Dear Parents & Caregivers,

PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT – THANKS

Our annual Parent Information night was well attended – thank you to everyone who gave up their family time to be with us. My sincere thanks to Linda Brown, Peter Lunney and Scott Prendergast for their wonderful help with the BBQ on the night. A big thanks goes out to the teachers for preparing and presenting this night – this night could not be possible without their professionalism and interest in the children they teach.

2013 ASSEMBLY FORMAT

This year we are holding Flag assemblies Monday at 9.00am. This will include Acknowledgement of Country and National Anthem, which will be followed our Prayer Assembly. Our Prayer Assembly will include information about some aspect of our religious identity, or a learning program within our school and school Prayer.

Our weekly assemblies on a Monday at 12.45pm will feature a year level leading us in prayer, reflection and information about some aspect of their class programme. This general assembly will be the key times when special guests or visitors will be able to address the students.

Our Final assembly on Friday afternoon at 2.45pm will include students of the week. We believe that these weekly assemblies will assist us with improved communication with our students. Families are welcome to all assemblies.

PLANNING DAYS

Over the coming weeks teachers will be released from their classes for a day to work with Emma Lunney, our APRE and Curriculum Lead Teacher, on planning the curriculum. On these days, teachers also explore the new Australian Curriculum. The teachers will also be working with Teaching and Learning personnel from Brisbane Catholic Education.

P & F AGM

The next meeting (Thursday 21 March) is the Annual General Meeting. There will be several executive positions becoming vacant namely President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. We encourage new and existing parents to attend. This is a great opportunity for you to be involved at St Joseph’s. We will begin at 7pm in the staffroom.

Look forward to seeing you there.
CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Lennox (Year 5/6), Lachlan (Year 4) and Kaylah (Year 1) on the birth of their baby brother Peter, born on February 28th. Brother and sister are very excited, mum is very tired.

THE MIGHTY EELS

The NRL season started in earnest last weekend and what a great way for it to start. It was great to see the MIGHTY EELS run on to the field to start their Premiership winning run this year! What a start, beating the NZ Warriors is never easy but to do so with such ease. The Eels deserve to be on top of the ladder after Round 1.

Greg Cran
Principal

Take a Stand Together

Our school has registered to be part of the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence, being held nationwide on Friday 15 March 2013.

The National Day of Action is a day where school communities across Australia, Take a Stand Together against bullying and violence.

St Joseph’s is dedicated to creating supportive school environments, free from bullying, harassment and violence. By working together at St Joseph’s, we are sending clear messages to young people that bullying and violence, in or outside of school, is not okay - at any time.

The National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence is a major activity organised by Bullying. No Way! (www.bullyingnoway.gov.au). The Bullying. No Way! website, created by all Australian education jurisdictions, offers practical resources and information to help schools work together against bullying, harassment and violence.

Students and parents can also download the free iPhone app Take a Stand <http://itunes.apple.com/us/app/take-a-stand/id507931486?mt=8> to keep tips and advice on dealing with bullying close at hand.

Activities have been planned to celebrate the National Day of Action Against Bullying and Violence at St Joseph’s on Friday, 15 March 2013.

Student of the Week 2013 – Week 6 Term 1

LOVE OF WORK: Lacy Lee (1); Oliver Bembrick (3); Kiera Mickelo (5/6); Cyril Bligh (7)
WAY OF MARY: Jaylah Purcell (3); Claire Walsh (4); Mitchell Bond (5/6)
PRESENCE: Edward Riley (Prep); Kellie-Lee Dynevor (2); Peyton Muller (4); Daniel Palmer (7)
SIMPLICITY: Madeline Lancaster (1); Keli-Law Palm (2); Harry Perrett (4); Brooke Heness (5/6)

FAMILY SPIRIT: Annie Walsh (Prep)
There will be a Children’s activity day on the 10 April (second Wednesday of the holidays) at St Joseph’s School. It will be conducted by Mrs Lorraine Wynne from the Children’s Ministry Department of the Archdiocese of Brisbane. If you would like your child to be involved please contact Fr. Michael (4168 1406).

First Communion will be celebrated at St Peter Claver Cherbourg on the 26th May and at Murgon/Wondai/Goomeri on the 2nd June. More information will be given later. If you need to know more about the Sacramental Program please contact Fr. Michael (41681406).

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**School Kids Bonus**
Are you eligible?
To learn more about the Schoolkids Bonus, visit 3australia.gov.au/schoolkidsbonus

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COMING EVENTS:
March 15 Buddy Mass Year 2 & 7 – 9.30am
March 18 Assembly – Year 2 – 1.45pm
March 21 P & F AGM 7.00pm

Parish Mass Times for March 16 & 17

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**Mass Times Phone Number:** 41681406

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IT’S BACK 2013
FRIDAY NIGHT LIVE
12 April
South Burnett PCYC, 40 Macalister Street, Murgon.
6pm – 9pm
$5.00 per person.
All school children welcome.

Dates 2013
10 May    13 September
14 June   11 October
12 July   8 November
9 August  TBA December

Bus pick up and drop off times:
Goomeri – Dickenson’s Park, Pick up 5.30pm and Drop off 9.15pm.
Wondai – Timber Museum, Pick up 5.30pm and Drop off 9.15pm.

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C&K Murgon Community Kindergarten are holding a Family Portrait Fundraiser on Sunday 24th March.
You will receive a giant 10"x13" framed portrait for your donation - a great family gift idea.
A Barambah PaCE community consultation will take place at the Ration Shed Museum conference room on Tuesday, March 12 from noon – 3pm.

Barambah PaCE coordinator, Marcus Priaulx, will outline his way of thinking to explain why certain PaCE programs have been established and explain why he believes it’s vital to have community input to the Barambah PaCE program to ensure its success and that of Cherbourg’s future.

An 11.45am arrival is asked for and it’s hoped parents, citizens, school and community decision makers will come to listen and give their feedback, advice and suggested solutions.

Community Recovery Information Gatherings
Were you or someone you know affected by the Australia Day weekend floods?
Would you like to know some more information in regards to what assistance is available?
Are you concerned about your neighbour and how they are coping with this natural disaster?

For funding, loans, grants or support join us at:

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At these gatherings you can:
- Catch up with your neighbours and support each other
- Access the latest information about Category C and the criteria to be eligible for grants, funding and loans
- Speak to support agencies
- Agforce
- Farm Financial Counsellors (DAFF/QRAA)
- BIEDO Business Pilots and Grant Angels
- Blaze Aid
- Simply enjoy a cuppa and breakfast (am) and evening meal at the (pm) sessions with mates.

For more information
Website: www.southburnett.qld.gov.au
Phone: (07) 4189 9100
Facebook: www.facebook.com/southburnettregion

Wondai Kindergarten
Golf & Barefoot Bowls Fun Day
Featuring Night Golf
Saturday
March 23 2013

Bowls – 3 Person Teams
Starts – 2pm sharp
Cost: $10 per person

Golf – 3 Person Ambrose
9 holes
Tee off – 7pm sharp
Cost: $20 per person

BBQ Dinner Available
FREE Afternoon Tea Served during bowls
Nominations for Golf & Bowls can be made both before & on the day.
For more information or to nominate a team contact David Sewell – 0409 187 733
Come have some fun & support our wonderful Kindy!
Come along to

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St. Joseph's Hall
Thursday nights
7.30pm

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