Dear St Joseph’s Families,

Yesterday St Joseph’s recognised National Sorry Day with a Liturgy and activities throughout the middle session. During this Liturgy, we presented the Kenneth Watson-Cuttler Reconciliation Award.

Reconciliation is about building better relationships between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples and the wider Australian community for the benefit of all Australians. Therefore the recipient of this award would embrace the spirit of reconciliation.

Congratulations to MITCHELL BOND who was the recipient of this year’s Kenneth Watson-Cuttler Reconciliation Award.

Mitchell treats all people as equals to himself – not judging others based on their race, culture, school work or family circumstances. He is kind, patient, supportive, caring & respectful to all students in his class and within the school. He demonstrates a nurturing and respectful nature towards all students and staff. Mitchell advocates for reconciliation between Indigenous and non-Indigenous Australians through modelling the attributes of nurture, respect, faith, understanding and forgiveness. This can be seen by his excellent relationship between older peers and younger students at school. He accepts and includes all others particularly on the sporting field.

A very worthy winner. Well done Mitchell.

Welcome

This week we welcome 17 girls and 5 staff from All Hallows’ school in Brisbane. The girls were a part of our school community yesterday helping out with our Sorry Day activities. If you see the girls around the school please make them feel welcome. We hope they enjoy their stay.

Supervised Crossing

We are very fortunate at St Joseph’s to have a safe environment provided by the Department of Transport to help our community members cross the road safely. It has been noted, however, that a number of parents, sometimes with young children, do not use the crossing or are not driving at the required speed in this area. Parents are encouraged, for their own safety and the safety of their children, and as a good example to others, to use the crossing correctly or more importantly travelling at the correct speed.

Go QLD

Here we go again! This Wednesday evening NSW and QLD will once again go head to head in another State of Origin series. The question has been asked by many out there, if the Qld team can win again and make it nine in a row! OF COURSE THEY CAN!!! For the record I’m tipping QLD to win the first game in a close one!

Have a great week,

Greg Cran

Principal
Getting Along.
This fortnight in program achieve, students continued their study about Getting Along.

This week in lower primary, students have been learning to:
- State the meaning of the term “consequences.”
- State that solutions to problems can have both positive and negative consequences.
- Explain the “Being Independent” way of thinking and how it can help them to stand up to peers who want them to do the wrong thing.
- Control their responses to other people by changing their thinking.

Next week the lower primary students will be learning to:
- Identify conflict initiating behaviour.
- Identify behaviours that will reduce the likelihood of conflict.
- Interact positively with others who tend to initiate conflict.
- Explain why the “Playing By The Rules” way of thinking helps them resolve interpersonal conflict.

This week in middle primary, students have been learning to:
- Explain the concept of “peer pressure.”
- Identify peer pressure situations.
- Explain the difference between negative and positive peer pressure.
- Explain the consequences of giving in to negative peer pressure.
- Generate a list of positive thoughts they can use in peer pressure situations.
- To say “No” to peers who pressure them.
- To explain the “Needing Approval” (needing to be liked) way of thinking that can cause them to give in to negative peer group pressure.

Next week the middle primary students will be learning to:
- State a variety of conflict-reducing behaviours.
- Demonstrate conflict-reducing behaviours.
- Generate thoughts that alleviate anger (“Being Tolerant of Others” way of thinking).
- Explain how the “Acting Without Thinking” way of thinking can cause increased conflict in interpersonal problems.
- Generate alternative strategies for conflict resolution before taking action ("Thinking First” way of thinking).

This week in upper primary, students have been learning to:
- State the differences between assertive, aggressive and passive styles of resolving problems and conflicts.
- State how to use assertiveness to handle peer pressure situations.
- State the importance of following important classroom rules and how the “Playing by the Rules” way of thinking helps make the classroom a safer and better place to learn.
- State that students who break rules and misbehave have an “Intolerance of Limits” way of thinking that leads to their classroom being a less peaceful place where it is more difficult for learning to occur.

Next week the upper primary students will be learning to:
- Identify the thoughts that cause them to feel angry.
- Identify thoughts that alleviate anger.
- Challenge and change their anger-producing thoughts so they are less angry.
- Explain how the “Being Intolerant of Others” way of thinking leads to anger-creating thoughts, feelings and behaviours.
- Explain how the “Being Tolerant of Others” way of thinking helps in controlling anger.

Collection Notice
Our school has been selected to participate in the 2014 Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with disability conducted by the Commonwealth Government. The data will be collected as at 1 August 2014 and will include:
- Total number of school students
- Number of students with a disability by school level (primary / secondary)
- Number of disability types (physical, social, cognitive or sensory)
- Level of adjustment provided (none, supplementary, substantial, extensive).
- NB — no student identifiers will be provided.

Should you not wish your child with a disability to be included in this count, please advise the school, in writing, by Friday 6/6/14.

Further information can be found at the following website:

David Francis
Guidance Counsellor  St Joseph’s Primary School,  Murgon, Mon, Tues, Wed  Ph 4168 1627

Book Club flyers are being sent home today. These orders are due back on Monday 9 June. 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 Fees For April/May WERE Due by 22/05/2014
Thank you to those families who have brought their school fee accounts up to date. A further reminder that unless you have a formalised instalment payment arrangement in place with the School (e.g. Direct Debit, Centrepay) your April/May account were due for payment by Thursday 22nd May. If you require any further time to make this payment, could you please contact the school office on 4168 1627 for a confidential discussion with Mr Cran.

ICAS Academic Competitions
If you are interested in registering your child/ren for any of the ICAS competitions, please contact the office for details. More information can be found at: www.eaa.unsw.edu.au

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Students of the Week—Term 2 Week 6
Prep Zeshawn Leedie
Year 1 Lauchlan Williams
Year 2 Jilleal Bligh
Year 3 Riley Robinson
Year 4 Pheona Combo
Year 5 Kaitlyn Zelinski
Year 6/7 Patrick Hoult

May Happy Birthdays
Prep Justin Robinson
Year 1 Logan Robinson
Year 2 Alessa Druey, Daniel Rowberry, Jilleal Bligh
Year 3 DJ Olbes
Year 5 Morgan McPhail, Damien Baulch, Jeremy Hobbs, Lachlan Bligh
Year 6/7 Lennox Bligh, Jarrod Oberle, Brenna Prendergast, Francis Hobbs
TEACHERS: Uncle Eric Law, Mrs Pickford, Mr Boles, Mrs Dennis, Mr Mollenhauer

Fete News The count-down is on for our School Fete - in 14 Weeks!
Craft Stall Wanted: People to make items or donate goods to be made into items like tea towels, towels, face washers, coat hangers: lace (5m hanger), and wool (8ply). Please deliver to School Office or Presbytery.
Contact Teresa Hodson on 41685957 for more information.

Big Drop

Giant Slide

Two Exciting new rides for 2014
Our Family Holiday Canberra Fund Raising Raffle

Last chance to sell tickets for this fabulous holiday!

1st Prize - Zagame’s Paradise Resort - 5 Night Theme Park Thrill Package (Including Dreamworld)

2nd Prize - ($150 Murgon Money) Tickets—$2.00 each - drawn 6/6/14

It would be greatly appreciated if anyone is available to assist with selling Raffle tickets outside IGA for the Canberra Trip. Please contact the office if you are able to help on the following dates. Thursday 29th May or Friday 30th May. Thank You!

TUCKSHOP SPECIAL
EACH WEDNESDAY

Hot Dog & LOL Can or Popper
Plus a Cup Cake $6.00
June Menu attached (starts next week)

NEXT P & F MEETING

21st June 6pm Administration Block
All Very Welcome!

SPORT NEWS

Today we have three students running at the Wide Bay School Cross Country Trials in Gayndah. These carnivals are very tough competition. We wish Cookie Aubrey, Harry Perrett and Rebecca Palmer all the very best for their event in the Under 11 boys and girls today!

Australia is retuning The retune is coming to Murgon and surrounds at about 3.30pm on 28 May. If you want to watch State of Origin—you will need to retune....before Kick-Off!!
retune.digitalready.gov.au

There Are Too Many Elephants In This House by Ursula Dubosarsky was this year’s National Simultaneous Story time book. We joined readers from across Australia at 11:00 last Wednesday to enjoy the presentation of this story by school staff and Fr Michael, Corky (Crow FM) and Helen Spelitis (South Burnett Times). Some staff members impersonated the elephants in Eric’s house during the reading of the story. It was a fun way to enjoy this great book!

Murgon Mass Times

Week-end Mass

Saturday 31st May  Proston 9am
Sunday 1st June  Murgon 8am

Weekday Mass Times (THIS WEEK ONLY!)

Wednesdays 5.30pm Murgon
Thursdays 5.30pm Wondai
Fridays 9.30am Murgon

JOIN US FOR State of Origin 1
This Wednesday 28th May, Parish BBQ
School Staff Room 6.30pm Cost $5.00 p/head
Phone Fr. Michael 41 681 406
ALL VERY WELCOME

Year 7 Interviewers Heather and Stafford Sandow

This is your life Miss Kelly