Dear St Joseph’s Families,

**WELCOME TO 2014**

We warmly welcome everyone to our new school year. We especially welcome all the new students and families who have joined us this year for the first time. We are standing on the threshold of a year that will bring us many joys, some tears, challenges, successes and lots of fun learning and exploring our world. In partnership with the families we will support each student as the year unfolds and as new things are tried and mastered. I look forward to working along with every student in creating a school where everyone is valued, cared for and nurtured in their faith and academic growth and development.

We welcome Miss Deanna Cittolin, Mr Duncan Morris, and Mr Joel Mollenhauer to our teaching staff this year. Deanna a graduate from Australian Catholic University will be teaching our Prep class. Duncan Morris has joined us from Siena School on the Sunshine Coast, and will be teaching our Year 6/7 class. Joel will be our music teacher. Joel is currently instrumental music teacher for the Barambah cluster of Primary Schools. I am sure that Deanna, Duncan and Joel will enjoy being part of our wonderful school.

Last week we welcomed our new Prep children, and it is only when you see so many happy, yet anxious faces that you know the journey of a new year has begun and how rewarding it is to be part of their lives.

Many thanks to all those families who have gone to a lot of trouble to ensure that their child is ready, outfitted and resourced for the year ahead. It was wonderful to see all those smiling faces on day one – and hear all the stories of holiday adventures and outings!

**PRESENTATION SISTERS LEAVE ST JOSEPH’S AFTER 77 YEARS**

Last Friday the community of St Joseph’s farewelled the Presentation Sisters, who for 77 years have been a continuous presence in the school, parish and wider community of Murgon. Since arriving by train in 1937, the sisters have had a continuous active teaching presence in the school through to last week, when Sr Carmel and Sr Vianney left the community. The leadership and teaching presence of the sisters over the 77 years was honoured by the staff and children with a liturgy. The school community blessed the "Presentation Bell" on Friday, leaving a long term legacy for the community in the installation of the original school bell in a sacred space adjacent to St Joseph's Church. I particularly acknowledge the contribution of Sr Carmel who has taught continuously in the school in some capacity since 1981 and Sr Vianney who was the school's music teacher and parish pastoral worker for many years. The spirit and charism of Nano Nagle will continue to flourish in the lasting spiritual and educative legacy left by the sisters (65 sisters in total worked in the school over the 77 years). We wish Srs Carmel and Vianney every blessing in their much deserved retirement.
PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT – TUESDAY FEB 11TH:
This evening is an opportunity for parents and teachers to begin their working together in partnership for the year. It is an information evening for parents of school life, expectations and procedures and how we can work together, as well as an opportunity to meet school staff and each other.

5.30pm – 6.00pm  BBQ (Gold coin donation) Venue: Nano Nagle Undercover area
6.00pm - 6.15pm  Principal’s Address  Venue: Nano Nagle Centre
6.15pm – 7.00pm  Meet your teacher Venue: Nano Nagle Centre

Here teachers will talk about:
• Class routines
• Class expectations
• Reporting student progress
• Class procedures e.g. homework/communication
• How parents can help

SPECIALIST LESSONS
Children at St Joseph’s are very fortunate to participate in Specialist lessons throughout the week. The Children this year will be participating in Visual Arts with Kerry Dunn and Niketa Law, PE with Claire Dennis and Music with Joel Mollenhauer. Music lessons are a great addition to St Joseph’s this year.

VISITING THE SCHOOL
All Visitors to the school must first report to the office and sign the visitors register. This also applies to all parents assisting with classes.

SUPERVISION BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL
BEFORE SCHOOL
It is strongly recommended that children arrive no earlier than 8.10am. Until this time there is NO supervision provided by our staff. If children do arrive before 8.10am, they must sit in the assembly area. At 8.10am the assembly area and hand ball courts are available for the children to play on.

ALL OTHER AREAS ARE OUT OF BOUNDS.

AFTER SCHOOL
In the afternoon, the following arrangements are made to ensure that children leave school safely and on time: Angel Ave is our ONLY supervised pick up area (3.00-3.20pm).

Have a great week.

Greg Cran,
Principal.

What a beautiful school community I’ve had the pleasure of becoming part of in the role of APRE. Thank you to everyone for your warm welcome and I’m very excited to be working in this role whilst Emma Lunney is enjoying maternity leave.

FAREWELL TO SISTER VIANNEY AND SISTER CARMELO
Already, our school community is off to a busy start. In our first school liturgy last Friday, we thanked the Presentation Sisters for their incredible service to St Joseph’s school. We expressed our sincere gratitude and love to Sister Vianney and Sister Carmel, as we said farewell these wonderful Sisters.

A special mention to all students for your reverence and beautiful manners during this liturgy.

ANOINTING MASS
The close relationship our school shares with the Parish and community is very clear in the way that our students assist elderly members of Castra, for Anointing Masses. Thank you to Year 5 and Year 4 who will help this term.

BUDDY MASS
Many great benefits come from bringing children together in a ‘Buddy’ environment where an older child has the opportunity to form a friendship and sense of responsibility for a younger child at the school. The first Buddy Mass will be Year 3 with Year 6/7 on Friday 28th February.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
During the pupil free days to start this year, teachers worked with Beth Nolen from Brisbane Catholic Education, to become comfortable with the new Religion Curriculum. Much was gained from this day, and we’re looking forward to continuing the great work our teachers already do, in teaching Religion.
HELP NEEDED PLEASE!
I’m needing some help from willing volunteers who can sew, to please assist in hemming our new class prayer table cloths. If you are able to help at all, please contact the school office. The cloth is already cut, and thread is provided. Any help would be so appreciated.

God Bless,
Celia O Connor (Assistant Principal Religious Education).

BOOK CLUB
Book club flyers are being sent home today. These orders are due back on Monday 17 February. Please note that if you are paying for your order by cheque, kindly make the cheque payable to St Joseph's Primary School.
Regards Nell Guteridge (School Officer)

RESILIENCE
Starting in week 3, all St Joseph’s classes will participate in Program Achieve again. The Program Achieve class lessons will occur over the next 6 weeks and will focus on the development of the students’ Resilience. Resilience is referred to as “the capacity to manage the stresses and strains of growing up”.
Some examples of Resilience behaviour include:
- Staying calm in the face of difficult or challenging situations, people and events.
- Controlling one’s behaviour when one gets extremely upset.
- Calming down within a developmentally-appropriate time.
- Bouncing back to work and play.
Goals of Resilience Lessons:
- Provide students with an understanding of emotions and also provide them with an emotional vocabulary.
- Examine that certain situations can evoke emotional responses.
- Teach students that emotions vary in intensity.
- Provide students with understanding that they choose how to feel about an adverse event.
- Teach the students a variety of emotional resilience skills to help them through difficult situations.

Regards,
David Francis

CRICKET TRIALS
On Friday 31st of January, Lachlan Zelinski, Lachlan Bligh, Ryan Heness, Alex Cran, Brooke Heness and Brenna Prendergast travelled to Kingaroy State School to try out for the South Burnett Boys and Girls Cricket teams. Alex, Brooke and Brenna were successful in making the teams and will now compete at the Wide Bay Trials to be held in Gympie on the 15th – 18th of February. We wish them all the very best.

SWIMMING TRIALS
Wide Bay Swimming Nominations.
Children who are club swimmers and are turning 10, 11, or 12 this year are able to nominate.
If your child is interested they must pick up the forms from Mrs Prendergast by Friday.
Barambah United Football Club
Presents 2014 Season Sign On Day Saturday 8th Feb 2014
Rotunda in Lamb Street Murgon 9am – 12pm
Ladies and Mens Junior and Senior Competition
Under 5’s till over 105 all are welcome to come and play this great game!!
If you are unable to make this date, there will also be a sign on day at the Wondai Soccer Grounds on Saturday 15th Feb
For further enquiries or information please contact Sarah on 0429 686 001

Murgon Junior Rugby League Sign On
Saturday 8th February at the Murgon Showgrounds 9:00am till noon.
For further enquiries contact Ricky Collard on 0407 682 440

Wondai Proston JRLC
will be holding a free Combine Sign On & Come & Try Rugby League Day on Sunday the 9th of February hosted by NRL Development Officer Colin Huxtable from 10.00am to 12.00 noon followed by a sausage sizzle. Fees for 2014, $75.00 for the 1st child..
All inquiries to Wally Knight 41690971

Does your child love to sing?
South Burnett Youth Choir
Starts MONDAY 10th February 2014
Junior SBYC 5-8years 4pm
Concert Choir 9-18 years 4.30pm
Senior SBYC 14-18 years 5.30pm
Group & (optional) solo singing, pop/classic music, fully insured, qualified teachers, supports school MUSIC Curriculum, lots of fun.
Contact Jane on 0411 118 510

Parish Mass Times
Saturday 8th February
9.00am Mass – Proston
6.00pm Mass – Murgon
Sunday 9th February
8.00am Mass – Wondai
10.30am Mass - Durong
Parish Phone No: 41681406

SLUSHIES: Will be available every Monday
Thursday and Friday at Big Lunch (all proceeds support the 2014 Canberra Trip)
Starts Monday 10th February
• Small Slush Puppy (fruit based) $1.50
• Thank you for your support.

TERM DATES – 2014

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2014 PUBLIC HOLIDAYS

| Australia Day | Monday, 27 January |
| Good Friday   | Friday, 18 April  |
| Easter Saturday | Saturday, 19 April |
| Easter Monday | Monday, 21 April  |
| Anzac Day     | Friday, 25 April |
| Queen’s Birthday | Monday, 9 June |
| Labour Day    | Monday, 6 October |
| Christmas Day | Thursday, 25 December |
| Boxing Day    | Friday, 26 December |

TUCKSHOP
Wednesday 5th February 2014
Workers: Trish Wiley, Tracey Atkins,
Menu attached
# Schedule of Fees and Levies for St Joseph’s in 2014

## 1. Annual School (Tuition) Fees

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## 2. School Levies

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## 4. Bus Charges – Wondai/Chebourgh (Term Only)

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Please note that the fee schedule above does not include Camps, Excursions & Visiting Activities. In 2014, Direct Debiting from a bank account, Credit Card or Centrepay will again be available to families. Families, who wish to use either of these systems next year, are required to lodge a new authority for 2014.

Discounts apply (3%) to the tuition component of fees, if paying your annual school fees in advance before **February 28, 2014**

**Tuition and School Levies**

Includes General Curriculum Support, Classroom Consumable Resources, PE Resources, Transport and Technology

These levies cover the following budget expenditure items:
- Technology technical support and maintenance
- Classroom resources and extra costs associated with each year level

School Fee Statements

Family fee statements will be issued each month. Listed on the statement are the fees and levies for each month, plus any incidental costs incurred eg. Bus costs not covered by Tuition and School Levies.

## Discounts

The following discount is offered to families who have children at both Saint Joseph’s and the Secondary Section of Saint Mary’s in Kingaroy. This discount applies to the tuition component of the school fees.

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Please contact me on 4168 1627 for more information.

Sheree Prendergast (Finance Secretary)

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## St Joseph’s Staff 2014

### Support Staff

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