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ST VINCENT'S PRIMARY SCHOOL
A place of shared stories and vibrant memories



Thursday, 9th May, 2013

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

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| Thursday 9th May Mothers Day Stall 2:15pm Yrs 1&2 Assembly |
| Friday 10th May Yrs 5-7 Interschool Sport 2:10pm Yrs 3&4 Assembly 2:15pm Volunteers Course |
| Sunday 12th May Mother's Day 9:00am Combined Parish Mass |
| Tuesday 14th May NAPLAN Testing (Lang/Writing) 9:00am Yr 2 Excursion 7:00pm P&F Committee Meeting |
| Wednesday 15th May NAPLAN Testing (Reading) 2:30pm Yrs 5/6/7 Assembly Auskick (after school) |
| Thursday 16th May NAPLAN Testing (Numeracy) 2:15pm Yrs 1&2 Assembly |
| Friday 17th May NAPLAN Catch-Up Day Yrs 5-7 Interschool Sport 9:00am 7Yellow Class Mass 2:10pm Yrs 3&4 Assembly |
| Sunday 19th May Pentecost Sunday |
| Monday 20th May 8:45am Prayer Assembly(1Yellow) |
| Wednesday 22nd May Yr 4 Bicycle Safety 2:30pm Yrs 5/6/7 Assembly Auskick (after school) |
| Thursday 23rd May Yr 4 Bicycle Safety 2:15pm Yrs 1&2 Assembly |

Dear Parents

We will celebrate our combined Parish mass this Sunday at 9:00am in honour of all the mothers in our community. We look forward to seeing you there.



To all our mothers have a wonderful day on Sunday! Happy Mother's Day

NAPLAN

Years 3, 5 and 7 NAPLAN tests will take place at school next Tuesday, 14th May, Wednesday, 15th May and Thursday, 16th May with catch-up tests for absent students being held on Friday, 17th May. It is most important that children in these classes are at school on time in order for testing to begin as scheduled.

SCHOOL PHOTOS

This year, school photos will be taken on Monday, 27th May and Tuesday, 28th May in the undercover area and media room as per the schedule below.

Monday 27th May

Year 1, 3, 5 & 6

Tuesday 28th May

Junior & Senior band Prep, 2 & 7 & 4

Children are required to bring photo money to school only on the day of photos. Money will not be collected prior to your child's photo day. If you require a family photo, please collect a family envelope from the front office and then you are asked to call MSP on 5520-2999 to schedule an appointment time. Children will need to wear full dress uniform. They may bring runners to school if they have sport training to change into after photos.

Damian Vicki Chris Kerry

St Vincent's strives to be a nut free zone.
Please help us keep our students safe.



Don't forget -
NO RIGHT TURN
OUT OF pick up zone

SURFERS PARADISE CATHOLIC PARISH SUNDAY MASS TIMES



SACRED HEART CHURCH
50 Fairway Dr,
Clear Island Waters

Saturday evening 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am & 6.00pm

ST VINCENT'S CHURCH
40 Hamilton Avenue,
Surfers Paradise

Saturday evening 6.00pm
Sunday 8.00am & 10.00am

STELLA MARIS CHURCH
268 Hedges Avenue,
Broadbeach

Saturday evening 6:00pm
Sunday 7.00am & 8.30am

YOU ARE MOST WELCOME Any enquiries - 55725433

P&F NEWS

Warm greetings to all our Parents and Friends

Thank you to our gorgeous mums, Sonya Mackay, Deb Thompson and Alisha Maxwell, for organising the Mother's Day Stall full of fabulous gifts for our children to make their special, top secret purchases for Sunday. Thanks to everyone who helped at the stall, and a beautiful Mother's Day to all our Mums and Grandmas.

The Trivia Night was a legendary success, yet again! Thanks to our fabulous table groups who went to so much trouble to dress up, you are all legends! Our very own Golden Tonsils, Marty Stone, did a wonderful job as Quiz Master, as did our ever willing and ever unbribable judges Kerry Rowlands, Vicki Johannes and Chris McLeish. Huge bouquet to our wonderful Committee Members, Genevieve Mulqueen and Sally Alderson, for organising the night and to our other members for all their support, and with special thanks to Colleen Tootell.

Minutes of our last meeting are on the school website if you would like to check out the news and see Mrs Rowlands' brilliantly informative review on the Gonski Report and St Vincent's Naplan results review. Don't take the figures you first see in the newspaper as gospel!

Our next General Meeting, open to ALL parents and guardians at St Vincent's is **next Tuesday night, 7:00pm**, in the staffroom. We hope our meetings are always warm and inviting, as well as informative, interactive and enjoyable. They are certainly a brilliant way for our parent group to hear news and views first hand, and we thank our Principal, Kerry Rowlands, for always providing robust and informative discussion.

At the meeting, we will have general discussion on matters, including our fledgling plan for a herb and vegetable garden project for St Vincent's students, news on our social events, and an update on our major project of covering the basketball courts and updating the facilities on the oval.

The main Focus for Discussion at the next Meeting will be **CYBER BULLYING**. How can you help your child navigate this new age of bullying? What can you do if your child is cyber bullied, or has cyber bullied another child, or has witnessed cyber bullying? What is St Vincent's policy on cyber bullying? **School Principal, Kerry Rowlands and School Counsellor Tony O'Shea will address these issues**. Come along if you can and learn how to help your child. If you think cyber bullying might not affect you, you may like to consider the following:

Nearly three quarters of Australian homes have Internet access, up to 96% of homes have a computer, and it is estimated over 11 million Australians are on Facebook. Combine that with the following sobering statistics (from Dosomething.com):

Nearly 43% of kids have been bullied online. 1 in 4 has had it happen more than once.

70% of students report seeing frequent bullying online.

81% of young people think that bullying online is easier to get away with than bullying in person.

Only 1 in 10 victims will inform a parent or trusted adult.

Girls are twice as likely as boys to be victims and perpetrators of cyber bullying.

Look forward to seeing you Tuesday night

Julianne

Julianne Young (President)
P&F Committee
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Our Committee's pledge is to:

"Treat all parents and friends of the school with courtesy and respect, and to deal with all matters coming before us impartially and in the best interests of the majority."

COMMUNITY CARE



Wishing all our mums a very Happy Mother's Day on Sunday.

Please continue to pray for members of our school family who are experiencing difficult and challenging times at the moment. May they find comfort and strength from the support of others.

Be sure to make the most of the opportunities provided and enjoy the social events with your class families...

Have a great week!

Colleen

Colleen Tootell – ctootell@bne.catholic.edu.au

(Available Monday, Wednesday and Thursday)

"Building quality relationships; celebrating with others; reaching out; making connections." (RE guidelines.)

TERM 2 SOCIAL EVENTS...



| DATE | CLASS | | TIME | WHERE |
|-------------|-----------------------|---------|---------------|-----------------------------|
| MAY | | | | |
| 10th | 2Green | Catchup | 1:30pm | Golf Club (across the Road) |
| 11th | 1Blue Families | | 3:00pm—5:00pm | Kurrawa Park |
| 13th | 2Red | Coffee | 9:00am | Coffee Club Q Centre |
| 17th | Prep Green | Lunch | 1:00pm | Italian Club |
| 17th | 1Green | Coffee | 8:45am | Gold Club (across the road) |
| 24th | All Year 3 | Dinner | 7:00pm | Nobby's Arc (N/Beach) |
| 24th | Prep Yellow | Catchup | 3:00pm | Lonestar Mermaid Beach |
| JUNE | | | | |
| 1st | 2Yellow | Dinner | TBC | Save the Date |
| 12th | 1Yellow | Coffee` | 9:00am | Coffee Club Q Centre |
| 14th | 2Blue | Lunch | 1:00pm | Tepanyaki Place, Robina |
| 20th | 1Red | Dinner | 7:00pm | The Groove Train, Robina |
| 21st | Prep Red | Dinner | 7:30pm | Nobby's Arc (N/Beach) |
| 22nd | School Holidays begin | | | |

Great night out for Prep Red Mums: Dinner @ Groove Train



1 Green families enjoyed dinner @ The Lonestar

Yr 5 Mums share a champagne at their High Tea experience at Tedder Ave

