Dear Parents, Carers and Friends of Saint Mary’s,

I begin this week with a brief reflection from Br Damien Price’s book, The Worth of the Ordinary on having the courage to take the first step toward change:

Have you ever asked yourself, ‘What is the key to success?’ ‘What makes a good marriage?’ ‘How do you do well in school work, sport, business?’ I have no doubt that the answer is simple—self-discipline. My definition of self-discipline is ‘the ability to know what we need to do, don’t feel like doing, but still choose to do’. This may sound simple, but I think there is some wisdom in it. How often have I tried to get fit but have given up because I did not feel like getting out of bed a bit earlier? I have often heard it said that the hardest step in any journey that makes you a better person is the first one. The first time I say ‘No’ to alcohol at a party, the first time I find the humility to say ‘Sorry’ when I know I need to, the first time I find the courage to share how I really feel—all of these are so often hard. But in time we realise that that first step frees us, strengthens us and gives us the courage to take the next step.

Macbeth Performance: Last Thursday night, our senior Drama students put on an excellent performance of Macbeth. Even as an abridged version, it is a tough ask to learn complicated lines and perform without the full working stage. There were many standout performances across the evening. I would also like to thank Miss Poole and the parents and teachers who helped with the evening.

State of Origin Fundraiser: Tonight is our QISSN Netball girls’ State of Origin Fundraiser. I would encourage our families to attend this event and support our QISSN Netball team. The staff, parents and girls working with this team will give up the first week of the school holidays to compete in the state-wide Independent schools netball competition in Caloundra.

I know that I am stating the obvious, but I would remind everyone that tonight is:

- a family night and school function, so we would expect that everyone would behave accordingly.
- not supervised by staff. The expectation is that parents and carers are present and supervising their children.

Yours in Christ

Mr Michael Nayler
Principal
From the Deputy

Uniforms
Thank you to all the parents and students who have labelled students hats and clothing. This makes returning lost items much easier.

Examinations
Examinations are occurring at present. Please be mindful of this as you move around the campus.

Congratulations
To the Senior Drama class for their excellent work last Thursday night. Macbeth is a difficult piece to perform and they did a very good job.

Kind regards
Mr Sean Erwin
Deputy Principal

APRE News

Winter Appeal
There has been a good response to our local winter appeal for warm food. Next week we hope to present your generosity to a representative from Centacare at our Tuesday morning College assembly. Thank you all for your efforts.

Reflection days
Next Monday 18th June and Tuesday 19th June we have the Year 7 and Year 6 Reflection Days in the Taabinga Room at the DPI. On these days we offer students the opportunity to have some time out of the classroom but with a focus on spirituality. Students can wear casual clothes on these days, lunch will be provided however students must bring their own morning tea.

These days are compulsory for all students to attend. Please ensure that your consent form is returned to the office by Friday 15th June.

God bless
Mr Martin Perrett
APRE.

Sport News
Congratulations to all our runners who represented South Burnett last week in Murgon. They all ran really well with an extra special effort by Christian Sutton who finished 3rd and therefore qualified for the Wide Bay team to compete at Maroochydore in a few weeks time.

Best of luck Christian.

Last Wednesday we welcomed Wondai State School's Under 15 Rugby League and Netball teams to the College for 'friendly' matches. Thanks to Mr. Cook who coached the Rugby league team who had an inspiring 56-10 victory and Mrs Carlton who took care of our Netballers who also got up easily 18-0. Thanks also to Miss Tamara Poole who refereed the League and Cassie Firman (year 10) who refereed Netball. We plan on organising some more games with smaller schools over the region hopefully building up to the Titans shield in term 3.

Apologies to the parents of students from years 4-7 regarding the Winter Carnival. After not receiving ANY information about the event until the originally planned week, it was postponed once and then cancelled all together. There is a chance this may run early in term 3 but I have not been given dates as yet but I will be sure to keep these students posted.

Yours in Sport
Mr Mark Holmes
Sports Coordinator

Uniform Shop News
Uniform shop hours are Wednesdays from 8am to 11am only. Any uniform orders can be placed via an order form and orders will be filled on Wednesday for payment and collection.

Kind regards
Mrs Cathy Nitschke
Uniform Convenor

Tuckshop News

Friday’s extra choice menu

Morning Tea and Lunch Savoury Mince Rolls $3.50

Lunch Bag System Only Chicken Chow Mein $3.50

Orders only - no orders will be accepted after morning tea on Friday.

Please do not use staples or sticky tape to secure money in bags.

Reminder also that Pies, Sausage Rolls and Party Pies are available on Monday and Wednesday only.

Kind regards,
Ms Heather Barritt
Tuckshop Convenor

Library News
Thank you for your support during our Annual Book Fair. Once again, it was a huge success. We have raised $800 for new books for our library! With this, we will purchase relevant non-fiction and update our fiction and Lexile collections. The best part of the last couple of weeks though, has been the smiles on the faces of our visitors.

So, thank you!

During Book Fair, we held various student competitions. The winners received prizes from the Book Fair last week. Here are the winners:

- Colouring-in
  - Prep - Molly McDonald
  - Year 1 - Claudia Di Marco
  - Year 2 - Darcy Brady
  - Year 3 - Rahni Lucas
  - Year 4 - Kaitlyn Maxwell
  - Year 5 - Tia Kanay
  - Year 6 - Grace McFarlane

- Design-a-book cover
  - Year 7 - Tom McKenzie

- Guess the number of pages
  - Year 8 - Caylan Brown

Lexile Awards
Congratulations to the following students who have received Lexile Awards!

- Blue Award (3 books) - Sammi Rix, Kaitlyn Maxwell, Darlene Ryan, Bree Wilson
- Red Award (5 books) - Beau Kanay, Sophie Woods, Carmen Sowden, Harry Lucas, Tessa Buzzo
- Bronze Award (10 books) - Lachlan Dolzan
- Silver Award (25 books) - Mason White

Graduation from Reading Programs
Well done, to the following students who have graduated from the Take home Reader Program and have now begun Lexile:

- Abby Wolski
- Nicholas Erwin
- Jacob Haydon

Overdue Books
Please encourage your child to return overdue books immediately. They have been receiving a printed slip with details or reminders form library staff/teachers.

Mrs Melanie Burr
Teacher Librarian

Counsellor News

The Healthy Relationship Series for Women.

For women who are:

- In a controlling relationship or rebuilding after one
- Considering or working through family separation
- Wanting to create healthy relationships in the future

Tuesday, 10th July 2012
“Free To Be Me”:
Defining Your Space in Relationships

Tuesday, 17th July 2012
“The Games People Play”:
Understanding Control in Relationships

Tuesday, 24th July 2012
NAIDOC Celebrations

Saint Mary’s Catholic College, Kingaroy is hosting the Annual South Burnett Regional High School NAIDOC Celebration Day, to be held on Friday, 3rd August 2012 on our College Campus with the kind support from the Aboriginal Community Interest Consultative Committee (ACICC).

Saint Mary’s Prep to Year 12 students will join together with local high school students from Year 8 to come together to celebrate the significance of NAIDOC and to be immersed in cultural activities. NAIDOC (National Aboriginal and Islander Day Observance Committee) was established in 1957 to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and honour the positive and valuable contribution Aboriginals have made to our nation.

The day will include:
Opening reflection, Welcome to country, Rotational Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander cultural activities, closing ceremony including a performance by the Cherbourg Junior Murri Rangers.

Morning tea and Lunch will be provided for all on the day.

NAIDOC Stations
1. Traditional Aboriginal Games - Cherbourg Community Health (P-5)
2. Bunya Murri Rangers History Talk
3. Boomerang and spear throwing - Barambah Environmental Education Centre
4. CTC MERV Station Melinda Bradford
5. Traditional Artefacts - Nguntana-Lui, Brisbane Catholic Education Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Cultural Centre
6. Mr Bertie Button (Didgeridoo demonstration)
7. Ms Nikki Law (Artist-Murals for school)
8. Mr Eric and Mrs Shirley Law (Media Room - Ration Shed History DVD)
9. CTC Ms Barbie Stewart (Artist-canvas for homerooms and visiting schools)
10. Face painting - (Prep to 5)
11. Boomerang painting (Prep to 5)
12. Budburra’s alphabet and early years stories (DVD’s) (Prep to 5)
13. Indigenous Rock painting - Mrs Langford-Martoo
14. Zumba station - Miss Poole
15. Traditional damper demonstration - Mr Perrett

Rock on Stage Parent Act

The P&F have decided to organise the parent act this year for Rock on Stage. The act has been decided on and locked in. Don’t worry if you can’t dance or sing just brush up on your nursery rhymes. If you wish to join in please contact me on 0408 068 485 or email drbmar-too@yahoo.com.au. Our first practice / meet up will be advised as soon as possible.

Kind regards
Mr Damien Martoo
President

Drama News

Macbeth Performance
Recently, Saint Mary’s Catholic College Senior Drama students took on the challenging task of performing the legendary play Macbeth.

The performance was part of their Senior Drama assessment and allowed them to demonstrate their considerable artistic abilities to staff, students and parents.

Macbeth was performed in the College’s new Mary Knoll Centre which houses the College’s Dance, Drama and Sporting facilities.

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Indigenous Education Support Teacher

Saint Mary’s College Drama teacher, Miss Poole said that she was extremely pleased with her students’ performances.

Earlier in the year, the centre hosted a very successful school-wide talent show featuring dance, drama, music and poetry performances.

Later this year, Saint Mary’s will hold its annual “Rock on Stage” performance in which classes compete for the best musical performance. Michael Nayler, the College’s new Principal, said that he was constantly amazed at the depth and breadth of talent of his students, especially in the performing arts.
Holiday Activities @ Kingaroy Library
Looking for something to do during the school holidays?? Come and join the Kingaroy library for holiday activities.

Tuesday 27th June 10:00 – 11:00am
Make your room into your very own aquarium with our mobile hangings

Tuesday 3rd July 10:00 – 11:00am
Bubble or splat sea animals for a library display
Swimming fish and sailing boats collage

The activities are suitable for children age 5+
Bookings are essential, so be quick as spots are limited.
Phone: 4189 9256

Kingaroy Community Garden
Open Day & Working Bee
South Burnett Regional Council’s Healthy Communities Initiative aims to establish a Kingaroy Community Garden group utilizing the Pound Street Venue.

To get the ball rolling we are having an Open Day and Working Bee to gather interest and progress a Community Garden at the site.

Where: Pound Street Community Garden, Pound Street, Kingaroy.
When: Saturday 23 June 2012, 9:00 – 11:00am.
BYO: Chair, sun protection, water bottle, gardening gloves (if participating in garden activities) and closed-toe shoes.

Come along to:
- Learn more about how to be involved in the Community Garden either socially, in-kind support or to reap the benefits
- Make paper pots with seasonal seedlings to plant at home
- Taste some delicious healthy recipes as part of the Grow Cook Eat Workshop, including Tzatziki & Babaganoush!

For more information contact:
Kerry Oldfield
South Burnett Regional Council
Healthy Communities Coordinator
Phone (07) 4189 9412
Email koldfield@southburnett.qld.gov.au

Berneice Hilly
RHealth
Community Nutritionist
Phone (07) 4162 5230
Email berneice@rhealth.com.au

Supported by:

Autism Queensland
Autism Queensland is having a Trivia Night at the Kingaroy Town Hall on Saturday, 16th June. Tickets are $10 each and are available at the door. The theme is Olympics so come dressed as your favourite sporting personality or favourite sport. There are many prizes on the night. Come along and have some fun and support a worthy cause.

Kingaroy Blue Light Disco
Kingaroy Town Hall
15th June 2012
Prep to 14 years
High school ID must be brought
$5 entry
Start: 6pm
Finish 8.30pm
Parents must collect their children from inside the hall and may at anytime throughout the night.

Flashing Light Products for Sale at the Disco

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SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM
St Mary’s Catholic Parish is beginning a Sacramental program for Baptised Catholic children, aged seven or older.

For further information contact
Fr John on 4162 1958,
Peter Undery on 0401 289 922
or contact Saint Mary’s Catholic College on 4162 2011.