9 May, 2013

A Mother's Love

There are times when only a Mother's love
   Can understand our tears,
   Can soothe our disappointments
   And calm all of our fears.
There are times when only a Mother's love
   Can share the joy we feel
   When something we've dreamed about
   Quite suddenly is real.

There are times when only a Mother's faith
   Can help us on life's way
   And inspire in us the confidence
   We need from day to day.
For a Mother's heart and a Mother's faith
   And a Mother's steadfast love
   Were fashioned by the Angels
   And sent from God above.

Author Unknown

Dear Parents,

A reminder that the NAPLAN Tests start next Tuesday and conclude next Thursday. If your child is absent for any of the tests, they will need to complete the tests on the day that they return.

We look forward to hosting mums and special ladies in our children's lives to our Liturgy tomorrow afternoon at 2.00pm.

I have been in contact with the Daniel Morcombe Foundation and have arranged for them to visit our school later in the year to deliver their Child Protection message to the children. We look forward to this event.
YEAR 3, 5, 7 NAPLAN TESTS
A reminder to the parents of students in Yrs 3, 5, 7 that the NAPLAN tests will be held on Tuesday—Thursday 14th-16th May. (Next Week)
It is important that all students in Yrs 3, 5, 7 be at school on these dates to sit the tests. If you know that your child will not be at school on any of these days, please contact your child’s teacher as soon as possible.

SCHOOL FEES:
School Fees for Term 2 were sent home recently with the due date for the payment of Term 2 Fees being Friday 24th May.

Please remember that these fees help with the smooth running of the school and are vital to pay for most of our everyday expenses.
It would be appreciated if any families having difficulty meeting this commitment could contact me as soon as possible.

Prep Enrolments for 2013 are now being taken with interviews taking place at the end of May.

Club Hotel Raffle Roster
May 10th—S Murdoch & K Joppich
May 17th—J Willet & T Gillam

Tuckshop Roster
May 10th—K McCarthy & G Auger
May 17th—K Meara & K Woodside

Date To Remember
May 2013
9th - Feast of Ascension
10th - (Fri) Mother’s Day Assembly 2pm
14th - 16th - NAPLAN
18th - P&F Inaugural Race Day
20th - DD Soccer
22-24th Principals’ Meetings
24th - Gala Day - Allora (Cancelled)
27th - National Reconciliation Week
28th - DD Cross Country
31st - Gala Day Allora

JUNE 2013:
6th - School Accreditation
14th - SFDS ART SHOW (Friday - 6pm)
17th - School Reports Home
19th - Athletics Field Events (Wed -10.30 am)
21st - Track and Field Carnival at school.
21st - Term 2 Ends at 3.00 pm

JULY 2013
8th - TERM 3 Begins
9th - Sacramental Program Meeting 4pm
12th - NAIDOC DAY Celebrations (At school)
22nd- NAIDOC DAY Celebrations (At school)
26th - Bishop’s Pupil Free Day
29th - CD Track and Field

AUGUST:
31st - Father’s Day Bush Dance (Saturday Evening)

2014
March
14th - Parish Fete at the school. (Friday evening)

Quote of the Week
“IF you love life, don't waste time, because time is what life is made of”
Ben Franklin

God Bless,
Brett Pollard
Principal
St Joseph’s College
Enrolments 2014

Enrolment Interviews for students commencing Year 8 in 2014 will take place in the near future. Because of the high demand for enrolment at St Joseph’s, it is not always possible to accept all enrolment applications. It would be regrettable if children from our Catholic Primary Schools were unable to be offered a position because of late application. If you intend enrolling your child at St Joseph’s for 2014, you are urged to do so immediately.

Please contact the Enrolment Officer on: 4631 8525 or email: enrolments@stjosephs.twb.catholic.edu.au
Mother’s Liturgy

Students and teachers invite all mothers, grandmothers and special women in our lives to attend our Mother’s Day Liturgy on Friday 10th May, at 2:00pm.

You are most welcome to stay for a cuppa and a chat after the Liturgy.

See you on Friday!

RACE DAY NEWS

Raffle Tickets need to be returned by Friday, 10th May - Sold or unsold. Please support your school P & F in this Fundraising activity by selling your ONE book of tickets. All funds raised at the Race Day will go towards funds for the school!!

Auction: A 2012 signed Cowboys NRL jersey will be auctioned at the event.

STUDENT TRAVEL REBATES
Semester 1, 2013

Bus Fare Assistance
- Does your child attend a school outside the Brisbane City Council boundary?
- Does your family spend more than $22/week* on fares to and from school (* $17/week if you hold a concession card)
- Does your child travel on a publically available bus not owned or associated with the school?

Students with Disabilities
- Does your child have a verified disability that requires transport assistance to and from school?
- Has your school’s learning support teacher assessed your child’s travel capability rating as ‘semi-independent’ or more dependent?

Visit our website to see if you qualify for financial assistance to help with the cost of transport and apply at www.schooltransport.com.au by 31 May 2013.

Late applications cannot be accepted.