Dear St Joseph’s Families,

On behalf of all the staff I would like to thank those many parents who took time to acknowledge their child’s teacher in so many ways last week for World Teachers, School Officers day. The words and actions have been very much appreciated. A special thank you to the P & F, who generously supplied morning tea for staff, which again made the day special.

Congratulations to Mrs Karen Pickford who last Thursday received her 30 year badge for teaching with Catholic Education, a great milestone.

As we begin Term 4 it is timely to remind parents that it is in this term that we assess through our quality assurance process various components of school operations. This year as part of a five year cyclical process we will be assessing the following:

- Prayer and Worship
- Curriculum Design and Implementation
- Student Well-Being and Pastoral Care
- Professional Learning and Development
- Learning Environments

It is also the term that we begin looking at staffing for the next school year.

PREP ORIENTATION:

We are looking forward to greeting and meeting our 2014 Prep students on Wednesday November 13. Our Orientation morning gives them a chance to get to know the school a little better and become familiar with some of the staff members who will be part of their school days next year. We will also welcome the families of these students as we share with them some of the important aspects of life at St Joseph’s and assist them to be prepared for the start of a big adventure with their children.
Year 7 Transition:

Tomorrow our Year 7 children will be attending either Murgon State High School or Saint Mary’s College as part of the Year 7 Transition process to high school. During their visit, the children will experience life as a Year 8 student, following daily routines, period changes and participating in a variety of subjects. It will also provide them with the opportunity to meet and talk with Year 8 students.

Congratulations to Harrison Holznagel, who competed in the Garden City Gymnastics Titles in Toowoomba on 20 October. Harrison achieved great results finishing 1st in Vault, Pommel Horse, Parallel Bars. He was 2nd in the Rings and 3rd in Floor and High Bar. Harrison was placed 1st overall. Well done to Harrison on the great achievements.

We wish Renee Irvine well this week as she represents Wide Bay at the Queensland Cricket Trials in Brisbane.

Greg Cran, Principal.

St Joseph’s School invites you to ........

St Joseph’s
Grandparents’ and Special Visitors’ Day
Friday 15 November

Program for the Morning

8.45 – 9.15am Liturgy – Church
9.30 – 10:15am Classroom Visits
10:15am Morning Tea and Concert - Hall
Morning Tea will be served for guests in Hall

FROM THE APRE

All Saints Day Friday 1 November

On Friday we will celebrate All Saints Day. We remember all the saints of the Church today - those people who have revealed the Good News by living extraordinary lives often in the most challenging of circumstances.

In the ninth century, Pope Gregory IV extended the celebration of All Saints for the entire church. While the celebration of this solemnity may be seen on one hand as a remembrance or memorial of the numerous courageous men and women who lived lives of selfless love, it may also be seen on the other hand as an event which makes each of us aware that we too as those who have gone before are capable of living such lives. It is a celebration of possibilities, potential and promise. They could, and so we also can.

And so we pray...
For the greater holiness, may we recognise our calling as saints and strive to live an authentic life of faith, accepting God’s loving invitation to relationship, we ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

On Friday the whole school will attend the Parish Mass which begins at 9:30am.

Buddy Mass

Last Friday the Year 7 and Year 2 classes attended Mass and I wish to acknowledge the respectful manner in which the children participated in the Mass.

Friday 8 November will see the Year 3 and Year 4 classes joining the parish in the celebration of Mass at 9:30am.

Mrs Eileen Coghull (Assistant Principal Religious Education)
**SLUSH PUPPIES!**
Starting at lunchtime this Wednesday 30 October and continuing every Monday, Wednesday and Friday lunchtimes slush puppies will be available for sale (all proceeds support the 2014 Canberra Trip).
- Small Slush Puppy (fruit based) $1.50
- Large Slush Puppy (fruit based) $2.00

Thank you for your support.

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**Student of the Week 2013 – Week 3 Term 4**

**PRESENCE:**  
- David Taylor (Yr 2)

**FAMILY SPIRIT:**  
- Landon Law-Palm (Yr 1); Jaylah Purcell (Yr 3); Bridie Prendergast (Yr 3)
- Madison Beresford (Yr 7)

**LOVE OF WORK:**  
- La’Tayah Purcell (Prep); Jack Riley (Prep); Kellie-Lee Dynevor (Yr 2); Kiera Mickelo (Yr5/6); Matthew Geary (Yr 7); Lyndon Brunjes (Yr 7); Harrison Holznagel (Yr 7);

**WAY OF MARY:**  
- Heather Sandow (Yr 5/6)

**SIMPLICITY:**  
- Ryan Heness (Yr 4); Jarrod Barnett (Yr 5/6)

**PETE PERSISTENCE** (part of the You Can Do It Program)
- 23/10/2013 - Emily Palmer (Prep); Courtney Boney (Yr 5/6)
- 28/10/2013 - Australa Druery (Yr 1); Riley Robinson (Yr 2); Pheona Combo (Yr 3);
  - Lachlan Zelinski (Yr 4); Stafford Sandow (Yr 5/6); Hayden Boney (Yr 7)

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**STUDENT TRAVEL REBATES**  
**Semester 2, 2013**

**Bus Fare Assistance**
- Does your child attend a **school outside the Brisbane City Council** boundary?
- Does your family spend more than **$22/week** on fares to and from school (* $17/week if you hold a concession card)?
- Does your child travel on a **publicly available bus** not owned or associated with the school?

**Students with Disabilities**
- Does your child have a **verified disability** that requires **transport assistance** to and from school?
- Has your school’s learning support teacher assessed your child’s **travel capability rating** as ‘semi-independent’ or more dependent?

Visit our website to see if you qualify for financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and apply at [www.schooltransport.com.au](http://www.schooltransport.com.au) by 31 October 2013.

Late applications cannot be accepted.

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**TUCKSHOP**

**Wednesday 30 October 2013**

**Workers:** Trish Wiley, Tracey Atkins, Alison Turpin  
**Suppliers:** Sheree Prendergast, Jenny Cran, Lisa Catlin  
**OCTOBER SPECIAL:** Chicken Burger only $5.00

**Parish Mass Times**

- **Saturday 2 November**  
  - 9.00am Mass – Proston  
  - 6.00pm Mass – Wondai

- **Sunday 3 November**  
  - 8.00am Mass - Murgon  
  - 10.00am Mass - Goomeri

**Mass Times Phone Number:** 41681406
Murgon Bowls Club invites you to...

**Friday Night Social Bowls**

6pm for a 6.30pm start

$15 includes green fees & BBQ dinner

**Bookings necessary**

**Great Times**

**Great Friends**

**Great Fun**

Murgon Bowls Club: 41681043....

be sure to leave a message