Dear Parents/Guardians

Re: Principal Performance Review

All those in Senior Management positions in Brisbane Catholic Education, participate in regular performance review processes to assist in their professional development planning.

Mr John Hinton is undertaking such a review during Term 1, 2016.

As a component of this process, a confidential on-line survey is being conducted by Ardjuna Corporate Services, an independent survey company.

On Monday, 15th February, a sample of families across various year levels will receive an invitation to participate in this survey. These families are not chosen by the school, but instead are selected at random by Brisbane Catholic Education Office. The invitation will be emailed directly to families by Ardjuna Corporate Services, an independent survey company, appearing as “auto@ardjuna.com”. Please ensure to check your inbox and junk mail folders to see if your family has been chosen to participate. This survey will be conducted over a two week period and will close on Friday, 26th February.

Community consultation is highly valued and I thank you in advance for your participation.

Yours sincerely

Alain Pitot
Area Supervisor - School Services North
Catholic Education Archdiocese of Brisbane

We warmly welcome new students and staff to St Joey’s.

Our year 6 student leaders who will lead through service.

NRL Tipping Competition
A ‘St Joseph’s School’ tipping competition will be registered in the next couple of weeks.

St Joseph’s School community are invited to participate. The cost will be $20 (due by round 5 of the NRL competition). Further details regarding the split of prize money will be released after round 5.
Cross Country Training
On Friday, 11th March, we will be conducting our School Cross Country Carnival from 9 to 11:30am. Students will be running laps of our school block. The perimeter of our block is 500 metres:
- Ages 5 and 6 – 1 lap
- Ages 7 and 8 – 2 laps
- Ages 9 and 10 – 4 laps
- Ages 11 and 12/13 – 6 laps

During the cross country events, students will not cross any roads and there will be supervisors on each corner of the block. If you have any problems with your child participating, please call the office by Wednesday, 9th March. If you are able to assist, please inform the school office by Thursday, 10th March.

Cross Country training will occur from 8.15am on Tuesdays and Thursdays, starting this week. Everyone is welcome.

Extra-Curricular Activities
Please contact the school office if you wish your child/children to participate in these ‘user pay’ programs (places are limited). If your child participated in music and/or tennis in 2015 and you wish for them to continue, you will need to inform the office.

School Times
School begins each day at 8.35am. Drop off can be any time after 8.15am (morning supervision begins at this time). Pick up time is 2.50pm.
Welcome BBQ and Parent Information Evening
On Tuesday, February 9th, parents and carers are invited to a welcome BBQ, followed by a parent information evening. The welcome BBQ is a social opportunity to meet and welcome new families. As it will be Shrove Tuesday, the day prior to Lent, pancakes will be served instead of the usual sausage sizzle.

The purpose of the information evening is to communicate our new homework policy to all parents and for all parents to meet their child’s teacher, see the classroom and hear about some of the expectations each teacher has for their students. One of the greatest influences in your child’s learning progress is you, the parent. The more interest you show in what is happening at school, the more influence you have on your child’s learning.

Invitation is from 5.00pm. All parents will be invited to hear from the Principal at 5.45pm in the hall. Parents and carers are then invited to attend the classroom information session. Each class teacher will run two sessions: Session 1 is from 6.00pm; Session 2 is from 6.30pm. Each session is the same. This gives parents and carers who have children in more than one class the opportunity to visit each class.

After School Tutoring
A previous St Joseph’s School student, who is achieving high academic results at Isis High, is available and willing to provide after school tutoring. Places are available on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at a cost of $10 per hour. Please submit your interest at the school office - first come, first served.

Parent & Friends Committee
The Parents & Friends Association is an integral part of St Joseph’s School and provides a formal structure for parents and others interested in the welfare of the students to plan and organise activities for the benefit of our students and school. The P&F AGM and subsequent 1st meeting is set for Wednesday, 17th February from 6.30pm and will conclude by 7pm. Please consider becoming actively involved in your child’s school.

P&F School Calendar
A P&F yearly school calendar is being organised. We know how much our parents enjoy attending school events and we hope that plenty of notice will assist us to be ‘A Connected Community’. We hope to have the calendar ready by the end of term 1. Subsequent calendars for future years will be timelier, the first is always a little more consuming. In the meantime, please keep up to date with the newsletter ‘DATE CLAIMERS’ and the website calendar, click on the link - http://www.stjosephschilders.qld.edu.au/news-and-events/Pages/School-Calendar.aspx

Student Information Update
Please notify the office if you have changed your address, email, phone numbers or emergency contacts.

School Hats Have Arrived
If your child is in need of a new school hat they have arrived at Direct Garment Printing Group (local business in the main street of Childers).

Hot Water System Give-A-Way
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Chinese New Year Celebrations – Saturday, February 13
If the kids are leaving your house looking more like a jungle than a sanctuary, bring them along to the Chinese New Year Celebrations where their monkey business can be put to good use! The celebrations, being held in the Bundaberg CBD from 3pm to 9pm on Saturday, February 13, will feature a range of free children’s activities to welcome in the Year of the Monkey including face painting, jianzi Chinese featherball workshops hosted by Bundaberg Regional Galleries, monkey-themed craft activities and storytelling hosted by Bundaberg Regional Libraries and an interactive Chinese animal zodiac trail. For $5, children can also take part in lantern-making workshops and help to illuminate the night as they join in on the lantern parade at 8pm which will also feature giant lanterns. The evening’s grand finale will be a fireworks display which is sure to delight onlookers. For more information head to bundaberg.qld.gov.au or call 1300 883 699.

School Banking
School banking will be on Wednesdays this year. Please ensure that your child’s banking is handed in to the office on their arrival to school. Packs are available for any new students who wish to join School Banking. Please enquire at the office. The Banking Rewards program will be running again with some great new rewards to collect.