Dear Parents,

This week we celebrate Catholic Education Week. These are the few words I spoke at Mass on Sunday at the 8am Parish Mass. ‘Celebrating Community – Family, Parish, School,’ is a fortuitous theme for us to celebrate for Catholic Education Week this week at Our Lady of the Way. We are a parish school, and as such we feel closely connected to our parish and we are always looking for ways to strengthen and improve our connections. We feel blessed that as a school we work together with the families and our parish to provide quality education for our children today and in the future. In fact our school Vision states: ‘We seek to build a learning community enriched by diversity and united in faith for today, tomorrow and into the future.’

From the time of enrolment a partnership is forged between home and school as we recognise our parents as the primary caregivers and educators of their children. As a school we highly value parent and family participation in the school and continuously look for opportunities for this to happen. Parents come and help with learning programs and reading and provide support in the classrooms. Parents attend excursions in support of students and classes. Parents also regularly attend liturgies, masses and other special celebrations.

We also seek opportunities to work with and connect with our parish and as a school we enjoy our weekly parish school masses each Friday at 9am. We would love to see many parishioners attending Mass with us to celebrate Eucharist. We also invite parishioners to be involved in days like our Patron’s Day which we celebrate as a school on the feast of Mary Help of Christians, May 24th, each year. We also enjoy the opportunity to support our St Vincent de Paul chapter through the annual Christmas appeal. In our strategic plan we have noted a strong desire to find further opportunities to invite parishioners to be involved in school, as well as ways for the school to be involved in the life of the parish and we are open to suggestions about how this can happen.

For Catholic Education Week this week we are having a school showcase on Thursday evening. We will gather for a barbecue at 5.30pm and then meet in The Dalaipi Centre for a DVD presentation led by our Year 7 leaders about many of the fun and challenging and possibly unknown things that happen daily and weekly in our school. We will also have an art exhibition on the evening showcasing the beautiful recreations from our students of our school icon ‘Madonna Della Strada’ (Our Lady of the Way). On Friday the theme of our school Mass will be the theme of Catholic Education Week ‘Celebrating Community – Family, Parish, School.’

Last Thursday Night the Northern Lines schools held a combined concert in celebration of Catholic Education Week. Our Lady of the Way students performed part of the J Rock performance 2012. The audience was suitably impressed by the quality of the dancing. Thank you to Mrs Nicole Evans who is our coordinator and leader and to Mr Bemelmans who is the school liaison. An art competition and exhibition were part of the night. Each school was able to provide 3 artworks from Years P-2, 3-6, 7-9, 10-12, so Our Lady of the Way students were entered in the first 3 categories. The great news was that many of our students won or placed and will receive a money prize for their art. The prestige of winning or placing also means the art will be displayed in the School Service Centre North Brisbane Catholic Education. We offer our congratulations to the following students.

Middle Category:
2nd Samantha Thomas

Junior Category:
2nd Bianca Wilson

Early Years Category:
1st Jorja Drew
2nd Grace Pearce
3rd Oliver Kele

Have a happy and blessed week,
Kind regards,
Jo Scott-Pegum
Dear Parents and Carers,

**Catholic Education Week**

This week is Catholic Education Week. The theme for 2012 is Community Working Together – Parish, Family School. On Sunday we had a number of staff come to the 8am Mass at the Parish and Mrs Scott Pegum spoke about Parish Family School and what this means at Our Lady of the Way School. This was followed by one of our parents Mrs Angela Fratus, who spoke from the perspective of a parent. Her son Tyler then read a prayer. After mass the staff provided morning tea for the parishioners.

**Please note the events planned for the rest of the week**

**Thursday 26th July**
- 5:30pm BBQ Sausage Sizzle
- 6:30pm OLW Showcase and Art Show – a presentation of the many things that are a point of difference in our school, incorporating the children’s work in an art show. This will take the form of a number of video clips of different activities in the school and will be lead by some of the Year 7 leaders. Some students will also sing. On display will be the children’s depiction of the “Madonna Dela Strada” (Our Lady of the Way). All members of our catholic community are most welcome to attend.

**Friday 27th July**
- 9:00am Whole School Mass in the Church
- Free dress day – students are asked to bring in a food item from the grocery list below for the St Vincent de Paul Society Food Bank. Bringing in items from this list will help St Vincent de Paul with putting together standard food parcels. Thank you!

Everyone is welcome to join us for what promises to be a great week of celebration of community – Parish, Family School working together.

**Northern Line Schools’ Showcase**

Last Thursday our dancers in the J Rock Eisteddfod presented part of their dance item at the Northern Lines Schools’ Showcase Concert at St Eugene’s College, Burpengary. They were fantastic. Our thanks to Mrs Nicole Evans, for all her hard work in getting the students ready for this event. They also took part in the finale which was a combined schools dance to Katy Perry’s “Firework”.

**Chaplain**

Helen Ryan is our new Chaplain at Our Lady of the Way. Her role is to assist in the pastoral Care of students, staff and families and to be a support to the sustaining of community in the school. Helen will be available to talk with parents before school on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays from 8:30 – 9:30am. Each Tuesday at 8:30 Helen invites parents to join her for a cuppa on the veranda in front of the Church. She will also be there for a cuppa after the school and parish 9am Mass on a Friday. We take this opportunity to thank Rosemary Bravo for all her hard work and pastoral care of staff students and families whilst she was in the role of chaplain. Rosemary will continue in role as a school officer at Our Lady of the Way School.

All Welcome.

Enjoy your week

Bill Bemelmans APRE
A Reflection for Catholic Education Week

The theme for Catholic Education Week 2012 is: **Celebrating Community – Family Parish School.**

'Celebrating Community' in Catholic Education Week 2012 invites Catholic schools and education agencies to highlight and celebrate the value of ‘community’ and affirm its presence as a central aspect of the life and strength of the Catholic Christian tradition.

‘Community’ is at the heart of the Catholic tradition. For two thousand years people have come together in community to share the story of Jesus, to nurture and strengthen each other, and to commit themselves to continuing his mission.

Our Catholic school philosophy embraces this sense of community, evidenced by the positive relationships which exist between families, parishes and schools.

There are 292 Catholic schools in Queensland that educate 138,000 students and employ more than 17,000 teachers and staff and most will celebrate Catholic Education Week in some way.

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**SCHOOL FEE INFORMATION**

Last Friday, we were notified by Brisbane Catholic Education that school fee statements must now be emailed or posted home. Term 3 School fees were posted home yesterday (Monday) with a letter explaining the changes and a request for your email address. Please refer to the letter attached to this newsletter. 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](http://www.ourladyoftheway.qld.edu.au) click on Parent info and then School fees.

Canberra Trip - Please Note Full payment is now over due.

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**NEWS FROM THE OFFICE**

**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.

Please remember we are an **ALLERGY AWARE** school. Please refrain from giving your children nut products in their lunch boxes.

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**CANBERRA NEWS**

**Urgent!!**

Copies of all Medicare cards should now be at the school office. A passenger list needs to be given to Virgin Airlines this week with the correct spelling of names - I am using Medicare cards to do this list! As mentioned at the parent evening consider travel insurance from this point as flights are now non-refundable. As we get closer to departure, accommodation and coach costs will also be non-refundable. **Travel insurance is not expensive and is a good idea in case students are unable to attend due to illness at the last minute. (This has happened in the past) Your urgent attention is required!**

Regards
Alish Conley.

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

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When placing your order with the Tuckshop, we would really appreciate it if you would keep a few things in mind (this makes our job a little easier!)

😊 Please use only paper bags! – Nicer for the environment.
😊 Please don’t staple, glue, tape or tie the bag. The bags actually don’t like this treatment and are complaining. If you fold the bag a few times this usually ensures the money stays where it is meant to.
😊 Hot and cold foods do not mix!! They are fighting between themselves and making a big mess!! Please supply an additional bag for drinks/cold items.
😊 Clearly mark ALL bags with your child’s name, class, 1st or 2nd break and your order details (include how much money is enclosed).
😊 Really good tuckshop bags look like this:

First Break - John Smith 3B  

Chicken & Salad S/Wich $4.20  
Chocolate milk $2.00  
Total: $6.20  
Enclosed: $7.00  
Change: 80c

😊 Change will be taped to the outside of the bag.
😊 If paying for more than one order please make sure they are handed in together and noted on each bag.
😊 Please write out each order separately (1st Break and 2nd Break), including your child’s name and class with each Break order, when not supply a bag. Bags cost 20c each.
😊 We will endeavour to replace any item ordered with a similar item when there is insufficient funds or stock is not available.
Library News Wk 3

During August, libraries across Australia celebrate BOOKWEEK. We will be celebrating with a parade of children dressed as their favourite book character or as the slogan “CHAMPIONS READ”. This will be in the school hall Monday 20th August starting at 9am. Parents welcome.
Laura and Harry as yr7 leaders are also planning 2 quizzes linked to BOOKWEEK for children from prep-7.

Happy Reading  Sandra Driver

Junior Choir News!
Practice sessions for Junior Choir will recommence this Thursday (weather permitting). Students in Year 4 who are interested in singing are most welcome to attend these sessions. Each week, the children are engaging in learning experiences provided in the “Cool Cats” Singing Program for Primary School students, which aims to teach and train children how to sing in a fun, interesting and challenging way. Happy singing, Grace Bone.

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Hi all!
Are you interested in keeping your child safe online? Of course you are! Why don’t you head to http://www.dbcde.gov.au/online_safety_and_security/cybersafetyhelpbutton_download/ and download the CyberSafety Help Button.
The Australian Government’s Cybersafety Help Button provides internet users, particularly children and young people, with easy online access to cybersafety information and assistance available in Australia. It offers counselling, reporting and educational resources to assist young people deal with online risks including cyberbullying, unwanted contact, scams and fraud, and offensive or inappropriate material.
The help button is a free application that is easily downloaded onto personal computers, mobile devices, and school and library networks.

Shanyn Gray
ICLT Co-ordinator
MT MARIA COLLEGE PETRIE

Dear Parents/Caregivers,
I wish to inform you of our enrolment procedure for next year (i.e. 2013) as a result of Year 7 transition to high school in 2015. We have only a limited number of places available for 2013. Although there are still some places available for 2014, these will very likely be filled before the end of this year.
Please note that during 2013 we will:
  Hold interviews for any remaining places for the 2014 Year 8 cohort.
  Interview students in Year 6 i.e. for entry to high school in Year 8 in 2015
  Hold interviews for students in Year 5 i.e. for entry in Year 7 in 2015 also.
If you are considering enrolling your child at Mt Maria College Petrie for 2014 (i.e. Year 8) or for 2015 (i.e. Year 7 or Year 8), please make sure you submit an enrolment application before the end of 2012. Applications are available on our website www.mmcp.qld.edu.au.
Sam Puglisi
Principal

ENRICHMENT CENTRE NEWS

Student Support Meetings – Just a reminder that the process of planning for students with a disability and learners requiring significant educational adjustments has changed this year and there will not be an automatic ‘IEP review’ meeting in Term 3 as in the past. The new process is:
Term 1 - Teacher to teacher transition discussions on Pupil Free Day in January.
          Formal Student Support Team Meeting and Student Learning Plan developed
Term 2,3,4 - Student support meetings as needed (negotiated by parent, teacher or Support Teacher)
Term 4 - Transition meetings for high needs students at end of term

If you believe a meeting is needed with your child’s team at any time in the second part of 2012, please contact your child’s teacher who will contact the team to set up a time.

UNIFORM SHOP

There will be a price increase to the school uniforms from the month of October 2012. This is due to an increase passed onto us from suppliers. We will endeavour to keep this increase to a minimum as we have done in the past. We have not had a price increase for three years. The new price list will be advertised as soon as it is completed. Thank you for your understanding. Kim

SALE!!      SALES!!      SALE!!

Ponchos were $16.00 now $9.95   Art Smocks were $17.00 now $9.95

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)
Dear Families

For the past few years now 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 have suffered a loss. We help by providing meals to the family during that time so that when they come home from hospitals or after a traumatic day they do not have to turn around and prepare a meal for their family. If you would like to be on the Angel Network and one of the school Angels please can you email Rosemary Bravo at rbravo@bne.catholic.edu.au or Sinead Neville at sinead_neville@optusnet.com.au and they will put you on a list with the other Angels. Under normal circumstances you might only be called upon to prepare a meal once in a year.

You never know when you yourself might be the one that is on the receiving end of this fabulously generous network. All donations and families in need are kept anonymous to protect everyone’s privacy.

Thanks in advance

Angel Network

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**Diamante Poems – Year 3**

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

- Fun activities
- Play dough
- Story time
- Sing-a-long
- Make and do
- Craft
- Painting

Join us for a fun morning together from 8.30 - 10.30am. BYO morning tea and please sign in at the school office. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Please call Sinead Neville on 0411988742 or 38860942 for any queries.

St Benedict’s College
Mango Hill
Opening in 2013

St Benedict’s College is committed to providing high quality contemporary education in a Christian context. The college supports and encourages all students to become successful learners, confident and creative individuals and active and informed citizens, fully enabled to contribute to the life of their community.

Enrolment applications are now being taken for:

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For an enrolment pack or further information please phone College Secretary, Lea Rubio on 3385 8888 or email smangohill@bne.catholic.edu.au. Information is also available on our website at www.stbenedictscollege.qld.edu.au. Our office is currently situated at St Benedict’s Primary School, so please drop in – we’d love to meet you.

Interviews are currently being held for Year 8 in 2013, with interviews for other year levels commencing later in the year.

Be strong on prayer, work and leisure
St Benedict

25 Year Anniversary Celebrations

Mt Maria College Petrie (formerly Kolbe College) is celebrating its 25 Year Anniversary in 2012.

To celebrate and acknowledge this significant milestone we are holding a 25 Year Anniversary celebration dinner on 17 August at North’s Leagues and Services Club.

All past students, parents, staff members and friends of Mt Maria College Petrie and Kolbe College are invited – Tickets are $35!

Please contact us for ticket information - We hope to see you there!

Phone: 3285 5500 Email: spetrie@bne.catholic.edu.au
School of Applied psychology, Mt Gravatt Campus

Free Parenting Post Separation Program

Are you concerned about your child’s adjustment post parental separation?
Is your child struggling at school or withdrawing at home?
Do you feel like some days are just too hard to cope?
Is your child 8 to 17 years and living with you most days?

If you answered yes to the above questions, then we may be able to assist you at Griffith University (Mt Gravatt)

We are offering a *FREE* *BRIEF* *ONLINE* *Parenting Post Separation Program* (PPS Program)
Parent / Child Assessment and Summary Report -

The PPS Program’s primary aim is to improve child adjustment in the early stages of parental separation. The PPS Program was designed taking into consideration the competing demands placed on residential parents and their children post separation and divorce. With this in mind, the PPS Program provides residential parents with the opportunity to receive feedback, engage in goal setting, increase skills and improve confidence in handling future challenges all within the privacy of their own home.

To find out more please call Psychologist, Jodie Housman on: Mobile 0430 305 413 or Email: jodie.housman@griffithuni.edu.au.

Alternatively, you make wish to determine your eligibility at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/ParentEligibility