Hi Everyone

Before I move into my piece for this week I would like to say a big thank you to all of the parent helpers who supported last Friday at our Swimming Carnival. The day ran extremely smoothly thanks greatly to the many sets of volunteer hands that helped with timing, marshalling, cooking and serving of sausage sizzles. All up we raised $136.00 for the Canteen Foundation in aid of support for young cancer sufferers and medical research.

With the St Joseph’s Fete fast approaching for 2015 some key pieces of information are detailed below to keep parents and community members informed:

This year to limit the amount of preparation/contributions requested on the home front it has been decided that as a school community our main contribution of support (outside of volunteering to help on the night) would be focused on selling of raffle tickets for the major raffle and the multi-draw.

In the past the multi draw has existed off the back of monetary and gift donations to form the prize pool. This year our parish will still greatly appreciate any gifts of money or items of significance for the draw but as a school each class will fill a basket that focuses on one particular theme (eg Christmas, Nibbles and Treats). Prior to the Fete each basket of goods will then be balanced with the other items collected from each of the other classes to create multiple super prizes. The nominated donations will take the place of the children’s cake competition (which students may still contribute to if they wish) and the lucky plate contributions. A flyer has been included in today's newsletter outlining the theme for each class. If you have any questions on suitable items please contact the school office or speak with your child's classroom teacher. On a practical front this means that families have one of three options that they can take up to support the fete in 2015:

- Provide a monetary donation to allow goods to be purchased to go in the multi-draw
- Donate one gift per class for each child that relates to the nominated theme
- Donate an item that you feel would be suitable to raffle off as part of the multi-draw

In support of the major raffle students will each be provided with a book of tickets to sell to loved ones and other members of our community. The major raffle items this year are: 1st prize is an $800 gift voucher and 2nd prize a $400 gift voucher, for the local shops of your choice. 3rd prize is a gift basket valued at $300. 50% of the sponsorship this year for the major prizes came from some of the profits made from the school tuckshop and the remaining funds from Catholic Parish donations. I would personally like to thank Sarah Webster and the numerous parent helpers of our school tuckshop for the work they have put into this year’s tuckshop to make this possible. This kind donation has allowed the Fete Committee to limit the amount of funding requested of local businesses and fruit growing organisations. As ticket books are sold, please return all funds collected and ticket books to the office. I thank you in advance for the time and effort that you will put into selling the tickets provided.

I hope you backed a winner in the big race yesterday, if not I hear the odds are pretty good on the ham wheel so start saving your $2.00 coins now!

Have a great week everyone.

Ben
PRAYER FOR RAIN

God of compassion,
we wait and watch for your gift of rain
to water the soil and make the barren land come alive again.
We wait and watch for the gift of salvation
to free us from hatred, greed and fear
so that we may live again as people of faith, hope and love.
We make this prayer in the name of our Saviour who comes to be with us.
Amen.

Our Good Samaritan History

At St. Joseph’s we are very lucky to have the legacy of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan and what they achieved for Catholic education in Gayndah. Their beliefs and values help us today and lead us into the future, guide us in how to act towards others and work together for our community.

We have 12 values that we try to follow in all our daily actions and dealings. How many in our community know what our twelve values are? Where can you see these Values in action?

Over the next few weeks in this newsletter we will break them open, try to learn more about them and how we can use them to make our school an even greater place to be.

Word of God

The Word of God is living and active. Hebrews 4:12

Think
What does this say to me?
What does this mean?
Why is it written this way?

Feel
Comforted
Strengthened
Challenged
Reflective

Act
What can I do, now that I have read this?
Find opportunities to share this message with others.
Go out and spread God’s Word.

Prayer

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, a disciple said ‘Lord, teach us to pray’. Luke 11:1

Think:
We can use prayer in times of need and triumph
We can use prayer for the good of others, not just ourselves

Feel:
Prayer is supportive
Prayer gives us the opportunity to belong

Act:
We pray through song, movement and in meditation
We are active participants in answering our own prayers and those of others.

What’s On

Friday 6th November – Assembly – 9am – Hall – Year 5/6
Wednesday 11th November – Remembrance Day – Whole School Reflection – 11.30am
Friday 13th November – Assembly – Year 1/2—9am

Parish Fete

Friday 27th November
**UNIFORM ORDERS:** If you would like to place a uniform order for next year, please complete a form and return with payment to the office by **tomorrow, 5th November**.

**P & F NEWS:** Our last meeting for the year will be held on **Tuesday, 10 November** at 7pm at the Golden Orange. All welcome. Our next tuckshop day is **next Thursday 12 November**. Order forms and payment are due back to the office by Monday November 9. A big thank you to our tuckshop helpers who helped out this week with collating, ordering, serving, preparing and baking. We really appreciate your hard work!

**PARISH FETE:** Raffle tickets have been sent home today, along with order forms for snack packs on the night. Please return both sold and unsold tickets to the school office.

**DISTRICT SWIMMING CARNIVAL:** Friday, 13 November. If your child has been selected to compete in the District Carnival, they will receive a note within the next week.

**BLUEBERRIES:** We currently have fresh blueberries for sale at the school office. $5.50 for a 500g punnet.

**IMPORTANT DATES:**
- Tues 10 Nov: Last P & F Meeting for 2015
- Fri 13 Nov: District Swimming Carnival
- Tues 24 Nov: Awards Night
- Fri 27 Nov: Fete
- Thurs 3 Dec: Yr 6 Graduation Mass
- Fri 4 Dec: Last Day Term Four

**Class Teacher Email Addresses**

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Congratulations to Courtney Bryant—Junior Girl, Kaiden Ratcliff—Junior Boy, Elle Colvin—Senior Girl and Hamish Driver—Senior Boy.

Fatima defeated Lourdes 363 points to 323 points.

Elle Colvin and Hamish Driver accepted the Davina Family Shield on behalf of Fatima at the Swimming Carnival.
“In All Things Glorify God”

ST JOSEPH’S SCHOOL TERM DATES 2015

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Monday 20 April—Pupil Free Day
Monday 8 June—Public Holiday
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Monday 5 Oct—Public Holiday
Monday 19 Oct—Pupil Free Day

Diary of Coming Events

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Laura’s School of Dance
SHOWCASE 2015
Date Claimer: 7th November
Mundubbera Town Hall

Available through the IWC in North Burnett
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- School visits
- Help accessing doctors and specialists
- Chronic disease screening
- Mum-to-be clinics
- Ear health screening
- Referrals to other services, ie eyes, feet, psychology, Home Care, dental, Alcohol & Other Drugs, emotional wellbeing

Contact us: Ph 4161 4000 or 1300 492 402

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Year 4 Camp!