Dear Parents, Caregivers and Children

Queensland Catholic Schools and Colleges Music Festival

The Queensland Catholic Schools and Colleges Music Festival was held last Friday and over the weekend. The 3 groups representing Sts Peter and Paul’s School all performed extremely well and all 3 received GOLD awards for their efforts.

The Sts Peter and Paul’s School Band, conducted by Ms Sandy Chou earned a Gold award and great comments were received from the adjudicators. The Junior Choir got off to an early start on Friday morning. All of the Year 3 children looked beautiful and their behaviour and focused performance was very impressive. They sang ‘Black Swan Song and When I First Came to this Land’. The choir was awarded Gold, with the following comments:

Great negotiation of the upper pitches in the song. Good Dynamic contrasts and a very attractive choral sound in this young choir. Good clear diction throughout. Lovely rhythmic uniformity and precision. A robust, vital and energetic performance of this song. Well done with this choir today!

Finally, the Senior Choir made up of Years 4-7 students also achieved Gold with a beautiful performance of ‘Hallelujah’ and ‘Let Go the Long White Sails’. The comments we received were glowing:


Let Go the Long White Sails: A good solid start and good negotiation of the octave leaps. Good Dynamic contrasts. Lovely tone, blending and intonation and excellent work through the registers.

A wonderful performance today. Great work overall.

A special thank you is extended to our Music Specialist Teacher, Mrs Carolyn Burchill, who has spent months preparing the students and who was Conductor of our Choirs competing at the Festival. Your dedication, preparation, commitment and professionalism are very much appreciated.

A big thank you is also extended to Mrs Deb Balmer, our accompanist, whose professionalism and skill is unmatched. Thanks to Mrs Alayna Foster, who helps rehearse all choirs at the school with great enthusiasm. Thanks also to the staff for their on-going support and help with supervision of the students on the day. It was also great to see so many families come to the Festival to support the Band and Choirs. Finally, congratulations to our students for their exemplary behaviour, focused performances and outstanding results. Well done.

Children’s Book Week

This week we celebrate Children’s Book Week. Please read the Library News in this week’s newsletter so that you know what is happening for Book Week. A special thank you to our Teacher Librarians, Mrs Terry Ballentine and Mrs Rochelle Rimmer together with our wonderful Library staff for the opportunities and activities being provided for the students for Book Week.

From the Parish Newsletter:

CHURCH PLANS: What do you think?

In July, Andrew Oberthur wrote in the Newsletter on behalf of the Parish Pastoral Council with follow up on the two discernment days held in May. He wrote: “At the most recent Parish Council meeting, we continued the conversation regarding how to proceed with the education and consultation with the Parish Community, to progress the discernment of renewing our Church... The Parish Council was asked to provide a summary of the liturgical principles of the elements of liturgical spaces... Thanks to Fr Stephen Hackett, the guest presenter at our meetings, and a leading authority on church architecture, (this summary was provided over three weeks) with some websites of churches which have been through a similar renewal process.” At the end of the series he noted, “The Parish Council has engaged an architect to design some concept drawings for our liturgical space. Once these are available, they will be presented to the community for feedback. We continue to pray for the Lord’s guidance during this process.”

We are now ready to offer some schematic ideas. Of course they are quite undeveloped. The altar is shown as a square block. This is not what it would look like. The sketches give broad concepts to suggest how our internal space might be rearranged. We are asking for your feedback.

In evaluating these three approaches, we would like you to assess them in terms of the summary the Parish Council presented in July. Draw on the material from Canada we have published in the Newsletter over the last twelve months, the websites you have visited, the rich input we discussed at the two evaluation days. The yellow evaluation form has the Parish Council summary of our internal space. Once these are available, they will be presented to the community for feedback. We continue to pray for the Lord’s guidance during this process.”

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Principal's Message – Sr Ann-Maree Nicholls, sgs (continued)

The Plans are now on the Parish website – please refer to www.bulimbacatholic.com and the yellow feedback sheets are also available from the school office so that we can all be a part of the consultation phase by outlining our thoughts, views, and suggestions.

Peace and Best Wishes
Sr Ann-Maree Nicholls, sgs
PRINCIPAL

APRE News – Mr Brendan Schostakowski

Year 7 Class Mass

Year 7 will celebrate their class Mass this Thursday 23 August at 9am in the Church. The theme for this Mass is Justice and Peace: in the Old Testament, the prophet Micah (6:8) reminds us that “This is what Yahweh (The Lord) asks of you: only this, to act justly, to love tenderly and to walk humbly with your God.” Acting justly, or doing justice is given a high priority. But it can readily deteriorate into just doing. Doing justice needs to be accompanied by compassion for others and be sustained by a relationship with God that is characterised by humility.

Family members are very welcome to celebrate this Eucharist with the students and their teachers.

Children’s Book Week 18-24 August – ‘Champions Read’

This week we celebrate Children’s Book Week with the theme Champions Read. Book Week is the longest running children’s festival in Australia, celebrating its 67th birthday this year. Each year, schools from all over Australia spend a week celebrating books and Australian authors and illustrators, with classroom teachers and teacher librarians telling stories to highlight the importance of reading. During this week we give thanks to God for the imagination of writers and illustrators.

Stories can inspire,
can change lives,
can address bigotry and unkindness,
can give direction,
can take the reader into the mind of another,
can ease suffering and spread happiness
Paul Jennings

National Migrant and Refugee Week 20-26 August

During this week the Catholic Church in Australia celebrates Migrant and Refugee Week as an expression of our multicultural richness. The theme for this year is “Migrants and the New Evangelisation”.

This theme is an excellent occasion to reflect on the many opportunities the global phenomenon of migration holds for evangelization and how it has impacted on Australia. ... Evangelization in the context of migration is intrinsically linked to hospitality. Migration and the new evangelization often takes place quite visibly when people care for and welcome new migrants into their faith communities. The effects of evangelization are very practical and can be seen by looking at the many networks of charitable organisations in Australia which cover all various situations of poverty and need as well as education and health care...In migrants, Christians are called upon to seek Christ who knocks at our doors as it is written in the book of Revelations “Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.” (Rev 3:20)

Bishop Gerard Hannah.
Delegate for Migrants & Refugees, Bishops Commission for Pastoral Life

Wishing you God’s blessings for the coming week.
Brendan

Assistant Principal’s Message...Mr Damien Sullivan

Numeracy – You can learn in everyday situations!

As a parent we sometimes feel that the maths children do at school is different from how we were taught, or maybe that maths was not really one of our best subjects. But don’t worry. You can still help your child in lots of ways. Children develop numeracy skills when they use mathematical ideas in their everyday situations. At Sts Peter and Paul’s School we love to share our love of learning. There are numeracy opportunities everywhere.

Here is an example for students of the early years that you might like to share with your child.

Give it ago – it is wonderful for families to share the love of numeracy and to work it out together!

Travelling

• Play games in the car such as: Let’s count all the blue cars we see on the way out to...
• When your child asks: How long will it take to get there? You can respond with: It will take about the same time as it takes to get to...school, watch Playschool, etc
• Stopping at the service station, ask: How many ice-creams will we need to buy? Do we have enough money to pay for them? How much does the petrol cost here?

Outdoors

• When going for a walk point out house numbers and ask your child: What number do you think the next house will be? Will it be an odd or an even number?
• When deciding what to wear, talk about the weather. Ask: Is it likely to rain today?

At Home

• When playing computer games ask: How did you know which way to go?
• When talking about TV programs ask: What time is it? What time does the program start? Do we have enough time to read this book before it begins?
• When preparing a meal involve your child in deciding how much food to prepare for the whole family. You can ask: Are there enough for us to have one each?

A before school request

Parents and students are asked to please not enter school buildings before school. This includes internal hallways where port racks are located outside classrooms. These areas should be clear until the teacher brings their class inside.

Prep, Year 1 & Year 2 Mini Olympics – 14 September

The 2012 Prep to Year 2 Mini Olympics is being planned for Friday 14 September. The Mini Olympics will be held on the school oval from 9:00am until about lunchtime. The children will rotate through a range of fun physical activities with their class groups and teachers. Each class will be looking for a few volunteers to assist with activities, setting up and pack-up in order to help the day run smoothly. If you are able to help out, please let your class coordinator or teacher know.

Safety / Duty Rosters

To ensure the safety of everyone, each morning before school there are teachers on duty in three key areas: Prep and Year 1: to meet in the adventure playground before school each morning.

All other classes: to meet in the undercroft and hall area.

Library: the library will be open every morning from 8.20am. Please note that supervised duty is from 8:20 to 8:40am and we discourage children from arriving at school before that time. Children who are at school before 8:20am, even those accompanied by parents, must sit quietly in the undercroft until teachers come on duty.

All the best for the week ahead.

Damien Sullivan
**Child of the Week**

7G - Tom Jones
- Miela Goodchild
- Connor Pocock
- Isabella Gifford

6G - Georgia Morris
- Jessica-Kate Strambio
- Sophie Allen

5G - Chloe Anderson-Wills

3G - Lucy O'Brien

3B - Tristan Wildermuth
- Alex Careri

2B - Emily Young
- Inigo Lawrence

1R - Anna Ostwald

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**Library News**

Mark your calendars for a number of events during Term Three:

**Book Week/ Book Night** - 23rd August 6:30-8:00pm @ the Library
**The Reading Hour** - 25th August 6 - 7pm @ your home
**Cyber Safety Presentation** for Parents - 30th August 6:30pm School Library
**The Great Book Swap** - 5th September @ the Library

There are all types of champions; champion cooks, champion athletes, champion scientists, musicians, conservationists, etc. One thing all great champions have in common is that champions read! We challenge our students to be great champions. This week we celebrate Book Week – ‘Champions Read’ with daily activities in the library. Author Catherine Bates will be conducting poetry workshops for a number of our students. We also have one family night scheduled to enjoy reading together with your children. A flier for the family reading and activity night is included in the newsletter. Families are invited to stop by the library from 6:30 to 8:00pm on Thursday, 29th August. Please RSVP so we may plan accordingly.

The ‘Reading Hour’ will be held on Saturday, 25th August from 6:00-7:00pm. We encourage all families to take time from busy schedules and read with their children. See more about this activity: [http://www.thereadinghour.org.au/](http://www.thereadinghour.org.au/)

The Great Book Swap will be held 5th of September with proceeds benefiting the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Students will be able to bring a book and a gold coin to enter the Book Swap. The books chosen for swapping should be in good condition and an enjoyable book that others might like to read. Students are to download and complete a Book Plate [http://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au/GBS/](http://www.indigenousliteracyfoundation.org.au/GBS/) for the book or books they choose to swap. If students choose to swap more than one book, they must bring a gold coin for each book swap. Books and gold coins may be dropped off from 27th – 31st August. This will enable students to receive a token or tokens for their visit to the ‘Book Swap’ on the 5th of September, where they will be able to pick a newly-used book given by another student. More information will appear in upcoming newsletters.

**Happy Reading**

Mrs Ballentine, Mrs Rimmer, Mrs Brooks, and Mrs McEniery


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**P&F News**

Training is on Wednesday for half an hour at Hawthorne Park at 3.15pm. If you can't make the training session don't worry - you can still log on as part of the school team - just use these ID numbers or email Thank you to everyone who came along to Saturday's Trivia Night - it was wonderful to see everyone having so much fun! Well done to France who scraped into first place as the Trivia Champions. Sharron & Scott Flannery headed up this table, their daughter Olivia is in Year 3 therefore the trophy this year goes to Year 3! All photos and the trophy will be displayed on our notice board outside the School Office - we got some great photos! A huge thank you to Andrew & Lisa Oberthur, Lana & Terry Killian, Barb & Gerard Ryan, Steve Bonutto and lastly Pete Hrstich for all their wonderful help. Also to the group of Fijians and Somalians who helped us clear up afterwards. I would also like to thank Ian our groundsmen, Damien Sullivan and Sr Ann-Maree for their help in setting up/pulling down the hall; Jenny, Kelly & Bernie in the school office and to the following local businesses who donated prizes: Sprinbok Foods; Dan &Andy's Hawthorne Garage Deli; Toni & Guy, Bulimba; Shayne Sutton; and Pompidou Restaurant (partial payment towards dinner for 10 to the winners)

**Bridge to Brisbane**

Only 2 weeks to go until Bridge to Brisbane so get your trainers!

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**Bookclub News**

A reminder to you all that Bookclub orders will close on Friday 24th August. Please remember to make all cheques payable to Sts Peter & Paul’s School.

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**LOURDES HILL COLLEGE**

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

**Applications for Year 7, 2016 (current Year 3 students) now open.**

If your daughter is currently in Year 3 and you wish to submit an enrolment for her please contact the College on 3399 8888 to request an Enrolment Pack or alternatively download from our website: [www.lhc.qld.edu.au](http://www.lhc.qld.edu.au)

For all enrolment enquiries, please contact Mrs Maria Krause, Enrolments Registrar on 3399 0434 86 Hawthorne Road, Hawthorne, QLD 4171

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**MINI-MARKET DAY - RELISH AND JAM MAKERS NEEDED**

Calling all relish, lemon butter, jam, and preserved lemon makers!!

Thank you to everyone who has donated empty jars to the Year 7’s. They have appreciated your fantastic response. With so many jars to fill, the children now need relishes and jams to fill them. Students will then beautifully decorate the jars ready for sale at the Year 7 Mini Market Day on Thursday 13th September.

If you can help, please contact Bronwyn Wolski on 0414 355 356 or email paulbronz@optusnet.com.au to receive jars to fill. Please return your filled jar/s to the school office by 12th September (with an ingredients list if possible). All money raised from the Market Day is donated to Catholic Missions. The Year 7 students thank you for your continued support.
DATES TO REMEMBER

22nd Aug  P&F Meeting. 7.30pm in staffroom
23rd Aug   Book Week/Book Night
30th Aug   Cyber Safety Presentation for parents. 6.30pm in School Library
13th Sept   Yr7 2012 Market Day
14th Sept   Prep - Yr 2 Mini Olympics on School Oval
21st Sept   Term 3 ends
8th Oct     Term 4 commences
22nd Oct    Pupil Free Day
7th Dec     2012 School Year ends

OSHC NEWS

ACTIVITIES: This week we are cooking a delicious apple and pear crostata, making an Italian panzanella salad, whipping up a banana and coconut semi freddo and baking spinach and ricotta cannelloni using spinach from the garden. For craft we are painting beautiful pictures using nature stencils and creating pretty butterflies with sequins and glitter. Well done to our Olympic colouring in competition winners, your artwork is now on display! In the garden we have been busy watering our new herbs and harvesting spinach and bok choy to use in our cooking activities. We are also having a naming competition this week for our garden gnome - all suggestions can be written on the board at OSHC!

GET ACTIVE: On Tuesday this week our Year 2 & 3 children will have Ultimate Frisbee on the oval with John. On Wednesday afternoon our Prep and Year 1 children will have gymnastics in the undercroft with Sarah.

FUNDRAISING: This term we have boxes of Cadbury chocolates available for sale. All funds raised will go towards the purchase of new toys and games for OSHC. Please see OSHC staff if you are able to take a box.

VACATION CARE: We are currently planning our activities for the September / October holiday period. Please email us with any suggestions: bulimbaoshc@bne.centacare.net.au.

OSHC CHAMPIONS: Our OSHC Champions for this week are Xavier Rees, Jack Barends, Rebecca Goodyear, Tess Catchpole and Ben van Heerden. Well done!

Claire Ravenswood OSHC Coordinator
Sports News

**YEAR 7 “REACH OUT FOR PEACE” MINI-MARKET DAY**

**Thursday 13 September**

The Year 7 Saints Peter and Paul’s students invite parents and parishioners to reach out for peace and come to their Mini-market Day on Thursday 13 September. You will find delicious foods, greeting cards, novelty and craft items plus you’ll hear the soulful sounds of some extraordinary buskers. The Year 7 classrooms are now a hive of activity as students plan, prepare and create a treasure trove of market goodies.

The Mini-market day’s aim is to raise funds for the Catholic Mission and provide relief for people in need around the world. Students will be given the opportunity to visit and purchase from the mini-market during class-time with teacher supervision.

So come one, come all … and help this worthy cause.

The Mini-market will be held from 10am to 2pm in the Parish Hall. Parishioners and families may also like to help by donating small homemade craft or non-perishable food items ready for sale on the day. These may be placed in the Peace Project boxes located at the school office.

Many thanks, the Year 7 teachers and students.

**Super Sausage Sizzle Lunch**

On Thursday 13 September the Year 7 students are hosting a Super Sausage Sizzle lunch for their “Reach Out for Peace” Market Day.

The ‘Super Sausage Sizzle Meal Deal’ includes:
- a sausage in a roll and a Popper juice for the fantastic price of $3.00.

You **MUST** pre-order your lunch on the slip below and return it along with your money (in an envelope), in a BROWN PAPER BAG marked with your Name, Class and “Super Sausage Sizzle”, to your classroom no later than Thursday 6 September.

Year 7 student representatives will come around each day to collect orders.

Remember, all money raised will be donated to the Catholic Missions.

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Yes, I will be having a Super Sausage Sizzle Meal Deal on Thursday 13 September.

Name: ___________________________ Class: _________ No. of Sausages: _______

I would like: ☐ Tomato Sauce ☐ BBQ Sauce ☐ No Sauce

Total $ enclosed: ___________________________
Internet Safety Presentation Helps Children Stay Safe Online

Mark Your Calendar:
Thursday 30th August 6:30pm
Sts Peter and Paul’s Library

Young people today are immersed in digital technologies. They use the internet and mobile phones to socialise, study, exchange ideas and play. While online activity has many benefits, there are also risks.

To help your children stay safe online, Sts Peter and Paul’s School is hosting a Parent Cybersafety Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation. Designed for parents, this presentation is provided by the Australian Communications and Media Authority (ACMA) as part of a national program of cybersafety initiatives.

The Cybersafety Outreach—Internet Safety Awareness presentation is thorough and non-technical. It covers a range of issues including:

- The ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- Potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, identity theft, inappropriate contact and exposure to inappropriate content
- Tips to help children stay safe online.

The presentation is conducted by an ACMA Cybersafety trainer and is free of charge.

I will attend the AMCA Cybersafety – Internet Safety Awareness presentation on Thursday 30th August at 6:30pm in the School Library.

Parent Name _________________________ Number attending ___

(Please be aware that the information given this evening is intended for parents. Students in Years 4-7 will have received cyber safety information at their appropriate level during the day.)

Celebrate Book Week
2012

Open Book Night
Thursday 23rd August: 6:30pm – 8:00pm @ the Library

Book Night is a family night where parents are invited to read stories with their children and complete activities for these stories.

RSVP: Our family will be coming to the library for Open Book Night on Thursday 23rd August from 6:30pm – 8:00pm.

The __________________ family  Mum __  Dad __  Number of children __

(class represented: _____, _____)  Total attending: _____