Dear SJV Families

Our community gathered today for two great reasons – to reflect on 75 years of Catholic education in our parish and to officially open our impressive new facilities at this much-loved school. It was wonderful to gather here in the presence of our Archbishop, Parish Priest, Civic Leaders (Ms Joan Pease, Member for Lytton & Councillor Peter Cumming), Ms Pam Betts, Executive Director of Brisbane Catholic Education, Mr Michael Kearney, Director of Administration Services Brisbane Catholic Education and former principal of SJV, Mr Neville McDonald, Area Supervisor of Catholic Schools in the South East, and ten Presentation Sisters including their Leadership Team members Sr Mary Franzmann & Sr Rita Cusack.

Every idea and every beginning starts with a dream. Today we remembered the tenacity of the priests in the early days of the Manly parish, Fathers Butler and Nolan, who along with the generous Catholic families who shared dreams and visions of a Catholic school in Manly, brought this to life. We especially remember the contribution of the Presentation sisters who devoted their lives to the education of children and their community in Manly.

In January 1941, with the country caught up in the Second World War, St Philomena’s school commenced in the Presentation Convent across the road from this site. Classes were originally held on the convent verandahs and the former "catacombs" where Mass used to be held.

It is important to pause at milestones, such as our 75th Anniversary and the link to naming our new building after the original name of the school, and reflect on what the past offers us - celebrate what has been life-giving, learn from the mistakes and struggles, and move forward with confidence and hope.

Therefore, at St John Vianney’s, we continue to provide quality learning and teaching for our students. Life in our school community is based on Catholic values and Catholic beliefs about learners and learning. We begin from the premise that we are made in the image and likeness of God, particularly embracing the values of the Presentation sisters, which includes values such as compassion, kindness, justice, respect & hope.

I sincerely thank the Archdiocesan Development Fund, the Qld Government and our local community including the School Board and Parents and Friends Association for their financial support in enabling the dream of completing our school master plan so that today we enjoy these brilliant facilities for 21st century teaching and learning. We look forward to the next 75 years of Catholic education in Manly. Each student was presented with a special SJV 75 Years badge today to help them remember that occasion in years to come.
RAW ART
This week the students were engaged in their first lesson of Raw Art. Raw Art is an intensive visual art program. The students learn some wonderful skills from this program.

Working Bee
Thank you to the parents who helped at the working bee last Saturday morning. These occasions are a great way to meet other parents. Thank you to all who attended and helped complete a number of important tasks.

Best wishes for a great week ahead.
Geoff Sullivan (Principal)

SCHOOL-WIDE EXPECTATIONS
Our SJV School-wide Expectations:
✓ Be Respectful
✓ Be Responsible
✓ Be Safe
✓ Be a Learner
Virtue for this fortnight: Compassion
Compassion is understanding and caring when someone is hurt or troubled, even if you don’t know them. It is wanting to help, even if all you can do is listen and say kind words. You forgive mistakes. You are a friend when someone needs a friend.

ASSEMBLY WEEK 8
Our whole school assembly will be held next Monday from 2:10pm in the Nano Nagle Centre. 4S will be leading our community in prayer at the beginning of this assembly.

APRE NEWS
Before enrolling in a Community Health Program young midwife Sreymom lacked experience. Now, she is a trusted midwife, helping to improve the health of indigenous women and children in her region in Cambodia.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2016 and help healthcare workers in isolated areas of Cambodia gain vital training to improve the health and wellbeing of the region’s indigenous women and children.

www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion  1800 024 413

SJV MASS/CELEBRATION DATES TERM 1 2016

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Year Three Bake Stall a Success!
Congratulations to the Year Three students for holding a successful bake stall on Tuesday. The students supplied a delicious assortment of biscuits, cupcakes, slices and tarts, amongst many other treats. It is wonderful to see our young students showing initiative and a sincere desire to help those who are less fortunate. The Year Three students raised $500 for the Project Compassion Lenten campaign - what an impressive effort. Thank you to the Year Three students, parents and all the staff and students who supported this fundraiser.

Kathryn Lambkin (Acting APRE)

HEALTH & PHYSICAL EDUCATION (HPE) AND SPORTS REPORT

Cross Country: Friday 15 April 2016
All students Prep to Year 6
We have now received confirmation for the use of Wynnum Memorial Park to conduct the SJV Inter-house Cross Country Carnival for 2016. Preparations are well underway and the information letter and medical/permission forms will be forwarded shortly. I will also be calling for parent/carer volunteers to assist on the day. Your assistance is greatly appreciated. The students have been enjoying their distance running preparations during PE classes and this will continue through to the end of term.

To make the event a real carnival atmosphere, it is helpful if all students are competing in their house colours on the day. Shirts can be purchased at the school uniform shop. Please refer to the school website for all the information regarding the carnival, and I’ll advise the program as well once the preparations are complete.

Marian Carlton
HPE Teacher and Sport Coordinator
SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Our weekly newsletter remains the major source of communication between school and home. In an effort to support responsible stewardship of the environment, we will be emailing the newsletter to families from the beginning of Term 2.

DANCE CART CONCERT

All parents are invited to come along to the Dance Cart concert on Thursday 24 March to see what their children have been working on in dance class this term. The Preps-2 and Year 6 extension group will be performing from 9:00am-9:55am & Years 3-6 will perform from 10:00am-10:45am. Please note that the students will be having a full dress rehearsal on Wednesday 23 March so will require their costumes at school on that day.

CASSEROLOE REGISTER

The Casserole Register is a great way to support our SJV families. Anyone interested in volunteering to occasionally cook a casserole, please text the coordinator Linda Wharton on 0414 775 391. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

P & F NEWS

Quickbeds
Don’t forget next time you are booking accommodation for a weekend away or holiday, go to www.quickbeds.com. Enter our unique SJV code: 1748 and you will raise funds for our school. There are no booking fees and they have a price beat guarantee on over 5500+ properties in Australia and New Zealand.

TUCKSHOP ROSTER

Friday 11 March: Nicole Reardon, Jane Munro, Rebecca Wilson, Jana Finch
Monday 14 March: Jenni Morton, Allison Otago, Pam Corven
Friday 18 March: Sandra Lewis-Wittman, Brooke Bridge, Victoria Breadwell, Melissa McIlvane, Lindsay Jenkinson

REMINDERS

- Supervision commences at 8:15am each day.
- Please note that playground equipment is not to be used by any student (or younger child) before or after school.
- School assemblies are held on Mondays in even weeks of term at 2:10pm in the Nano Nagle Centre.
- Please clearly label all of your child’s property with their name.
- All visitors, including parents, who visit the school after the school day commences need to sign in at the school office.
- School Banking takes place each Tuesday.
- The Uniform Shop is open Tuesday mornings from 8.00am.
- Please use the designated crossings located in Kooralgin Street and Oceana Terrace.
- Please consider using the Valetta St or Wellington St afternoon walking buses to relieve traffic congestion at 3:30pm.

OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

EASTER VACATION CARE PROGRAMS NOW AVAILABLE!
Some of our exciting days include:
- Laser Tag
- Star Wars Day
- Lone Pine Koala Sanctuary Excursion
- Disco Dance Party

Please email Kim at manlyoshc@ln.e.centacare.net.au for more information.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

CHURCH CLEANING ROSTER – MONDAY 14 MARCH PREP S
Please contact your Classroom Coordinator for further information regarding the cleaning roster and duties.

Discover the Meaning of Easter...
There is more to Easter than chocolate eggs and bunnies. Bring the whole family to experience The Iona Passion Play.
Saturday March 19th & Good Friday March 25th at 7:30pm at Iona College Wynnum West (outdoors)
Tickets: Early Bird: $12-$17 At the Door: $15-$20
Children (under 15) $5 Children (5 & under) FREE
Group discounts available.

SJV – 75 Years

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