Dear Parents/Caregivers,

I, like all of the students and staff, am looking forward to the St Joseph’s fete to be held next Friday night 5th September. After such a big build up we pray for a fine night and a large crowd. Please don’t think it is too late to offer assistance. Leisa will accept all offers of help in any way to make this night a success. As well as being a night for great school spirit, it offers a wonderful memory for children and a highlight in their school life. As I have been out and about around the school, it’s great to see the enthusiasm of the children, as they practise their fete items.

This Thursday children will be allowed to wear free dress and or crazy socks. On this day the children are asked to bring a donation of a family block of chocolate to support the LOB A CHOC stall.

NAPLAN RESULTS 2014
We received the individual student reports yesterday. Your child’s report has been sent home in an envelope - if you do not receive it please let us know.
We are analysing our results and we will formulate plans in order to keep supporting and developing programs in those areas where improvement is required. Our Learning project focussed upon Early Years Literacy is an initiative that will support our students in the long term.

WORKING BEE
What a great day last Sunday was, we had one of the best supported Working Bees. Our school community was well represented and an enormous amount of work was achieved around the school grounds, especially out the front of the school. What a make over it has had with more to come! If you get a chance come in and have a look. I would like to thank the following families – Browns, Hobbs, Hoults, Jones, Kapernicks, Pattons, Prendergasts, Kris Baulch, Walkers, Mr Boles, Zac Dawson and the Atkins family. A special thank you to the Zelinski family for the loan of their equipment on the day, it was greatly appreciated. We cannot thank you enough for the time and effort you put in to making our great school look even better.

CONGRATULATIONS
Last Saturday seven of Year 6/7 students travelled to Bundaberg to compete in the OPTI minds tournament. The children had been given a task to work on over the last six weeks and were required to design and build an elevator (without using electricity) which was able to lift a can of tuna up to 1 ½m high. As well as this the children needed to write a script to support their presentation of the elevator. Also on the day the children participated in a spontaneous task where they worked as a team to solve a problem. Congratulations to all students involved your results were a credit to you and all the hard work you put into making your experience successful. The team was awarded The Spirit of Optiminds Award and Honours for their elevator. A great achievement! This is yet another example of the great learning/teaching activities happening here at St Joseph’s. A big thank you to Mr Morris for the time and effort he put into preparing the children for the day and to Mr Prendergast (Graham) and Mrs Cran for helping out on the day.

FATHER’S DAY STALL
The St Joey’s Father’s Day Stall is here again.
The children will be able to preview the gifts next Monday 1st September and will have a chance to write their wish list. The store will open for business from next Tuesday 2nd September, before school and will be open until Thursday morning next week. The gifts range in prices. The children are able to purchase multiple gifts, as the gifts are suitable for fathers, grandparents or the special man in their life.
A very big Thank You to Kris Baulch for organising the Father’s Day Stall. We look forward to another successful stall with lots of satisfied customers.

ST JOSEPH’S IS ON FACEBOOK
St Joseph’s Primary School Murgon has now joined Social Media in the form of FACEBOOK with a Group page for everyone to be able to follow what is happening at the school.
If you look up – FIND GROUPS St Joseph’s Primary School Murgon you should then be able to request permission to join the group.
This group page has been set up for the purpose of parents, family and friends of students at St Joseph’s, being able to be kept up to date with what is happening at school.
We ask that you respect that this is not a form of communication with the office or teachers and if you have any concerns you would contact the office or teachers to discuss any issues.
Facebook will provide the community of St Joseph’s with a valuable tool of communication.

Greg Cran
Principal
Book Week Dress Up!
A huge thank you to those who were able to come along last Monday, dressed up as a favourite book character. We had Snow White and her many Prep dwarfs, Little Red Riding Hood, Captain Cook, and many other interesting visitors to our Book Week morning! Each class enjoyed examples of the many beautiful shortlisted books for this year’s Book Week, and have engaged in a variety of literature activities based on these books.

Reconciliation
Congratulations to Dylan Kapernick, who was welcomed into the Catholic Church during Mass last Friday. This is a very special time for Dylan and his family. Dylan will join with Amelia Cran, Lucy Hobbs, David Taylor and Floyd Aubrey who will be making their first Reconciliation next Tuesday evening. Our prayers are with you all on this special occasion.

Grandparents’ Day Celebrations!
This Friday 29th August, St Joseph’s is honouring our grandparents with a special morning of celebration. All grandparents, or special older people in the lives of our students, are very welcome to join us.

The morning will begin at 9:30am with a special Mass in the Church. Following this, the students will invite their grandparents to their classroom to share their learning. Grandparents are very welcome to pop between classes so as to experience each grandchild’s learning.

Everyone is then welcome to join together in our Hall, for shared morning tea, and a little concert performed by our students. Please bring along a plate of goodies to share, dropping it into the Hall in the morning.

We are looking forward to a lovely morning of celebration and sharing, to honour our grandparents on Friday.

Have a terrific week!

Celia O’Connor
Acting APRE/CST

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

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This fortnight in Program Achieve, students continued their study of Persistence.

**Lower Primary**
This week in Lower Primary, students have been learning to:
- state that having to do hard work is a natural part of school.
- state the meaning of the "I Can Do It" way of thinking and how it can help them to do hard work.
- increase the amount of time they stay actively engaged in hard work.

Next week the Lower Primary students will be learning to:
- state the meaning of "obstacles" or "blockers" and how obstacles can prevent them from doing their work.
- state that there are ways to get over obstacles or "blockers" on their path to success.
- explain the meaning of the "I Can Do It" way of thinking and how it can help them overcome obstacles.

**Middle Primary**
This week in Middle Primary, students have been learning to:
- identify different obstacles or "blockers" that prevent them from doing their work.
- state different things they can do to overcome common obstacles or "blockers" to starting homework.
- state the difference between "inside" and "outside" obstacles or "blockers".

Next week the Middle Primary students will be learning to:
- state the meaning of "hard yakka" (hard work).
- identify those aspects of their schoolwork they find to be hard yakka.
- state how the "Working Tough" way of thinking can help them do hard yakka.
- use positive self talk to help them do homework they find to be hard yakka.

**Upper Primary**
This week in Upper Primary, students have been learning to:
- distinguish between motivational thoughts and discouraging thoughts.
- explain the relationship between motivational thoughts and task persistence.
- explain that to achieve pleasant results, they sometimes have to do unpleasant things, and that this is a way of thinking called "Working Tough."
- state the short-term disadvantages of putting off work and the long-term advantages of doing it.

Next week the Upper Primary students will be learning to:
- explain the meaning of "hard yakka."
- explain how the negative ways of thinking "I Can’t Do It" and "I Can’t Be Bothered" lead to general work avoidance.
- explain how positive ways of thinking "I Can Do It" and "Working Tough" can encourage them to do work they do not feel like doing.
- identify motivational strategies and thoughts for doing hard yakka.

David Francis
Guidance Counsellor St. Joseph's Primary School Phone: 41 681 627

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**Active After School Communities**

**Mondays** — Cricket ;  **Tuesdays** — Tennis;  **Starts at 3.15pm**

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**Reminder from Mrs Guteridge in the Library.**

**Book Club** orders are due by 1st September, if you are paying by cheque please make the order payable to St. Josephs School. **Thank you and Happy Reading.**

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**Art News**

The "2014 Brisbane Catholic Education Prize For Art" is on again and we have 10 students entering pictures in the competition. The theme for our section was "CREATION" this year. Prizes up for grabs include $2000 for the school to spend on "The Arts " program as well as individual vouchers for students.

The students exhibiting are:- Pheona Combo, Logan Robinson, Emily Palmer, Lara Kapernick, Shontayne Cobbo, Yuna Obles, Jaylah Purcell, Bridget Jones, Bridie Prendergast and Jannali Warner.
Our Year 7 Student, Cookie Aubrey recently competed in the Karate Union of Australia National Championships in Sydney. He was very successful, achieving 3 Gold, 1 Silver and 2 Bronze medals. Cookie worked hard to achieve these results and we congratulate him on his good spirit of sportsmanship.

TUCKSHOP SPECIAL
EACH WEDNESDAY
Nachos & Drink
Either Orchy/Popper or Flavoured Milk
$6.00

Our shining OPTI mind Stars Deep in thought!
Emma Cran, Stafford Sandow, Patrick Hoult, Francis Hobbs, Shonae Walker, Brooke Heness and Brenna Prendergast along with their Teacher, Mr Morris. Well done!

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August Happy Birthdays
Year 2: Caitlin Barnett
Year 3: Joanela Purcell
Year 4: Bridie Prendergast
Year 5: Josh Peterson, Rebecca Palmer
Yr 6/7: Shonae Walker
Sister Carmel, Mrs Muckert Deanna Cittolin, Aunty Elise—Happy Birthday Everyone!

Cookie Aubrey
Karate Champion

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 5TH FETE FETE FETE
Thursday 28th August is Free Dress and or Crazy Sock Day for Lob a Choc stall where children bring in a flat block of chocolate.

Monster Raffle
Please return all sold/unsold raffle books and money to the school office next Wednesday 3rd September. Additional books of tickets are available from the office if anyone is interested in selling them.

Cake Stall
Volunteers who can bake for the cake stall or donations of ingredients (eg. eggs, flour, sugar, butter) would be greatly appreciated. Donations can be left at school.

CHOOK LOTTO!
Our exciting new event! Five dollars a square to win $100. Watch to see if the chook co-operates and leaves its message in your square! Purchase your square from the office.

Wrist bands for unlimited rides at the fete can be bought from the school office for $25? Please phone or call in to book your tickets early.

Volunteer Worker Forms: Please return forms as soon as possible.

If anyone has any questions regarding the fete please don’t hesitate to call the school on 41681627.
St. Joseph’s Parish & School Fete
5th September 5.30pm till late!!

**COMING AND BE DUNKED!!**
Up for dunking are teachers, police, Fr. Michael and others.
If there are further nominations out there please advise the school.

**Be Afraid**
... This is the action slide of all time. Double lane Big Drop is the steepest and fastest slide in town. Test your nerve and climbing skills when you are climbing to the top. SOME STAFF TOO SCARED TO ATTEMPT THE SLIDE!!
Not for the faint hearted TOTAL ACTION....

**Licensed to thrill!!**

Watch as the children climb the Giant slide and scramble up the slide rope ladder till their hearts are content!!
This Giant Slide is capable of 600 slides per hour. There is no monkey business with this Giant Slide. Get your tickets

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Many other Stalls: Hot Food, Drinks, Novelty, Piety, Craft, Raffle and much much more! Bring your family and friends along and enjoy a fun and friendly night at our School and Parish Fete. All Very Welcome!!
Grandparents’ Day Mass and Morning Tea

Keep your morning free on Friday 29th August, for a special Mass and morning devoted to our Grandparents. Children will be sending home invitations for Grandparents to join in our special Mass at 9:30am. Following Mass at 10:20ish children will share some of their learning experiences with Grandparents in their classrooms. At 10:45am a shared morning tea will finish this very special morning.

We are looking forward to seeing you there!

Murgon Blue Light Disco
When: 19th September, 2014
Where: Diggers Room, Murgon RSL
Time: 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Who: Ages Prep to 13 years
Cost $5.00 entry (includes a Hot Dog)

South Burnett Little Athletics Club
Ages 5—17 years
Sprints, Middle and Long distance running, Shot Put, Discus, Long Jump, High Jump, Triple Jump, Javelin and Hurdles
(some events for certain age groups are modified)

SUNDAY 31ST AUGUST, 2014
Taabinga State School Oval
FAMILY FUN & FITNESS
Contact: Kellie 0437 764269
Kaylene 0438 625551

Parish Mass Times

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FATHER’S DAY STALL - Tuesday 2nd — Thursday 4th September
P & F have gifts available from next Tuesday for the children to purchase. There are a variety of gifts with the prices starting from $2.00 each. The children are able to purchase multiple gifts, as the gifts are suitable for fathers, grandparents or the special man in their life. P & F wish to thank you for your ongoing support.

Parents & Friends
NEXT P & F MEETING

16th October — 6pm Administration Block
All Very Welcome!

INVITATION
Saturday 4th October, 2014
WONDAI STATE SCHOOL
50TH ANNIVERSARY
OF THE OPENING OF THE SECONDARY DEPARTMENT

All alumni, teachers, family and friends are invited to join the founding students for a spit roast buffet dinner at the WONDAI HOTEL Saturday evening 4th October at 6.30pm. “Footsteps” a duo from Wooroolin, will provide music.

TICKETS COST $60 Per Hd
And can be purchased up to 5th Sept 2014 from:
Wondai Hotels 41 685274
Wondai State School 41692333
Pam Stockdale Mobile: 0404 477 144

Closed Event: including festival style set up with marquee, stage, open fire pit and wood fired And Celebration Cake/Dessert and Live Music