FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Congratulations to Greta, Kirk, Harry (K) and Thomas on the birth of their beautiful baby son and brother Zachary Gerard.

20 New iPads
Thanks to the P and F’s fundraising efforts last year we now have 20 new iPads. We are one of 7 schools in the diocese who have been part of the wireless mobile device trials. The iPads will be initially used in Kindergarten and Years 5/6. Thank you to Mr C who has been installing suitable apps and initialising settings ready for their use in classrooms.

Wine Cheese and Apps
Next term (date to be confirmed) we will be hosting a parent evening with Kate Highfield from Macquarie University. Kate will be running a hands on session showing high quality Apps for children to use from Pre school through to year 6. Kate’s areas of expertise is examining young children's play with technology, with a focus on touch technologies, including iPads, iPods, iPhones and android devices. Her work examines digital play, in both home and educational settings, examines young children's interactions and the impact of multi-media on play.

Inappropriate use of social media
At school we supervise and have restrictions and filters on accessing inappropriate sites on computers. There have been reports that children outside of school are inappropriately using Instagram, Facebook and other social media apps which legally require the participant to be 13 years of age to open an account. Please be aware of what your sites children are accessing and how they use technology. Constable Robyn Jennings will be conducting a parent education evening at St Rose early next term addressing the ever increasing issue of cyber bullying and social media problems. We will have more information on this session when dates have been confirmed.

This government site has some useful information on social networking.


SCHOOL CALENDAR

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FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

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There’s no real way to beat the flu once you’ve got it, so prevention is your only bet. Here are a few key ways to prevent flu germs from finding their way into your child’s bodies.

**Close watch**

Look out for symptoms of the flu. A sluggish demeanour, flushed face or runny nose could be the warning signs of an oncoming flu.

**Education**

Be sure your child understands how nasty the flu is and how to avoid exposure to germs. Teach them about the importance of hand washing, keeping shared items out of their mouths and covering their coughs and sneezes.

**Well-stocked**

At school we encourage children to wash their hands. Hand sanitizer is available in the classrooms.

**Sick days**

Once your child is sick, it’s crucial that he or she isn’t exposed to healthy kids until his or her fever is gone for at least 24 hours without the help of fever suppressing medication. This could mean missing a fair amount of school.

**Uniform**

Every child should be wearing their school jumper and jacket on cold days. We encourage all children to have a raincoat to protect them from the rain. This could prevent catching a chill during the winter months.

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**BIRTHDAYS**

Leilani Dwyer
Joey Taylor
Abigail Quinton

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Respect the place we are in.

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FROM THE REC

First Eucharist
Please continue to pray for the children who will be making their First Eucharist on the 15th and 16th June.

Sienna Beaumont  
Milo Browne  
Sarah Cassidy  
Toby Craw  
Sebastien Dekker  
Orlando Encina  
Aiden Flynn  
Remy Garner  
Coco Guberina  
Xavier Harding  
Poppy Irvin  

Cody Johnson  
Genevieve Kelly  
Maren McHugh  
Sebastian Meacham  
Joseph Oates  
Bailey Paine  
Emma Phillips  
Isabella Taylor  
Lachlan Walls

Parish Mass
Year 2 will be attending the Parish Mass next Thursday at 9.15am. Following Mass Year 4 will be attending Reconciliation at 10.00am.

FROM THE LIBRARY

Holiday borrowing
Children may borrow over the holidays provided they have no outstanding overdue books. Those children with overdue books received a note to day. (The monetary value after the book title refers to the cost of the book, not the fine! It is just automatically generated with the notice.) Please assist your child to search for the book at home and also remind them to look in their classroom. If the book cannot be found kindly return the note, signed and we will look in the Library. With over 200 books out the time to search the shelves first is not available. This would be a waste of time in many cases as most of the books would either be at home or in the classroom. Thank you for your assistance in this.

SPORTS NEWS

Congratulations to all of the teams who participated in this week’s Netball, Rugby League and Eagle Tag Gala Days.

Unfortunately due to bad weather, the days were not completely run as planned, but the students in Year 5/6 were able to play their chosen sport and the Eagle Tag teams combined with the students from Mater Maria.

The students in years 3 and 4 arrived to play, only for the rain to start and the day was finally abandoned. Thanks to all of the parents who volunteered their time and for their patience in the restructuring that took place.

We wish Natalia Woods all the best as she represented Broken Bay today at the Polding Cross Country Carnival today. We congratulate her on making it so far and no doubt it will be a tough run, but a great experience. Well done Natalia, Maria Regina staff and students are extremely proud of your efforts.
**Canteen Volunteers for Terms 3 and 4 2013**

If you can help at canteen during Terms 3 and 4, on a Monday, please complete the form below and return to school so a roster can be made up. These are always fun days for the volunteers plenty of cooking tips and laughs. Thank you for your continued support and assistance...3 volunteers makes the day go faster and that way if someone is running late or sick it makes it easier for the other volunteers. Please return the completed slip below to Denise in the school office.

Unfortunately if we do not have volunteers to help on a date we will not be able to open the canteen for recess or lunch orders.

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Contact Number ________________ Signed ________________
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