Dear parents, carers and friends of Saint Mary’s,

On behalf of Mr Nayler and myself, I would like to take this opportunity to welcome back all students and their families to what will be a busy and eventful term 2. I hope the Easter break was a time of rest and relaxation for all and that students are focussed and ready to begin this term with enthusiasm and gusto. The beginning of term is a wonderful opportunity to start afresh and set positive, achievable goals in order to "Be your best". Full academic reports for Semester 1 will be issued at the end of this term.

This Friday we have our Anzac Memorial Service at 9am. Mr Perrett will provide details later in this newsletter. On Saturday, students are encouraged to march in their formal uniform at their local venue. We will have staff at all venues around the South Burnett and I encourage all students to represent their school with pride and support your local RSL branch by marching or attending the service provided. I have included a prayer for the 100th anniversary of Anzac below and I would ask that all students and families observe what has become our most important day as we remember those who have died in the service of our country. If you have any relatives who are serving in the armed forces or who have served, please contact the office immediately as Mrs Langford Martoo organises a memorial walk as part of our service Friday morning.

Next Tuesday, 28th April is our Annual Cross Country day. Students will run the course this week as part of their HPE lessons as the distance needing to be covered is different for older students. Younger students run 1 km and older students in the open age group run 6km. I would encourage parents and carers to come along and watch the race. The course commences near the dreaming garden and concludes outside the Maryknoll Centre. Please contact Miss Inwood for P-6 queries and Mr Medlen for 7-12. House points earned by competitors go toward the overall Cross Country trophy and ultimately the champion house for 2015. Students are to wear their sport uniform next Tuesday instead of formal. Place getters for ages 10-Open will be selected to go to South Burnett regional trials in a couple of weeks time. Mr Medlen and Miss Inwood will organise representative students and issue permission forms etc. Transport from the school will be organised for this event.

Next Tuesday, 28th April night we will have our first Parent Teacher Interviews for the year. Please come along and meet your child’s teacher/s and discuss how they are progressing and settling in after 1 term. Bookings are done online via PTO (Parent Teacher online) through the school portal. If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Hauritz at the front counter. Interviews run for 10 minutes, beginning at 3.10pm and concluding around 8.30pm. They are held in the Maryknoll Centre. Tea and Coffee and light refreshments will be available throughout the night. If a longer interview is needed (more than 10 mins), please arrange another interview time through the college office on Wednesday.
Prayer for ANZAC Centenary

Gracious and loving God,

As we mark the ANZAC Centenary, we remember all who lost their lives through Australia’s involvement in wars, conflicts and peacekeeping operations.

On ANZAC Day, we especially remember the courageous actions undertaken by the Australian and New Zealand Army Corps during the First World War.

On this national day of commemoration, we pray for the airmen, sailors and soldiers who died in battle, sacrificing their lives while on duty. We commemorate their bravery and pray for the families who lost loved ones. As we strive for peace in our country and world, help us to become instruments of your peace. We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Yours in Christ

Mr Sean Erwin
Acting Principal

APA News

Year 7-12 Camps

Congratulations to all students and staff who attended these camps in the last week of term 1.

Many students were challenged by these experiences that cannot be conducted in a regular school environment. Although the wet weather altered some of the planned experiences, good adjustments by staff ensured that the activities were aligned to the theme of the camps.

We are booking the same venues and camp providers for 2016.

South Burnett Cowhorse Competition

Just a reminder that this event is on again this year. Our College is organising the day at the Nanango Showgrounds for next Thursday 30th April. The day is centred around horsemanship associated with cattle work, with the feature event being the Team Penning starting at 2.00pm.

Parent Teacher Interviews

These interviews will be held next Tuesday, 28th April in the Year 1-6 Classrooms (not the Maryknoll Centre due to the predicted cold weather). Interviews can be booked the Parent Teacher Online (PTO) service as per the details given in the enclosure with the students reports distributed earlier. Booking close 9.00am Monday, 27th April, no bookings can be made after this cut off.

Regards

Mr John Dalton

APA
**Easter Continues**

Father Dan Grundy, replacing Father Nigel who is on leave, reminded us that Easter is more than one day, it is a period of time in the life of the Catholic where the ‘dawn’ is celebrated. The tomb was discovered empty at dawn, how significant. Jesus’ victory over death became a ‘dawn time’ for all humanity. A prayer Mr Gary Gurran shared this morning referred to Easter as the ‘eighth day of creation’ and his prayer reminded us that in this period of Easter, all creation is related and the mystery continues. Schools are lucky we celebrate a new start every term and with this comes a freshness and opportunities to start again. Encourage your child to reflect on their term one report and look to ways to start again where they need to, or continue to build on areas of strength. There should be no greater inspiration for victory over hardship and struggle than Jesus’ resurrection.

**Centenary ANZAC DAY - Saturday, 25th April**

This Saturday every person in the college community is invited to join the Saint Mary’s contingent in their local community march. There will be no more significant an anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli in our life time so it would be great if everyone could attend. Below is a table of times taken from the regional council’s website and it includes meeting times and places for some of the marches. Students are to be in full formal uniform and parents and carers are invited to join with their students if they wish. Where no staff has been allocated students have not volunteered yet. The college would welcome any parent or family to represent us and I can reassign staff to attend these at Blackbutt, Yarraman and Kumbia. I have a flower arrangement and banner that can be picked up from the college on Friday to be used in the ceremonies.

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Regsads
Mr Martin Perrett
APRE

**Office News**

**Term 2 Fees**

Term 2 Fees Statements are being issued this week and will be due in full by Friday 8th May unless you have a formalised instalment payment arrangement in place with the College. All direct deposit payments made by EFT or at a branch need to include your family reference number in order to match your payment to your account. Please check your statement balance to ensure all your payments have been receipted. If you believe a payment is missing please contact the office.

**Lost Property**

A lot of lost property was returned to the Office at the end of Term 1 from camps. This can be collected or inspected at the Student Services Counter.

**Cooler Weather**

It has started to get cold, please make sure children are dressed appropriately to suit weather conditions.

Kind regards
Miss Kym Schultz
Business Manager

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**Library News**
Library borrowing starts this week.

Regards
Mrs Melanie Burr
Librarian

**Year 7 to Year 12 Sport News**

**Cross Country**
Reminder that Cross Country is next Tuesday, 28th April. All parents are invited to support. An information sheet will go out this week. Students from ages 10yrs - Open who place in the first 4 will be eligible for the South Burnett carnival on Tuesday, 5th May at Murgon State High School. A bus will be organized to transport students to and from the venue.

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Regards
Mr Allan Medlen
Sports Coordinator

**Music News**
Hello, everyone. My name is Jane Iszlaub, and I am very pleased to be your new Music Coordinator.

My colleague, Michael Scanlan, has asked me to send his regards to all of his students and their families and wishes everyone the best for Term 2. I am very grateful to Mr Scanlan for assisting me to make a smooth transition into my new position and providing me with comprehensive information about the students within the Music curriculum area.

**Music Subjects**
All students involved in Classroom Music will continue with their usual timetable and assessment outlines will be posted on the website during the next two weeks. I will be reviewing all student assessment records so I am better able to differentiate my teaching for all individuals, however if you would like to discuss your child’s progress in my subject, please contact me via the College office.

**Instrumental Music**
I will be meeting with the Instrumental Music teachers this week to review current procedures with the view to developing a mid- to long-term plan for this important Performing Arts area. As an Instrumental Music teacher myself, I am keen to support our young performers to develop their skills and am eager to explore extension opportunities, such as instrumental ensembles. The College is able to offer tuition on a wide range of woodwind, brass, percussion, and string instruments, and should you be keen to find out more information about our Program I am happy to provide you with the necessary information.

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Choral Program
I have received many enquiries in regard to the possibility of establishing choirs at the College. I am currently completing a Masters degree in Choral Pedagogy and am eager to share my skills with the students; however I would like to spend a few weeks ascertaining the needs of the students so that I am able to provide an effective and enjoyable program. In the meantime, I welcome the input of students and their families.

Thanks to all staff, students, families, and the St Mary’s community for the warm welcome. I am excited to be joining such a caring and enthusiastic team, and look forward to meeting you all in the weeks to come.

Yours in Music,
Mrs Jane Izslaub
Music Coordinator

Tuckshop News

Friday Specials
Morning Tea and Lunch - Chicken Chippees (5) $3.50
Lunch Only - Nachos $5.00 each

Volunteer Roster
Friday, 24th April - Amanda Hetherington
Monday, 27th April - Volunteers needed
Wednesday, 29th April - Lee Ponder

Volunteers will be contacted for their volunteer dates this term in the coming weeks.

Donation of Goods
If you are able to donate any dry goods it would be greatly appreciated. These can be dropped into the tuckshop on Monday, Wednesday, Friday or to the College Office.

Regards
Mrs Michelle Davis
Tuckshop Convenor

ANZAC Day Tradition
Each year, Saint Mary’s has a silent meditation walk as part of our ceremony on ANZAC day. This walk is a reflective time.
To enhance this experience we have made a bank of cards with images of past students, staff and school family members who have been in the defence forces.

An example is this picture of my Great-Uncle Captain Ivor Margetts - killed at Pozieres WWI. The card would have his picture and a small blurb about him and his military history, with a caption saying who he is related to.

If you have an image and story, please email me blangford@bne.catholic.edu.au a copy of the photo and basic information on what is in the photo.
Thanks
Mrs Bronwyn Langford-Martoo
Classroom Teacher

Whip Cracking News

Whip Cracking Team Upcoming Dates
- Weekly practice - Tuesday lunchtime
- Cow and Horse Whip Cracking Competition - Nanango Showgrounds, 30th April
- Kingaroy Show Performance - Saturday, 2nd May 10am and 1pm
- Gympie Show Performance - Friday, 15th May 5pm

Regards
Mrs Lauren Arrell
Whip Cracking Coordinator

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Volunteers Needed

Cow Horse Competition
Thursday, 30th April, 9am to 3pm at Nanango Show Grounds

If you can help please contact
Susan on 0419 766 141

Parents and Friends News

On the 30th of April, the Cow and Horse event is on in Nanango. We are calling for volunteers for the day to help with the serving of food. Don’t worry, you don’t have to volunteer for the full day, if you can only spare an hour or two we would still love your help. It is a big day, but the more volunteers we can get the easier it is for everyone. We always have a great day filled with hard work, fun and laughter!

If you need to contact me regarding P&F matters, or would like to volunteer for any events, please feel free to ring 0419766141 or email me at sbrobb@gmail.com
God bless
Mrs Susan Robertson
P&F President
COME JOIN THE RATION SHED’S RECONCILIATION FUN RUN 2015
Starting at the Murgon Showground and ending in Cherbourg
The people of Cherbourg welcome the people of Murgon, the South Burnett and beyond to run (or walk) the 7 kms in the name of friendship, in the name of hope, in the name of new possibilities.

Run with friends, walk with strangers, share with everyone, enjoy together and at the end of the route in the Cherbourg Memorial Park and the Ration Shed Museum we’ll all have a big party - with food, traditional games, sports workshops, market stalls, dancers and performers starting at 10 am.

COME AND JOIN THE FUN, even if you don’t run or walk • ALL WELCOME!

Buses will leave Cherbourg for Murgon Showground on Sunday morning at 7.15 am for check in at 7.30 am with race start at 8 am sharp. Shuttles will run between Cherbourg and Murgon from 10 am to 1 pm on race day.

Also please note the Cherbourg - Murgon road will be closed in both directions between 8 am and 10 am on the race day - Sunday 17 May.

Proceeds from the Fun Run will go to The Ration Shed Museum for their work in education and reconciliation.

More Information go to: rationshed.mur@g相伴.com.au or run@rationshed.com.au
or contact the Ration Shed Museum: 07 4169 5753 or info@rationshed.com.au

Saint Mary’s Catholic College
Combined Anniversaries Celebrations
St Mary’s Convent School 1929  St Mary’s Secondary College 1965  South Burnett Catholic College 1990

Calling all past students and staff

Saturday, 30th May 2015
1000pm  Nanango Races
6.00pm  Combined Anniversaries Mass
7.00pm - 11.00pm  Combined Anniversaries Dinner and live entertainment

Sunday, 31st May 2015
10.00am - 2.00pm  College Open Day, memorabilia sales, classroom displays and tours.
12.30pm  Official welcome, past student and staff time line and past staff and student roll call, plaque and time capsule

RSVP at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/RSVP_SMC2015

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Guitar Lessons

Guitar lessons with Grant Jepperson will commence this week on Tuesday, Thursdays and Fridays.

Kellie Burnage
Personal Travel Specialist
m: 0418 545 131
p: 1300 365 688 Ext 724
e: kburnage@mtatravel.com.au


Calling Generation Millennial YOUTH MASS
For & by 15 - 35year olds.

Sunday - 21 June 2015
mass 5pm
dinner 6pm
St Mary’s Church Kingaroy