Dear St Joseph’s Families,

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and friends who attended our Opening Mass last Friday. It was heart-warming to see the whole school community together in our church to celebrate the very special place St Joseph’s is. A special thank you to Ms O’Connor for her organisation of this wonderful school liturgy.

Each of us is a leader in some way by the way we do things and say the things we are passionate about or know something about. We don’t have to dominate or be ‘up front’ to display leadership qualities. Sometimes it is the quiet ‘behind the scenes’ person who is the true leader. Last Wednesday, the Year 6/7’s made a public pledge to take on the responsibility of leadership. The number of parents who were able to attend is testament to the importance this step is in the students’ lives.

Already they have been sharing leadership roles and duties in our school this year and these will expand throughout the year. They will jointly participate in their Leadership retreat day next Monday. As a school community we pledge our support to our Student Leaders this year and we look forward to them being positive, active role models for us all.

Planning Days
Over the coming weeks teachers will be released from their classes for a day to work with Celia O’Connor, 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.

Have a great week!

Greg Cran,
Principal

Welcome to Week 5!

Congratulations to all Saint Joseph’s students for their beautiful reverence during our special Beginning of the Year Mass last Wednesday. This marked an important occasion for our Year 6 and 7 students as they begin their leadership journey this year. Our student Leaders are to be commended on the mature approach they took to both the Induction Ceremony and also the shared morning tea afterwards. Thank you to all parents and carers, and members of our community who were at this special occasion for our students. Thank you to all staff and students for your willing participation in the Mass and lovely singing!
Everyone is welcome to come along this Friday as Year 6/7 and their young buddies in Year 3 will be celebrating the first buddy class Mass for this year.

Wishing you a wonderful week.

God Bless,

Celia O’Connor
Assistant Principal Religious Education

This fortnight in Program Achieve students continued their study of Resilience. Resilience is the ability to bounce back from adverse events that may happen in a child’s life.

Lower Primary
This week in Lower Primary, students have been learning to:
- describe resilience and specific examples and non-examples of resilience;
- explain why it is good to be resilient;
- identify events that happen to students which require resilience; and the severity of events in proportion.

Middle Primary
This week in Middle Primary, students have been learning to:
- that while getting upset is normal and healthy, getting too upset leads to behaviour that makes it hard to achieve your goals;
- to define resilience and specific examples of resilience;
- to state what it means to not be resilient;
- to explain why it is good to be resilient; and
- to keep things in perspective using the “Catastrophe Scale”.

Upper Primary
This week in Upper Primary, students have been learning to:
- define “resilience” and specific examples and non-examples of resilience;
- state that while getting upset is normal and healthy, getting too upset leads to behaviour that makes it harder to achieve your goals; and
- use the “catastrophe scale” to keep things in perspective in order to be resilient.

David Francis
Guidance Counsellor

P & F Meeting
P & F will hold their first meeting for the year this Wednesday 26th February at 6pm in the Administration Block. Hoping to see many new faces there! We are also looking for more volunteers to help with Tuckshop on a Wednesday. If you are able to assist in any way, could you please contact the school office on 4168 1627.
On Sunday three students from St Joseph's School travelled to Bundaberg as part of the U12 South Burnett Cricket Association team. We congratulate Ryan and Brooke Heness together with Brenna Prendergast who competed in the Grand Final against Bundaberg. After many rain delays, Bundaberg were victorious, winning with 3 wickets to spare.

School Leaders Handball Competition

February Birthdays
- Prep: Rubin Smethurst
- Year 1: Annie Walsh, Isaac Watson, Shontayne Cobbo, Mia Shaw
- Year 2: Kali Button, Joseph Atkins
- Year 5: Kaitlyn Zelinski, Ryan Heness, Yolande Riley
- Year 6/7: Floyd Aubrey

Student of the Week – Week 4
- Prep: Frank Boney
- Year 1: Robert Miller
- Year 2: Charlie Searies
- Year 3: Jasmyne McEffer
- Year 4: Lloyd Langton
- Year 5: Lachlan Bligh
- Year 6/7: Jaiden Hill
TUCKSHOP
Wednesday 26th February, 2014

FEBRUARY Special
Fish Fingers and Wedges (with or without Sour Cream)
With a choice of drink (popper/flavoured milk/LOL Drink) $6.00

Parish Mass Times

Saturday 1st March
9.00am Mass – Proston
6.00pm Mass – Wondai
Confirmation

Sunday 2nd March
8.00am Mass – Murgon
Confirmation
10:00am Mass – Goomeri

Parish Phone No: 4168 1406

SLUSHIES: Will be available every Monday
Thursday and Friday at Big Lunch (all proceeds support the 2014 Canberra Trip)

- Small Slush Puppy (fruit based) $1.50
- Small Iced Chocolate $2.00
- Thank you for your support.

PCYC Charity Ball
in aid of Shona

Time: 6:00pm
Date: 29th March 2014
Place: Murgon PCYC, Macalister Street, Murgon
Dress: Black Tie Event

Monster Auction
$90

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