and that the eggs would definitely be there even though she had never seen the said bunny for real.

I couldn't help but see the connections with this young child's sure-mindedness to that which we celebrate this weekend with the 'Real' Easter Story. The Easter Triduum (three days) which starts with Holy Thursday night and runs over Good Friday and on to Easter Sunday morning forms the crux of our faith as Christians. These days commemorate the Last Supper, the Crucifixion and death of Jesus and then the Resurrection from the dead. Jesus went on to appear many times to His followers and our Christian faith was birthed. As Christians we believe in a Christ who was crucified and who rose from the dead. We haven't seen the Risen Jesus but our faith compels us to believe in Him and to follow in His ways. This weekend especially, Jesus' challenge to us is to be like the Year One child with her faith in the bunny and to have untiring faith in His message of hope for God's Kingdom through the belief in the Risen Jesus. He is Risen! Alleluia!

Thanks for a great Term

School ends for us all this Thursday with the start of the Easter Long Weekend and then two weeks of school holidays. Classes will resume as normal on Monday, 11 April, for an 11 week second term. I would like to thank you, our parents and grandparents, for your support over the last very busy nine weeks. I know that it was hectic start with our traffic challenges and we have managed to work through many of these. I know that we're not fully out of the woods here as yet and there are still some matters to sort out but we're getting there, so thank you for your patience and good will here. Thanks also for helping your children to settle in so quickly to the school year, without this support our role as fellow educators would be so much harder. I hope that the coming two weeks gives you all a chance to spend some quality family time with your children and maybe extended families and that you have the chance to see their lovely smiles and hear their beautiful stories. We are very blessed with the children we have in this school. Thank you and enjoy the break.

After School Swimming

Our after school swimming has concluded for the term and I would like to pass on our thanks to our wonderful staff who run the program. Our Co-ordinator, Jenny Wood, puts in a lot of hours to ensure the success of this program and many of these are behind the scenes ones, not just those on the concrete poolside. Jenny is ably assisted by Kim Shillig as a fellow senior trainer and then we have our three Marymount College Trainees, Ally, Nick and Tristran. These three Year 12 students have a great work ethic and their manner with our children is very commendable. We really appreciate their help and without them we couldn't offer the great program that we do. We have all seen marked improvements in the children's swimming abilities and this has helped with their general health as well as their self-esteem. Well done and thanks to Jenny, Kim, Ally, Nick and Tristran.

Go Cards and Bus Issues

Over the term we have noticed more and more children not properly paying, or not paying at all, for their bus transport to and from school. This is particularly noticeable in the afternoon when many of our children just walk on to the bus and do not present their Go Card or their bus passes even though they may have them. When questioned many don't even have the cards on them. This is becoming a big problem and Translink (the company who enforce fare payments across the coast) have warned us that they will be targeting children who are fare evaders. They have already visited our school earlier this term when they gave informal warnings to the children. This entailed stopping them after exiting the bus, taking their name and contact details and speaking with them about fare evasion. This, as you can imagine, can be a little distressing to a young child when someone whom they don't know dressed in a uniform singles them out to give a warning to them. We have spoken with Surfside Buses about this matter and they are aware of the fare evasion. They have a concern that our schools will get a bad reputation for evading fares which is really unfair on those children and families who do the right thing. If your child catches the bus to and from school I would ask that you please ensure that they have the correct card for travel and that it is regularly topped up. Thanks for your anticipated assistance with this matter.

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Coming Events

Wednesday March 23
5Y - Whole School Assembly &
Fr Lucius Farewell
Yr 1A - Ozanam Villa

Thursday March 24
Yr 1 - Street Science
END OF TERM 1

Friday March 25
GOOD FRIDAY

Monday April 11
Term 2 commences

Date Claimer:
Thursday April 28
Marymount Cross Country



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

April Parents & Friends Meeting – Monday, 11 April

Our first P & F meeting for next term is being held on the first night back at 7.00pm in our school Staff room. At this meeting we will discuss some possible changes to our school's uniform in regards to hats and the sports shirts. We will also look at other ideas for the expenditure of the P & F Levy. There will also be some of our general reports – Principal's and Finance – and our meeting should be finished by 8.30pm. All are welcome and I hope to see you there.

Thanks for reading this week, please travel safely if you are going somewhere during the break and we look forward to seeing you all again in Term 2.

Yours in Christ

Greg Casey



From our Acting Assistant Principal

Tina O'Keefe

Jinggerri everyone.

This week I would like to include a phrase from the Yugambah language, our local Aboriginal language:

Nimbulima bullang ya baugull – Return strong and well

Have a happy and blessed Easter break everyone and I look forward to seeing you all back strong and well in Term Two.

Tina O'Keefe

SPEECH PATHOLOGIST CHATTER

How can I support my child's literacy development over the holidays?

These can be done anywhere, anytime and with anyone. Here are some suggestions and don't forget, it should be fun!

1. Develop critical thinking
 - Talk about why things are happening and discuss in relation to what they already know
 - Discuss different opinions and ideas
 - Make predictions in a real life situations
 - Play being in someone else's shoes – how do they feel? What are they thinking?
2. Develop vocabulary (it is linked to better reading comprehension)
 - See the Hanen website www.hanen.org/SiteAssets/_10_Special-Pages/Shoot-for-the-SSTaRS-handout.aspx : STRESS the word to focus attention, SHOW what the word means, TELL what the word means, RELATE to other experiences, words, knowledge; SAY it again and read it again in the context you found it.
3. Develop knowledge of print
 - Talk about the print around us e.g. Signs, brochures, cereal packets
 - Identify print that is of interest to your child e.g. Sports flyers

Enjoy your holidays.

**Kind regards,
Sharon Cummings**



PATRON PARENTS

Year 2P - School holiday get together - Pirate Park, Currumbin. 10.00am Thursday 31st March.

Year 2M - School holiday get together - Pirate Park, Currumbin. Friday 1 April. Bring afternoon tea.



BANKING

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

At Marymount we have approximately a hundred students who bank each week.

We are looking for volunteers who can assist in processing the deposits. No previous experience needed. Only required for approximately one hour each Tuesday morning between 9.00am and 10.00am. Commencing Tuesday 12 April.

Just come along and see us if you have any questions or can be of assistance.

Unlimited tea or coffee and fun to be had!

Thankyou.



Uniform/Book Shop
Will be closed last day of term,
Thursday 24 March
and will re-open 11 April.

Holy Week

In our final week of Lent we observe the events of Holy Week. Congratulations to 5Y and Mrs Frost who led our Holy Week Prayer Assembly today. This began on Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and ended, for now, with Jesus' death on the cross. Fr Lucius joined us for this assembly as we celebrated the story foundational to who we are as followers of Jesus. After the holiday break we will continue the story with Christ's Resurrection.

We are encouraged to remember the 'holy' days with our Parish community. Please take the time to recall the religious significance of Easter by participating in the Sacred Triduum- the three days beginning on Holy Thursday evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper, to Good Friday and concluding on Easter Sunday.

Farewell to Fr Lucius

As a school community we said farewell to Fr Lucius after our Holy Week assembly. Fr Lucius has been in our parish and school community for the past three years and it is sad for us to say farewell to him as he begins his new appointment in Gympie after Easter. In the time Fr Lucius has been with us, he has developed a wonderful rapport with the students and staff of Marymount. He always found the time to talk with the students whilst passing in the playground and has become famous for his 'high fives'. During the past three years Fr Lucius has celebrated many class liturgies in our Sacred Space. At the end of each liturgy he would gather the children who had birthdays that month to blow out the candles and the class sang 'Happy Birthday'. As recognition of this great gesture, we presented Fr Lucius with a farewell cake and sang Happy Birthday to him and said our final goodbyes. Thank you Fr Lucius and God bless.

Stations of the Cross

On Monday 3M and 5M participated in the Stations of the Cross with Fr Stephen. Many other classes came to watch as Fr Stephen led the students on the path walked by Jesus to Calvary. This took place in the Prep courtyard and was a very moving and reverent celebration in our lead up to Easter.

Project Compassion

As the Lenten season draws to a close, Project Compassion boxes need to be returned to school. Thank you all so much for your contribution to support the work of Caritas. The money raised will make a wonderful impact on the lives of other children and their families throughout the world who are disadvantaged. A full report with fundraising totals will be published after the holidays.

I wish you and your family a safe, happy and holy Easter. God bless.

Maree Wright

**Burleigh Heads Catholic Parish -
Easter Mass Times**

Wednesday
7am Miami 9.30am Ozanam Villa 5.30pm Palm Beach

Holy Thursday - 7.00pm
Infant Saviour, Burleigh Heads; Calvary Church, Miami
St Benedicts, Mudgeeraba; Our Lady of the Way, Palm Beach

Good Friday
Stations of the Cross
9.00am - Our Lady of the Way, Palm Beach
10.00am - Infant Saviour, Burleigh Heads & Calvary Church, Miami

Liturgy - the Lord's Passion - 3.00pm
Infant Saviour, Burleigh Heads; Calvary Church, Miami
St Benedicts, Mudgeeraba; Our Lady of the Way, Palm Beach

Holy Saturday
6.30pm - St Benedicts, Mudgeeraba;
7.00pm - Our Lady of the Way, Palm Beach; Calvary Church, Miami
& Infant Saviour, Burleigh Heads

Easter Sunday
7.00am - Our Lady of the Way, Palm Beach
& Infant Saviour, Burleigh Heads
8.30am - St Benedicts, Mudgeeraba; Calvary Church, Miami
10.00am & 5.30pm - Doyle Centre, Marymount



Farewell Fr Lucius

Sport News

State Netball

Congratulations to Rosie Ward who was selected into the South Coast Regional U11 Girls Netball Team. Rosie will play in the Regional Team at the State Netball Carnival on the Sunshine Coast in July.

Oceanic District Basketball

Congratulations to four of our Marymount Primary students who trialled for the Oceanic District U12 Basketball team.

Josie McCabe and Anne Kennedy were both selected into the U12 girls team.

Cooper Hatton and Will Stephens have been selected into the U12 boys team.

All 4 students will compete at the Regional (South Coast) Basketball Carnival early next term.

Oceanic District Hockey

Congratulations to Oscar Devine who has been selected into the Oceanic District Hockey team for the second year in a row. Oscar will compete at the Regional Hockey trials early next term.

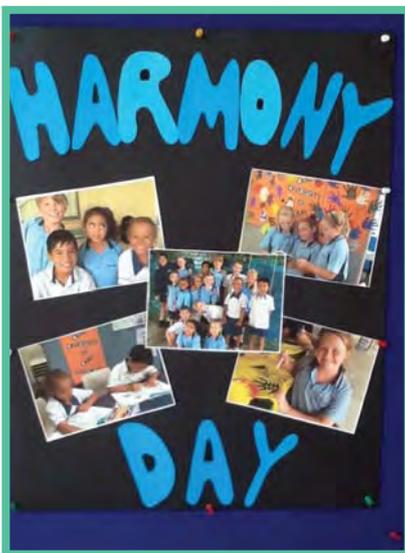
Golfing Family

Congratulations Kai Komulainen and sister Millie Komulainen who have both won the Queensland leg of the US Kids Golf Summer Tour for their age divisions. Kai has won the 10 year old boys division and Millie the Girls 7 and Under. Noah Komulainen also came second over all in the Boys 8 division. Both won the Spring Tour also in January and again Noah was second overall.

Winners from each age division in each Australian state are invited to play in the World Championships in Pinehurst, North Carolina USA in August this year and are also invited to play in the European Championships in Scotland in May 2017. Mille and Kai have both received two invitations now after winning both tours and Noah can possibly play also if he is accepted on a sibling exemption. (If you have a sibling that didn't win their division but still has qualifying scores you are able to apply for an exemption and they are possibly able to play if they have enough room).

Well done Kai, Noah and Millie.

Paul Hill



OUR DIVERSITY IS OUR STRENGTH

Harmony Day was celebrated on Monday with music to welcome us to our wonderful school, and artwork and orange ribbons, celebrating the diversity in our school and community.



AFTER SCHOOL SWIMMING LESSONS

Please be aware there are no after school swimming lessons on THURSDAY 24 MARCH

Have a lovely Easter break



BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

Parish Office Hours 9.00am to 5.00pm

Parish Manager: Mr Jim Littlefield

Parish Pastor: Fr Ken Howell

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

Parish Pastoral Team

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MARYMOUNT FAMILIES

PLEASE JOIN US AT MARYMOUNT FOR
GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER SUNDAY



GOOD FRIDAY 3:00PM

EASTER SUNDAY 10:00AM & 5:30PM

DOYLE CENTRE

Visit www.burleighheadscatholic.com.au
for Mass times throughout the Parish



TERM 2
AFTER SCHOOL SWIM PROGRAM 2016

Mini Squad & Squad ONLY (no learn to swim)

Commencing: **MONDAY 11 APRIL – WEDNESDAY 18 MAY**
6 week program \$48.00 once a week or \$96 twice a week

Monday & Wednesday ONLY After School Swimming(\$8.00 per session)

Session times: **Mini Squad** 3.10pm – 4.00pm
Squad 3.10pm – 4.00pm

This term will include a warm up dry land strength program, which will be at the start of each session.

Pool will be heated in term 2

Mini Squad (levels 1, 2 & 3) – stroke correction, swim drills, & fitness swimming

Squad – swimming program, all strokes & kicking. Swimmers need to be competent in all strokes with good swim fitness

All parents will receive an email confirmation & swim information.

****Signed & completed forms are required back by Friday 24 March 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 co-ordinator.
Jennifer.Wood@bne.catholic.edu.au | 0421 603 455

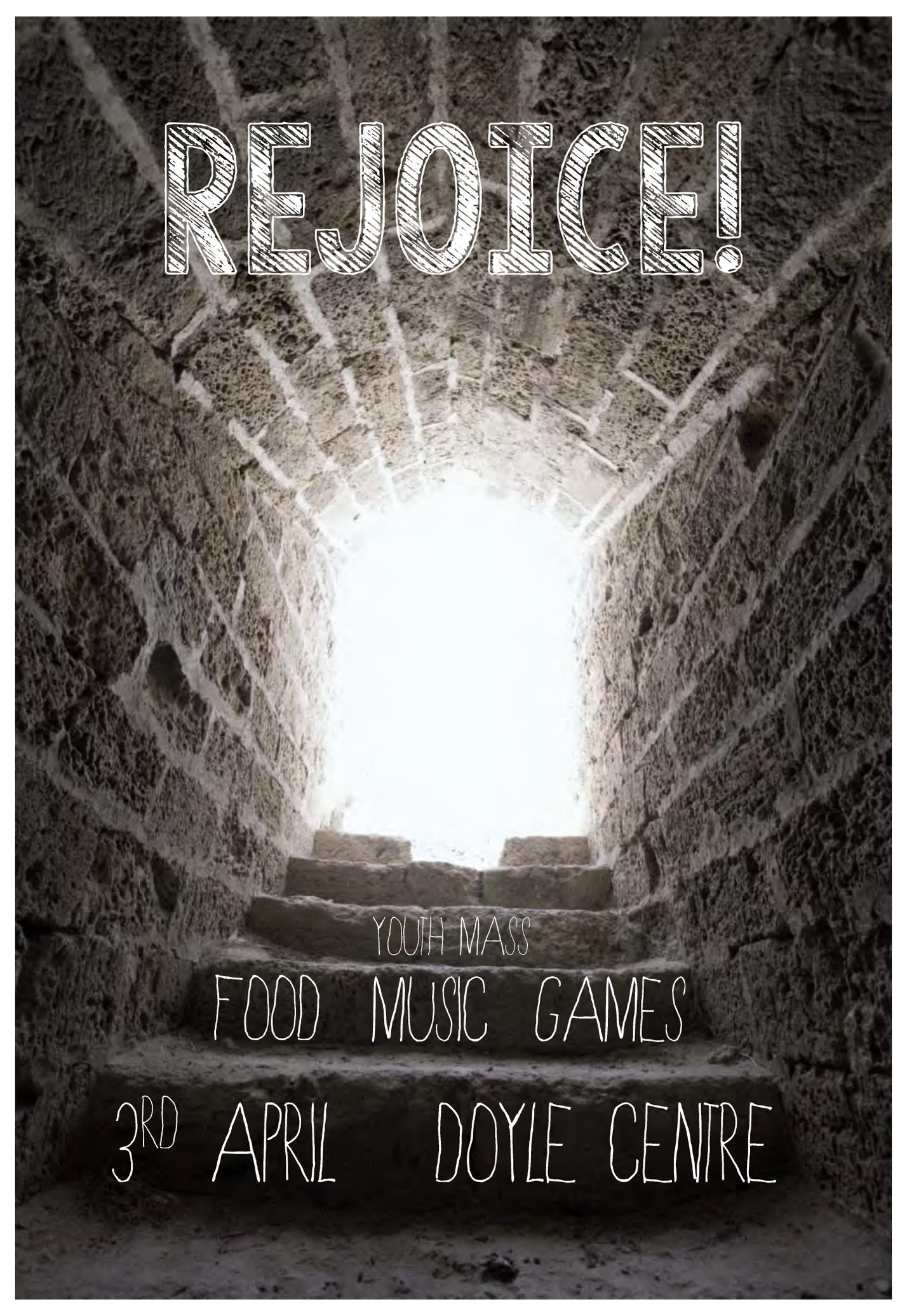
REGISTRATION FORM AFTER SCHOOL SWIMMING TERM 2 2016

Parent Name: Contact #:

Email: Parent Signature:

Child's Last Name	Child's First Name	Class	Day/s MON & WED	Squad (S) Mini Squad (MS)
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Please return completed forms back by
Friday 24 MARCH 2016
To: Accounts Department or your child's class



REJOICE!

YOUTH MASS

FOOD MUSIC GAMES

3RD APRIL DOYLE CENTRE