Hello Everyone!

Welcome back to Term 4. It will certainly be a busy but fun 9 weeks as we finish off the year together.

October is traditionally a month devoted to Mary, Jesus’ mother, and this Friday is the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary. This day commemorates a 16th century battle that secured Europe against invasion, due to the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary after those in battle prayed the Rosary. October, therefore, is traditionally a month where the Rosary is prayed often.

October is also Mission Month or Socktober, where the Catholic Missions call for donations to support poverty-stricken nations all around the world. We are all invited to help ‘Sock it to Poverty’ by wearing our craziest socks to the annual Mission Mosh Disco next Friday. Details can be found in the flyer to the right. We look forward to seeing many children there. Parents are asked to stay and enjoy the chill out zone while the disco is on, rather than dropping their children off and picking them up at the end of the event.

This Friday, we celebrate our final Leadership Badge Ceremony for 2016, with the Year 6 students receiving their ministry badges. Parents and family members are warmly invited to attend. Year 5/6 and Prep will also attend mass together on Thursday, and family members are again most welcome to join us. A list of the assemblies and masses for this term is provided below. All masses are held on Thursdays at 9am, and all assemblies are on Fridays at 9am, unless otherwise advised. We would love to see parents and family members there at these events.

Best wishes for a wonderful term.

God bless,

Amy.
Hi Everyone

Welcome back for the start of Term 4. As always it’s set to be another busy one. Mrs Glisson and I have decided to switch it up this week given the upcoming Mission Disco. To assist with some of the major elements coming up in our school calendar I have put a few brief notes together for each. As always please don’t hesitate to see your child’s classroom teacher or an admin member if you would like any further information.

**Swimming**
Swimming will commence in week 5 to ensure teachers have the full complement of the first four weeks within which to offer uninterrupted learning and teaching experiences. The lessons will run each day for two weeks and will ensure all students have enough time in the pool to develop their water safety skills. The current date for our swimming carnival is the 4th of November, however this may be pushed back by a week to allow more time in the pool prior to the carnival. Lesson timetable and parent helper requests to follow in the next fortnight.

**Cyclical Review**
On the 18th of October we will be holding the second of our Cyclical Review Evenings. The evening provides an opportunity for parents to learn more about the day to day operations of the school, the annual goals and guidelines for the coming year and future academic and physical developments of the school. If you are interested in being involved in the evening please let the ladies at the office know and further information will be provided.

**Awards Night**
For the Awards Night this year we will be aiming to create a light-hearted enjoyable experience that will see each class present two musical numbers. One of which will be linked to our religious traditions and the other a selection of their own to wow the crowd. There will be no additional awards added to the existing list and the presentation will take place on the paved area outside the admin building in the same location as last year.

**Student Free Day**
On Monday the 17th of October there will be a student free day to allow for teacher moderation. The day allows for teaching staff from local Catholic schools (Gayndah, Murgon, Kingaroy and Nanango) to come together to share learning and teaching strategies, compare student work samples and build partnerships in relation to their particular year level. Our school officers will be focusing on their support of reading development in our school on that day. The school office will be open during normal school hours.

**Fete Contributions**
With the St Joseph’s Parish Fete fast approaching, the information below will aim to provide some clarity around ways that our parent community can assist with this vital fundraising event in the Parish calendar. As is always the case, parent helpers on stalls are always greatly appreciated and don’t require you giving up your whole evening. You can simply nominate an hour on a particular stall or put your hand up to offer assistance where ever it is needed. Alternatively, parents can make a monetary or gift donation towards the multi raffle which will be supported by a significant donation from the P and F Committee (taken from Tuckshop profits) to purchase vouchers from local businesses. Finally, on the day of the Fete there are always tasks to be completed prior to the event kicking off so any hands on deck during the day are always appreciated. Please see Mrs Holden, Mrs Gray or Mrs Smith if you feel you can assist in any way.

I hope the break was an enjoyable one and I look forward to sharing an action packed 9 weeks with you ahead. Have a great week.

Sincerely

Ben
DATE CORRECTION!! YEAR 6 TRANSITION DAYS: The dates for our Year Six transition days are Thursday and Friday the 20th & 21st of October.

TOY ORDER CATALOGUES: Stock up for Christmas! Last orders are due 1st week back in Term 4 to allow order processing and delivery for Christmas. Remember, our school receives 20% commission from all orders received.

P & F NEWS:
• Sports uniforms are currently discounted. Limited sizes available.

BREAKIE CLUB: Thank you to all of our wonderful helpers who serve our students breakfast on Monday and Wednesday mornings. Thank you also to everyone who donates items to Breakkie Club. At present we would love some donations of: milo, jam, honey, promite, margarine, eggs and juice.

SPORTS SHIRTS: A reminder that if your child has participated in North Burnett Sport they need to return their Gayndah shirt as soon as possible after the event to the school office. Thanks for your assistance.

Food Safety Course

Our school will be hosting a Food Safety Course, run by the North Burnett Regional Council. The course is free to attend, and covers topics such as:

• Preparing and Cooking Food
• How to Label and Provide Information about Food Sold at Fundraising Events
• Health and Hygiene for Food Handlers
• Temperature Control
• Food Safety—Salmonella
• Campylobacter: What you Need to Know
• Notification of Food Event Form

The course will be held in our school staffroom, Tuesday 18th October, starting at 3.15pm. It will run for approximately two hours. If you would like to attend, please RSVP to the school office, on 4161 1889 by Wednesday, 12 October.
“In All Things Glorify God”

**TENNIS HOT SHOTS:**
Do you want to become a Tennis Hot Shot? Friday afternoon at the Gayndah Tennis complex, Barrow Street, is the place to be. Come and join Tennis Australia’s National program conducted by Bundaberg Tennis Academy Tennis Professional, Kevin Banner at Gayndah Tennis Association, Barrow Street, with lots of fun & games to suit all levels. Term 4 commences **Friday 7th October 2016.** Registration is essential so to guarantee your spot, phone Kevin: 4152 0753 / 0409 520753

**GAYNDAH LITTLE ATHLETICS:** Starts this Friday night, 7th October, 5.30pm at the Gayndah Sports Ground.

**GAYNDAH ART GALLERY:** Zela Bisset, Playing with Paper Workshop. **Sunday 9th October**, 10am-1pm. Cost $50 per person, plus $5 materials. How to make and use environmentally friendly handmade paper and use it in your art practice.

Maurice Mickelo—The Art of Emu Egg Carving Workshop. **Sunday 16th October**, 10am—1.30pm. Cost $75 tuition, plus $25 materials (including emu egg). Maurice will guide participants in the traditional skill of emu egg carving.

**GAYNDAH SWIMMING CLUB IS BACK!** Are you ready for swimming club? We are! Gayndah’s first club night for the new season will be **next Thursday 13th October** 6pm at the Gayndah Swimming Pool. Come along and try, see for yourself how much fun swimming is. Join us for our FREE sausage sizzle after the kids swim. For more information on joining Gayndah Swimming club please contact Jayne Evans, mob 0402 088 026 a/h or Sam Rowles, mob 0428 734 022. Every swimmer matters in our club and our community is important to the success of our club. It’s not just swimming, it’s fitness and fun for everyone. Try it...you will love it.

**GAYNDAH KINDY FUNDRAISER:** It’s time to “Unwine”, with a wine tasting tour of the South Burnett Region. **Saturday 22 October.** Tickets are $55, this includes the bus fare and a pizza & pasta smorgasbord lunch. Payment with booking is essential as there are limited seats available. The trip will include wine tasting at Moffatdale Ridge Winery & Clovely Estate Winery, followed by a wine tasting & lunch at Bridgeman Downs Cellar and finishing off with a final wine tasting at Dusty Hill Vineyard. Payment with booking can be made at Kindergarten on Thursdays or Fridays or by contacting Raquel Hetherington on 0400 096 391 or Bec Holden on 0417 272 816.

**AGM CENTRAL BURNETT BRUMBIES**
at Gayndah Sports Oval 6.30pm, **Tuesday 25 October.**
ALL POSITIONS WILL BE VACANT.
Please come and make the 2017 season great for the kids. Any enquiries please contact Sandra Kenny 41612116.

**GAYNDAH STATE SCHOOL P & C:** Family Fun Softball Day.
When: **Saturday 29th October** 10am.
Where: Peter Dunn Sports Oval
About: Games will be based on the Social 7s rules where games are quick (approx. 1hr) and high scoring due to runs for each base.
Teams of 7: Each team must include 2 children (12 or under) and 2 females. $10 per player. Canteen and bar available.
Enquiries or to register a team: Paula Wilkinson 0429 408 001 or School Office: 41603 333.