The term ‘numeracy’ was coined in 1959 by a committee on education in the United Kingdom which said that ‘numeracy’ should ‘represent the mirror image of literacy’ (Crowther Report). Just as the early definitions of literacy have progressed from ‘reading and writing’, numeracy is more than ‘numbers and measurements’. In the eighties, the British Cockroft Committee developed a definition of numeracy. It stated that a numerate person should understand some of the ways mathematics can be used for communication, and this required the possession of two attributes:

1. being ‘at-ease’ with all those aspects of mathematics that enable a person to cope with the practical demands of everyday life
2. the ability to understand information presented in mathematical terms.

Being numerate remains highly significant over 30 years later, so much so that the new Australian Curriculum has placed it as a General Capability because it “recognises that numeracy is an essential skill for students in becoming successful learners at school and life beyond school, and in preparing them for their future roles as family, community and workforce members. More broadly, a highly numerate population is critical in ensuring the nation’s ongoing prosperity, productivity and workforce participation.”

Our staff are currently participating in two Action Learning Projects focussed on numeracy across the curricula, each aimed at having staff achieve a deeper understanding of the curriculum expectations of numeracy, along with an increased capacity and confidence in teaching them so as to improve student outcomes in this vital area.

As parents, you too have a key role in assisting your child to become increasingly numerate! In everyday life, there are numerous (excuse the pun!) opportunities for you to promote the use of mathematical concepts to your child’s life. For example:

- **Time**: How long does it take for you to clean your teeth? (Estimate then time it.)
- **Space**: How many DVD’s can be stacked onto that shelf? (Estimate then count)
- **Length**: How many steps will it take for you to walk from the front door to the back door? OR for older students - How long is Currie St? How can we measure it?

International test results indicate that as a nation, our competency in maths is declining. The most effective way to address this is to ensure maths concepts are made relevant in your child’s world, for then they will see the purpose for learning them! Go forth this week……and count!

God’s blessings on you and yours.

*M. Pont*

PRINCIPAL

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Places are filling fast!

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[Extra slice of pizza is $1.00]
Glow products on sale too!

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**NEWSLETTER**
2nd May 2012  
Term 2, Week 3

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**APRE NEWS**

**Woolworths Earn and Learn**
We had a fantastic response from families last year and received some wonderful resources from Modern Teaching Aids through the Woolworths Earn and Learn promotion. There are some changes to how it works this year. Every child will be given a **sticker card**. When you shop at Woolworths they will give you a sticker for every $10 spent. Simply place these on your sticker card and return it to school once it is full. We have a large collection box in the administration office. Extra sticker cards will be available from the school. We look forward to your support once again in collecting stickers for us to earn points for St. Joseph’s Primary School. **The promotion commences on May 9th.** Sticker cards will be sent home next week.

**Australian Early Development Index (AEDI)**
Students in their first year of school (Prep) will be participating in a national collection on young children’s development. Parents of prep students will receive a letter today explaining this Australian Government initiative. Please advise Martha Hill or Garry Forbes by this Friday if you do not wish your child to participate.

**School Facebook Page**
Advances in technology challenge us to keep up to date with contemporary initiatives. In response to this, we now have a school facebook page!!! We already have just under 50 parents who have found us and ‘liked’ our page. To search for us type in ‘St Josephs Primary School Nambour” and make sure you select the page that has ‘school’ underneath it. This page will be used primarily for updates on current events, reminders and important messages. This is an exciting new adventure for us and we look forward to sharing it with you. A special thanks to Lisa Harrison who helped us set up the school page last week.

http://www.facebook.com/StJosephsPrimarySchoolNambour

Peace and best wishes for the week ahead

Narelle Harney  APRE

**Proudly, we marched…..**
Sincere thanks to all who joined us last Wednesday, to march through Nambour on ANZAC Day, paying tribute to all those who have fought that we may be free.

Photos - thanks to Michelle Smith.
STUDENT EFFORT AWARDS

Prep J Bryce Parry  
For helping others in class and getting better at sounds in words.

Prep S Xavier Brooker  
Xavier has shown a wonderful improvement in his reading and writing. He has put a tremendous effort into improving all his school work. Well Done Xavier!

1J Fynn McWillilams  
Fynn has been wowing us with his Maths skills this term. He has been really applying himself well during Maths activities and has been able to share his skills in helping others in the class to solve difficult maths problems. Well done Fynn and continue to listen and learn.

1S Mia Weldon  
Mia tries her hardest in all she does. She takes great pride in her work and is producing some wonderful writing. Mia always sees ways to help her friends and her teacher and is a great role model in our class.

2J Jazmin O’Leary  
Jazmin’s energy towards her tasks have been outstanding. She is consistently active during class sharing and sets a great example to her class mates. We admire her sense of fun and are proud of her achievements.

2S Maggie Kruger  
For the tremendous effort you put into your homework. It is a pleasure to mark such beautiful, tidy work. Good on you Maggie, you clearly take pride in your work!

3J Tatum Lanham  
For being a responsible student who can be relied on at all times to be on task and complete all work to the best of her ability.

3S Hamish O’Shea  
For his effort in challenging himself in the literacy area. Hamish strives to write bigger and better words every week!

4J Ruby Hartzenberg  
For always persisting with tasks even when they seem hard and for making the most of her time in class. Well done Ruby.

4S Thomas Evans  
For his creative narrative—which consisted of a great Orientation followed by a good Complication and finishing with a very interesting Resolution. Well done!

5J Bo Daniel  
For the positive attitude she is showing towards her schoolwork, especially if a task is difficult! You are doing a wonderful job Bo. Keep trying.

5S Fabien Hell  
Fabien has been working soooo hard in all areas. She approaches all new concepts enthusiastically and tackles every challenge fearlessly!!

6J Julia Medland  
Julia is a bright student who puts her best effort into everything that she does. Julia meets challenges head first and does not shy away from the unknown. She is a kind and friendly student who cares for all she encounters. You are going to go so far Julia, it is a pleasure to observe and be part of.

6S Lily Unitt  
For using our precious learning time constructively. Lily always strives to achieve, by working hard and accepting challenges with a positive attitude. She has proven time and time again that when you try your best and go that little bit further, a great sense of accomplishment and pride can be gained—and what a great feeling that is!

7J David Doherty  
For David’s excellent result in our latest Maths test—David achieved the perfect score. David is finding our knitting project a little more challenging though, but with the effort that he applies in everything he does I’m sure that his scarf will also be perfect.

7S Sophie McNaught  
We are lucky to have Sophie in 7S because she is genuinely concerned about her class mates. She works hard to get her morning maths tasks done and she is a great group worker as she always demonstrates determination and persistence to follow the task through to its conclusion! Sophie, you are even becoming a legendary knitter—your scarf is looking pretty good! Sophie, you are truly appreciated.

Music Award:  
Jack Milburn (Yr 7)  
Jack has recently started learning the guitar and is making excellent progress. He is showing great application and speed of learning. Keep up the momentum Jack! Watch out Tommy Emmanuelle!!

Literacy Enrichment Award:  
Dail Bladock 5J  
For always giving 100% effort, 100% of the time!

Maths Enrichment Award:  
Nicholas Curyer  
For his speed and accuracy on his worksheet and his clear explanations when justifying his answers. Keep it up!

HPE Award:  
Charlotte Simpson  
For showing great leadership and application with her running and Ball Games. Charlotte impressed me most with her focus and communication skills. Well done Charlotte.
FROM THE SPORTS SHED

**Regional Hockey** – Congratulations to Kayla Baker on her selection in the Sunshine Coast U/12 Regional Hockey Team. We wish Kayla all the best when she travels to Townsville on the 14th – 17th of June for the State Championships.

**Regional Netball** – Congratulations to Caitlin De Paoli and Mary-Ellen Bonser on their selection in the U/11 Sunshine Coast Regional Netball Team. The girls travel to Barcaldine for their State Championships from 31 May – 3 June.

**District Rugby League** – Congratulations to U/11 students Alex Bielby, Connor Rogers and Harry Vella and U/12 students Max Hartzenberg and Jezze Gorman on their selection in the Nambour District Rugby League Team. They will compete at Redcliffe on the 9th – 10th of May for selection in the Sunshine Coast Regional Team.

**District Cross Country** – 18 Students from St Joseph’s will run in the Nambour District Cross Country on the 22nd of May. Training will begin this week Tues-Thurs 8:00 – 8:20. Assemble outside the Hall/Tuckshop.

**District Soccer** – Trials for Boys and Girls continue this week.

**Nambour Fun Run and Sunshine Coast Marathon** – There are 2 great opportunities coming up to get active and pull on your running shoes. The Nambour Fun Run on Sunday the 20th May at Burnside High School and the Sunshine Coast Marathon on Sunday the 26th of August.

**Friday Afternoon Inter-House Sport (Yr 6 and 7)** – Students in Year 6 and 7 started Friday afternoon Inter-House Sport last week. Students compete across 4 weeks in Dance, Ultimate Frisbee, Dodge Ball and OzTag for the title of Inter-House Term 2 Sport Champion. Sports Bins this week are being arranged by Petrie Sports Captains.

Mr McCall
Sports Co-Ordinator

**AROUND THE CLASSROOMS…….. 4S**

Wow! Week 3, Term 2. This term is once again an extremely busy one!

This term in Religion we are looking at the many forms of prayer. Students are exploring the world of prayer and will write their own as the term unfolds. In English we have been working on “Narrative Writing” and the students are starting to get their creative juices flowing. We definitely have a lot of budding storywriters in our class. Our History Unit this term is called: “What was life like for Aboriginal and /or Torres Strait Islander Peoples before the arrival of the Europeans?” We are well and truly into the unit. To help us understand what life was like for the Aborigines we went on a fantastic excursion to Ngutan-Lui in Inala. The year 4’s had the opportunity to immerse themselves in the Aboriginal culture. The teachers at Ngutan-Lui taught the students how to throw a boomerang and play hunting games. They talked about how the Aborigines came to Australia and how they lived and passed down their knowledge of the land to others. What a great day!!

In Science we are looking at a unit called “Material World”. In this unit we will be looking at what things are made of, both natural and processed. In our classroom we have discovered that we are surrounded by a lot of processed things. 4S is tripping the light fantastic doing “Dance Fever” lessons every Tuesday and all the students are enjoying it.

The hard work in the classroom has been matched by some wonderful achievements outside as well. Special mention must be made of Isabella Harry who won her under 8’s & 9’s Nippers competitions for her Mijumba Surf Club, Kayleigh Foster won age champion for under 9’s for the Nambour Swimming Club and this week Ben Hutson has been invited to Siena to perform in the “Bonzer Band Bash” playing his trumpet. Congratulations must also go to Kyle Hamilton who has achieved the level of a Yellow Belt just recently in Tae Kwon Do and to Thomas, Henry, Jamie, Teah, Kyle, Izzy, Ella and Bridget who are making their First Communion this term.

This is an opportunity for students to develop their talents and attempt a number of challenging activities they may not have experienced before.

And the “Big Final Move” that we are all waiting for will be happening this term. This shows the resilience, patience, determination, motivation, organization, of all who will be involved. 4S say THANKYOU! for BEING THERE, for your HELP, GUIDANCE, TOLERANCE and PATIENCE.
**LIBRARY NEWS**

Library borrowing is an important part of your child’s literacy program. Each child can borrow up to 4 library books each week. As well as this, Preps borrow 2 home readers, Year 1s borrow 3 home readers and Year 2s & 3s borrow 4 Home Readers. If your child has overdue books they are unable to borrow their full amount, which impacts back on their learning. A number of children have had overdues since the beginning of Term 1. These children are missing out on a very important part of their education.

Overdue Notices are regularly printed and given to the class teachers, so you can check with either the library or class teachers. Please return these books ASAP so your child can resume normal borrowing. If the books are missing, it is expected they be paid for. If extenuating circumstances such as moving house, prevent you from returning these books, please contact me by either phone or e-mail cmenck@bne.catholic.edu.au In the coming weeks, notices will be sent home regarding these books but it would be good to get them back beforehand.

Happy Reading
Cathie Menck (Teacher Librarian)
"To learn to read is to light a fire; every syllable that is spelled out is a spark." — Victor Hugo, Les Misérables

**MUSIC NEWS**

The Bonza Band Bash is on this Friday at Siena Primary School. Students who have been given a permission slip should have returned it by now. Please check that your name is on the bus list, which will be outside the music room on Thursday. A reminder that you will be picked up from Siena between 4.30 and 5 pm, the concert is at 4 pm. Formal uniform is to be worn.

The Strings will have a similar combined catholic schools workshop at Stella Maris on the 4th of June. This will include any Yr 4 I.I.P students that are learning the violin this term.

Thank you to the parents who have offered to help out with the Senior Singers, a copy of the music will be coming your way. A reminder that there is no Senior Singers this week due to the Bonza Band Bash and that if you want an Mp3 version of the Senior Singers music then please give Mrs Simpson a memory stick to download it onto. All members will receive a take home lyrics sheet by this Thursday and must have memorized the lyrics of Dansi, Firefly and Boatman. Please practise with your Cd and make sure it is your voice type (alto or sop1)

Keep singing,
Paula Simpson (Music Specialist)

**HELLO FROM THE TUCKSHOP**

We apologize for the glitch in service last week and hope it didn’t cause too much inconvenience!
All is well this week and we are ready for action!

**Year 5** families are rostered this week for homebaking & helpers. Year 5 has traditionally been a great homebaking grade but we have been overwhelmed with orders for your delicious homebaked treats, especially on Fridays, so if you are baking this week, please consider doing a little extra to send in with your cherubs!

**This Week: Homebake & Helpers > Year 5**
Special > Spring Rolls
Vegetarian spring rolls with soy or sweet chilli dip.

**Next Week: Homebake & Helpers > Year 6**
Special > Tandoori Chicken Drumsticks
Mild and tasty baked chicken drumstick served with steamed rice

Remember... Tuckshop only happens with YOUR help!
Lee Etheridge
Tuckshop Convenor

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**UNIFORM SHOP**

Hours are 8am—9am

Next Days: Thursday 3rd & Tuesday 8th May
Thursday 10th May

Please Note Change of Dates for Week 5 Only:
Monday 14th May & Tuesday 15th May

Polos and Jackets have arrived.

Glenys Appleby
Uniform Shop Coordinator
P & F NEWS

DISCO
Friday 4th May - School Hall (See attached flyer)
We are seeking as many parent helpers as possible to work on the door, to help serve food and most importantly supervision. Any assistance is appreciated.

ST JOEY’S CALENDAR OF EVENTS FRIDGE MAGNET
This year we have developed a calendar of events outlining all the dates for special events, school & social; P & F Meetings etc for each school term. This was sent home on Friday with the School Contact Book.

FETE
Thank you to all who have volunteered to take on positions at our School Fete. We still need Stall Convenors. We would love new ideas for more stalls.
If you are unable to help on the night maybe you would like to be our Public Relations Officer. For more details please contact Kate Baker (Fete Secretary) on 0438761293 or kbaker@bne.catholic.edu.au

At the meeting, discussions were held regarding the consumption of alcohol at our fete and the increasing difficulties the P&F / schools have in obtaining a liquor license for a bar on the evening. The presence of a Bar on the evening is not a highly profitable exercise.
We would like your feedback on this.
Please complete and return the slip below.

We are in favour of having a Bar at the 2012 School Fete: (Please circle)
Yes
No
Comments: __________________________________________________________
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Name (optional) : ______________________________

MOTHERS DAY STALL
THURSDAY 10TH MAY
SCHOOL HALL
ITEMS FOR SALE FROM 50 CENTS TO $20
REMEMBER TO BRING A STRONG PLASTIC BAG TO TAKE HOME YOUR GOODIES
HELPERS NEEDED

YOUR CHILD’S TIME FOR PURCHASING WILL BE ORGANISED BY THEIR TEACHERS.

PARENT WORKSHOPS this term
Wednesday, 2 May: 6.00pm ‘Stress Proofing Children’ - Dr Hsien-Jin Teoh (ACU). This session will provide information and practical ideas on supporting children to develop their skills to get through life’s challenges.

Wednesday, 30 May: 6.30pm ‘Social Media & You’ - Lisa Harrison (POMO). Come and learn more about social media / networking, privacy and security, all essential in this electronic age in which we live. Please note: this date has changed due to a clash with a State of Origin match.
**ST JOSEPH’S PARISH NAMBOUR**

**Ph:** 5441 1034  **Email:** stjoenam@ozemail.com.au

**Web:** www.nambourcatholics.net

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### Wednesday 2nd May

**St Athanasius, Doctor of the Church**

- **9:30-9:45am** Reconciliation
- **10:00am** Mass : Year 7 Hospitality Committee
  Morning Tea for Seniors
- **10:30am** Seniors Gathering
- **3:15-4:30pm** Sacramental Program
  Group 3 Dorothy Devlin
- **7:00-8:30pm** Sacramental Program
  Group 2 Carmel Donahoe
- **7:00-9:30pm** Quilt Craft Group

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### Thursday 3rd May

**Saints Philip and James**

- **11:15am** Mass at Nambour Nursing Home

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### Friday 4th May

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

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### Saturday 5th May

- **4:30-4:50pm** Reconciliation
- **6:00pm** Evening Mass for Sunday Baptism:
  Braden Simm (Anthony & Fiona)

**Children’s liturgy:** Trish Heaps

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### Sunday 6th May

- **7:00am** Mass
- **9:00am** Mass

**Children’s liturgy:** Julia Quinn

**Candle Presentation:** Sonny Clements (Kate & Paul)

**Baptism:** Maya Murdoch (Jason & Catherine)

- **10:30-12 noon** Sacramental Program
  Group 4—Julia Quinn
- **6:00-8:00pm** Youth Group

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### Monday 7th May

- **8:00am Mass**
- **3:15pm** Sacramental Program
  Group 5 Laura Evans; Group 6 Kerri Claridge
- **7:30pm** Baptismal Preparation Evening

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### Tuesday 8th May

- **7:00pm-8:30pm** Sacramental Program
  Group 1 Rosanna Tumelty

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### Wednesday 9th May

- **9:30-9:45am** Reconciliation
- **10:00am** Mass : Year 4S
- **12:00** Reconciliation Year 6J
- **3:15-4:30pm** Sacramental Program
  Group 3 Dorothy Devlin;
  Group 2 Carmel Donahoe
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### Significant Dates Term 2

**APRIL**

**Term 2**

**MAY**

- **Wednesday, 2** 6:00pm Parent workshop – ‘Stress Proofing Children’
- **Friday 4th** Assembly 3S
  Disco Night!
- **Monday, 7** Labour Day Public Holiday
- **Tuesday, 8** 7.30pm School Board meeting – election of new parent reps.
- **Thursday, 10** Mothers’ Day Stall
- **Friday, 11** Assembly – Year 2J
- **Sunday, 13** Mothers’ Day
- **Tuesday, 15** Y3, 5 & 7 – NAPLAN
- **Wednesday, 16** Y3, 5 & 7 – NAPLAN
  Year 6 camp - Mapleton
- **Thursday, 17** Y3, 5 & 7 – NAPLAN
  Year 6 camp – Mapleton
- **Friday, 18** Year 6 camp – Mapleton
  Assembly – Year 2S
- **Monday, 21** QC Cup – Year 6 & 7 teams (2)
  7.00pm P&F Meeting
- **Tuesday, 22** District Cross Country Carnival
  – Bli Bli
- **Friday, 25** 8.45am School Mass – Multicultural Australia Day
- **Wednesday, 30** 6.30pm Parent workshop – ‘Cyber Safety & Your Child’
  School Field Events Carnival - school
  Principal’s Appraisal – Panel visit

**JUNE**

- **Friday, 1** School Athletics Carnival—PCYC
- **Monday, 4** UNSW Science Exam

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**SAINTS NETBALL CLUB**

Could anyone who has a uniform dress at home from previous seasons please hand into the school office as they are required for this season. Thank You.

Michelle Herron

Saints Secretary

**St Joseph’s Parish Youth Choir**

If you are between the ages of 9 to 15 and enjoy singing, we invite you to become a part of our *Youth Choir*. This choir will be learning music for our Confirmation Ceremony on Friday 8th June. Our rehearsals will begin on **Friday 4th May**, in the Parish Centre. The sessions will run from **3:30pm to 4:30 pm over 5 weeks**. For more information please contact Darlene Malone either through the Parish Office or Ph 5476 1450
St Joey's Disco

Date: Friday 4 May

Where:
School Hall

Time:
Prep-3: 6pm-7:15 pm
Grade 4-7: 7:30pm-9pm

Cost: $5
1 slice pizza, pkt chips, soft drink or water
*Extra slice pizza, $1

Glow products for sale