Dear Parents,

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST**

Many of our students will receive their First Eucharist on Sunday 6th June. This day coincides with the solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ. Please keep these students who are receiving this special sacrament in your prayers.

**MORNING PARKING IN MOOBALL ST**

A reminder to all parents who use Mooball Street in the morning that the eastern side (school side) is a ‘Kiss and Drop’ area only. This includes the bus bay zones as well. Parents are not to leave their car unattended in this area. Please parents observe all other parking signage in Mooball St. to ensure a safe environment in the morning for our students.

**40km/h SCHOOL ZONES**

The 40km/h school zone slows traffic in the vicinity of the school. Most 40km/h school zones operate between 8am and 9:30am and from 2:30pm till 4pm. The 40km/h school zone speed limit must be observed even if school children cannot be seen. A 40km/h school zone operates on all gazetted school days including staff development days (pupil free days).

**DRAGON’S TEETH ROAD MARKINGS**

To increase motorists’ awareness of 40km/h school zones, triangular dragon’s teeth road markings will indicate that the vehicle is entering a school zone.

**MONSTER RAFFLE – EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST**

Last week a letter went out from the Parent Reps outlining preliminary details of the proposed Monster Raffle for Term 3. If there are any families who are able to assist with possible prizes for the raffle or selling tickets please contact the Parent Reps. Please refer to page 7 of this newsletter for contact details.

**BABY NEWS - CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Mrs Leah & Michael Dowling on the birth of Harrison Joseph. Also congratulations to Mrs. Christine Akehurst whose daughter gave birth to Lucy Delaney in Western Australia and congratulations to Mrs. Agnes Markham whose son Stephen and daughter in law, gave them the gift of a beautiful grandson Nicholas Stephen. Best wishes to all these families on the arrival of their loved ones. May they bring joy and happiness to your lives.

**BUILDING DEVELOPMENTS**

As you can see from the photos below over the past week the screw piles have been put some 18 metres into the ground and concreting has commenced. A reminder that our school web page now has a link to weekly photographs that will track developments over the coming months. Take some time to visit www.murplism.catholic.edu.au and go to the BER Building Photos link.

Enjoy your week!

Brendan Ryan
Acting Principal
KINDER ASSEMBLY

In Kinder we are learning about Jesus through the bible stories. This term in our RE classes we have been telling the Easter story. We then shared what we learnt at our assembly. We are enjoying using the puppets that the parents kindly made for us.

SR KARAN

Dear Parents,

A Moment with Jesus

By practicing a Daily Examen, you will begin to recognise God’s presence in your daily life. Each evening take a moment to review your day with Jesus by following the steps outlined below.

Stillness: Recalling God’s Presence
Relax in God’s presence in your favourite prayer place and posture. Ask the Holy Spirit to help you to look honestly at your actions this day.

Gratitude: Expressing Thankfulness
Look over your day and give thanks to God for his gifts.

Reflection: Looking Back on Your Day
Review the events of the day and ask yourself when you were conscious of God’s presence. Think about how you might change your actions in the future.

Sorrow: Asking for Forgiveness
Express sorrow for the times you failed to follow God’s direction and ask him to be with you the next time you encounter a similar situation.

Hopefulness: Resolving to Grow
Ask God to help you as you look forward to a new day tomorrow. Resolve to cooperate and trust in God’s loving guidance. Conclude with the Our Father, which comes to us from Jesus and is one of the most important prayers of the Church.

God Bless,
Sr Karan

RELIABILITY

What is Reliability?
Reliability means that others can depend on you. It is doing something that you have agreed to do in a predictable way, without forgetting or having to be reminded. You really care about doing what you said you would do. When you are practicing reliability, others can count on you to do your very best to keep your commitments.

FIRST EUCHARIST

Friday 4th June
Retreat Day

Sunday 6th June
First Eucharist
8am Mass - Sacred Heart Church

VIRTUE OF THE WEEK

SACRED HEART PARISH WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

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ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

The St Vincent de Paul are once again running the winter appeal. If you would like to donate to this you may send in non-perishable food items, blankets and warm clothing with your child. Donations of money are also gratefully received by the St Vincent de Paul who in turn pass it on to those needy people who find life a bit harder in the winter.

On the 11th June the whole school will attend Mass at 12noon to celebrate the Feast of the Sacred Heart which is traditionally when we think about the loving heart of Jesus on fire with love for all people. By our donations we can participate in this love for other who may not be as fortunate as us.
SKILL-A-THON WINNERS

Thank you to all students and families who supported our Skill-a-Thon this year. Our Skill-a-Thon is the school’s major fundraiser and this year we raised $5,888. Below are the recipients of prizes for raising the most money.

Family who raised the most money:
Leslight Family – they receive a digital camera
Courtesy of The Good Guys at South Tweed

Highest Individual fundraiser in each class:
- Kinder J: Spencer Leslight
- Year 1: Patrick Gray
- Year 2: Macauley Wells
- Stage 2J: Cooper Leslight
- MS-B: Eva Kettle
- MS-H: Grace Smith
- Kinder M: Jack Gracie
- Year 1 / 2: Ben Snellgrove
- Stage 2A: Bailey Hayes
- Stage 2M: Brodie Palmer
- MS-C: Reuben Mitchell
- MS-S: Hamish Wills

Class that raised the most money:
MS-H (Miss LeBrocq’s class) – they receive a pizza party lunch

STAFF INSERVICE

Recently the staff participated in a training workshop with the North Coast Area Health Service. The focus was on asthma and the Asthma Friendly Schools program.

Included in this week’s newsletter is an article from the Asthma Foundation on Managing your child’s asthma effectively.

FOUND

At the Parent Eucharist meeting an umbrella with a pansy print and a wooden handle was found. If anyone knows who owns it please contact the school office.

Quality education for ALL children

67% of all NSW students are in Government schools

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Our Kids – Our Future

Do school fees cover the cost of your child’s education?

NO! School fees are very important but education is extremely expensive. Together, the State and Federal governments provide about 80% of the operating funds for most of the Catholic schools in NSW.

For Catholic schools, the remaining 20% is made up by fees and other charges paid by parents, support from the parish (for primary schools) and fundraising activities.

Parents also pay substantial building levies for new buildings and major upgrades of school facilities.

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WEEK 4 AWARDS

STUDENT OF THE WEEK
KJ – Malachy Wilkinson
KM – Charlie Gibbons
Yr 1 – Ailish Eppelstun
Yr 1/2 – Sarah Hill
Yr 2 – Hamish Purnell
St2A – Kalini Lathouras
St2J – Drew Clark
St2M – Erin Van Amstel
MSB – Georgia Freier
MSC – Alicia Rose
MSH – Courtney Ward
MSS – Caitlyn Mullington

MOST IMPROVED
KJ – Hudson Bosnich
KM – Keirsten Roach
Yr 1 – Imogen Sykes
Yr 1/2 – Camden Mackie
Yr 2 – Emily Ward
St2A – Rubi Groth
St2J – Taleigha Garbett
St2M – Rose Malouf
MSB – Bryce Reid
MSC – Lachlan Woddford
MSH – Daecian Sparkes-Young
MSS – Connor Purnell

GOOD SPORT AWARDS
Spencer Leslight – KJ
Isabelle Macfarlane – St2M
Emily Sheppard – MSS

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS
KJ – Christian Lollback, Ruby Wilson, Sophie Grinham
KM – Nicholas Shields, Lillyan Charman, Lola Eady, Charlie Gibbons, Shayah Coyne
Yr 1 – Ella Buch, Patrick Gray, Eva McDonald
Yr 1/2 – Grace Eady, Ben Snellgrove, Layla Anning
Yr 2 – Bryson Buch, Macauley Wells, Codie Chung
St2M – Aidan McDonald
MSB – Chloe Ryan, Riley King, Sarah-Jane Guinea
MSH – Ebony Shields, Monique Chauvier, Alexander Hunt.
STUDENT OF THE WEEK

KJ – Ellis Hannah
KM – Gabriel Malcolm
Yr 1 – Patrick Gray
Yr 1/2 – Tommy Littlewood
Yr 2 – Hayley Smith
St2A – Lewis Hancock
St2J – Niamh Ryan McGinn
St2M – Tayla Slater
MSB – Chloe Ryan
MSC – Alicia Rose
MSH – Isabella Groth
MSS – Chloe Saddler

MOST IMPROVED

KJ – Isis Heterick
KM – Shayah Coyne
Yr 1 – Wren Phelan
Yr 1/2 – Wraith Dare
Yr 2 – Zac Macartney
St2A – Isobela Davis
St2J – Sylvia Mair
St2M – Nelson Ewing
MSB – Jake Murnane
MSC – Georgia Wisemantel
MSH – Grace Waters
MSS – Zenthea Walsh

GOOD SPORT AWARDS

Neave Butler – Year 1
Katie McCarthy – St2A
Oscar Vobr – MSB

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

KJ – Cormack Flannery
KM – Isabella Sutton
Yr 1 – Joel Reynolds, Marton Winnett, Lauchlan Andrew
Yr 1/2 – Jya Fing, Darcy Hannah, James Guinea
St2J – Clara Withers, Harris McLean, Cooper Hardy, Shenail Matlock, Abigail Stratton
St2M – Max Bird, Isabelle Macfarlane, Byron Browning
MSB – Josh Nuspan, Sidney Ewing
MSH – Shanae Allsop
MSS – Skye Thornton, Stella Wilson, Marcus Bossink, Sarah Champley.
SPORT

14 students represented Mt St Patrick and the Tweed Zone at the challenging cross country course at Grafton on Friday. They all finished in the top 20, helping the Tweed Zone win the Paddy Dent Shield. Special congratulations to the following students who qualified for the Diocesan team:
Sarah Champley 2nd, Grant Harris 3rd, Lilith Malcolm and Stella Wilson 4th, Ben Champley, Hayley Smith and Deklan Spry 8th.

The school rugby league team will play in the Northern Rivers Legend of League final 7 a side competition next week at Mullumbimby. We wish them well.

We also wish our soccer team and netball team all the best when they play St Finbarr’s at Byron Bay next week.

MATHLETICS NEWS

Congratulations to the following students who achieved certificates in Mathletics.

Week 4
Riley King
Emerald Haglund
Tarlia Brims
Sylvie Kettle
Lilith Malcolm
Trinity Cooper
Rick Kelly

Week 5
Aidan McDonald
Lily McDonald
Jessica Owen
Chloe Ryan
Brayden Slater
Paige Waters
Alex Hunt
Darby Waters
Benjamin Wolff
Trinity Cooper
Aaron Turriff

HORSELAND CLARENCE VALLEY INTERSCHOOL EQUESTRIAN CHALLENGE

We are putting a team together to represent Mt St Patrick Primary School, to compete at the Inter-School Horse Riding Championships at Grafton in September.

If you have your own horse and think you may have what it takes to represent our school in either dressage, show jumping, sporting, camp drafting and hacking please contact Monique Harris on 0407169489 or Lynette Moore on 040862689.

MATHS OLYMPIAD

Congratulations to the students who participated in the first Mathematics Olympiad competition last Wednesday.

We have entered 2 teams and students attempted problems enthusiastically! Well done!
Mrs Waugh

CLOTHING POOL

All items handed in as lost property will be kept as lost property for 3 weeks ONLY. If unmarked or unclaimed, all clothing will be placed in a clothing pool for re-sale or given to St Vincent de Paul.
If you have school uniforms that no longer fit your child, please donate them to the clothing pool. This provides a service to all parents.

All articles of clothing should be clearly labelled with the child’s name.

* Clothing pool is open on the 1st Thursday of each month (8.30am to 9.30am)
The Clothing Pool will next be open on Thursday 3rd June
8.30am – 9.30am
COMMUNITY NEWS

STUDENT EXCHANGE AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND is a not for profit secondary exchange organisation which is registered with education authorities in each State and Territory. In Jun – July 2010 Student Exchange Australia New Zealand will welcome a new group of international exchange students to Australia. They are looking for suitable families to host these students. Students attend school for 3, 5 or 10 months. If you are interested please visit www.studentexchange.org.au or phone 1300 135 331.

TWEED VALLEY KINGS Under 9’s: The Tweed Valley Kings Under 9 program is a football development initiative aimed at identification and development of both boys and girls. 10 weeks starting May 26th at Walter Peate Oval, Kingscliff. To enrol send email to tvk@tweedvalleykings.com.au to obtain a registration form.

BRADMAN JUNIOR CRICKET CLINIC 2010: Cricket coaching is being offered for boys and girls 11 – 17 years with practical and theory sessions on all aspects of the game. The clinic will be held in Murwillumbah from July 5th to 7th. Bookings are essential by 20th June. Cost is $270. To register please log onto http://bit.ly/bradmanjnr}

MONSTER RAFFLE

***WE NEED YOUR HELP***

You may recall from our last Parent Forum Newsletter (following our First meeting in term 1) we plan to run a ‘Monster Raffle’ in Term 3 this year in an effort to raise money for our school. We are approaching ALL PARENTS of our school asking to help us source donations of prizes that we can raffle off as part of our MONSTER RAFFLE.

A MONSTER RAFFLE is a raffle with a selection of major prizes to be won – we are aiming for the donation of ‘a big handful’ of prizes that we can raffle off. Receiving donations of a few ‘big prizes’ along with some ‘smaller/personal’ prizes would be awesome.

What we are asking of YOU is …
Do YOU have any contacts???

Do YOU know somebody (retail or hospitality) who YOU can approach & ask if they would be willing to donate (a product or service) to our raffle.

What’s in it for them? They are doing something good for a small school community. They are making a small contribution that our children can benefit greatly from (from the money we raise). The school will promote their business (with details of their generous donation) through the fortnightly newsletters & a certificate of appreciation will be issued to them to display in their business so their customers are aware of their generosity to our school.

There may not be another opportunity for you to help out our school this year but just a little something from you now (a 5 minute phone call) could make a huge difference to the success of this event.

The Parent Reps of St2A & St2J are the ‘committee’ for putting this Raffle together. So if/when YOU have secured a donation (or ‘got a leg in the door’ for one), you can contact the parent reps from either of these classes to let them know the good news (& they can finalise arrangements/collection of the donation there-after).

Thank you in anticipation of your support & please if you wish to discuss anything further with respect to our MONSTER RAFFLE, you can contact any of the Parent Reps below.

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<td>Catherine Hayes – 0402 384 721</td>
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HAPPY BIRTHDAY
Best wishes to the following students who are celebrating their birthdays: Bronte McLean, Max Bird, Tyler-Shai Tolmie, Olivia Kirk and Josh Northeast.

CANTEEN ROSTER
Wednesday 26th May to Tuesday 8th June.
Tuesday 1st June – Moira Cooper
Tuesday 8th June – Jenni Van Den Broek
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