Have reasons for the things you say and do … especially when it comes to children and their safety in our car park.

Thank you to those many, many, many parents and carers who put the safety of all kids in our community first.

- You enter our car park and follow the rules: you park and come and collect your kids.
- You ensure that kids are not **maimed, disabled, brain injured or killed** by being hit by your car.
- Your patience in being able to wait for about 10 minutes is greatly appreciated.
- You show this by using the roundabout effectively with consideration and kindness towards others.

If you are parking in the pictured area of the car park, waiting for your children and picking them up from here – you are setting your kids up for failure and running the risk of them being **maimed, disabled, brain injured or killed**.

To alleviate this risk all children wait to be picked up at the roundabout.

If you park in the car park you are expected to come and collect your child.

JP

John Parkinson | Principal | Our Lady of the Way Catholic Primary School | Petrie | Qld|

**community … faith … learning … diversity**

We don’t come to school to be better than others.
We come to school to better ourselves by being able to work with others

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

**A REMINDER - TUCKSHOP DAYS ARE ONLY WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAYS**

- **11th September**: Year 4-7 School Concert. Tomorrow night (Wednesday)
- **13th September**: Year 7 Parish Mass 9am in the Church
- **13th September**: School Disco information on page 3
- **20th September**: Pyjama Day, Gold coin donation (More information next week)
- **20th September**: Term 3 ends 2.50pm
- **8th October**: Tuesday Term 4 starts
- **14th October**: Term 4, Week 2 - Book Fair in Library

'My School Rules’ competition has started at Warner Village shops. Our school has the chance to win a share of $8000 in prize money. Please see attached flyer for all information.
Dear Parents,

Jesus challenges us again through this week’s Gospel (Luke 14:25-33) to understand the true commitment of a being a disciple. The meditation on the Gospel from ‘The Word Among Us’ gives us some insight.

‘Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple (Luke 14:27). In the Gospel reading, Jesus makes three very demanding statements. He says that if we want to be his disciples, we must ‘hate’ our families, we must carry our cross, and we must renounce all our possessions. Statements like these can make us wonder if Jesus is trying to make us into disciples or if he is just trying to drive us away.

Fortunately, the Church takes a composite view of Scripture, looking at each passage within the context of the whole Bible. If we look at today’s reading this way, we see some apparent conflicts…. So we have to measure Jesus’ one statement about hating against the commands to love and lay down our lives for each other.

Similarly, the other commands – to take up our cross and renounce everything – have to be measured against Jesus’ words about caring for children and his promise that his yoke is easy and his burden is light. SO if we put all of these passages together, we can see Jesus saying that love for God and obedience to his commands must take priority over everything else. He is telling us that if anyone asks us to do something that is opposed to God, we need to have the courage to say no to them.

Living as a disciple is demanding. It calls for self-denial, sacrifice, and suffering. Jesus even warns that we may face persecution (John 16:33). It will be tempting at times to make compromises and go with the crowd. Being a disciple is a major endeavour. Jesus wants us to count the cost of being a disciple, and he wants to give us the grave to see it through to the end.’

A funny moment has been reported to us by a school parent on the way the common language at school can be used against an unsuspecting parent.

Child: ‘Mum do you know…….? (really important question to child)
Mum: ‘I don’t know.’ (I don’t have time for this.)
Child: ‘But Mum, don’t you know……?’ (restate the question to make it clearer)
Mum: ‘I really just don’t know.’ (a little exasperated, no time for this right now)
Child: ‘But Mum, if you did know the answer…. what would you say?’ (Ah ha! Got you Mum. The strategies for engaging students in the class are really working!)

Have you had one of those moments at home recently? We would love to hear that our students are using the language of engagement, and the language of the posters in their outside school life.

Have a lovely week.

Kind Regards,

Jo Scott

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SCHOOL FEE INFORMATION

Thank you to the parents and carers who have responded to school fee accounts.

- School Fees = **a safe school** (We have power, rates, water, sewerage, insurance etc.)
- School Fees = **an attractive school** (We have quality buildings and refurbishments.)
- School Fees = **a smart school** (We have great resources for kids to learn with.)

**All School Fee accounts are now overdue please pay as a matter of urgency.**

2013 School Fee information can now be accessed from the school’s website. [www.ourladyoftheway.qld.edu.au](http://www.ourladyoftheway.qld.edu.au) click on Parent Info and then School fees.

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NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

**YOU CAN HELP OUR FARMERS IN NEED** letter went home to all YEAR 4-7 TODAY, PLEASE LOOK IN YOUR CHILD’S BAG.

If you have a child who will be ready for Prep in 2014 (Next Year) please make sure you have submitted your enrolment application as enrolments are being finalised.

There has been a lot of sickness in the school and if you have a sick child please make other arrangements as we don’t have the facilities and staff to care for them.
SCHOOL DISCO TIME

Fellow Groovers.
It’s that time of the year we need to settle the question you all have been asking – Who is the best dancer of them all. IT’S DISCO TIME.

This Friday the 13th of September would be a good night to come along and shake, rattle, and roll across the dance floor. Show your friends who the best dancer of your year is. Get mum to put on the turtle neck and dad to slip into his flared trousers and come along. They too can boogie in the moonlight, starlight, or just bright light when we all have a fun night in the Dalaipi Centre. We are hoping to encourage those dads and mums who are too shy to dance that they can still join in too.

We will make it a sausage sizzle start and a cold soft drink before heading inside the hall. Glow In The Dark and Disco Dancing is the theme of the night. Don't be scared, just be there! I believe we may have a prize for the best Mum and Dad dancers. So come along and have a good night. Prep to Year 3 will be from 5.45pm – 7.15pm with a Sausage Sizzle from 5.05pm. We plan on a sausage and drink before the start to help energise the dance floor.

At 7.15pm to 7.30pm bright lights will be on and that's when the Prep to Year 3 head home. In slide the older grades for some serious dancing. All will be finished at 9.00pm. We are asking for volunteers on the night from Mums and Dads who can assist with entry duties, sale of glow products and sausage sizzle, and fashion police. You can buy a sausage and drink for $4.00 and entry will be $4.00 also. Name and hours you can access to the office please and a timetable will be arranged. Let’s make it a night to remember.

David Farley, President P&F
This week is National Literacy Week. As a celebration, please enjoy a short story written by one of talented writers here at school: India Sutton in 5/6 L

Grose and Grotty

“Oh come on,” moaned Grotty
“What?” questioned Grose.
“Can’t we use the spiders instead of the rats tails?”
“Ah no! We don’t want to stuff this up. It’s our first time cooking,” reasoned Grose hoping this wasn’t going to end badly.
Their parents were not there and they had guests coming...normal guests...their friends from Vanuatu.

The guests had arrived dressed (in Grotty’s eyes) the most awful, horrible, boring, ugly clothes ever. For Grose, they were weird, awkward, too fashionable and for both way too normal! You see Grose was weird, awkward and believed in ogres and Grotty was crazy, disgusting and believed in the Lochness Monster. Their friends walked in with their mouths left hanging open, frozen in place.

“Oh, well thank you for inviting us,” said Jonathan politely.
Grotty frowned.
“You’re welcome,” Grose mumbled. “This way please,” and they wondered into the other room.

Grose fumbled around in the kitchen getting the stew made of rat tails, Grotty’s favourite off yoghurt and finger nails while Grotty set the table. Grotty then went to get the plates of stew. There was green air coming up from the stew and it didn’t look very edible. It smelt like a bathroom not being cleaned for three months and there were dark bubbles rising to the top.

“Well let’s start with Grace,” said Kelly who was still staring at the stew unapprovingly. “Seriously!” shouted Grotty accidentally but said Grace anyway.
When Grace was done the guests took their first spoonful gingerly. Grose and Grotty sat staring at their guests waiting for their reaction. As soon as the spoons went into their mouths it was disastrous. Spoons were flying, stew was everywhere and chairs of the guests, empty leaving nothing but a wisp of air behind. They were gone.
“Well,” huffed Grotty, “that was the end of them.”
“Sure was,” said Grose and they both stood there in silence not knowing what to do next.
“Well there’s more for us,’ chuckled Grotty.
“Sure is,” said Grose blankly.
“Is that all you’re going to say to me right now?” questioned Grotty.
They both stared at each other and started laughing.

Jump Rope for Heart

Well done to everyone who participated in Jump Rope for Heart this year! The day was capped off with a terrific performance from our 2013 Jump Rope Team. The day was dedicated to creating awareness regarding our heart health and pursuing our personal best and we most definitely achieved those outcomes. A special thank you to Lawnton Country Markets Fruit and Vegetables for providing oranges for our entire school. Good job everyone!

Mr. A
Every Friday morning in the after school care building, for children younger than school age.

Join us for a fun morning together from 8.30 - 10.30am every Friday.
BYO morning tea and please sign in at the school office.

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Please call Ginead Neville on 0411988742

Angel Network

Dear Families

For the past few years Our Lady of the Way has had an Angel Network.
The Angel Network is made up of OLW family volunteers.
The purpose of the Angel Network is to help out families that are ‘in need’ for a short period due to a member of the family being ill, in hospital or if the family has suffered a loss or traumatic event. We help by providing meals to the family during that difficult time.
If you would like to be on the Angel Network please contact,
Helen Ryan : email hryan@bne.catholic.edu.au or mobile 0409516554
Thanks in advance.

What's on the Menu?

Streets Paddle Pop Lick-a-Prize is back!
Chocolate and Rainbow flavours available
$1.50 each

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OPEN WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY
Conveners - Jacqui Cooper (Ph: 0488 020 292) and Trish Proctor (Ph: 0430 471 580)
Have you ever wondered what it would be like to work as a Zoo Keeper? Well, wonder no more because the school holidays are back, and so is Australia Zoo's holiday program, *Zoo Keeper For a Day: Khaki Discovery*. If you are aged between seven and eleven you can join the zoo crew to help feed the animals and clean enclosures, with exclusive behind the scenes access and plenty of hands-on action with some of our gorgeous animals. Children aged twelve to fifteen can step it up a notch with *Zoo Keeper for a Day: Khaki Extreme*. It's a day you won't forget! Places are booking out fast so call 07 5436 2025 to make a reserve your spot.

**Ages:** 7 - 11 years or 12-15 years  
**Price:** $85  
**Includes:** Zoo entry, Zoo Keeper for a Day cap and water bottle, lunch, photo with one of our animals  
**Duration:** 5 hours  
**Location:** Australia Zoo  
**Dates:** 21 September to 6 October 2013  

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**Healthy & Active Moreton – AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVE KIDS PARK SESSIONS (FREE)**  
The After School Active Kids park sessions are aimed at getting kids playing and active in their local parks. These sessions offer a range of fun and exciting activities for primary school aged children. All activities are FREE and no bookings are required. For more information visit [www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/activekids](http://www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/activekids) or call 5433 2052.

**Healthy & Active Moreton – INTERACTIVE GARDENING WORKSHOPS (FREE)**  
The FREE Interactive Gardening Workshops are run for children and adults, from Monday 23 September to Saturday 30 November, 2013. These workshops aim to grow your knowledge of gardening and provide everyone with a selection of gardening hints and tips, from garden design to growing a garden in small spaces. Bookings open on Tuesday 20 August and can be made online at [www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/spring](http://www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/spring) or by phoning 5433 2052. If you have any questions please contact recreationprograms@moretonbay.qld.gov.au

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Mt Maria College Petrie is staging a fun evening of 80’s entertainment with the main focus being our school musical production “Reflection of the 80s” – a play about school life in the fabulous 80s. This is bound to be a fun evening. We are all invited to dress in our flamboyant 80’s best, with a prize for the most “out there”!

Tickets are $15 for one adult with an accompanying student, or $25 for a family of two adults, and limitless children! We will have an early sausage sizzle for those coming straight from work, so you can grab a quick bite to eat before the show. We’ll have a photo shoot opportunity as well, with fun 80’s props for some great candid shots!

When:  Wednesday 18th September 6.30pm
Where:  Dalaipi Centre (Our Lady of the Way hall, Armstrong Street, Petrie)

Please telephone the College office on 3285 5500 to secure your booking. We will post your tickets to you, or hold them for collection on the night.
**Sensory Movie Day**

“Sensory Movie Day” was created for Families who have children with Special Needs. The cinema at Morayfield Birch Carroll & Coyle is booked privately. Children are free to try every seat, flap or stim. Lighting stays on dim. Free membership cards are required to purchase tickets. Tickets $8 each. I will be at the cinema from 1pm before the movie starts and can hand out the membership card then.

Contact Chanelle sensorymovieday@hotmail.com or 0422 416 509

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**Monsters University 2**

A look at the relationship between Mike and Sulley during their days at Monsters University -- when they weren't necessarily the best of friends.

2pm Sunday 15th September Morayfield Birch Carroll & Coyle cinema.