

Newsletter



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Praise Notes.. What a hit!

As a component of our new Positive Behaviour for Learning Plan, a new process has been implemented.

Each school day, Praise Notes are awarded to all students for following the Mary's Way. Praise Notes are awarded by all staff members during class time and lunch time. The Praise Notes are aligned with our five new school rules;

- Show Respect
- Mercy and Outreach
- Compassion and Care
- Safe, Just and Fair
- Be My Best

The Praise Note awardee comes with many privileges. These include;

1. Sit on the special Praise Chair During Parade
2. Wear a gold sash during Parade
3. Choose one of four prizes (sit on the teacher chair, have lunch with a staff member, \$10 movie voucher or a \$10 tuckshop voucher).
4. Choose the bell song for the week



You may think the prizes are a little unusual. These prizes were nominated by students of our school. Who would have thought sitting on the teacher chair or having lunch with a teacher would be viewed as a reward. What this tells us is that our students care for and respect their teachers. We know that our teachers form very special relationships with our students.

Last week on Parade, our first Praise Note awardee was selected from the Praise Note box. Congratulations to Alisha Kirk, who was awarded the lucky recipient of our first Praise Note.

We all simply LOVE the frozen song that Alisha selected. Alisha also chose her prize, which was to sit on the teacher chair in the classroom for the entire day on Monday!!! I suppose we should call Alisha, Miss Alisha! Congratulations Alisha on making 'thumbs up' choices at our school and following the Mary's Way.

Our Positive Behaviour for Learning Plan is already proving to be highly effective, with our students understanding that all positive behaviour is rewarded. If you would like to know more information about our new plan, please drop into the office.

Mrs Colette Williams
Principal





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Chaplain's News

Term three has started and all students are like busy bees. We are continuing the garden program with Mrs Jenni Tait from our Parish. The students love taking our garden trolley over to the Parish garden and tasting all of the plants we are growing. They see the bush bees that have made a home around our garden and enjoy talking about how the bees play a role in our food supply.

This term we have introduced a wonderful activity for students developing interaction skills with each other. Small groups build a lego structure together, with each child taking on a new role each week as the builder, the engineer, or the supplier. This program aims to teach the students how to receive and give instructions to each other whilst building and playing together. The groups have thoroughly enjoyed being a part of this activity and we are looking forward to the growth it will bring to each student involved.

Our Mini Vinnies Crew of Year 5 and 6 students have continued to visit Good Start Day Care Centre, as a component of our community outreach program. The students have enjoyed reading and playing with the children who have loads of energy in their beautiful playground at Good Start.

In Week 3, we will have wonderful Miss Helen from the Townsville diocese visiting us again to continue with the Buddy Program. The students have had a wonderful time growing in their knowledge of Christ, whilst engaging in fun activities.

Miss Billie

School Chaplain





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Mary Mackillop OSHC

OSCH is getting very busy and we are reaching the maximum numbers some days so can you please text Miss Robin and let her know if your child is going to be away. Ph 0428216062



Making Cubbies is always fun!

OSHC Details

OSHC is happening at St Mary's after school Monday to Friday.

If you would like to know more and to register your child

**please phone Miss Rob on
0428 216 062.**

Miss Rob and Mrs Lawless
School Officers



MANAGED BY

**MARY
MACKILLOP
CHILDCARE NQ**

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Outside School Hours Care**

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Brayan Waite - 25th July

Nayarah Sarmardin - 26th July

Harry Jack - 29th July

Nahleah Sarmardin - 1st August

Class Awards



**Congratulations to our Class
awardees;**

Back L to R: Noah Carlyon Prep A,
Lincoln Acreman Yr 4, Colten
Ward Year 1, Ashton McMahon Yr
3, Jayden Kirk Yr 2.

Front L to R: Wynter McMahon
Prep B.



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St Mary's Parish Weekend Mass Times

Saturday – 6:30pm

Sunday – 8:00am

Bowen Rodeo Cowboys



Thank you to the Bowen Rodeo Committee for arranging three cowboys to visit our school. We were lucky enough to learn some cool rodeo moves, the students loved having them visit!



Thank You Bowen Wood Turners

This cross has been lovingly crafted out of local mango timber by the Bowen Wood Turners.

The wood turners will also be creating a miniature replica of our cross to place in our foyer.

We thank Grahame Bligh (President) for loving St Mary's as much as we do!

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St Mary's Trivia Night

Friday 10th
September 2021

Trivia Night

Doors open at 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start

\$10 per person/\$80 per table

10 rounds of 10 questions

BYO Food

No BYO alcohol,
drinks available for
purchase on the
night!



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Prizes to be won!

[Tickets available for purchase at School Office or Hickmott's Newsagency](#)



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HOUSE OF PRAYER
and Spirituality

Celebrating 40 Years

YOU ARE INVITED

As someone who has been part of the story of the
House of Prayer and Spirituality,
we hope you will be able to share in these special events



Friday 17th September	Drinks and Nibbles	5:30 pm
	Launch - Commemorative Journal	6:30 pm
Saturday 18th September	Community Eucharist	9:00 am
Sunday 19th September	Celebration Liturgy	10:30 am
	Lunch	1:00 pm

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To assist with planning, kindly
RSVP as soon as possible
nominating each event to be attended

Special Guests: Bishop Tim Harris Sr. Monica Cavanagh rsj
Sr. Carmel Street rsj Sr. Elaine Smith rsj and Judy Brown

**All welcome also to our regular weekly
times of prayer:**

Monday evening:
- **Contemplative Prayer** 7.00pm
Tuesday morning:
- **Christian Meditation** 10am
Thursday evening:
- **Christian Meditation** 5.30pm
Friday morning:
- **Contemplative Prayer** 9.30pm

We are seeking to capture memories and stories which
will be added to our web site and will welcome from
you a paragraph or so.

**If you would like to submit a photograph
or short story please email our office.**

The Commemorative Journal
will be available for purchase.

**Should you wish to pre-order please lodge your interest
and required number of copies with the office.**

W: houseofprayerstownsville.org.au

E: houseofprayer@tsv.catholic.org.au

Phone: 07/4728 9861



CATHOLIC SCHOOL PARENTS QUEENSLAND
Diocese of Townsville

An **INVITATION**

PARENT ENGAGEMENT DAY
TOWNSVILLE | SAT 7 AUG | 10AM-4PM
St Joseph's Catholic School, The Strand

KEY SPEAKERS

Andrew Fuller, Psychologist, discussing 3 topics:
Behaviour, Mental health and Motivation

Chris Borrell, The Fathering Project

Bernadette Kay, Catholic School Parents QLD
talking with 5 schools about their best practice in Parent Engagement

All Catholic School Parents, Principals & School Staff welcome.
A free event to support our children's learning and wellbeing.

Topics for all ages Prep to Yr 12

Click on the link below for more details and to register
<https://www.cvent.com/d/4mq12p>

Year 6 Graduation Sub Committee

We are looking at establishing a parent sub committee for the Year 6 Graduation evening which will be held on Thursday 25th November. If you are interested in being a part of this group please let Mrs Farley know at your earliest convenience. bfarley2@smbtsv.catholic.edu.au

Lourdes Hill College, Brisbane - Reunion

LOURDES HILL COLLEGE, BRISBANE - REUNION – All students who attended Lourdes hill College, Brisbane in: 1966 – Year 8, 1967 – Year 9, 1968 – Year 10, 1969 – Year 11 and 1970 – Year 12, are invited to attend the Reunion of the 1966-1970 Cohort on Saturday 16 October at Lourdes Hill College.

For enquiries, please contact:

Maree Foley (Stanton) maree_foley@hotmail.com, events@lhc.qld.edu.au or phone Mary at LHC on 3399 0411.



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Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1	12 July	13	14	15 NAIDOC Day Confirmation Program - 6 5:15pm P&F MTG 5:15pm	16 School Mass - All 9am Pre-Prep Family Meet & Greet 9am	17	18 Mulkadee Students Depart
2	19 July Mulkadee	20 Mulkadee	21 Mulkadee Bowen Sub-District Cricket Trials	22 Mulkadee Confirmation Program - 7 5:15pm Board MTG 5:15pm	23 Mulkadee	24	25
3	26 July Catholic Education Week	27	28	29 Confirmation Program - 8 5:15pm P&F MTG 5:15pm	30 Bowen Sub-District Athletics Trials School Mass 9am	31	1
4	2 August School Performance Tour	3 Diocesan Council Gathering Executive Director Visit	4	5 Validation Confirmation Rehearsal 5:15pm	6 Mary MacKillop Christian Meditation 9am	7	8 Confirmation Mass 8am
5	9 August Principals' Conference Prep Interviews	10 Principals' Conference	11	12	13 Year 6 Transition St Catherine's College	14	15
6	16 August Prep Enrolment Interviews	17	18	19	20	21	22 Family Mass 8am
7	23 August Prep Enrolment Interviews	24 Burdekin Festival of Arts Excursion	25	26 Life Education Visit Year 5/6	27 Kenzie State Softball Trials Disco	28	29
8	30 August	31	1	2 Father's Day Breakfast 8am and Liturgy 9am P&F MTG 5:15pm	3 PUPIL Free Day	4	5
9	6 September	7	8 Quest for Knowledge	9 R U Ok Day	10 SMB Trivia Night	11	12
10	13 September	14	15	16	17 End of Term Mass Last Day of Term 3	18	19