Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Prayer of Celebration

Always be full of joy in the lord.
I say it again-rejoice!

Let everyone see that you are considerate in all you do.
Remember the Lord is coming soon.

Don’t worry about anything,
instead pray about everything.
Tell God what you need,
and thank him for all he has done.

If you do this, you will experience God’s peace,
which is far more wonderful
than the human mind can understand.

His peace will guard your hearts and minds
as you live in Christ Jesus.

Amen

Thank you for the warm welcome I have received from all students and staff this week.

I am looking forward to the next six weeks as Acting Principal while Mr Cran is on leave.

The students are very enthusiastic and very friendly towards new visitors at St Joseph’s.

My goal is to meet all the students before the end of next week. I have been very impressed by the behaviour of the students and I look forward to assisting those students who are struggling at times. The leadership shown by Year six has been very impressive and I would like to thank Miss Marshall and Year Six for leading the school in such an exemplary manner.

I will be in the position of Acting Principal until the end of week one, Term four.

ST JOSEPH’S FETE

The Fete is on Saturday this week!! There will be many wonderful stalls and lots of fun to be had! Come along and dunk Mr Cran and Mr Erwin! there will also be a bull riding machine and lots of food to be eaten. This is a major fundraiser for our school and a wonderful community building event.

Please come along and support St Joseph’s. See you there!!
Thank you to the wonderful committee for all their hard work. Thank you also to the staff who have been working hard and will operate a lot of stalls on Saturday night.

TRUANCY FROM SCHOOL

All students are expected to be at school every day. Learning takes place every day in many ways. Please ensure your child attends school all the time.

The statistics regarding school attendance and success in life are there for all to see. Students who do not attend school struggle later in life and that is not what we want.

PREP OPEN DAY 10TH SEPTEMBER

Next Thursday, 10th September is Prep Open day at St Joseph’s. Fliers have been produced by Brother Tim and distributed to all Kindergartens in the district. Please encourage anyone you know who is looking for Prep enrolment in 2016 to come next Thursday from 9am.

Have a great week,

Sean Erwin

Principal
Welcome to Week 8.

Books have certainly lit up our world here at St Joseph’s this year, and what a beautiful way to celebrate all of our students’ reading achievement and progress, than through Book Week last week. Thank you to Year 5/6 students for sharing their amazing book reviews and digital book trailers on the short-listed titles for this year. Topping off the week was an hilarious dress-up day where not only students, but staff came all dressed up as favourite book characters!

During home reading, you might like to try some strategies to help your child to attack words they don’t know. Here are a couple of ideas!

**ORANGE SKY LAUNDRY**

Orange Sky Laundry is Australia’s first mobile laundry service for the homeless. A world first, started in Brisbane by two 20 year olds, the custom fitted van has been servicing parks and drop in centres across Brisbane and the wider area with its two industrial washers and dryers. Orange Sky wants to expand its services Australia wide by the end of 2015.

Student Leaders in our Faith Group at St Joseph’s are keen to raise money to help this fantastic cause. Along with many other Brisbane Catholic Education schools, we will be supporting Orange Sky Laundry.

On **Wednesday 9th September** there will be an **Orange Food Stall** selling orange cake, orange icy cups, orange jelly cups, orange jam. We are eager for any donations of ingredients for making these items, or orange cakes, for our stall please. If you can help, we’d love for you to drop your orange goodies into the office please. Thank you!

Students will also be given the opportunity to participate in icing and decorating orange biscuits on **Wednesday 9th September**, for a donation.

**NANO NAGLE FEAST DAY**

On Friday 4th September St Joseph’s will be celebrating the Feast Day of Nano Nagle, foundress of the Presentation Sisters. Mass will begin at 9:30am and special awards will be given out during this Mass. Everyone is very welcome.

**CASTRA COBBERS PROGRAM**

Year 1 recently visited their Castra Cobbers and performed the Chicken Dance and their Indonesian Song for the residents. Mrs Barry was very impressed with their respectful behaviour and Year 1 was awarded a special class award at assembly last Friday.

**Year 5/6 will be visiting Castra Cobbers today, Tuesday 1st September.**

**MASSES**

The next Anointing Mass will be on **Friday 11th September at 9:30am**. Year 4 will be participating.

**RECONCILIATION**

Tuesday 15th September at 1pm, any student who has made their sacrament of reconciliation is invited to attend reconciliation. Miss O’Connor will supervise the children at the Church during this time.

Wishing you a wonderful fortnight.

God Bless

*Celia O’Connor*

Acting APRE/CST
This fortnight in Program Achieve students have been 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).

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

SPORTING STARS AT ST. JOSEPH’S

St Joseph’s Murgon Primary Champions at Wide Bay All School Touch Carnival

Sunday 30th August saw the Murgon State High School host the Wide Bay All School Touch Carnival for Primary Boys and Girls right through to Open Boys and Girls. With 40 teams in attendance and great weather, it shaped up to be a fantastic day.

St Joseph’s Catholic Primary School Murgon fielded a primary girls team and primary boys team made of students from Years 3 to Year 6, many of whom had never played touch football before. Under the watchful eye of their coach Mrs Sheree Prendergast, this didn’t stop them, with their skills developing and both teams making the grand final on the day!

The primary girls team had a great day with two wins and one close loss (0-1) leading into the semi-finals. They then went on to win their semi-final and play Taabinga SS in the final. In another close match the girls were runners up, going down 2-1.

The primary boys team were undefeated all day and had only two tries scored against them across all their matches. With a strong 6-0 win in their semi-final, the boys powered through to win their final against fellow local team Murgon State School 7-0.

Teacher Mrs Claire Dennis commented on the great behaviour, sportsmanship and teamwork of both teams on the day – “They proudly represented our school and we were so proud of what they could achieve, given the limited experience they have playing touch football. We had a great day!”

Congratulations to our wonderful Sporting Stars and their wonderful Teachers!

Sean Erwin with Petero Civoniceva at Cherbourg at 1pm today.
Book Week Lights Up Our world at St. Joseph's.
Fantastic costumes and lots of fun!!

Greetings to September Birthday Students

Prep
Jayden McEffer - 2nd
Sharnali Diver - 8th
Emily Gleeson - 8th
Amelia Murray - 13th

Year 1
Shawny Leedie - 1st
Jaquon Clevens - 8th
Qwontajiah Clevens - 16th
Ella Peterson - 19th
Mischa Gleeson - 25th

Year 2
Emily Palmer - 25th

Year 3
Jamarl Alberts - 13th
Seth Lucht - 13th
Kaylah Bligh - 27th

Year 4
Emily Campbell-Slatter - 7th

Year 5
Teagan O’Sullivan - 2nd
Ron-Keyah Bond - 5th
Oliver Bembrick - 28th

Students of the Week

Week 6
Prep Keith Bond
Year 1 All of Year 1
Year 2 Riley Gleich
Year 3 Seth Lucht
Year 4 Athena Rickets

Week 7
Prep Taihya Cleary
Year 1 Catielyn Purcell
Year 2 Bella Barrett
Year 3 Trent Aubrey
Year 4 Riley Robinson
Year 5/6 Jamie Atkins & Jeremy Hobbs
Reminder....... Tomorrow 2nd September
Free Dress Day for Fete **Bloc of Choc Stall**

Children are to wear closed-in shoes and sun safe clothing please!

![Dairy Milk](image)

**Tickets**
Armbands for unlimited rides at the Fete can be purchased this week.
$25.00 each. Includes all rides except the Dunking Machine.

- Plants & Cuttings, Cake and Sweet Donations, are still needed please. If they could be delivered to the school on Friday or on Saturday morning.

- Purchase tickets in the Chook Poo Raffle at the Office this week!

Count down is on now! As it is our major fundraising activity for our school and parish community, we will enormously appreciate any help received.

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**St. Joseph’s Parish & School**

**Fete**

Saturday 5 September 3pm - 9pm

**COME and DUNK Mr Cran!! Be the first!** Up for dunking are teachers, police, Fr. Michael and others.

**Double Lane Big Drop** is the steepest. Be Afraid...this is the action slide of all time and fastest slide in town.

**Test your nerve and climbing skills when you are climbing to the top. Not for the faint hearted.**

Watch as the children climb the **Giant slide** and scramble up the slide rope ladder!

**Bucking Bull ...... Who will be the First to Ride and Stay On!!! Will it be Fr. Michael?**

**HOT FOOD & DRINKS - NOVELTY - CRAFTS**

**BIG DROP SLIDE - THOMAS THE TANK ENGINE**

**GET DUNK’D - BUCKING BULL - LICENCED BAR**

**RAFFLE - 2 JUMPING CASTLES - $25 RIDES PASS**

**CHILDREN PERFORMANCES - POLICE PIPE BAND**

**SCHOOL BANDS - FUN FUN FUN FUN FUN**

**See you there!**
Reminder........

The Parish Sacramental Reconciliation Meeting tonight — Tuesday 1st at the Parish Office, 7pm — 8pm. Call Fr. Michael 4168 1406

ST. JOSEPH’S PARISH HALL IS AVAILABLE FOR RENT FOR UNLICENSED FUNCTIONS PHONE 4168 1406

WANTED POSTAGE STAMPS
To help the Mary MacKillop International Missions in Peru
All you need to do is send Your used postage stamps

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Parish Priest: Fr. Michael Carroll sm PH: 4168 1406

P & F

Next P & F Meeting TBA in the Administration Block All Welcome!