Dear Parents,
The term has come to an end and it is time to take a break and rest. I would like to thank our teachers for their commitment to learners and learning and for the great work of Term 2. I know you will be looking forward to receiving your child’s end of semester one school report and their learning portfolio. Both of these documents will be sent home on Thursday afternoon. I trust you will take some time to sit with your child to look through their folio and to ask them to share the learning that occurred for each assessment piece. You will be able to understand your child’s report in light of the work that is offered in their folio.

For several weeks I have been remiss in my duties of announcing the changes to our school P&F committee. It has been said that it is easier to ask for forgiveness than permission, so on that note I would like to welcome Mr David Farley to the role of P&F President, David recently stepped up from VP to this role and brings a great deal of energy and enthusiasm to our P&F. We also welcome Mrs Jodie Culver who has accepted the role of Vice President, thank you Jodie. Participation in the Parents & Friends by attending meetings or accepting a role on the committee is a way parents can be active in the school. I recommend this to all parents and hope to see many of you tonight at 7pm.

Thank you to the P&F for organising a cuppa and chat for Mr John Parkinson after yesterday’s assembly. I hope many parents had the opportunity to meet John and welcome him to Our Lady of the Way.

Yesterday at assembly excitement brewed as our mascot Owlbert entered and even more thrilled when Owlbert handed out rubber bracelets for every child. The red bracelets name our three school rules: respect, responsibility and safety. We hope the children will wear these bands with pride and live up to the expectations of each of our rules. We have entered now into the second year of School Wide Positive Behaviour Support and will be sharing strategies for continued behaviour support for our students.

I would like to let parents know that enrolments are open for students wishing to attend St Benedict’s secondary college. If St Benedict’s College is your preferred option for the secondary education of your children, you can make contact with the college regarding enrolments.

Have a wonderful holiday.
Kind Regards,
Jo Scott-Pegum

Develop a passion for learning.
If you do, you will never cease to grow.  Anthony J. D'Angelo
Dear Parents and Carers,

NAIDOC – National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Day of Celebration

This week we celebrate NAIDOC and in doing so celebrate our nation’s oldest cultures, namely those of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. As someone who has worked in the Northern Territory for nearly twenty years, I have come to appreciate the absolute wealth and treasury of Aboriginal culture. I have also seen the devastating effects of dispossession and years of community and government indifference to the plight of various Aboriginal communities. In speaking with Aboriginal elders the two things that they see as being essential in forming strong communities is that the communities have self-determination; that is the ability to make decisions for the good of their own people rather than have things imposed on them. The other key factor is to form within communities strength and pride in who they are and a sense of hope for the future. It is important to recognise the challenges that face Aboriginal communities but this must be done in a spirit of hope and faith. In mentioning faith, the Aboriginal people I worked with had a great depth of Spirituality and very strong faith. They are readily able to synthesise their ancient culture with their Christian faith. Blessed Pope John Paul made a landmark speech to all Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders when he visited Alice Springs in 1987. Below are some quotes from this speech...

“For thousands of years this culture of yours was free to grow without interference by people from other places. You lived your lives in spiritual closeness to the land, with its animals, birds, fishes, water-holes, rivers, hills and mountains. Through your closeness to the land you touched the sacredness of man’s relationship with God, for the land was the proof of a power in life greater than yourselves.”

“The establishment of a new society for Aboriginal people cannot go forward without just and mutually recognised agreements with regard to these human problems, even though their causes lie in the past. The greatest value to be achieved by such agreements, which must be implemented without causing new injustices, is respect for the dignity and growth of the human person. And you, the Aboriginal people of this country and its cities, must show that you are actively working for your own dignity of life. On your part, you must show that you too can walk tall and command the respect which every human being expects to receive from the rest of the human family.”

“As you listen to the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, seek out the best things of your traditional ways. If you do, you will come to realise more and more your great human and Christian dignity. Let your minds and hearts be strengthened to begin a new life now. Past hurts cannot be healed by violence, nor are present injustices removed by resentment. Your Christian faith calls you to become the best kind of Aboriginal people you can be. This is possible only if reconciliation and forgiveness are part of your lives. Only then will you find happiness. Only then will you make your best contribution to all your brothers and sisters in this great nation. You are part of Australia and Australia is part of you. And the Church herself in Australia will not be fully the Church that Jesus wants her to be until you have made your contribution to her life and until that contribution has been joyfully received by others.”

From the Classroom

The children in Year 2L made some interesting models of toys that children may have played with in the time of Jesus. Below are some pictures of them.

Friday Mass

The NAIDOC Celebration Mass will be at 9am in the Church, this Friday. All are most welcome to attend.

May the coming holidays be a safe and enjoyable time for all our families

Bill Benelamns APRE

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God of the Holy Dreaming

God of holy Dreaming
Great Creator Spirit
From the dawn of creation you have given your children
The good things of Mother Earth
You spoke and the gum tree grew
In the vast deserts and dense forests, in the cities,
At the water's edge, creation sings your praise.
Your presence endures as the rock at the heart of our land.
When Jesus hung on the tree
You heard the cries of all Your people
And became one with Your wounded ones
The convicts, the hunted and the dispossessed.
The sunrise of Your Son
Coloured the earth anew and bathed it in glorious hope.
In Jesus we have been reconciled to You,
To each other and to Your whole creation.
Lead us on Great Spirit
As we gather at this special place
Located on land where ancestors of long ago
Gathered for work, play and praise.
Enable us to walk together in trust from the hurt of the past
Into the full day which has dawned in Jesus Christ.

Prayer for the year of Grace

Gracious God,
You have blessed this ancient land
with many gifts, especially its people.
We thank you for the Year of Grace,
a time to start afresh from Christ.
You invite us to contemplate the face of Jesus your Son,
that we may experience a new wave of grace,
and that the light of Christ may burn more brightly in our lives.
Attune our hearts and minds
to the presence of your Holy Spirit,
that our Church may be transformed,
our relationships be healed,
and our nation grow in compassion and justice.
With the intercession of St Mary MacKillop,
who showed us new ways of living the Gospel,
we make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.
Mary, Help of Christians, pray for us.
SCHOOL FEE INFORMATION

Term 2 School fees are now well over due, please pay as a matter of urgency. Please contact Helen Low on 3285 2977 option 3 for any questions about school fees.

2012 School Fee information can now be accessed from the school's website. Click on this link www.ourladyoftheway.qld.edu.au click on Parent info and then School fees.

Canberra Trip - Please Note Full payment is due by end of Term 2

NEWS FROM THE OFFICE

There is a lot of sickness at the moment. If your child is unwell please make alternative arrangements as we do not have the staff or facilities to look after them.

LATE SLIP - It is a legal requirement for parents/carers to complete a late slip for your child/ren if they arrive late at school.

We have had a number of incidences regarding not being able to contact parents when children have been hurt or unwell. Can you contact the office if you have changed any of your details: mobile and home phone numbers, work numbers, home address, emergency contacts (if not you) please let the office know ASAP.

NO PARKING

We have had complaints from local residents in Armstrong Street of cars parking on the yellow lines. It makes it very difficult for cars coming out of driveways to see cars coming.

DATES TO REMEMBER

19th June - P&F meeting Tonight 7pm
22nd June - Term 2 ends at 2.50pm
9th July - Term 3 commences 8.30am
13th August - Pine Rivers Show Holiday. No Wednesday holiday this year.

AWARDS

PF Prep F
Prep F Matthew Ward
2F Jessica Kerr
2L Ashlee Legge
4L Izabel-Lilly Butler
7F Emily Blackshaw
Koala: Mia Ambrosi
Owl: Mikeely Cooper, Ryan Lugowski, Sophie Crang, Dominic Lendvay, Erin Slogrove, Tayla Hinson, Grace Seaton, Willow Drew, Emily Baigrie, Caitlin Blackshaw.

PC 1F
Zac Leggett Anthony Ward
3F Bradley Zeith Daniel Lee
5F Paris Solmon Lizelle Eugenio
7L Kloe Jackson

PL 1L
Matthew Ward Olivia Baigrie
2L 4F
Ashlee Legge Harrison Sander
3L 5F
Bradley Zeith Mattea Mighe li
6L 6L
Daniel Lee Charlotte Nobbs

CONGRATULATIONS
The Tuckshop operates with the support of volunteer parents. Please phone Jacqui Cooper on 0488 020 292 or Trish Proctor on 0430 471 580.

IF YOU CAN HELP

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Monday, Wednesday & Friday
Convener - Jacqui Cooper

Friday
Convener – Trish Proctor

YES...we are OPEN this WEDNESDAY and FRIDAY

Thank You to our Wonderful Term 2 Helpers


As the Term comes to an end a big thank you must go to our wonderful Tuckshop Volunteers. We couldn’t do it without you and your help is greatly appreciated.

Thank you,

We look forward to seeing you back again in Term 3.

Jacqui & Trish

HAPPY HOLIDAYS EVERYONE!
Library News wk 10

This is a quote from the classic Daddy-Long-Legs by Jean Webster.

“I think that the most necessary quality for any person to have is imagination. It makes people able to put themselves in other peoples’ places. It makes them kind and sympathetic and understanding. It ought to be cultivated in children.”

Reading , I believe is one of the ways we can cultivate imagination so, happy Reading.

Sandra Driver

ICLT

Hi all!
Early June sees CyberSafety Awareness week and to celebrate we are giving you these 10 nifty tips on staying safe online. As we live in such a technological driven age it is important for us to make sure we are always safe online. These 10 easy tips can be a source of conversation next time you are online with you children.

1. Install and update your security software; set it to scan regularly.
2. Turn on automatic updates on all your software, particularly your operating system and applications
3. Use strong passwords and different passwords for different uses.
4. Stop and think before you click on links or attachments.
5. Take care when transacting online – check the supplier and use a safe payment method.
6. Only download “apps” from reputable publishers and read all permission requests.
7. Regularly check your privacy settings on social networking sites.
8. Stop and think before you post any photos or financial information online.
9. Talk with your child about staying safe online, including on their smartphone or mobile device.
10. Report or talk to someone if you feel uncomfortable or threatened online – download the Government’s Cybersafety Help Button.

Shanyn Pfaffel
ICLT co-ordinator

Italian News – Prep to Year 4

Last week, the children listened to a popular children’s story: Goldilocks and the Three Bears in Italian. Ricciol D'oro e i tre orsi. Linking Mathematics with this learning experience, the children identified and named the three sizes of the bowls, the chairs and the beds in Italian. Oliver Kele noticed the word endings of the nouns and adjectives matched, e.g. un letto piccolo – a small bed; una sedia media – a middle-sized chair. He remembered that Italian words end in o and a because they are “girl and boy” words, i.e. masculine and feminine. When FinnMac was busy working in class, he wanted to say thank you, Grazie; but used the words: per favore – please. It’s great to see students applying their knowledge and understanding.

Buone Vacanze Tutti! Happy Holidays Everyone!
Ciao, Grace Bone.
SCHOOL BANKING ......$$$ 

Don't forget the Dollarmize Yourself Competition as mentioned in this term's previous newsletters. Today marks the end of when you could get a token to go towards the five you needed to collect this term, to enter. I’ll just refresh your memory about the amazing prizes on offer including first prize: the winning entrant will become the face and name of a completely new Dollarmite character which will live in Coinland for a whole year. That winning entrant’s school will also win 25 Apple iPads, their class will win $1,500 towards a school excursion and their family will win an annual movie pass. There are heaps of other prizes. As long as you made your five deposits this term, all you need to do is go on line to www.commbank.com.au/beadollarmite and write in 25 words or less your best savings tips. Also, all entries need to be in by the 30th of June. It is important to note, you must have your parent or guardian’s approval to participate.

Have a safe, relaxing and enjoyable break and good luck!!
Jean Power - School Banking Co-ordinator

P&F NEWS

There is a P&F meeting **tonight at 7pm** in the staff room. Please come along and have a say. We look forward to seeing you there.

P&F Fundraising News

**Entertainment Books**

Just a reminder, the *Entertainment books are now overdue*. If you wish to purchase the book by credit card, you are able to do so at [www.entertainmentboo.com.au/orderbooks/226y450](http://www.entertainmentboo.com.au/orderbooks/226y450) or simply send your payment to the office. If you would like extra copies of the book, please send your payment to the office and a book will be sent home for you. The books cost $65 with $13 of this amount going towards the school.

Thank you to all those that have supported this fundraiser.

Enjoy your school holidays!
Fundraising Team

UNIFORM SHOP

**Hours of Trade**

Wednesday 2-30pm to 4pm  
Friday 8-00 to 9-30am  
Other times by appointment

Email: olwuniformshop@gmail.com  
Phone 3285 2977 ext 7  
After hours 0409 493 826 (Kim)
ENRICHMENT CENTRE NEWS

The following courses are available at the Pine Rivers Neighbourhood Centre at a minimal cost to families.

**Kids Self Esteem** - Wednesday afternoons 18 July to 15 August – 3.30pm til 5.00pm
Cost $25 for entire course.
Children aged 6-12 years old are invited to explore self-esteem with their peers in fun, interactive ways. Participants will learn:
• what self-esteem is
• how to improve self-esteem
• strategies for bullying problems
• Being resilient

**Kids Cooking Classes**. The classes are a great opportunity for kids aged 9-12 to learn some practical skills for cooking at the intermediate level. Contact us on (07) 3205 2955 for more details! Course Cost: $10

**InSync** is a fun, interactive support group for parents and carers of children with special needs ADHD, ASD, ADD, ODD). A variety of topics are regularly explored such as:
• Understanding the diagnosis
• Healthy relationships
• Self care
• The medication debate
• Responding to differing opinions about care strategies
• Communication
• Parenting strategies
• Recognizing and building strengths and supports

**Positive Parenting for Mums, Dads and Couples**
25 July to 22 August (Wednesday evenings)
6.30pm – 9.00pm
Cost : $25 for entire course / $40 per couple for entire course. No child minding available
Five week course to explore & develop positive parenting and communication skills with children & teenagers.

Have a wonderful holiday!
*The Enrichment Centre Team*

NAIDOC WEEK will be celebrated this Friday, 22nd June at Our Lady of the Way. On the day we will be gathering for a whole school mass at 9am then students will be participating in a number of cultural workshops throughout the day including art, music, cooking. We will also be having a special visitor to help us to learn more about aboriginal culture through his musical talents. If any parents would like to assist with an activity throughout the day, your help would be greatly appreciated (email Paula Robinson: probinson@bne.catholic.edu.au).

Junior Choir News!

NEWSFLASH! The Junior Choir shall be singing at the School’s Annual Concert!
During practice sessions the children are encouraged to listen to each other singing so that they are aware of how other voices sound. Last week, in one of the vocal exercises, the children were asked to listen to the arpeggios and then respond by singing these intervals correctly as well as keeping in time.
The children noticed that there were some notes that were missing, but they said that it still sounded OK.
To train their listening as well as their voices the children were asked to practice singing an echo response to maintain the correct pitch. They may like to teach you so you can join in singing the call and response melody.

Happy singing, Grace Bone.
Caboolture Early Years Centre

HEARING CLINIC for Children

At the Caboolture Early Years Centre

Indigenous and Non Indigenous Families

Dates: July 12th
August 9th
September 13th
October 11th
November 8

Please call Delma Doorman, Indigenous Health worker on: 31 39 6772 to make an appointment.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN

Keep collecting your stickers over the holidays. You can put your cards in the box at Woolies in Petrie over the holidays. You receive one sticker for every $10 spent (excluding liquor, tobacco and gift cards).

Collection will end 1st July.

COLES SPORTS FOR SCHOOLS

Our school has once again registered for the Sports for Schools program

To help earn our school new sports gear every $10 spent at Coles supermarkets, BI-LO, Pick’n Pay and Coles online from June 13th—14th August you will receive 1 voucher. Vouchers can be brought into the office and popped into the collection box.

Pauls Collect-A-Cap

Please keep sending in all your CLEAN Pauls milk caps to the office. We will be collecting the caps for the rest of the year. Pauls Collect-A-Cap has no end date yet.

HEAD LICE ALERT

We have had cases of head lice in our school. Please check your child’s hair and treat if needed.

FREE SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAM

Factor 10 Martial Arts
Monday to Friday 25-29th June and Monday to Friday 2-6th July.
4-6 year olds 3.30-4.00pm 7-13 year olds 3.45-4.30pm.
Reservations can be made online at www.factor10.com.au or by visiting 17/104 Gympie rd, Strathpine or phone 32052167.
Book early limited places.

FREE ACTIVE KIDS SESSIONS RUN BY MORETON BAY REGIONAL COUNCIL.
Monday 25th June to Friday 6th July Moreton Bay Regional Council will once again be hosting the FREE Active Kids Park Sessions to run at Parks throughout the region.
For further information go to Active Kids Website www.moretonbay.qld.au/activekids
Also a FREE Ramp Up Skate, Scooter & BMX Sessions - June to November, 2012. For more information on dates and location visit the Ramp Up website at www.moretonbay.qld.au/rampup

There is a flyer in the school notice board for more information.