Wednesday 29th August

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we turn our special attention to the fathers of our school. We hope that every father has a wonderful day on Sunday and that Father’s Day is a day of celebration within each family. To all of our fathers, Happy Father’s Day!

On Thursday the students will have a chance to purchase a present for dad at the Father’s Day stall. Weather permitting this will take place in Friendship Court throughout the day. All classes have a scheduled time when they will have a chance to purchase that special present.

Friday morning will be a dual celebration – Walk to School and Father’s Day Breakfast followed by our Father’s Day Liturgy in the Hall. We look forward to welcoming our fathers on Friday morning. Join us to make this a great occasion for all of the school.

Last Thursday a number of staff attended the funeral of Geraldine Goode’s mother (Shirley). Geraldine presented the reflection and highlighted the wonderful gift that Shirley gave to her family. May she rest in peace.

Next Tuesday will be my professional review day. Thank you to all of the people who have contributed thus far. I will let you know how I go in a couple of weeks.

Have a great week.
God Bless.

Jeff Hall
Principal
Dear Parents,

**Fruits of the Spirit**

Recently, we witnessed the Olympics in London. Athletes from all over the world displayed the Fruit of Faithfulness. That means they did not give up and they strived for excellence. Today’s recipient of the Fruit of the Spirit award displays Faithfulness. He keeps trying in all areas; sport, school work, friendships. Faithfulness requires dedication and strength of character, which this boy has. Every day, he displays Patience. He waits quietly at the start of each lesson; ready to learn, and is a role model to others around him in his class. It is a pleasure to have this boy around; he is good fun and both girls and boys enjoy playing with him; he demonstrates the Fruit of Joy. In our Holy Spirit Community, we are truly blessed to have this junior boy in our midst. He will surely grow into a leader. His peaceful nature is a reminder to us all that being a leader does not always mean shouting instructions, but leading by example. Today’s recipient makes strong choices on a daily basis and this good behaviour is noticeable not only in the class, but in the playground too. He is kind to people around him and is truly deserving of this award.

This week we congratulate Matthew Tierney from Year 2 on being the recipient of this prestigious award.

**Multicultural Sunday**

A huge thank you to Mrs Sarah Eldridge, for her coordination of our school’s involvement in Multicultural Sunday.

Holy Spirit Church celebrated Multicultural Sunday last weekend. This was a great opportunity for the different cultures of our parish to come together to celebrate “One nation under God”. It was an uplifting event with many traditional songs and actions performed by the diverse groups of our parish, followed by entertainment and food from different countries around the world. I would like to thank the many children from Holy Spirit School who took part in this celebration, as well as the Glee Club for performing as part of the entertainment.

Many blessings for the week ahead.
Alish Conley
Acting APRE
SCHOOL PHOTO SUITE
New photos were due to be taken on Monday. The photographer has postponed this venture until next Monday due to the cloud cover 😊 Can the children who have been asked to be involved, please come beautifully presented again next week! Thank you.

YEAR 7 CANBERRA TRIP PARENT MEETING
A reminder that this very important meeting will be held tomorrow night (Thursday 30th August) at 7.00pm in the school Library. A parent representing each year 7 child is expected to attend. Thank you.

ENROLMENT FOR 2013 – CURRENT STUDENTS
If your child (current Prep – Year 6) will not be attending Holy Spirit School in 2013, can you please notify the school office as a matter of importance? This information is essential for staffing and planning purposes. Please either phone the school office or email - Sandy: cdippelsmann@bne.catholic.edu.au or Paula: pmcdonell@bne.catholic.edu.au Thank you.

LOST HAT
Marcus Tikao is missing his named hat. It is not in lost property. Please return if found.

LOST PROPERTY
Please check lost property as there are a large number of unnamed jumpers that will be donated back to the uniform shop very soon.

ASSEMBLY AWARDS
Congratulations to the students who will receive an award at next Monday’s Assembly:
Prep Heart: Alyssa
Prep Spirit: Kateryna, Ella K.
1 Heart: Georgina T., Connor S.
1 Mind: Harrison
2 Heart: Pranav, Angus R.
2 Spirit: Jayden
3 Spirit: Teneisha, Trinity
4 Mind: Callaghan
5 Heart: Reilly S.
5 Mind: Bella K.
6 Heart: Locklan S.
6 Spirit: Sarah I.
7 Heart: Olivia
7 Spirit: Hannah B., Daniel S.

WALK TO SCHOOL DAY AND FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST
Staff will be assisting at the meeting points but it would be great if parents could walk with their child if possible and enjoy the event. As on our last walk, everyone who walks will receive a ticket to write their name on. This ticket is to be placed in the yellow box that will be at the breakfast. All STUDENTS who walk will receive a TravelSmart passport. A reminder to get your breakfast numbers in to help with catering.
EVERYONE is welcome to join us for our Fathers’ Day Breakfast at the side of the oval (not just the people who walk to school). See you there!

BOOK FAIR
Book Fair is a great annual event at our school. It will run from 7th – 14th September. Each class will visit the Book Fair and create a wish list of books they would like.
Prep – Year 3 students will visit on Friday 7th September.
Year 4 – Year 7 students will visit on Monday 10th September.
Parents are very welcome to come along and check out the hundreds of fabulous books on display. Great stocking fillers!

TUCK SHOP NEWS
Not a great deal to be said this week except to thank all the lovely families (mums, dads, nannas) for their support with the baking. We appreciate your time and munchies.
Roster:
Fri 31/8: Alison, Penny, Mark
Mon 3/9: Cate, Paulla (B) Elizabeth, Kerry, Jane
Wed 5/9: Mark, help please (B) Lorna
Thu 6/9: Carol, Sarah (B) Natalie
Fri 7/9: Sharon, Lorette, Penny (B), Tracey, Kristy

Healthy eating winners are: Braydon B (1H), Jake (6H), Teniesha (3S), Olivia Tomlinson (7M), Beau (3S), Daniel (2M), Tim B (5H), Hannah Watson (2H), Lilly Carr (Prep Spirit) and Tahlia (Prep Spirit)

Have a great week and remember: 'Each journey is a work of art" Keep smiling. Sharyn

ITALIAN NEWS

Ciao a tutti!
Here are some excellent websites to practise your Italian through simple interactive games.
Click on the link, then on Italian to find some of the language each year level is working on.
http://www.digitaldialects.com/Italian
See also
http://www.italianlanguageguide.com/italian/vocabulary/

Buona fortuna! Good luck! Signora Lewis

SPORTS NEWS

This week our athletes who were chosen to represent Pine Rivers will be competing at the Metropolitan North Athletic Trials. Good Luck!

On Wednesday Holy Spirit School will be taking part in an Oztag tournament at Petrie. We have 2 senior boys and 2 senior girls teams competing. Best Wishes!

LIBRARY NEWS

Please be advised that the Book Week Parade will now be held on Monday 10 September from 9am in the hall. Parents are warmly invited to attend the parade as the first event of our Book Week Celebrations.

Students (and staff) are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character. They are also encouraged to be creative with what they have at home when thinking about their book character costumes.

Please note: there is NO expectation for parents to buy or hire special outfits for the parade. Students are also reminded that super hero costumes are not to be worn to the parade.

Prizes will be awarded in each class for the following categories:

- most colourful costume,
- best book character, and
- best use of recycled materials to make costume

Congratulations to Year 6 Heart, this week's recipients of the Golden Reading Gnome! This class can be relied upon to be thoughtful listeners and contributors during library book discussions. 6 Heart is also preparing well for the Readers Cup Competition in Book Week.
Kind regards, Claire-Louise, Mel and Cheryle.

NEWS FROM THE ARTS PRECINCT

It's never a dull moment in the Arts Department! This term in Drama, all of the students have been learning Dance. Many parents have reported that they have had showings of the 'catchy little jingles' from their children! Many favourites including 'Hands', 'Stomp' and 'Freeze'. It's lovely when the year 7s can share in a dance with the preps and have a great time.
Carnival
The music has all been chosen, the choreography is done and the children are all working very hard learning their routine for our upcoming School Carnival! Each class is performing on the day, so watch this space for the timetable.

There will also be performances from the Dance & Glee clubs, our School Band, Ye-Ha! Musical and J-Rock.

Letters will be coming to all children next week regarding any requirements and information needed for the performances on 13 October. Keep up the great work everyone. We sure have a jam packed entertainment schedule.

---Christmas in the Park---
Something very exciting is coming up for the Holy Spirit Dance Team! It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas!

I have been involved in these Carols for several years now, and have now been asked to co-ordinate some of this year's 'Christmas in the Park' entertainment! Very exciting indeed.

The free family event is a huge community event funded by the Government and Sponsors. On Saturday 24th November, starting at 5pm, the Pine Rivers Park becomes a flurry of stalls, activities and entertainment.

Along with many local talents, our Holy Spirit Dance Team will be performing for the many thousands of people who attend.

I am currently in final planning for this, and will be holding a "sign on" day next Tuesday at first lunch.

There will be a permission form coming home on Friday that needs to be completed, signed and return at the sign on session. The Dance Team is for years 2-7. As this is such a large event, a commitment is required from all involved. There will be a couple of outside school hours practices when the time is closer.

This is such a wonderful opportunity to show case our talented students and I hope you all save the date in your diaries to attend this year’s Christmas in the park. With such an event, there comes costumes. I need a couple of mums/grandmas/volunteers to make some costumes for us please. If you can assist, please leave a message for me at the office or email kwhittington@bne.catholic.edu.au.

Yours in Drama & Dance.  Kym Whittington

CARNIVAL NEWS
Hi Everyone,

We are now in Week 8 and there's only 3 "Bring Weeks" to go after this week. Thank you for all your donations and Congratulations to Prep Heart for your effort last week! You are the winners for Bring week 7!! Your prize will be delivered Friday afternoon. Well done!!

WEEK 8: 27th-31st August WHOLE SCHOOL
1.25L Soft drink Bottles, Blocks of butter, coloured hairspray. Year 6 and 7 - salt, chicken salt and sweet chilli sauce

WEEK 9: Mon 3rd-Friday 7th September
ADULT BOTTLE STORE - WHOLE SCHOOL
We have decided to bring this forward by a couple of weeks. Wines, Champagnes, Liqueurs, Spirits, Beer etc. Anything you can donate would be greatly appreciated!
Please Note: Any alcohol you donate MUST be delivered to the school office. And don't forget to put your child's name and class with it, so we are able to designate points to their class.

WEEK 10: Monday 10th - Friday 14th September CHOCOLATE THROW STALL - WHOLE SCHOOL
Variety packets of chocolates - Mars, Milky Ways, Snickers, M & Ms, etc Small snack size bars of chocolates. Small boxes of chocolates – any type.

"We are now collecting plastic shopping bags, so if you have any spares we would love to have them!

Thank you for your ongoing support! Looking forward to another successful week!
SCHOOL BANKING

A note to all parents and students. Last week we reached 190 students doing School Banking at Holy Spirit. That is a great effort and we wanted to say Congratulations Holy Spirit School.

Remember each time you make a deposit to your School Banking account you will receive a Token when you have collected 10 Tokens you can redeem them for some great reward items. Keep saving and don't forget School Banking day at Holy Spirit School is THURSDAYS!

COMMUNITY NEWS

OZTAG JUNIOR SEASON
Starts September 17th
At Holy Spirit Rugby League Club, Francis Road.
Sign on: September 3rd and 10th September, 5:00pm-6:00pm. Game times: Between 4-6pm (game 30mins). Cost: $80 per player
Season: Sep 17th-Dec 3rd (no games during holidays)
Players are able to enter their own team of 10, individuals welcome
More info: www.brayparkoztag.com, 0428 164 963

ST BENEDICT’S COLLEGE MANGO HILL
OPENING IN 2013
St Benedict’s College is committed to providing high quality contemporary education in a Christian context. The college supports and encourages all students to become successful learners, confident and creative individuals and active and informed citizens, fully enabled to contribute to the life of their community.

Enrolment applications are still being taken for Year 8 in 2013, with interviews being held now.
Enrolment applications are now being taken for Year 8 in 2014 and Year 7 and 8 in 2015. Interviews for Year 8 in 2014 and 2015 have commenced, and interviews for Year 7 in 2015 will start very soon.

Please contact us for an enrolment pack via 3385 8888 or email smangohill@bne.catholic.edu.au. Information is also available on our website at www.stbenedictscollege.qld.edu.au. Our office is currently situated at St Benedict’s Primary School, so please drop in – we’d love to meet you.

MT MARIA COLLEGE PETRIE
Information Day Friday 14th September
Armstrong St next to Our Lady of the Way
Presentation by Principal/ Tour of the College
9.00am – 10.30am Applications/Interviews for 2014/2015 are in progress.
Please reply by 12th September Ph: 3285 5500/ spetrie@bne.catholic.edu.au

PADUA COLLEGE
Interviewing soon for Year 7/2015 and Year 8/2015 applications. Please get your son’s application in if he is now in Year 4 or 5. PH: 3857 9908
www.padua.qld.edu.au
E: enrolments@padua.qld.edu.au

QUEEN OF APOSTLES SCHOOL 50TH JUBILEE!
Thuruna Street
Sunday 16th September 10.00am – 3.00pm
Rides/ Food stalls/ Books/ Plants/ Raffles/ Student performances and much more! All welcome!
PRIMA PRESENTS “OLIVER”
19th – 27th October at Holy Spirit School Hall
Adults $30.00/ Conc $25.00/ Child (2 – 12) $20/ Family (2 Adults & 2 Children) $85
Book tickets online www.prima.org.au or phone 3882 2102. Money raised goes to The Prince Charles Hospital Foundation.