I would like to begin this week’s newsletter by acknowledging all the effort that went into the organisation of the inaugural Saint Mary’s Catholic College Trivia Night. The event was held last Saturday evening and was a great success. Our sincere thanks go to:

- Bron Langford-Martoo and Alice Hauritz for all their hard work preparing for and promoting the night
- Damien Martoo for compering the evening so well
- The College Parents & Friends Association for running the bar
- All the volunteers who helped with selling raffle tickets on the night
- Teresa Francis who assisted by finding and collecting many of the prizes
- The parents and students who assisted with set up and clean up before and after the event
- Senior Constable Todd Armstrong for keeping an eye on proceedings (cheating was not an option)
- Kingsley Grove winery who came along to run a cellar door for us
- All our sponsors who so generously made donations for raffles and prizes

All proceeds of the evening will go towards our Year 12 formal next term and the College P&F. It was such a great night; I can definitely see this becoming an annual feature on our College calendar.

Expressions of Interest – Part time Indigenous School Officer

I am seeking expressions of interest from people who would like to work with us in the role of part-time Indigenous School Officer during Term 4 this year. Applicants would preferably have experience working in a school context and be able to provide cultural and welfare support for our Indigenous students.

Farewell Mrs Burr

Mrs Melanie Burr has accepted the position of Teacher/ Librarian at McAuley College in Beaudesert. McAuley is a new Catholic College due to be opened in January 2017. The Teacher/Librarian position that Mel has been offered, however, commences from the beginning of Term 4. This is an exciting opportunity for Mel as she will be setting up their new resource centre from scratch. I would like to congratulate Mel on this appointment and to thank her for all the wonderful work that she has done at Saint Mary’s during her time here. Her expertise and enthusiasm will be greatly missed. Mrs Katie Mangan has agreed to take on the Teacher/Librarian role and Mrs Burr’s teaching load for the remainder of this year. We will advertise for a new Teacher/Librarian to commence in 2017. We are in the process of appointing a teaching to Year 5 for Term 4. Once this is finalised in the next couple of days, parents of Year 5 students will be notified.

New Year 7 teacher

We have recently appointed Mr Paul Curtin to teach in the Secondary until the end of this year. Mr Curtin will work with our Year 7 students, enabling us to split that year level into smaller class groups for the remainder of the year. Year 7 parents will be notified in the coming days about the specific impact of these changes. I am sure that you will make Mr Curtin welcome.

We will also welcome back Ms Celia King and Mrs Leesa Johnston from leave at the beginning of Term 4. We thank Ms Kylie Ledger for looking after Mrs Johnston’s class during Term 3. Next term, Ms King will be taking on an extension of her existing Middle Leadership role and will be working full time to support teachers in the delivery of high quality curriculum. Mrs Nuala Black will continue to share the role of Year 4/5 teacher with Mrs Weier for the remainder of the year.
As a very busy term comes to an end, I am sure that our staff and students are all looking forward to a well-deserved break. September is such a beautiful time of year. I hope that you all have an opportunity to enjoy a little bit of relaxation and hopefully some sunshine over the next couple of weeks. If you are travelling over the break, please drive safely. We look forward to seeing you all in Term 4.

God Bless

Mrs Angela Myles
College Principal

Head of Primary News

Week 10, the final week of the term. Thank you to the parents for your patience and understanding with the incredible staff movement this term. There have been many children home sick including children on staff members, which has had an impact on school officer staff as well as teaching staff, not to mention parents.

However, we look forward to Term 4 with fresh eyes, renewed vigour, and hopefully the end of the flu season – or whatever the ‘season’ seemed to be that had so many of our whole school community out of their usual routine.

Thank you to the teachers who have managed to ‘catch up’ students who have been away ill and who themselves have been quite ill at times. Thank you to the school officers who help out in the classrooms, working with small groups e.g. focus phonic programs, and thank you to the office staff who have dealt with many sick children in sick bay this term. This has been done with great professionalism and compassion and what appears to be consummate ease.

Thank you once again parents, for the support in the classrooms and on the home front. Enjoy the break and we return to school on Tuesday 4th October 2016.

Kind regards

Ms Pam Radcliffe
Head of Primary

APA News

Best wishes to Jayde Novak (Year 12) and her horse Ollie who will represent Queensland in equestrian events during the holidays.

Jayde is the Vice-Captain of the Queensland team and will compete in a number of events at the National Titles in Sydney during the second week of the September holidays.

Thank you to our College P&F who donated $150 to support Jayde in this event, and also to local MP Deb Frecklington who also supported Jayde with $250 under the Local Heroes program.

Kind regards

Mr John Dalton
APA

APRE News

Year 6 Reflection Day – Bell

Yesterday both Year 6 classes travelled to Bell to visit the Church adjacent Biblical Gardens and the town’s Bunya Visitors Information Centre. The students were given a booklet with several tasks, straddling the areas of geography, history and religion. I would recommend that everyone visit the Catholic Church there. Local artist and parishioner, Mrs Meg Cullen, has painted over 12 massive pieces that depict the major themes and stories of the Old and New Testament. Her level of detail is only matched by her theological knowledge that brings the bible alive for all who visit. Meg kindly ran through the themes with the students and then allowed them time to walk around and get up close and personal with her work. Her expertise is not confined to the church. She, along with a team from the parish, have created ‘The Biblical Gardens’. This garden, complete with over 10 species of tree that feature in the bible, lays out in landscape, industrial and mosaic art, the fourteen stations of the cross. It is the story of the Passion of Christ leading up to the Resurrection on Easter Sunday.
Both experiences are a brilliant way to engage with the scriptures. I was extremely impressed with the way the students took part in what was offered here and the great questions they asked. We have been visiting Bell for four years now and it is a tradition I hope will continue with Year six classes into the future.

To round off the day we visited the Bunya Visitor Information centre. This is a community centre that features a self-serve library and vegetable garden; it has a small function room, art gallery, commercial grade kitchen, physio and doctor suite and gift and coffee shop. It also runs computer and art classes. Students were allowed to buy some goodies from here but the purpose was for them to experience the way this small rural community has created a hub for the benefit of all its citizens. The goodwill from volunteer workers who man this facility and serve the community is worth as much as the building itself.

Kind regards
Mr Martin Perrett
APRE

Campus Minister News

Youth Group will be on the second week of the school holidays, Tuesday 27th September. Drop off will be at St Mary's Church hall at 3pm and pickup at 5pm. If your son/daughter would like to take part in youth group please remind them to see Miss Schick for a permission form and hand it back into the office.

Kolbe Youth Camp is on this Friday, Saturday and Sunday at St Mary's. 38 Samoan youth will be coming from Maximilian Kolbe Parish in Brisbane for the camp. If your child is in Year 10, 11 or 12 and would like to participate in this camp they can see Miss Schick for more details. It will be an incredible weekend and experience. This is a parish event

God bless
Miss Megan Schick
Campus Minister

Library News

Access to thousands of free E-books and Audio Books
An email was sent to all families last week (using the contact email address on our school system) with important information about how to access the Brisbane Catholic Education Digital library. Through this, your child has access to thousands of free e-books and audiobooks. All you need to do is download the Overdrive - Library eBooks and Audiobooks app on your mobile device (iPads, phones, tablets etc.) Included in the email was your child’s school email address and password. However, it is only the first part of this that is needed eg. bhope in bhope@mybce.bne.catholic.edu.au, for your child to take advantage of the wealth of resources via Overdrive. E-Books/audio books can be downloaded (at a very minimal usage) on devices. Many of these resources are a part of the Accelerated Reader program too! The email address and password are useful to use the school portal and Oliver (our own library system) to search for resources as required.

Please contact the office if you have not received this email.

A THANK-YOU BOOK FAIR
Next term, in week 2 there will be a promotional Book Fair to say thank-you to all the families and staff who have so wonderfully supported us each year. This Book Fair is a “Buy One Get One Free” promotion. It is great timing coming up to Christmas for you to be able to get presents or grab a bargain. Whilst families/staff are able to donate the second book to the library as an option, I
I am more than happy for this Fair to be for your family and friends. The Book Fair will be in Room 23 (behind the library) each afternoon from 3pm-4pm in Week 2 (10th-14th October).

I would like to say a really big 'thank-you' to all the students, staff and families at Saint Mary's. As you would have heard, I have accepted a job at a new school in Beaudesert which begins next term. While the timeline for my move is daunting, I am really excited by the promising challenges of helping set up the new library for the College opening next year. My last six years at Saint Mary's have been filled with so much energy, love and laughter. I have loved being a part of the Saint Mary's family and will miss everyone incredibly but I know that a love for reading and a thriving library will continue at Saint Mary's when I'm gone. As I look forward to my new and exciting challenge, I pray that God continues to bless this wonderful school community.

Yours in reading
Mrs Melanie Burr
Teacher Librarian

Homework Club News

Homework Club has concluded for Term 3 and will resume in week 2 of Term 4 (Thursday, 13th October 2016).

Kind regards
Ms Sonia Robertson
Year 7 to Year 9 Student Wellbeing Leader

Indigenous News

Congratulations to Rahab Murray for winning the Girls Open Age Champion at the South Burnett Trials.

Wishing everyone a safe and enjoyable September holiday. School resumes on Tuesday, 4th October.

Music News

Approaching Events
- Friday, 30th September at 5:30pm – Wondai Art Gallery Opening Night (part of Cherbourg & South Burnett On Show), selected students
- Thursday, 20th October at 6pm - Music Tuition Program Evening (Maryknoll Centre)
- Friday, 21st October at 7pm - Topology/The Australian Voices/SMCC production: ‘The Singing Politician’ (Maryknoll Centre)
- Thursday, 27th October at 6pm - Annual Presentation Evening (Senior Vocal Ensemble, Senior Chamber Orchestra, String Immersion)
- Thursday 3rd November at 5:30pm - Annual Celebration of the Arts (Maryknoll Centre)

Yours in music
Mrs Jane Iszlaub
Music Coordinator

Tuckshop News

Friday Specials
- Cheese and Bacon Pizza Rounda - $3.50
- Lasagne - $3.50

Grainwaves are no longer available.

Price Rise: Frozen Jewels (grapes) are now $1.00 effective immediately.

Kingaroy Junior Cricket Sign On
Saturday, 17th September at Lyle Vidler Oval, Kingaroy from 9am to 12noon.
Please note: Due to supplier issues some stock will not be available for purchase. We will substitute where necessary.

Thank you for your understanding.

*** There are no pies or sausage rolls sold on Fridays ***

Volunteers
If you would like to volunteer in the Tuckshop, you can do so by calling Monday, Wednesday and Friday to discuss how to volunteer.

Please ensure that you have the current 2016 Menu. If you have misplaced your menu, they are available from the College office.

Thank you
Thank you to everyone who has donated their time and goods over this past term. Without you all my job would be impossible.

Have a great holiday!
Mrs Michelle Davis
Tuckshop Convenor
**Dates to Remember**

**Thursday, 15th September**
Under 8s Day – Emergency Services visit Period 1 & 2
Lunchtime Chess in Library

**Friday, 16th September**
Benedictine Awards 2pm

**Term 3 Completed**

**Monday, 3rd October**
Queen's Birthday Public Holiday

**Tuesday, 4th October**
Term 4 Commences
Free2go Visit to Year 12

**Wednesday, 5th October**
Subject Selection Year 11 and 12

**Monday, 10th October**
Book Fair Starts

**Tuesday, 11th October**
Book Fair
Whole School Assembly
Community BBQ

**Wednesday, 12th October**
Book Fair
Year 9 Arts Excursion to QPAC

**Thursday, 13th October**
Book Fair Finishes

**Friday, 14th October**
AST Graduation Mass
Kingaroy Blue Light Disco

**Monday, 17th October**
Pupil Free Day – No School

**Tuesday, 18th October**
P&F Meeting 7.00pm

**Thursday, 20th October**
Domestic Violence Presentation Year 11 & 12
Music Tuition Program Evening 6pm

**Friday, 21st October**
Whip Cracking Demonstration

**Monday, 24th October**
Prep A Excursion

**Wednesday, 26th October**
Immunisation Clinic
Board Meeting 5.30pm

**Thursday, 27th October**
Annual Awards Ceremony 6pm

**Monday, 31st October**
Prep B Excursion

**Tuesday, 1st November**
Whole School Assembly

**Thursday, 3rd November**
Prep 2017 Orientation Day 1 Group A
Celebration of the Arts 5.30pm in Maryknoll Centre

**Tuesday, 8th November**
Indigenous Graduation
Community BBQ 5.30pm

**Thursday, 10th November**
Prep 2017 Orientation Day 1 Group B

**Tuesday, 15th November**
Year 12 Valedictory Dinner 5pm Kingaroy Town Hall
P&F Meeting 7pm

**Thursday, 17th November**
Prep 2017 Orientation Day 2 Group A

**Friday, 18th November**
Year 12 Last Day

**Monday, 21st November**
Year 11 Work Experience All Week

**Tuesday, 22nd November**
Year 7 Orientation Day
Whole School Assembly

**Wednesday, 23rd November**
Board Meeting 5.30pm

**Thursday, 24th November**
2017 Prep Orientation Day 2 Group B

**Friday, 25th November**
Year 10 and Year 11 Last Day
Blue Light Disco

**Monday, 28th November**
Rites of Passage 6pm

**Wednesday, 30th November**
Carols Night 6pm

**Thursday, 1st December**
Prep to Year 6 Swimming Carnival

**Friday, 2nd December**
Term 4 Completed. School finishes at 12:30pm
Are you ready for some fun?

**LAZER SKIRMISH**

**...is back!**

(Bookings are Essential)

When?
Monday 19th September

Where?
SB PCYC (40 Macalister St Murgon)

Cost?
$20 Per Person

Time?
First Session: 9.30am - 11.30am
Seconds Session: 3.30pm - 5.30pm

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**SCHOOL HOLIDAY FUN**

**WEEK 1**

**SEED CREATIONS**
Create something cute and take it home! Great fun for kids of all ages. Seed, water and... watch the green hair grow!

**When:** Monday 18th - Friday 22nd September
**Time:** 10am to 1pm daily

**WEEK 2**

**YOUNG MODEL DISCOVERY**
Tamblyn Modelling will be holding a Young Model Discovery at Kingaroy Shoppingworld. Entry forms and more information are available at tamblynomodelling.com.au or at Kingaroy Shoppingworld Centre Management!

**Heat 1:** Monday 25th September
Registration: 10.30am, Start: 11.00am

**Heat 2:** Tuesday 26th September
Registration: 10.30am, Start: 11.00am

**Final:** Wednesday 27th September
Registration: 10.30am, Start: 11.00am

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**Blue Light Disco**

14th October 2016
Kingaroy Town Hall
6.30pm to 8.30pm

The spookiest ever... come inside... if you dare...

Entry $5

Refrain your inner monster to win best dressed prizes then capture it with your ghostly friends in our photo booth!

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Prep to 14 years
High School 8 minute dance.

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KIngaroy Blue Light Association
Kingaroy Shoppingworld
kingaroyshoppingworld.com.au
Masquerade

QUIZ NIGHT 29 OCTOBER 2016

6.30 PM FOR 7.00 PM START

For more information or to register to your team
Please contact 4163 1555
pandfnanango@bne.catholic.edu.au

Create

6–8 Member Team
Team Name
Costumes

Register

Your Team
$10 per person

Bring

Enthusiasm for a great night!
Team Table Nibblies
BYO Alcohol
Gold Coins
(Money Boards, Toss Game)

BAR AVAILABLE IF REQUIRED.

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SBCO

Community Orchestra

presents....

10th Anniversary Concert
“Music from Stage & Screen”

Featuring:
SBCO members past & present
Chinchilla Concert Band & Strings

6.30PM

SATURDAY 1ST OCTOBER
KINGAROY TOWN HALL
SAUSAGE SIZZLE IN FORECOURT FROM 5.30PM
TEA & COFFEE AVAILABLE AT INTERVAL
RAFFLES

Tickets
Family $30
Adult $15
Concession $10

Available from:
163 Holy St,
Kingaroy
4162 1941
or at the door

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Trivia Night