Years Prep–5: To assist our future planning please advise the office if you will not return to St Joseph’s in 2015.

SEPTEMBER
5  Yr 5 Camp
   Science Centre Excursion (Yr 2)
   Premier’s reading challenge forms due
   Gala Day (Yr 6&7, Day 1)
8  Assembly (Prep C)
9  Koala Joeys
   Wakakirri Finals
   No P&F Meeting
10 Yr 6 & 7 Camp
11 Mass (5C)
   Yr 6 & 7 Camp
   Bravehearts (P-3)
   Ausdance
12 Yr 6 & 7 Camp
   No gala day (Yr 6&7)
15 Assembly (Prep F)
16 School Photos (Sport)
   No Koala Joeys
   P&F Meeting (6.30pm)
17 Vision screening
   Instrumental Concert (2.15pm, Hall)
18 Liturgy 2C
19 Last day term 3 (2.55pm)

OCTOBER
7  First day term 4 (8.35am)
   No Koala Joeys
7 & 8 No Homework Help

WEEKLY EVENTS
Mon  Training Club (7.45am-8.15am)
   Homework Help (8-8.30am)
   Uniform Shop (8.15-9.15am)
Wed  Band Practice (7.30am)
    Training Club (7.45am-8.15am)
    Homework Help Resumes 13 August
Thurs Uniform Shop (2.15-3.15pm)
Fri  Sr Jenny’s Cuppa (8.40am)
    Student Banking
    Homework Help (3-3.40pm.
    5C, Yr 6 & 7)

The Colloquium that Miss Fletcher and I enjoyed last week was a truly enriching experience. We gathered with 30 people from around Australia to share in the charism of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop and Julian Tenison Woods, the co-founders of the Sisters of St Joseph. Colloquium attendance will continue for staff in 2015.

A number of classroom teachers have already commenced planning for Term 4 with the school’s Curriculum Support Teacher, Mrs Scholman. This investment of time and funding allows teachers to move to the upcoming holidays with clarity around curriculum and pedagogical goals for the upcoming term and ample time to discover and fine tune relevant resources.

On Tuesday I was involved in a very productive meeting with the principal of Trinity College, Catherine Thompson, Counsellor Jennie Breene and Traffic Engineer, Laura Brown, regarding the establishment of new morning drop-off and afternoon pick-up arrangements for our motorists. I am hopeful that commencement will occur in Term 4. Specific details will be forwarded to families as soon as possible.

Children across the school are relishing their daily ‘Munch and Crunch’ time around the middle of the morning session. Parents are reminded to please ensure that fruit and/or raw vegetables are provided for enjoyment and sustenance prior to our lunch break later in the morning.

School camps provide an excellent avenue for self-discovery and appreciation for involved students and I trust that our Year 5s reap these and other rewards through their current camp experience at Edmund Park. I thoroughly enjoyed my involvement with Year 5 students and staff in the camp activities yesterday and today, and I look forward to joining Year 6 and 7 at their Emu Gully camp next week.

Tomorrow, Year 2 students and staff will be involved in an excursion to the Science Centre. It is hoped that this educational experience significantly adds to the related work that has been undertaken at school.

Student engagement in this year’s Premier’s Reading Challenge has been inspiring, and congratulations are due to the many families who supported this 2014 literacy promotion. A reminder that related forms are due in at the school tomorrow.

The first Gala Sports Day for Semester 2 occurs tomorrow and students in Year 6 and 7 are very much looking forward to reconnecting with the healthy inter-school competition that such days provide. Year 5 will commence their Gala Sports involvement in Term 4.

 Finals occur next Tuesday night for our Wakakirri series. It has been a long, challenging road for involved students, families and staff, yet the fruits of the labour have been plentiful. Heartiest congratulations are thoroughly deserved whether it’s win, lose or draw next Tuesday night.

Please note that our Sister Jenny underwent oral surgery today and that she will need the remainder of the term to recuperate at home. We hope to see Sister Jenny fully recovered and well rested at the commencement of Term 4. Please keep her in your thoughts and prayers.

Best wishes to our Rugby League players who, on Sunday, will run onto Cbus Super Stadium, Robina, for a game at half time in the Titans vs Bulldogs match and enjoy the experience of a life time!

I trust that all fathers and those men who fulfil a fatherhood role among our families, are made to feel valued on Sunday. We ask God, our Father, to bless these men and allow the example of their faith and love to shine forth. May their sons and daughters, especially, honour them with a spirit of respect. My thanks, once again, to our P&F for organising this week’s Fathers’ Day Stall and enabling students to conveniently purchase their special gifts.

With Courage, Faith and Love
Stephen Johnson
PC: Nevaeh Rees  PF: Alex Grindrod  1C: Zaneta Bailey
1F: Brookelyn Toalima  2C: Declan Vickery  2F: Rhylee Jackson
3C: Jessica Robertson  3F: Jesh Curley  4C: Lachlan Rawlings
4F: Amala Saju  5C: Hannah Marsh  5F: Marten Nieling, Demi Love
6C: Isabella McMillan  6F: Gabby Hingst  7C: Maddison Scowcroft
Golden Gnome: 1st–PC & PF. 2nd–1F. 3rd–2C.

HOMEWORK HELP

PLEASE NOTE:
There will be no Homework Help on the first Tuesday and Wednesday morning of term 4. Homework Help will resume 14 and 15 October.

DATE CLAIMER

You are invited to our instrumental concert. The school band will be performing along with a few students who learn instruments at the school. We look forward to seeing you.

DATE: Wednesday 17 September  TIME: 2.15pm  VENUE: School hall

2014 PREMIER’S READING CHALLENGE

All sheets for this reading challenge need to be completed and returned to your child’s teacher by the 5th of September in order to be eligible to receive a certificate from the Qld Government. Please ensure that your child’s name is written on the sheet, so their details can be updated correctly on the online forms.
To receive a certificate, Prep to Year 4 need to read 20 books and Years 5-7 need to read 15. So far we have 48 students who have completed the challenge. Some of these students have actually filled in multiple forms, so well done!

P&F NEWS - ANGELA HOUGHTON

FATHERS’ DAY STALL
The P&F would like to express their sincere gratitude for the enormous support shown by all for this year’s Fathers’ Day Stall.
*Thank you to all mums and dads who have helped to wrap, count, curl and tie.
*Especially to the Wednesday Craft Group who have dedicated so much time to ensuring everything was ready on time.
*Thank you to all who donated goodies, without which, we could not offer the variety of goods.
*We especially would like to thank the Daly Family for their craftsmanship in creating many key holders for Dads.
*Thank you to all who have given their time to help run the stalls.
*Thank you to staff for your co-operation.
*Last, but not least, thank you to our students for your smiles, laughs and beautiful manners.
It was a pleasure shopping with you all.

CHANGE OF DATE FOR THE P&F MEETING
The September meeting for P&F will be on Tuesday 16 September at 6.30pm. (Wakakirri finals are on the 9th our previously scheduled date). The P&F Executive invite all members of our school community to attend this meeting. Should you have matters for the agenda please email them to stjosephspandfbeenleigh@gmail.com This email address can also be used should you have any concerns or issues, questions or queries you want answered or clarified relating to all matters involving P&F.

TUCKSHOP DAY
Our next tuckshop day will be on Friday 19 September, the last day of term 3. This will be a Subway day where students will be offered a choice of 6” subs and a popper for $5. Order forms will go home by the end of the week.

SCHOOL DENTAL SERVICE

To make an appointment with Metro South Health School Dental Service phone 1300 300 850 (Monday to Friday – 7:30 to 4:00). Have your Medicare Card and Health Care Card (if you have one) with you when you call.
For further information, please visit www.health.qld.gov.au/metrosouth/oralhealth/
Please Note: They will no longer arrange appointments through the school.
While our MI SMARTS program is finished for this year, the thinking behind the program is certainly not over. In each classroom, teachers encourage their students to do their best in class as well as helping them to discover their strengths. A child’s gift may not always be in the academic areas and sometimes as parents we may push our children to do better at reading or maths and forget to encourage them to discover their strengths in those areas that are viewed to be less academic.

Some of our students discovered that they were great at designing and sewing [thanks Mrs Phillips] …

..and others found a strength as they learned to develop their table tennis skills [thanks Mr O’Keeffe].

In both cases, these students were also practising the important art of getting along with others from different year levels, as well as managing time and resources and problem solving.

A big thanks to our P&F and for all the parents who support the P&F’s fundraising activities for their financial contribution to MI SMARTS this year. We now have 8 new table tennis tables and 4 sewing machines, all of which will be used throughout the year.

2015 PREPS

Our Koala Joey's are such good listeners

PARISH NEWS

Youth Masses: 6pm Sunday 7th Sept, with practice at 4pm; 9am Sunday 21st Sept, with practice at 8am.

‘United’ Youth meetings: Friday, Sept 5th, Sept 19th. We start at 5.30pm; the younger group finish at 7.30pm, and the older group finish at 8.45pm. The night includes dinner (a small donation would be appreciated), and is held in St Joseph’s School Hall.

St Maximilian Kolbe Parish is hosting a prayer breakfast with Archbishop Mark Coleridge at 7.45am Saturday 20th September. It is open to all young people aged 15 and over in the Logan Deanery. Please let me know by this Tuesday (for rsvp) if you’d like to attend.

Faith on Tap: (for 18-35 yrs) Pro-life warrior, student & accomplished musician Béatrice Piat will be speaking on Monday 8th of Sept at The Pineapple Hotel, Kangaroo Pt. 6:30pm meal; 7:30pm talk, question time and socialising.

If you would like to know more about youth ministry in our Parish, please contact me.

Cathy 0400 494 943 youth.beenleigh@bne.catholic.net.au
HEALTHY MINDSETS FOR SUPER KIDS
a resilience program ....

Healthy Mindsets for Super Kids is a program designed to promote resilience in children aged between 7 and 14. Run over 10 weeks (1 session per week) the program focuses on:

⇒ Promoting positive self image
⇒ Communication skills
⇒ Assertiveness training and social skills
⇒ Positive thinking
⇒ Grief and Loss
⇒ Healthy bodies in healthy minds
⇒ Anger and frustration management
⇒ Anxiety and stress management

Healthy Mindsets for Super Kids is facilitated by qualified and experienced social workers with extensive experience working with children and their families.

This particular program is designed for children who have early symptoms or can be used as a preventative intervention to promote self-esteem. *Medicare rebates for some children will apply.* Please contact us to discuss a pricing schedule.

The next program commences on Wednesday 8 October 2014 at Beenleigh Neighbourhood Centre.

Communication Kinnections

P. 0407 157 396 E. - communicationkinnections@gmail.com

FUN & GAMES NIGHT for DESTINY RESCUE

The games night planned for the 13 September has been postponed and will be readvertised through the newsletter.

2014 MUSICAL CHAIRS CONCERT AND ART EXHIBITION

Logan West Community Centre- 2 Wineglass Drive, Hillcrest
Tuesday 9th September, 7:00pm
$10 admission. Primary age free. Doors open 6:45pm
Art Exhibition. Food and drinks for sale from 6:15pm
-Raffle – Music – Mini Art Exhibition – Food

*featuring various pieces – all genres classical, pop and big band: Logan Youth Music Exchange String Orchestra, Stage Band and Symphony Orchestra. Special guests : Bamboo Ensemble – Orchid New Music Group

HOLIDAY DIVING PROGRAM

Try Springboard Diving this summer at the new Gold Coast Aquatic Centre in Southport.
Where: Gold Coast Aquatic Centre, Marine Parade, Southport
When: Sat 20th, Sun 21st Mon 22nd, Tues 23rd, Wed 24th, September 2014.
Time: 8am – 12 Noon on all days. Pool Entry $4 per day.
Contact: Kevin Hall, Head coach. 0415787207 or kevvyhall1@gmail.com

*Activities included in the program are Strength & conditioning exercises, Trampoline basics, Diving basics, Skill advancement & Equipment safety. The last half hour of each lesson will include free time in the dive pool.
* Talented participants will be identified for our Club Development Program.
*All coaches are accredited with the Australian Sports Commission and hold a current blue card.
*Bookings preferred.  See you at the pool.....
How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

**iPhone & iPad Users**

1. Click the “App Store” icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click “Free” then “install”.
4. If iPad, change the drop list to “iPhone Apps”; your school will then be visible, click “Free” then “install”.
5. When installed click “Open”.
6. Select “OK” to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the “More” button on the bottom right of the App, then “Setup”.
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.

**Android Users**

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the “Play Store” button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the “Install” button.
5. Click “Accept” for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click “Open” when installed.
7. Click the “More” button on the bottom right of the App, then “Setup”.
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