



**ST JOSEPH'S  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
Nambour

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# NEWSLETTER

20th June 2012

Term 2, Week 10

## What an amazing term....

As I ponder the past ten weeks, I have a strong sense of the many blessings our community has received during this time because of the spirit of generosity, a shared sense of purpose and belonging to our Joey's community by so many. The list of activities is long and only happens because of our wonderful staff....their commitment to providing your children with quality learning opportunities. I again thank them on your behalf and wish them a rejuvenating two weeks!

### What's Happening until the end of Term

#### Wednesday, 20th

Dance Fever Challenge - Gympie

#### Friday, 22nd

Assembly Year 1S  
Reports are sent home  
(mailed to those who are absent)  
Last day of term.

*Happy holidays!*

**Term 3 starts Monday, 9 July.**

### Car park update

I was told yesterday that we will have full use of the car park on our return to school next term (Monday, 9 July). This is the long awaited news that signals the end of our building program.....the end of three years of hard work. While we will take time later in the year to officially bless and open all of our new facilities, it behoves us to pause and to give thanks at this point, for the incredible feat we have achieved during this time. The rebuilding of our school has impacted each and every one of us in some way or another. *'Short term pain for long term gain'* became our catch cry ....and that of our neighbours! Well, hopefully that pain is nearly over and once we make a last adjustment to our arrival / departure routines from school, the gains will be most evident.

So, **from Day One of next term**, our new traffic management plan comes into action. **ALL DROP OFF & PICK UP will be AT THE NEW SCHOOL GATES in the Reilly Rd car park. Sydney St and William St gates will be closed.** I again encourage you to have a family meeting to decide how you are going to manage this last transition. Please.....don't ask your child to do the wrong thing. This will be the last change! Let's again work together to ensure the safety of our children as they arrive and leave our school grounds.

At this time, I want to thank everyone who has contributed in any way to the success of this massive program.....and in particular, I want to thank Steve Claridge ( Olivia 5J and Eliza 3S). Steve was 'at the table' sharing a cuppa when the dream was first given words.....and he has been 'at the table' of every site and executive meeting since, giving generously of his time and expertise for our community. Steve, on behalf of this community.....thank you!

I trust the coming fortnight will provide you all with some sleep-ins and much rest and relaxation! God's blessings to you and your family!

*Marg Pont*  
PRINCIPAL

### STAFFING UPDATE

In last week's Newsletter, you were told that Matt Mackinlay will be taking up an Acting APRE role at Acacia Ridge from Week 5 next term. I am very pleased to inform you that Cathy Bernardi has generously agreed to become Year 7S's class teacher for the remainder of this year. Cathy's knowledge of these students– and of the Year 7 curriculum– will ensure a vibrant and solid end to their primary years and a smooth transition into secondary school!

## APRE NEWS

### Year of Grace

A few weeks ago Marg wrote about the commencement of the Year of Grace, where the Catholic Bishops of Australia have invited the whole church on a spiritual journey known as the Year of Grace.

**Some Ideas for Living a 'Graced' Life: What are some practical ways to encounter Jesus and experience God's grace in our lives ?**

- Recite the Year of Grace prayer daily.
- Take 5 mins a day to read a Gospel story of Jesus
- Spend time gazing on a favourite image (s) of Jesus
- Name your daily graces during family prayer
- Read a book about Jesus
- Ask family and friends for forgiveness of past hurts
- Share with others signs of Christ's presence in our world (eg random acts of kindness, courage, love in the news)
- Set aside a morning or a day for a quiet retreat to reflect on your relationship with Jesus
- Journal about your experiences of people who are the face of Jesus in your life
- Try to become more aware of Jesus in the Eucharist
- Ask the Holy Spirit daily for wisdom to live justly
- Read the Sunday readings before coming to Mass
- Utilise an online prayer site for praying at the computer
- Join a Scripture course focused on Jesus in the Gospels
- Listen to Christian songs/ music about 'grace' on your ipod
- Share with a friend a graced moment in your life
- Get up early to sit and watch the sun rise over the beach and take time to thank God for the beauty of creation
- Learn a new style of prayer this year (eg Ignatian examen or lectio divina)
- Create a list of the 'graces' in your life and place it on your fridge, computer screen, desk or toilet wall to remind you to 'give thanks with a grateful heart for God's abundant graces in your life.'

### Dance Fever

Good luck to all students in Yrs 4-7 travelling to Gympie tonight for the Interschool Dance Challenge. We look forward to watching you dance the Mambo, the Waltz and, of course, the showdance!!!!

Have a wonderful midyear break. I look forward to seeing everyone again on Monday July 9<sup>th</sup>.

**Narelle Harney**

**APRE**

**THANK YOU** Many thanks to our school community for providing the Anzac biscuits, poems, letters and cards that were gratefully received by members of the Defence Forces overseas. We will hear from them personally next term as they have promised to send a photo or two of them and their mates enjoying the contents of the parcels. The response from students, teachers and parents was very supportive. Thanks once again to you all.

**Anne Hazel**

## PRAYER

Jesus,

as I contemplate your face:  
let me experience  
your great love for me.

Reveal your saving grace  
and give me a grateful  
heart.

Heal me  
of my weaknesses and sin  
and fill me  
with compassion for others

Gift me  
with the wisdom of the Spirit  
and encourage me  
to be a faithful witness  
to the Gospel

I ask this  
through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

[-www.bne.catholic.net.au/yearofgrace](http://www.bne.catholic.net.au/yearofgrace)



## STUDENT EFFORT AWARDS

Prep J	Hunter Foad	For a consistent effort in Prep this term and the great achievement in knowing her sight words.
Prep S	Tyler Webber	For an exceptional improvement in his reading and writing. Tyler has become an excellent goal setter. He sets a challenge for himself and works extremely hard until he has achieved it. Well done for your persistence Tyler!
1J	Fynn McWilliams	For the effort Fynn has put into finishing his tasks. He has really tried hard to stay focussed and not let others distract him from completing his work. Well done Fynn.
1S	Kobe Falkiner	For the confident way Kobe has practiced for our assembly. Kobe is always on task at writing times and shows enthusiasm for learning.
2J	Alita Lavery	Alita takes great effort with her work presentation, attention to detail and keeping herself organised. She always goes out of her way to be a caring and considerate class member!
2S	Lacey Lamont	For the positive attitude that she always brings to the classroom. Lacey puts in 100% effort in everything that she does everyday and it is always with a beautiful smile on her face. Keep up the great work Lacey, you are a real shining star!
3S	Keeton Woodhouse	For his fabulous efforts this term. Keeton has really focussed and it is showing in his academic work. Well done, you are a 3S superstar!
4J	Mariana Weaver	Congratulations Mariana on your persistent effort to develop your mathematical skills and your comprehension. Keep up your good work.
4S	Izaak Huntley	For working hard in all areas of school. Izaak puts 100% in all that he does. Well done Izaak.
5J	Ella Ward	Ella should be commended for the effort she is putting into maths. She never gives up. Well done Ella!
5S	Paige Darracott	Who gives her all always! Paige does not know the meaning of taking it easy. She works to the best of her ability in all areas of school life, and always with a smile. She is an absolute joy to teach!
6J	Anton Narvaez	Anton demonstrated care and compassion when a fellow class member had to attend a Dance Fever rehearsal without a partner. After searching high and low, Anton arrived willing to participate so that the other student would not feel isolated. He was unable to remain, as he was not going to the challenge, but the sincerity of his intentions did not go unnoticed. Thank you Anton, your kindness was genuine and appreciated.
6S	Kyle Sun	For generously thinking of others and showing that he is a dependable student. Kyle is a real whiz with technology and he willingly uses this expertise to lend a hand whenever needed, something we are all thankful for! It is evident that he is extremely proud of his family and Italian heritage and is to be commended for the very special report he produced about his Nonna's migration journey from Italy to Australia.
7J	Ryan Canal	Ryan is "working the house down" at the moment. He is independently choosing to place himself in a quiet work zone and complete all tasks due this term. He needs to be congratulated on both his enthusiasm and work ethic. Ryan's efforts on camp—and it was tough—also need to be commended.
7S	Brayden Woodhouse	For the excellent effort Brayden shows in the classroom each day. He works hard to complete his Maths tasks and he has written a fantastic story for his English task. Brayden is always keen to learn and he works well with others. Keep up the great effort Brayden.

**Music Award:** Lacey Lamont 2S who is making excellent progress on the guitar. She is demonstrating great application and consistency of practice. Keep it up, Lacey!

**Literacy Award :** Jett Holyhead 1S for the enthusiasm you bring to the group and for writing with great skill and imagination.

Hamish O'Shea 3S for sharing your great literacy skills with the group and always producing work of a high standard.

**Maths Extension Award:** Colby Cummins for his accurate and quick calculation of factor pairs and his great Mathematical explanations.

**Sports Award:** Sammy Schimak-Orrell for showing tremendous passion supporting and competing at the Athletics Carnival last week. My eyes were impressed but my ears were left ringing. Never change Sammy.

## BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

We offer the following students birthday blessings on their special day!

June	18	Jade Cook, Emily Hamilton
	20	Abbey Mills
	21	Cooper Ford, Abby Harth, Jade Kilgour
	22	Teaghan Le Busque
	24	Hayden Canal, Kirra Rond-Butler, Freya Smith
	25	Ted Bunter
	26	Sarah Magdalinski
	27	Lucy Millar
	29	Mia Longden, Anthea Walker
July	1	Jack Ponder



## AROUND THE CLASSROOMS..... 7S

### Knitters, Archaeologists, Debaters, Scientists, Storywriters, NAPLANERS, Mathematicians and Happy Campers !

What a term it's been in 7S! We've been flat out!

We started the term with a real life archaeological dig simulation. Mr Mack, Mr Gorman and Miss Sue buried hundreds of old metal, ceramic and wooden objects in piles of dirt in the Convent and in teams we were required to unearth the objects. We had to do this in a methodical way, just like archaeologists do! It took us two days to complete the dig and it was great fun.

On completing the dig we had to prepare an archaeological dig report and make predictions about what happened in the past in this location.



In week 4 this term we had our Year 7 NAPLAN test which was great to finally have done and out of the way. All Year 7 students did a great job preparing for the test and they put in a big effort over the three days of the test.

In class we've been learning about debating and all Year 7S students have written and presented two debates so far this year. Some of the debating topics we've tackled are; Television is a bad influence, The Olympics are irrelevant, Children should be banned from restaurants and Beauty will get you ahead in life. Mr Gorman is living testament to this last topic!

For History we prepared a research assignment that looked at various aspects of Ancient Egyptian life. Our assignments needed to be 900 words in length and we had to include references. Thanks Mr Mackinlay! In English we've been writing and preparing storybooks with a social message for our peers. These story books are looking fantastic and some of the titles include; Miss Jacqueline Chan the Ninja Nan, Alone, The Night Everything Went Wrong, Charlotte, Secrets of the Triangle, Battle for Porridge, Jeepers Creepers and Lonely, to name a few. We've been reading our stories to the class and they've been fantastic.

At the start of the term we embarked on a bold knitting experiment! Mr Mackinlay, Mr Gorman and Miss Sue asked us to knit a wool scarf for art. Most of the Year 7 class were a little scared about learning to knit, thinking that we might not be able to learn the skills! But true to form, we persisted and with the help of Mrs Domjhan, Mrs Chan and Annette Baker, we overcame our fears to become Master Knitters. Some might say we became Black Belt Knitters! Our scarves are looking fantastic and we will be showing them off at assembly this Friday.



And there was camp! 7J wrote about camp in last week's newsletter but in short it was a fantastic experience for all the students in Year 7. We learnt so much about ourselves, it was an event to remember forever!

It's been an awesome, action-packed term and we're looking forward to term 3!

Year 7S

## FROM THE SPORTS SHED

### Athletics Carnival Wrap

Students, parents and staff were blessed with clear skies for the 2012 running of our school's Athletics Carnival last Thursday. The winning house for the fifth consecutive year was CURRIE! Led by Sport Captains **Lachie McKenna** and **Courtney Johnson**, it was an amazing team effort from the boys and girls in yellow.

Team spirit was again a highlight of the day. It always pleases me when I see students supporting and cheering their housemates and friends from opposition houses. Sport may be passionate at times but most importantly it should be fun and inclusive for all, something we do very well at St Joseph's. The Howard Trophy is awarded to the House that demonstrates excellent sportsmanship and commitment to team spirit. Any of the three Houses could have won it but this year it was awarded to Petrie. Fantastic effort blue!

The more I work with and witness the effort of students from St Joseph's the more impressed I become. In particular I thought the Ball Games, Relays and Tug-o-War were played with tremendous effort. Thank-you to every student who participated in events, tried their best and helped me during the term organise and carry equipment.

Thanks must go to all parents who attended the Carnival in support of their children. Especially those who offered to help or undertook a job on the day. Your help and support is truly appreciated. Special mention must be made of Peter O'Leary for meeting me before the sun had risen Thursday morning, for setting up his tents and for returning in the afternoon to do the same. You're a legend mate. I can't thank you enough. To the staff at Joey's, a simple thank-you doesn't make up for your hard-work, advice and support on the day.

Finally, events like the Athletics Carnival are a celebration of how strong and great our school is. If Thursday is any indication I think you'd agree our school is pretty special. Keep up the great work St Joseph's!

### TRACK AND FIELD AGE CHAMPIONS

	Year 4	Year 5	Year 6	Year 7	Un 13
BOYS	Flynn De Luca	Heath Egel	Alex Bielby	David Doherty	Conner Hornby
GIRLS	Izzy O'Hara	Paige Darracott	Caitlin De Paoli	Ella MacDonnell	Anabella Toonnen



## LIBRARY NEWS

As part of the National Year of Reading, we currently have a display of photos featuring our staff reading all sorts of different things in all manner of places. This idea is that I want to show our students that they belong to a community of readers, so I'd now like to invite parents/families to add their photos to our display. It might just be of you or it could be the whole family sharing a story, be creative! Please e-mail your photos to Jenny - [jcutler@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jcutler@bne.catholic.edu.au) and call in to see the display when you have time!



As stated in last week's newsletter, I am taking Long Service Leave in Term 3. My husband and I will be going overseas, including a trip to the London Olympics. (Look out for me in the crowd!) Then I will be enjoying some time at home. I leave you in the very capable hands of Maryann Wasmund, who is currently studying to be a teacher librarian.

See you all in Term 4.

Happy Reading

**Cathie Menck**

## MUSIC NEWS

### ATTENTION Yr 4 Instrumental Immersion Program Students

**Your instruments should have been returned by now.**

If you have not already handed them in to your instrumental teacher you need to return them promptly to Mrs Simpson in the music room. Each instrument came with smaller items that need to be included in the case. They are:-

Violin-Bow (untighten), shoulder rest, rosin & cover cloth.

Flute-Small grease pot, cleaning stick and small cloth.

Trumpet-Valve oil and if required a slide grease pot.

Please do not clean the instrument with any household cleaning products. If you have any concerns about your instrument please let your instrumental teacher know. **The instrument must be returned before the next instrument is borrowed out.** Yr 4 students will receive this instrument on Wednesday of week one, term 3.

**SENIOR SINGERS you have a choral day workshop and concert on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> July.** A permission note will be going home in week one, term 3. Please learn by memory **The Water Is Wide and Sailing Away** for this week's practice. We have a new combined primary and secondary school song for the concert and will be going through this on Friday. Our songs for the concert will be **Boatman and Dynamite**.

Bands please check the music room notice board for your practice times this week.

Have a wonderful holiday!

Keep singing!

Paula Simpson (Music Specialist)



## Year 7 Committee Reports—Term Two

### Stewardship Committee

The Stewardship Committee is dedicated to leading by example and helping in all areas of the school community. This term the Stewardship Committee has organised an Emu Parade Roster for classes at St Joeey's where all classes were asked to clean up particular areas of our school. The Stewardship Committee also took video of daily life at school and created a 4 minute video presentation depicting life at St Josephs. This video will be played at our whole school assembly on Friday. The Stewardship Committee has also been responsible for changing and updating the signage around the school and for creating and installing a generic school screen saver for computers across the school. The Stewardship Committee has enjoyed working together this term to assist in making our school a vibrant and happy place.

### Liturgy & Prayer Committee

This term's committee's members have had a variety of opportunities to both lead the school community and to participate in the wider community of Nambour. Students took active roles in the Multicultural Australia mass by reading, serving and taking part in both the gospel and offertory processions. Committee members joined residents of the Sundale Nursing Home to celebrate mass on Thursday May 10th and we wish to thank Mrs Claridge for helping coordinate the Sundale bus to transport us to and from the Nursing Home. Attending the Sundale mass gives students an insight into being compassionate towards the elderly. Prayer cards of 'Hail Mary' have also been given to every class for their prayer tables.

### Justice & Peace Committee

The Justice & Peace Committee got off to a slow start this term but soon got into stride as the 'Fire Appeal' was organised. Members of the committee visited each class, encouraging students to support this worthy event by wearing free dress and donating a gold coin even though the Year 7's were on camp when it happened. The other focus for the committee this term was to organise a 'Positive Play' incentive, where committee members wrote out raffle tickets for students they 'caught' playing well during breaks. A prize winner was then drawn at assembly. As this only got started towards the end of term, it is hoped that next term's J&P committee will continue it.

### Hospitality Committee

This term the Hospitality committee has set up the hall before assembly, cleaned the hall before and after assembly, asked the tuckshop if they needed help every Friday when we could, prepared a morning tea for the elderly at the parish and helped collect food for St Vincent De Paul.

## HELLO FROM THE TUCKSHOP

### Hello from the Tuckshop!

The last week is upon us and we would like to say a big **THANKYOU** to all of our homebakers and helpers who have made this a great Term. Many thanks also to our customers who have kept us so busy! The menu for Term 3 will soon be available on the school website. Please keep an eye on the **Help & Homebake** roster so you can lend a hand when your child's class is called upon!

**This Week's Special: Baked Bean Jaffles** toasty warm!

**Help & Homebake : Year 4**

**Remember.... Tuckshop only happens with *your* help!**



Week	Wednesday	Friday
Week 1	Year 5S	Year 5J
Week 2	Year 6S	Year 6J
Week 3	Year 7S	Year 7J
Week 4	PrepS	PrepJ
Week 5	Year 1S	Year 1J
Week 6	Year 2S	Year 2J
Week 7	Year 3S	Year 3J
Week 8	Year 4S	Year 4J
Week 9	Year 5S	Year 5J
Week 10	Year 6S	Year 6J
Week 11	Year 7S	Year 7J

Lee Etheridge  
Tuckshop Convenor

## UNIFORM SHOP Hours are 8am—9am

Next Days: Thursday 21st June  
Tuesday 10th July

Stock of Sports Socks is very low at present - but more are on order.

Glenys Appleby

## LOST PROPERTY

If your child has lost anything - please come and check the lost property box.

It is overflowing with Hats, Jumpers, Lunch boxes, water bottles etc.

## VACATION CARE is filling fast!

### This is the last week to book so be quick!!!!

One of the most exciting days we have ever had:-

**DRAMA RAMA** presented by a theatrical group from Brisbane **BAZIL GRUMBLE**. This troop has had years of experience teaching children the art of theatre amongst other things. This day will prove to be lots of fun for all including staff with a range of fun hands on games of a theatrical nature where we will learn skills in improvisation, voice and movement and we will have a good laugh in the process. For more information go to

[www.bazilgrumble.com.au](http://www.bazilgrumble.com.au)

Other exciting things include:-

Olympic Games with a twist, not your regular events, with lots of prizes to be won.

Cold Rock Ice cream day, make your own ice cream sundae with your choice of toppings and treats.

Bike and Scooter Day.

Excursion to Quota Park with a sausage sizzle, popper and chips for lunch.

Come join us in a celebration of the Mexican Culture with a Mexican Fiesta which includes a Piñata, Tacos, Burritos and a Mexican hat dance and much more.

Treasure Hunt Day- We have uncovered an ancient Treasure map of the school grounds. Let's follow the clues and find the treasures at the end.

Incursion- You can colour your own Back Pack! We have good quality back packs with an insert that you colour-in yourself. **Very Cool!** *Limited number of back packs available - first in, first served.*

Crazy Hat Day and a Mad Hatter's Tea Party. Come and design a crazy hat and make some crazy food to eat.

**Contact Debbie Healy 5441 7646**

## St Vincent de Paul Community Sleepout

St Vincent de Paul have organised a Community Sleepout on the Sunshine Coast to coincide with the CEO Sleepout which is held in capital cities. To have a home to live in is a basic right to life. Homelessness is in every community and is most often ignored. Show your support by participating in an 'experience of homelessness' at the Maroochydore Surf Club on 21st June. **Two of our staff members - Kate Baker and John Gorman are participating in this event.** Donations can be left at the St Joseph's school office, to assist St Vincent de Paul to help those most in need. For more information please view their website at [www.communitysleepout.org](http://www.communitysleepout.org)

## ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NAMBOUR

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### Saturday 23rd June

8:00am-6:00pm Chaplaincy Course Anne Shepperson  
4:30-5pm Reconciliation  
6:00pm Evening Mass for Sunday

### Sunday 24th June *Birth of John The Baptist*

7:00am Mass;  
9:00am Mass;  
11-4:00pm Adoration in the Chapel  
12-6:00pm Chaplaincy Course Anne Shepperson  
5:30pm Mass at Palmwoods (at the Anglican Church)

### Monday 25th June

8:00am Mass  
6-7pm Helping Hands Meet

### Wednesday 27th June

9:30-9:45am Reconciliation  
10:00am Mass  
7-9:30pm Quilt Craft Group

### Thursday 28th June

5:30-6:30pm Liturgy meeting in Community Centre

### Friday 29th June *St Peter & Paul*

6:30am Mass  
7-8:00am Rosary & Adoration in the Chapel

### Saturday 30th June

4:30-4:50 Reconciliation  
6:00pm Mass for Sunday;  
Catholic Mission Appeal

### Sunday 1st July

Catholic Mission Appeal  
7:00am Mass  
9:00am Mass  
*Baptisms:* Marni & Jye Burke (Jodie & Gavin); Saskia,  
Toby & Joseph Manse (Sven & Emma)  
6:00-8:00pm Youth Group

### Monday 2nd July

7:00-8:00pm Baptism Preparation Evening

## Enrolments are now open for 2012 Reconciliation program.

Contact the Parish office for enrolment forms.  
Please note the 2013 Sacramental program for  
Confirmation and Communion requires separate  
enrolment.



## SIGNIFICANT DATES TERM 2

### JUNE

Wednesday, 20 Dance Fever Interschool Challenge  
Years 4-7 (Gympie)  
Friday, 22 Assembly—Year 1  
Last day of Term.  
Reports are sent home.

## Term 3 Commences on Monday 9th July

### JULY

Monday, 09 Term 3 Commences  
Tuesday, 10 7.30pm School Board Meeting  
Thursday, 12 Year 7 Excursion (Brisbane Churches)  
Monday 16th - Friday 20th  
Parent Teacher Interviews

## DENTAL VAN - here next term!

The Dental Van will be arriving soon at St Joseph's, early next term. All children will be offered treatment during our stay. At this stage, forms have been handed out to Years 3,5 and 7. Can they please be returned promptly to the class teacher so paperwork can be done before the van arrives. Any concerns, please phone the dental van - 0407126138.



## SCHOOL HOLIDAY HORSE CAMPS

7 Day Horse Camps  
23-30 June, 30 June—7th July, 7 - 14 July  
(Camp caters for all riding levels)  
Day trips available.  
Your child can ride horses twice a day, learn to keep and care for a horse/pony, feed the animals, milk the cow, collect chook eggs & other fun, healthy outdoor activities.  
For more information [www.kiahpark.com.au](http://www.kiahpark.com.au)  
Nick & Tilana Qually 07-5486 6166

## Christmas in July

You are invited to the Christmas in July dinner at St Joseph's on Saturday 28th July.  
(After Vigil Mass)  
Cost \$20 per head.  
Vegetarian and Gluten Free options available.  
All tickets to be pre-booked.  
Tickets will go on sale after masses and from the Parish Office from next weekend.  
Also, donations are requested for raffles, lucky door prizes etc.

