Welcome back to a new term! We have ‘hit the ground running’ in more ways than one! Our new car park is open and we are all learning to use the drive through; the builders have left us with the last container being removed yesterday afternoon; the rain is ensuring our new grass and plants have a healthy start; and the only noise you can hear around the place comes from teaching and learning! Music to our ears! Yes, there is much to celebrate!

Today is the feast of St Benedict, significant to us as our school’s founders, the Good Samaritan Sisters live according to the Rule of St Benedict. Born to upper-class parents in Italy in the year 480, Benedict was sent to Rome to study the humanities but soon felt drawn to live life simply so briefly joined a group of monks before becoming a hermit. During this time, he lived in solitude in a cave outside Subiaco, seeking God, but word spread and men travelled long distances to listen to his teachings. Before long, he began to establish monasteries which became centres of education for children, a tradition which would continue in the order during his lifetime and beyond. It was while living at Monte Cassino that Benedict drew up a rule of life, the famous “Rule of St Benedict” which emphasises living a balanced life of prayer, work, simplicity and hospitality......a message that is as relevant today as it was in in the 5th century! On this significant feast day, it behoves us to give thanks to those who have gone before us and handed on to us, values that can only enrich our lives!

At the end of last term, you received your child’s first semester report, a summation of all the teaching and learning that went on during the first 20 weeks of the school year. I trust you took time to have a conversation with your child about it.....and to celebrate it! Next week, you will meet with your child’s teacher to talk not only about the report, but to set goals for the remainder of the school year. These opportunities are precious as in the busyness of life, it is not often that we can ‘clear’ 15 minutes to totally focus on one thing......and what could be more important than your child’s learning. I encourage you to make the most of them but again emphasise, if you ever have a concern or need clarification about something, set up a time to meet with your child’s teacher regardless of what time of the year it is!

So, a term of eleven weeks stretch out before us....an enormous opportunity for us all to learn more about life! Get involved as you can in the many and varied opportunities presented to you during the coming weeks! The community of St Joey’s has much to be grateful for....and much to celebrate.

God’s blessings to you and yours this week!

Marg Pont
PRINCIPAL
Welcome back to Term Three!! It was lovely to have one fine week on the holidays to enjoy the Great South East. We live in a beautiful part of the world and there are always new places to explore or to simply relax. Students and staff were hard at work yesterday and there was a stillness in our school grounds (hard work + no construction!!). I am sure everyone is looking forward to enjoying our new facilities.

**Special guest speakers**

During the first four weeks of this term we will have Allira Richardson (local Ironwoman champion based at Mooloolaba club) working with students in Yrs 5, 6 & 7 on Wednesday afternoons. This has been organised through Sunny Kids, as Allira is the new patron of Sunny Kids. Her first visit will be to all students in Yrs 5, 6 & 7 as a motivational speaker and then subsequent weeks will see her work with one year level at a time (Yrs 5-7) focussing on health and fitness.

Additionally, we will also have a dance teacher, Nina van der Plas (from Free Spirit Dance and Music) working with our students in Prep and Year 1 commencing on July 18th for three Wednesday afternoons. She will be exploring creative dance with the students. Nina also works with schools connected to Sunny Kids.

We thank Sunny Kids and Becky Hyde for coordinating these opportunities for our students.

**Yr 7 Excursion**

Our Year 7 students and staff travel to Brisbane tomorrow to visit churches within the Brisbane area. This links to studies they have completed in Religion and will allow them to also develop historical understandings of our area and appreciate artistic representations of events and historical persons and saints.

*Enjoy your week*

*Narelle Harney*

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**Grandparent’s Day at St. Joseph’s**

On Friday July 27th, during Catholic Education Week, we will be celebrating our grandparents.

We invite grandparents to join us for mass at 8:45am. Following this they are invited to join their grandchildren in their classrooms for activities.

Morning tea will be provided for grandparents at 10:30am in the hall.

Please pass on this invitation to all grandparents (or close elderly person to your child).

We look forward to seeing everyone on Friday July 27th.

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**Oh what a night.........**

Congratulations to all 140 Year 4 to 7 students who travelled to Gympie on the last Wednesday evening of last term, for the interschool dance challenge! It was a wonderful evening, highly enjoyable and a fitting culmination to the term’s Dance Fever workshops!
STUDENT EFFORT AWARDS

Prep J  Flynn Carey  For coming back to school ready to learn and concentrate in class, well done!
Prep S  Talitha Lusk  Talitha has been a hard working class member all year. She is always caring and considerate of others needs. Well Done Talitha!
1J  Elliana Longden  Elliana always puts a brilliant effort into her school work and tries really hard to be an independent learner. Elli is happy to share her knowledge with her classmates when they need help or have a question. Well done Elliana, you bring sunshine to our classroom.
1S  Abbey Lee  Abbey is a wonderful helper in the classroom who always sees what needs to be done. She takes great pride in everything she does and is a creative writer. Well done Abbey.
2J  George Fearn  George wrote a very expressive and detailed journal of his wonderful holiday up north. It was delightful to read! He loves learning about history. George is making a great effort in all areas of Yr 2 life. Keep it up.
2S  Bailey Sullivan  For your thoughtful actions and helpfulness in the classroom. You are always ready to lend a hand when others need help and when things need to be organised around the classroom. Good on you Bailey!
3J  Sophia Munro  For the persistence and effort she is putting into her school work, especially for all the work she did over the holidays. Super effort, Sophia!
3S  Madelyn Fraser  For her efforts in reading. Madelyn is really shining in this area and her love of reading is helping in all aspects of her work. Well done Madelyn! Such a great love to have!
4J  Indigo Malthouse  Indigo is a quiet achiever. She always puts in 100% effort into all that she undertakes, striving to do her best. Well done Indigo, you are to be commended on your determination and achievements.
4S  Briana Herron  For working hard in all areas of school, a valued member of 4S. Thank you for being you.
5J  Olivia Claridge  Olivia always puts 100% into all areas of her work. She is a reliable, responsible student. Well done Olivia!
5S  Dylan Forge  A great start to the term. Dylan has worked extremely hard this week especially in Maths. Dylan was the only one in the class who could solve our difficult Maths problem!!
6J  Gianluca Painter  For returning to class with a positive and productive attitude. Gianluca radiates a love of life and learning. He is working consistently in class, at home and even before school. And...his desk is always immaculate! Thank you Gianluca, you bring a great deal of joy to the 6J classroom.
6S  Mary-Ellen Bonser  For being a true asset to the 6S classroom. She is polite, helpful and reliable. She attempts everything thrown her way with 110% effort, never backing down until she achieves her best—both in and out of the classroom. Thank you Mary-Ellen for all your hard work, it doesn’t go unnoticed.
7J  Lily Renshaw  Lily is always prepared to use her many talents to help out others. She does this with little fuss and no expectation of reward. Lily is developing true leadership qualities and her character and generosity are greatly appreciated by her peers.
7S  Otto Harris-Oldenburg  Otto is great to have in the 7S classroom! He is motivated to learn and he has been putting in a huge effort to get his class tasks completed. This week Otto worked extremely well with Will in 7S researching religions of the world including Islam and Judaism. Well done Otto and keep up your hunger for learning!
COMMENDATIONS AWARDS FOR JUNE
The focus for the month of June was Prayer.
These awards were presented at the last assembly last term and went to children deemed to support and participate in class prayer and school liturgies in a deeply respectful way.

Congratulations go to:
Prep J  Dominic Eldridge
Prep S  Jacob Wiener
1J  Skye Herbert
1S  Bella Falvey
2J  Kaylee Kajewski
2S  Isabelle Stark
3J  Kasey Clarke
3S  Jasper Malthouse
4J  William Baker
4S  Braden Simm
5J  Zarah Lamont
5S  Jim Simpson
6J  Catherine Quinn
6S  Kirsten Evans
7J  Tom McMillan

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS
We offer the following students birthday blessings on their special day!
July 2  Hannah Leadbeatter, Charlotte Simpson
       5  Mickey Schimak-Orrell
       6  Lachlan Back, Tom Brunell, Alicia Fay
       7  Elizabeth Butner-Johnson
       10  Ella Porter
       11  Jackson Ilguth, Lexi James, Jasmin Peak, Paris Von Blanckensee
       13  Jacob Brunell
       15  Liam Hackenberg, Jayden Herron,

MATTHEW FLINDERS ANGLICAN COLLEGE SHOW JUMPING CHALLENGE 2012
This event which is a fundraiser for the Children’s Therapy Centre in Nambour, was held on the 23rd June at the Nambour Showgrounds. It was a really cold, yucky day with over 140 competitors from almost 40 schools. Once again, the St Joseph’s team made up of Georgia & Peta Trigg and Alex Bielby did us proud coming home with 2nd overall in the Primary schools. Alex worked doubly hard this year, riding 2 horses in 2 different height events. Congratulations to all three riders! A fantastic achievement!

St Joseph’s Parent Book Club
Our parent book clubs will kick off next week!!! The first one will be held on Friday July 20th after assembly in the library. Another alternative will be held the following week on Wednesday July 25th at 7:00pm in the library. Each book club will be a separate meeting (ie. You don’t attend both but rather select the time that suits you best). This is an exciting new venture and a great meeting place for parents with similar interests.

Regional Engagement Coordinator, QLD/NSW (Full-time, Brisbane-based)
Caritas Australia, the Catholic Church’s Agency for International Aid and Development, is looking for a person, committed to Social Justice and the Church’s mission to the poorest of the poor, to be our Diocesan director, Brisbane and to work with our Queensland and Lismore diocesan directors. This is a full-time paid position, located in Brisbane and may be the job for you. If you are interested, please read further information on the notice board, contact HR Caritas Australia on 1800 024 413 and/or go to website www.caritas.org.au/jobs and send applications to jobs@caritas.org.au by 5 pm Friday 3 August.

Happy reading!!!
HELLO FROM THE TUCKSHOP
Hello from the Tuckshop!
I hope you all enjoyed the break and are all geared up and ready for the new term. The Term 3 menu with the new weekly specials is now up on the school website and copies will be available at the tuckshop and the office for those of you who still order the old fashioned way. Keep your eyes peeled for the new Fun Food Day coming in week 6 and a fun promotional deal during the term as well...

Please mark your calendar for when your child's class is asked to assist the tuckshop!

This Week: Special> Macaroni Cheese macaroni with ham & creamy cheese sauce
Homebake & Help> Year 5

Next Week: Special> Shepherds Pie savoury mince with a yummy potato top
Homebake &Help > Year 6

REMEMBER.... Tuckshop only happens with your help!

Lee Etheridge
Tuckshop Convenor

MUSIC NEWS
Welcome back to the start of a new term and what will be a busy one for our choirs and bands. Try to practise your instrument a little, each day and singing groups should have memorized their songs by now!

Below is a list of important dates for Senior Singers, Junior Joeys and the instrumental program. Please write these dates on your home calendar. Permission slips will be given out to both choirs this week.

July 20th-Junior Joeys, Nursing Home Concerts
July 23rd-Senior Singers. The Combined, Catholic Schools, Choral Workshop and Concert. Siena Hall.
August 3rd-Senior Singers, Nursing Home Concerts
August 8th-Senior Singers, Sunshine Coast Junior Eisteddfod
Mid August-Book Week Parade will see our Senior Singers, Junior Joeys and the Concert Bands perform.

Advance notice of important dates for term 4
Nov 5th-Guitars to the Max! An all day workshop and late afternoon concert at Stella Maris, for guitar students only.
Little Dusk Music (Upper School)-Nov. 20th
Little Dusk Music (Lower School)- Nov 27th

Keep singing,
Paula Simpson.
Classroom Music Specialist

BOOKCLUB
Just a reminder that Book Club is due next Wednesday, 18th July.
Thank You.
Dorothy Devlin

DENTAL VAN
The Dental Van has arrived!
All children will be offered treatment during our stay. At this stage, forms have been handed out to Years 3,5 & 7. Please return them promptly to the class teacher so paperwork can be done and visits scheduled.
Any concerns, please phone the dental van - 0407126138.

UNIFORM SHOP
Hours are 8am—9am
Next Days: Thursday 12th July
Tuesday 17th July

Glenys Appleby
Uniform Shop Coordinator
**ST JOSEPH’S PARISH NAMBOUR**  
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**Wednesday 11th July**  
8:00am  Bursary Committee Executive Meeting  
9:30-9:45am Reconciliation  
10:00am  Mass; Yr 7S & 1S  
11-12:00  Parish Staff Meeting  
7-9:30pm  Quilt Craft Group

**Friday 13th July**  
6:30am  Mass  
7-8:00am  Rosary & Adoration in the Chapel

**Saturday 14th June**  
4:30-4:50  Reconciliation  
Parish Census  
6:00pm  Evening Mass for Sunday

**Sunday 15th July**  
Parish Census  
7:00am  Mass  
9:00am  Mass  
Candle Presentations: Sophia & Amy Munro (Ivo & Jennifer)

**Monday 16th July**  
Catholic Education Week  
8:00am  Mass

**Wednesday 18th July**  
9:30-9:45am Reconciliation  
10:00am  Mass; Yr 7J & 1J  
12:00pm  Reconciliation Yr 6S  
7-9:30pm  Quilt Craft Group

**Thursday 19th July**  
11:00am  Mass at Sundale Nursing Home

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**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.

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**SIGNIFICANT DATES TERM 3**

**JULY**

- Wednesday 11th  
  1.30 – 2.30pm Allira Richardson  
  Yrs 5, 6, 7 (Hall)

- Thursday 12th  
  Yr 7 Excursion – Brisbane Churches

- Friday 13th  
  Assembly Prep S

- Monday 16th – Friday 20th  
  **Parent Teacher Interviews**

- Wednesday 18th  
  1.30 – 2.30pm Allira Richardson Year 5  
  Assembly Prep J

- Monday 23rd – Friday 27th  
  **Catholic Education Week**  
  Monday 23rd  
  Sunshine Coast Choral Spectacular  
  7.30pm P & F Meeting

- Wednesday 25th  
  1.30 – 2.30pm Allira Richardson Yr 6

- Thursday, 26th  
  Indonesian Speech Night

- Friday 27th  
  8.45am Grandparents Day Mass

- Monday 30th  
  UNSW English Comp

- Tuesday 31st  
  1.40 – 2.40pm Peer Support  
  District Athletics

**AUGUST**

- Wednesday 1st  
  1.30-2.30pm Allira Richardson Yr 7

- Thursday 2nd  
  External Review

- Friday 3rd  
  Assembly 7S  
  1.30-2.30 Ned Show P-7

- Monday 6th  
  1.40-2.40 Peer Support

- Wednesday 8th  
  St Mary of the Cross  
  10.00am Mass Yrs 4-7

- Friday 10th  
  Assembly 7J

- Monday 13th  
  UNSW Maths Comp  
  1.40-2.40 Peer Support

- Tuesday 14th  
  7.30pm School Board Meeting

- Wednesday 15th  
  Feast of the Assumption

- Friday 17th  
  Assembly 6J

- Monday 20th – Friday 24th  
  **Book Week – Champions Read**

- Monday 20th  
  1.40—2.40 Peer Support  
  7.30pm P&F Meeting

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**25 Year Anniversary Celebrations:** Mt Maria College Petrie (formerly Kolbe College) is celebrating its 25 Year Anniversary in 2012.  
To celebrate and acknowledge this significant milestone we are holding a 25 Year Anniversary celebration dinner on 17 August at the North’s Leagues and Services Club.  
**All past students, parents, staff members and friends of Mt Maria College Petrie and Kolbe College are invited – Tickets are $35!**  
Please contact us for ticket information - We hope to see you there! :)