From the Principal’s Desk

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week, amid the excitement with which we welcome Pope Francis I to the Papacy, we have had the opportunity to remember and celebrate the lives of two remarkable men from our Catholic history – St Joseph and St Patrick. Today we celebrate St Joseph’s day. St Joseph is the patron saint of our school and patron of the universal Church, fathers, carpenters, and social justice.

Joseph was a humble man, a carpenter, a working man of simple economic standing in the society of his time. He was the stepfather of Jesus and husband of Mary. Not a great deal is known of Joseph’s life apart from that which is expressed within the scriptures. We know he was not present during Jesus’ public ministry, death and resurrection and therefore it is believed that he had died prior to Jesus entering his public ministry. Some things that we do know about Joseph though are that he was an exceptional man of incredible faith with an unconditional love of God. A true example to the faithful.

On Sunday we celebrated St Patrick’s feast day. St Patrick is the patron saint of our diocese and perhaps more famously, patron of Ireland. Another exceptional man of incredible courage and faith, he changed the lives of the Irish, to Christianity, for the better and forever! Some interesting facts about this amazing man that you might not know;

- March 17th, 461AD is when Patrick died.
- St Patrick wasn't Irish. Patrick's color is blue!
- St Patrick was a slave from age 16-22.
- St Patrick's was a “dry” holiday in Ireland until 1970.
- St Patrick used the shamrock to preach about the trinity, how three things, the Father, The Son, and the Holy Spirit could be separate entities, yet one in the same. Legend says St. Patrick drove all the snakes (“snakes” may be figurative and refer to pagan religious beliefs and practices rather than reptiles or amphibians) from Ireland.

It always interests me to witness the celebrations in secular society of St Patrick and the Easter and Christmas seasons and the commercialised nature of the celebrations. We have public holidays, which all enjoy. I only hope and pray that amid the celebrations there is an appreciation for the true reason for celebration – the gift of the life of Jesus Christ on Earth and the law of love he entrusted us to uphold. Wouldn’t it be nice if society celebrated with such gusto the true message of Jesus as happens on St Patrick’s Day? I’m sure the world would be a better place!

I conclude with a verse from St Patrick’s ‘Breast Plate’

Christ with me, Christ before me,
Christ behind me, Christ in me,
Christ beneath me, Christ in me,
Christ when I lie down, Christ when I sit down,
Christ when I arise, Christ in the heart of every man who thinks of me,
Christ in the mouth of everyone who speaks of me,
Christ in every eye that sees me, Christ in every ear that hears me.

Jason Clarke
Anti Bullying Day

A big thank you to our Year 6 buddies for helping us celebrate our Getting Along Day on Friday.

We enjoyed a story by Andrew & Janet McLean called Hector and Maggie and then talked about how bullying is not ok.

The buddies shared stories about how to get along with others and reminded their buddies that they are always there if they need help.

Thanks buddies!

Welcome Disco

Our St Joseph’s Parents and Friends School Forum is holding a welcoming disco at the school on Friday evening March 22nd from 6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

The music is being supplied by Brett O’Keefe. Please bring along a plate of food to share. This is a great opportunity for getting to know our new families and to meet some of the teachers in a more social setting.

Hopefully many families can support this gathering.

SRC Easter Raffle

St Joseph’s Student Representative Council is organising an Easter Raffle to be drawn on Wednesday March 27th.

Donations of Easter Eggs or other goods related to the Easter theme can be sent into school, or dropped off at the office, so that prizes can be made up for the raffle.

We would appreciate it if donations could be sent as soon as possible.

Tickets and money need to be returned to school no later than Monday March 25th.

You Can Do It Awards

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Getting Along
On Wednesday morning and Friday afternoon, Year 1 had their official ‘Museum of Memories’ opening, welcoming many parents, grandparents, family relatives and friends as well as our Year 6 students. The children worked very hard with the planning, construction and presentation of their museum in the previous 5 weeks, producing a wonderful display of their work and exceptional “guide” qualities. Thank you Year 1 for doing your job so well I was impressed. Mrs Hughes

On Wednesday the Museum of Memories opened. I had good fun seeing my cousins. Mum and Dad were proud of me and my work. Jaxon

Yesterday Year 1 had a museum opening. My Dad came and he looked at our exhibit. He told me he was proud. We also looked at the hot air balloons. Essie

On Wednesday Year 1 opened the Museum. My Mum and Dad surprised me and came to see our work. They were excited. Mackenzie

Yesterday Year 1 opened the museum of memories. I wasn’t here but I can’t wait till Friday. I really want to show mum my artefacts. Alexis

Yesterday Year 1 opened their Museum. I was happy when parents came. I was a guide. Zali

On Wednesday it was the opening day of our museum. First we waited for our families, then they came. I showed my “Me Box”, our photos then my books. I did a picture sort on the board then I took them to see our hot air balloon. Matthew
Year 1 had a favourite time with the parents showing them all things in our museum.
Liam

Yesterday Year 1 opened the Museum of Memories. I wanted to show my sister and brother our stuff. The parents went down stairs to have a cuppa. Josie

Yesterday Year 1 opened the museum, it was very fun. I loved it very much.
Mason

On Wednesday Year 1 opened our Museum. My Mum came and it was fun. Sophie

On Wednesday, Year 1 had a Museum. There was Kierra’s Dad and Mason’s Mum and Dad. Lots of people came. It was great and interesting. Lillian

On Wednesday Year 1 opened the Museum. My Dad came to the Museum. Matthew and I put the money box out. We made $20 for the poor. We also had 30 people come to our room. It was great fun. Kierra

I made a note and sent it to my papa and mamma and my mum and dad. When they came to the museum I showed them the balloons and I showed my mum my “Me Box” and the word wall then we went outside and we paid for the poor people in the world. Kaleb

I saw Mason’s parents at the Museum.
Amy

I saw Mackenzie’s Mum and my mum was here on Friday. Chloe

Yesterday, I showed my Uncle James our Museum of Memories. We raised $20. We had fun. Zayne

I liked the museum. My Nan and Pop came to see it. Caleb

First we all went to the church then Year 1 opened their museum. When we opened the door they all came in to see our exhibits. Then the parents went down stairs for a cuppa. Archie

Some of the exhibits
Asian Food at the Canteen
This Friday 22nd March

The first of our international food days will take place on Friday 22nd March.

Menu – only the following on the day (i.e. no drummies, pies, etc)

Sushi $2.00
· Chicken teriyaki
· Tuna & avocado
· California roll (seafood)
· Vegetarian roll

Rice paper rolls $2.20
· Prawn
· Vegetarian

Chicken & noodle stir-fry $2.20

All orders by Thursday 21st March please.

Slushies,  icy treats, chips, twists etc available on the day.

School Photos
School photos will be taken on Wednesday April 3rd. Please ensure that all children are at school on time, dressed in full school uniform.

If you require a family photo envelope please contact the school office and one will be sent home for you.

Money and orders need to be returned to school no later than Tuesday April 2nd.

Mt. St. Patrick College Enrolment 2014

Parents wishing to enrol their son or daughter in Year 7 in 2014 at Mt St Patrick College are asked to submit an Enrolment Application Form to the College by Friday 5th April, 2013.

Please contact the College on 66722340 for further details, if necessary.

Canteen

Wednesday 20/03  Geraldene Sharp
Tanya Penrose

Friday 22/03  Nelle Flynn
Jo Kirk
Helper Needed 9 – 10
(Asian Noodle Day)

Wednesday 27/03  Kim Stephan
Penny Obst

Friday 29/03 Good Friday

New helpers are still needed to fill some gaps in the roster. If you can help, please call/text Nelle on 0438 982 688 or email her at nelle@spiritlevelhealing.com.au

New Menu - After much consultation with staff, parents & volunteers, it has been decided to introduce a new streamlined menu in the canteen in Term 2. As such, we will be running down stocks of some canteen items and they may not be available towards the end of Term 1. In such cases we will reimburse by placing the money in your child’s lunch bag or offering an alternative.

We apologise in advance for any inconvenience this may cause.

Open Day

Mt St Patrick College
Murwillumbah

Thursday 21st March 2013
Morning Session 9.30am – 11.30am
Evening Session 5.00pm – 6.30pm

Enrol Now for 2014
Applications close
Friday 5th April 2013

Apply to:
Enrolment Secretary
PO Box 105
Murwillumbah 2484
Holy Week Ceremonies

Passion (Palm) Sunday – March 24th

Saturday Vigil - 6 p.m. Sacred Heart Church

Sunday 7:45 a.m. – Blessing of Palms in Sacred Park with the Anglican community then procession to Sacred Heart Church for 8 a.m. Mass.

10 a.m. – Mass OLPS South Murwillumbah

Triduum

Holy Thursday
7 p.m. Sacred Heart Church. Celebration of the Lord’s Supper followed by Exposition.

Good Friday
9 a.m. Stations of the Cross – South Murwillumbah
3 p.m. Sacred Heart Church. Solemn Celebration of the Lord’s Passion

Easter Vigil
7 p.m. Sacred Heart Church

Easter Sunday
8 a.m. Sacred Heart Church
10 a.m. OLPS South Murwillumbah

Chocolate Paschal Lambs
on sale $7-00 each

This Easter instead of giving Easter eggs, why not give a Paschal Lamb and at the same time support the Michaelite Mission Priests in Papua New Guinea.

Phone Philomena Zambelli 66724635

Gold Coast SUNS Community Sign on

AFL Queensland, will be hosting a Community Sign on Day with the appearance and participation of over 20 Gold Coast SUNS Players.

The Afternoon will be held on Friday the 22nd of March at the Byron Sport and Cultural Complex, Ewingsdale. The Evening will commence at 4:30 p.m. and conclude at 7:30 p.m. (NSW time).

The afternoon includes footy activities with SUNS players, autographs, photos, give aways, a free family BBQ as well as the opportunity for junior players to sign on at their local club.
ANZAC DAY

Please return this slip to your teacher by Thursday March 28th.

ANZAC DAY - Please note this year that ANZAC DAY occurs on Thursday April 25th which is in the second week of the holidays.

I give permission for my son/daughter ___________________________ to participate in the Anzac Day March in Murwillumbah on Thursday April 25th.

Name ___________________________ Signed ___________________________

(parent/guardian)
St. Joseph’s Recipe Book

We are continuing to compile a recipe book as a fundraiser for 2013. We would love to have your family’s favourite recipes included in the book.

Please complete this form or email your recipe to stjrecipebook@live.com.au.

Please feel free to contribute more than one recipe!

Name: ___________________________________________________________

Child(ren)’s Name: ________________________________________________

Contact: _________________________________________________________

Ingredients: ______________________________________________________

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All weather shopping at the Showground Dairy Pavilion. Locally grown: fruit & vegetables
meat | eggs | cheese | coffee | honey | + more
Know your farmer, know your food

WEEKEND MASS TIMES
Sacred Heart Church
Saturday 6:00 p.m.  Sunday 8:00 a.m.

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