Parent-Teacher Meetings – Week 9 & 10
Board Meeting Cancelled

Principal’s Message

My sincere thanks to staff, parents and students for the continued support we have received throughout this term. Term 2 certainly has been busy and in times of haste we can more easily disregard the thoughts, feelings and perspectives of others. Fortunately this has not been the case; in fact quite the opposite has been occurring here. At different times throughout the term I have witnessed students looking after other students by inviting them to play, teachers offering to do extra duties and parents volunteering their time to help in class, paint concrete, assist in the tuckshop and attend meetings.

During week 3 of term 3 we celebrate Catholic Education Week. This annual event is held to promote the special ethos of Catholic schools and to highlight the great things that take place in Catholic schools every day. It is fitting that the theme this year is: Celebrating Community – Family Parish School.

‘Celebrating Community’ invites Catholic schools and education agencies to highlight and celebrate the value of ‘community’ and affirm its presence as a central aspect of the life and strength of the Catholic Christian tradition.

‘Community’ is at the heart of the Catholic tradition. For two thousand years people have come together in community to share the story of Jesus, to nurture and strengthen each other, and to commit themselves to continuing his mission.

Our Catholic school motto of ‘Catholic Family’ embraces this sense of community, evidenced by the positive relationships which exist between our students, staff and parents.

Warmest regards,

John Hinton
Principal

Thank you:

- To Joy Macklin for her organisation of the 2012 Small Schools Athletics Carnival.
- To Kerry Fountain, Freya Karpowski and Tanya Gilbert for assisting in the tuckshop last Wednesday.
- To Paul Corsetti for assisting with loading and unloading athletics equipment for the Small Schools Athletics Carnival.
Community Excursions
Since the beginning of 2012 a part of Mrs Marvell’s role has been that of Community Development. Mrs Marvell has been working with class teachers to offer opportunities for students to deepen their learning in the community. One of these community excursions has included a year 1/2 visit to the Childers Library.

On Wednesday, the 23rd of May, Year 1/2 walked to the Childers Library to participate in activities related to their dinosaur unit. The students had fun putting together dinosaur skeletons (pretend ones). They had to cut out the pieces and glue them onto a template. Split-pin Dinosaur Characters was another activity. The students chose a dinosaur and cut up different parts of the dinosaur. They then had to pin the dinosaur back together with split-pins.

The students listened to Denise Rapkins read two stories about dinosaurs. Denise also had a fun activity where the students had to cut out dinosaurs and glue them onto paddle pop sticks. They were kept busy and had an enjoyable time.

Congratulations Jacinta Driscoll
I am pleased to announce the appointment of Mrs Jacinta Driscoll to the role of Year 4/5 Classroom Teacher. This is a Maternity Leave appointment and is due to commence from Monday, 9th July (start of term 3). Jacinta has been teaching year 4/5 for the past 2 weeks and has proven her capacity to lead this class in learning.

Welcome to St Joseph’s Mrs Driscoll!

Small Schools Athletics Carnival
Congratulations to all students from Cordalba, Goodwood and St Joseph’s for their participation and sportsmanship throughout the carnival. Goodwood had an outstanding day winning the ballgames, overall points and aggregate points for 2012.

A further congratulations to St Joseph’s Small School Age Champions; Will Martell, Joshua Maroney, Brooke Fitz-Gibbon, Isabella Bonanno and Eden Farimbella.

Beeke Away This Week
Please be aware there will be no strings lessons this Thursday.

Workplace Health and Safety
A reminder to students who catch buses to or from school. Parents please talk to your children about the need to use seat belts on buses in the appropriate manner.
Term 2 Leadership Ministry Reports

Sports Ministry
This term the Sports Ministry created a lunchtime soccer competition for grades 4, 5, 6 and 7. The soccer competition started in week 3 and concluded in week 8 with the grand final. We managed to have a special trophy made by Caitlin Cook’s Dad for the winning team.

Environment Ministry
This term has been a great brainstorming term for the Environment Ministry. For example, ‘National Tree Day’ where we are hoping to approach the council to ask for seedlings to plant in an area that needs rehabilitation in the local community. Another great idea is to start a worm farm so the castings can be used to fertilise the garden beds. We will also give fruit bins to each classroom which they can fill with food scrapes, which can then be fed to the worms and the chooks, and any left overs can go in the compost bin. This is great for the environment in many ways because it reduces rubbish and is providing fertiliser for the garden beds. The Environment Ministry is looking forward to actioning these ideas in term 3.

The Celebration and Prayer Ministry
Term 2 has been an exciting and busy time for many people including the Prayer and Celebration Ministry. This term’s highlights included ‘Coin it for Camouflage’ which allowed students to dress in camouflage for ANZAC Day. This event raised well over $100 for the RSL and we thank everybody for their donations and support. Joey’s Got Talent auditions were even more successful with as many as twenty acts auditioning. The acts varied from singers to dancers, to mimes and magicians. The date for the actual performance is this Wednesday during assembly. So over all, this term has been a great success.

Community Contributors Ministry
This term the Community Contributors were busy organising a winter appeal for St Vinnie’s where people donated all their old winter clothing and blankets. This was very successful as the bin the clothes were put in overflowed. We would like to thank everyone who participated and your donations are much appreciated. Next term the Community Contributors are planning to create a school mural which we hope will be as successful as the winter appeal.
Tennis –2012

The school offers private tennis lessons with Mr Kevin Banner, an accredited coach who travels to Childers from Bundaberg. Lessons are held on the school tennis court during school hours, every Thursday from 12 noon onwards. All students are placed in groups of similar ability for a half hour lesson.

The cost of the lessons is $6 each week and lessons are billed separate to the school fees each term. Students from Prep - Year 7 are welcome to enroll.

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CHRISTIAN VALUES | CATHOLIC FAMILY | INDIVIDUAL GROWTH
Prep/1 | Jesse Harney | Rikki Gilbert | Ava Karpowski
Yr 1/2 | Jayden Santacaterina | Wesley Hinton | Theresa Bretherton
Yr 3 | Amber Thompson-Klumpp | Ella Buckland | Samantha Fountain
Yr 4/5 | Curtis Fredriksen | Shardae Abbott | Charlie Fuller
Yr 6/7 | Eden Farimbeilla | Benji Gardner-Smith | Brooke Fitz-Gibbon

Happy Birthday

Will De Groot 19/06 | Caitlin Cook 26/06 | Mackenzie Hayes 27/06
Will Martell 24/06 | Samantha Fountain 26/06 | Amber King 02/07
Grace Allwood 25/06

Tennis Lessons 2012 - Term 3

Please return to the school office by Tuesday 10th July.

I ____________________ give permission for my child/children listed below to attend tennis lessons with Mr Kevin Banner on Thursdays. I acknowledge that the lesson cost $6 each week and will be billed per term on a separate invoice.

Yr:________ NAME: ______________________________
Yr:________ NAME: ______________________________

SIGNED:................................................................ DATE:......................

Please do not send payment with this form. An account will be sent home to you for payment.