Dear Parents, Grandparents, Carers and Friends,

Following on from my explanation of modelled reading a fortnight ago, this week we will continue our Reading from Home series by detailing some important steps to follow when sitting down with your developing readers. What you see below is a home version of the six stages of reading used in all of our classrooms on a daily basis. It forms a framework that allows students to better understand the text that they are reading, and allow parents to gauge the understanding their child is gaining from each and every reading session. This week I have detailed Step 1 - SKIM, in the coming weeks I will include detail about each of the stages.

**Step 1 SKIM**

*Look for the: Title; subheadings; illustrations; captions; bold print; inserts; questions; topic first sentence; author*

**Step 2 PREDICT**

*What is this text about?*  
*What sort of text is this?*

**Step 3 READ THE TEXT**

**Step 4 CLARIFY**

*Which words can’t you read?*  
*Which words don’t you understand?*

**Step 5 QUESTION**

*In my Head—On My Own*  
*In the Text—Right There*  
*In my Head—Author and Me*  
*In The Text—Think, Search and Find*

**Step 6 SUMMARISE**

*Concept/mind map*  
*List of the key points*  
*5 w’s +H*

*Step 1 Skim*

The skim step focuses on a skill that we use as adults each and every time we pick up a text. It explicitly teaches students to look for particular things in the text to allow them to gauge what it is that the text is about, and what sort of text it is. When you think about it, every time you grab the newspaper your eyes will pass over the images, captions, titles and bolded words or first sentences of each paragraph, thus allowing you to develop an understanding of the piece prior to reading it in detail. This is an important skill for students to learn and something that teachers do with their students before they even consider reading the text. Next time you are reading with your child, try giving them 30 seconds to skim over the page(s) and see if they can PREDICT what the text might be about.

It gives me great pleasure to welcome Shannon Cattell to St Joseph’s Primary School this week in replacement of Michelle while she is away. Shannon has taken time away from her role as a Prep teacher at Star of the Sea Primary School Hervey Bay, and comes to us having completed numerous acting leadership roles. I encourage you to find an opportunity at some stage this week to introduce yourself and join all the staff in making her feel welcome.

Finally, we have been forced to postpone the Father Son Camp for this term due to prior obligations of our boys and their father figures conflicting with our original dates. An alternative arrangement for male bonding time will be nominated in second semester to enable all who were keen to participate. Suggestion was made at the P and F meeting last night for a day trip to be considered to keep the cost and improve availability for a larger number of families.

Have a wonderful week,

Sincerely

Ben Gray
For those who I haven’t met yet, I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself. My name is Shannon Cattell and I am replacing Michelle whilst she is on Long Service Leave. I will be acting APRE for the next 4 weeks at St Joseph’s. I have been a teacher at Star of the Sea, Hervey Bay, for 7 years and have had APRE experience prior to commencing here. I am excited to join the St Joseph’s community and am grateful for the warm welcome that I have received this week. I look forward to meeting students and families over the coming weeks.

Trinity Sunday
This Sunday, churches will celebrate Trinity Sunday. It is an opportunity for the congregation to learn about or revisit the concept of the Trinity, which refers to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit being one God.

Stewardship
This week’s assembly will focus on the Benedictine Value of Stewardship. At its core the Rule seeks to foster a fundamental reverence toward the creation that God has made. St. Benedict urges his followers to regard all the tools and goods of the monastery as the sacred vessels of the altar (RB 31.10). Benedictine monastics do not simply use up what has been given to them, nor do they aim to live in poverty. Instead, they prize good stewardship, the respectful use of material things for the good of all, with a special eye to frugality, integrity of form and function, and the capacity of beauty to communicate the presence and power of God.

State of Origin
On Wednesday 18th June (next week), students are invited to come dressed in a maroon (or blue!!) T-Shirt or jersey, for the State of Origin.

Until next week,

May God hold you in the palm of his hand,

Shannon Cattell

What’s On
12/06/14 Year Gunther Village Visit
13/06/14 Prep Assembly– 9am Hall
Student of the Month
Congratulations: Elizabeth Roth

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- Supporting her peers
- Looking for students who may need support
- Encouraging positive involvement
- Treating peers and teachers with respect
- A positive nature

P & F NEWS:

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Athletics Carnival
Fatima Vs Lourdes

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Full details regarding the carnival and our Family Fun day will be sent home on Monday.

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Community Notices

GAYNDAH SOCCER (5-18yo) Training every Thursday, 4—5pm Gayndah Sports Fields. New players always welcome. Ph 0428 931 151

CENTRAL BURNETT BRUMBIES:
Central Burnett Brumbies play in Gayndah against Kingaroy on Saturday 14 June 2014
Times are as follows:

Field 1
Under 10s play at 10.00am
Under 12s play at 11.00am
Under 14s play at 12.00pm
Under 16s play at 1.00pm

Field 2
Under 6s and 8s play at 10.00am
If you have any queries or concerns please contact Robert Linskret 0429 611 096 or Sandra Kenny 4161 2116 (parents please note that my home email address is out of action at the moment please don’t contact me by email at home).

ZUMBA: Every Thursday.
Time—5.30pm.
Location—St Joseph’s Hall, Fielding St, Gayndah.
Instructor: TJ Viney
Ph: 0401 465 066.
A fun filled fitness class incorporating world dance styles and aerobics. If you’re looking for an exciting, enjoyable way to work out come along and have a go. All ages, fitness abilities catered for, everybody welcome!! See you there!

GAYNDAH SCHOOL CHAPLAINCY: Walkathon and Bike-athon. Saturday 21 June 2014. Full course: 10km walk or 20km bike ride. Half course: 5km walk or 10km bike ride. Quarter walk: 2.5km. Start 7.45am Burnett State College, along Porter Street, past the golf course, along Little Woodmillar Road, into Wigton Road, finish at Gayndah Primary School. Rest stops available every 2.5km. Entrants to raise minimum $30 in sponsorship before the event. Prizes of iTunes gift cards and phone credits for highest student fundraisers. Sponsorship forms and entrant details from Gayndah schools, churches and newsagent. In aid of Gayndah Schools Chaplaincy.


DATE CLAIMER—GAYNDAH YMCA TRIVIA NIGHT: “Lets Get Physical” Trivia night. Friday 18 July. Gayndah Town Hall, $5 per person—teams of six. Bar opens 6.30pm, register by 7pm for 7.30pm start. Great prizes to be won and lots of fun on the night. Prizes for best dressed to theme. Contact Dael 0418 246 595.

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Monday 20 Oct—Pupil Free Day

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