



*Newsletter 13th June 2018 Week 9 Term 2*

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## Dalby Eisteddfod

On Wednesday morning the senior choir set out for Dalby in a bus, with spirits high. The choir did a wonderful performance with the adjudicator commenting that they had pleasing intonation, good phrasing and that it was a fun performance. While we didn't get a place we scored 83 points out of 100 which was a wonderful result and the students had great fun performing for the crowd. A big thank you to Mrs Anderson for coming with us and being support crew, to all the amazing parents who were able to come to the performance and to Mrs Gillam for all her work behind the scenes.

Susie Fredline  
Music Teacher



## *Principal's Page*

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Well done to our choir who sang at the Dalby Eisteddfod last week. It is great to see our students taking up opportunities and widening their educational experiences. Thank you to Ms Fredline for preparing the students so well. Congratulations to Bonnie A, Isabella A, Jay B, Joshua C, Isabel E, Sean F, Amy J, Eva L, Marlee L, Lilah M, Holly M, Hannah O, Abby P, Emma P, Emily P, Pyper S, Liberty W, Cheyanne W, Samuel W, Hayden W, Lily-May A, Rhianna H, Claire M, Sonja S and Jennifer W who sang so beautifully at the Eisteddfod. Today the choir is participating in Sing Out at the Empire Theatre with students from many of the schools of the district.

It was good to see some of our students at the Family Sunday Mass last Sunday. Their presence and participation certainly brought the liturgy alive with enthusiasm. The special liturgical movement for the reflection was very inspiring, thank you everyone who took part.

Yesterday we had a visit from Dr Patrick Coughlan, the Executive Director of the Toowoomba Catholic Schools' Office. Although Dr Pat couldn't spend much time here, he was able to visit the Preps. He was impressed with their welcome, manners and efforts at their work. He enjoyed working with a small group of Year 1 students. He was also impressed to hear of the significant improvements many students have made under the Reading Improvement Strategy.

Today is School Officers Day (Teacher Aides and Support Staff). We recognised their hard work and dedication to the students of our school by presenting them on parade with little gifts to say 'thank you'.

Next week we have the Athletics Carnival. On Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June we have the 800m event and the trials for High Jump. A timetable for Tuesday is attached to this Newsletter. Parents are most welcome to attend on Tuesday and are especially welcome to the main carnival day on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June. A schedule of events and approximate times for next Thursday's carnival will be circulated early next week. Just a reminder that a bbq will operate on Thursday and volunteers to assist would be very much appreciated.

Just a reminder that the next P&F Meeting will be held on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 7:00pm. Your presence at this meeting would be appreciated as this is the forum for parental input on ideas and suggestions for our school.

Yours faithfully

Roland Poulton

Principal





### **APRE Newsletter Report Term 2 Week 9**

Thank you to the school families and staff who were able to attend the School Family Mass on Sunday Morning. A particular thank you must go to the Year 2 Students for reading the Prayers of the Faithful and doing the Offertory Procession. I received many positive comments from parishioners about the Liturgical Movement the children did after Communion. Well done to everyone who participated!

On Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> of June at 9am, the whole school will be attending Mass to celebrate the end of Term 2. All families are welcome to attend.

### **Drama News**

We are wrapping up our Drama lessons and preparing to move onto Dance next Semester. Our junior school classes have been investigating using their imagination to create stories. The Prep class particularly enjoyed going on a pirate adventure together. Years 3 and 4 have been developing character profiles including how their character speaks and moves, their likes and dislikes, and how different characters interact with each other. Years 5 and 6 have looked at characters in scripts (with Year 6 writing their own short script) and the features of scripts to inform how characters act. Both classes have designed and created their own sock puppet, and performed for an audience.



*"There are only two ways to live your life. One as if nothing is a miracle, the other is everything is a miracle." Albert Einstein.*

God Bless

Lisa Cavanagh

APRE



# Teacher Talk

## Prep

This week in Prep we have continued with our writing on Room on the Broom. The students have been so interested in this story that we have been able to continue it for another week. We have started writing this week about what we might put in our cauldrons to make a spell. The students have wanted to put in toads, rainbows, soft drink, mud and even teachers. The possibilities have been endless and a lot of fun! We have also been practising our assembly presentation and athletics carnival events for next Thursday. We look forward to having a fun day next Thursday participating in events for house points. Please also note that on Tuesday of the last week of school we will be participating in Under 8's Day at school.

**Mrs Rebecca Thomas**

## Year One

Students have been busy with consolidating their knowledge and understanding of concepts taught this term. They have also participated in testing for the end of Semester reports.

During Mathematics students are participating in activities including counting on and counting back when adding numbers, half of a collection and ordering Australian coins. Students have been enjoying hands on activities as they participate in group rotation.

Phonics for the week are relating to the digraphs 'oo' sound. The focus for writing this week is on tense, past tense, present tense and future tense. Students are continuing to develop their understanding of 'chunking' to help them decode text when reading stories.

**Mrs Chris Conneely**

## Year Two

In Maths we have explored location and giving directions using left and right. We used a grid and coordinates to determine location and looked at different paths we can take when travelling to different locations. In Writing we have chosen a stereotypical character and have written an alternative character. In Reading we are investigating the text characteristics of an informational text and working on identifying these characteristics when we read. We learned that a glossary provides the meaning of topic words that we need to know to make meaning of the text.

Thank you to the families who attended Family Mass on Sunday. It was lovely to see so many students participating in the Mass by reading the Prayers of the Faithful and performing the liturgical dance.

Please remember to send in Sight Words books each day as these are tested daily. It is so pleasing to see students move through the levels, keep up the great work!

**Mrs Rowena Staude**

## Year Three

Welcome to week nine! This term seems to be flying by.

In mathematics, we are learning all about the properties of 3D shapes. In science, we are predicting what will happen to various everyday items when we heat and freeze them. We will be discussing how Australia has changed over time and how this has impacted on our lives. We are finishing up some assessment tasks too.

Reminder: this week Friday, the students will each be presenting their oral presentation assessment task, please make sure that they have it ready to present on Friday as this counts toward their Semester one English mark.

If weather permits, we will be having a few additional runs around the oval to practice for next week's Athletics Day.

Have a wonderful week ahead, keep warm & God Bless,

**Miss Ayden-Skye Wolff**

# Teacher Talk

## Year Four

This week we have been focusing most of our attention on assessment tasks. I am pleased with the effort that the Year Four students have put in. In English we are completing our final task, we are writing an oral presentation from the point of view of either someone arriving on the First Fleet or an Aboriginal child at that time. I am looking forward to what the students produce.

As you may have heard my daughter, Casey, has been selected to represent Australia in Junior Roller Derby. The World Championships are being held in Philadelphia during the summer break in the USA. As I intend to travel with her, to support the team, I will be taking 5 weeks of long service leave at the beginning of Term Three. Mrs Jenny Shellshear will be taking the Year Four class in my absence.

God Bless and have a great week.

**Mrs Cheryl Anderson**

## Year Five

This week in Maths, we have been working on Multiplication and developing our problem solving skills. In English, we continued working on our Poetry Unit, specifically looking at similes, metaphors, personification and onomatopoeia, and the students enjoyed writing some of their own poetry.

Last week the Year 5's did a great job presenting on Assembly, providing some valuable information about our school and testing everyone's listening skills with their quiz. This Thursday, we will continue with this theme as we celebrate our Class Prayer Liturgy at 2pm. We hope that you will be able to join us.

**Mrs Kaylene Bruggemann**

## Year Six

Hello from Year Six

During the week, students have enthusiastically commenced work on writing a chapter which outlines a dangerous sea journey where they will either have an encounter with ruthless pirates or have to survive a severe storm. Each child has drawn up a story scaffold which detailed the setting, main characters, plot, conclusion and suitable vocabulary which they can refer to as they write their first draft. Given adequate time during class, I expect most students will have completed their final draft early next week.

Last Friday, during our class liturgy, we celebrated and thanked God for families. This theme aligned well with the books we have been reading this term, all of which described family members being there for each other during difficult times.

All students are progressing well in the Premier's Reading Challenge where their goal is to read 15 novels by August 24<sup>th</sup>. Thank-you parents and carers for supporting your children in this endeavour.

Regards,

**Mr Michael West**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### June 2018

Wed June 13th	Sing Out—Empire Theatre
Tue June 19th	Toowoomba Mountaineers Visit
Tue June 19th	800m & High Jump
Thurs June 21st	School Athletics
Thurs June 21st	School Board Meeting 7pm
Fri June 22nd	Pie Drive Delivery and Pick Up
Tue June 26th	Under 8's Morning
Fri June 29th	Last day of Term 2

### July 2018

Mon July 16th	School Resumes Term 3
Fri July 20th	Catholic Athletics Carnival

## Tuckshop Helpers

**Monday 18th June 2018**

**Linda Leerentveld**

**Patricia Hausler**

**Sharee Brown**

**Thank you ladies for  
volunteering your time!**

## *Weekend Masses*

### **St Monica's Parish**

1<sup>st</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday – Saturday Vigil 6.00pm

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – 8.00am

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday – 8.00am Celebration of the Word & Communion

### **Our Lady of the Annunciation, Peranga**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday – 10.00am

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday – 10.00am Celebration of the Word & Communion

**Oakey: Saturday 6pm**

**Peranga: Sunday 10am**

## **Oakey Community Playgroup**

St Monica's Primary School

75 Lorrimer St Oakey

**Every Thursday 9-11am**

**(Except School Holidays)**

**President: Tricia Brownsey 0408 675 945**

## **SUPERLearners**

### **Term 2 Week 9**

<b>Prep:</b>	<b>Nate</b>
<b>Year 1:</b>	<b>Teliah</b>
<b>Year 2:</b>	<b>Claire</b>
<b>Year 3:</b>	<b>Eduardo</b>
<b>Year 4:</b>	<b>Hannah</b>
<b>Year 5:</b>	<b>Norma</b>
<b>Year 6:</b>	<b>Broc</b>

## **SUPERLearners**

### **Term 2 Week 8**



# Important Notices

## Athletics Trials Day - Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June

We will conduct trials on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> June for the following events and age groups in order to decide finalists for the main carnival day on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> June. Please note that trials for 11 and 12 years High Jump - Boys and Girls will not be necessary. Their events will be completed on the Thursday (main carnival day). Parents are welcome to come along to watch but it must be remembered that the event times are at best a guess.

<b>800m Event– (This is a Final Event)</b>	
9:00am	12 years Boys & Girls (together)
9:05am	11 years Boys
9:10am	11 years Girls
9:15am	10 years Boys
9:20am	10 years Girls
9:25am	9 years Boys
9:30am	9 years Girls
<b>High Jump</b>	
9:40am	10 years Boys
10:10am	10 years Girls
<b>Morning Tea</b> 10:40 to 11:05 am	
<b>Basketball clinic</b> 11:10am to 11:40am (Toowoomba Mountaineers)	
<b>High Jump</b>	
11:45pm	9 years Boys
12:15pm	9 years Girls
<b>Lunch</b> 1:05pm - 1:45pm (as normal)	
<b>Classes as normal</b> 1:45pm - 3:05pm	

## **P&F News**

**St Monica's P&F Association currently has a vacancy for President. If you know of someone who has the skills and willingness for this prestigious role, please come along to our next meeting on the 18th June at 7.00 in the Parish Meeting Room, or contact Mr Roland Poulton for further information.**

### **P&F Meeting**

The next P&F Meeting is Monday the 18th June in the Parish Meeting Room at 7.00pm.

Please come along and support our school.

### **Athletics Carnival**

Helpers are required for the BBQ to operate on June 21st for our Annual Athletics Carnival.

Please let Thelma know your availability.

Menu for the Athletics Carnival will be issued today to each child.

### **Pie Drive**

Thank you to all the families who have supported this fundraiser!

Helpers will be required for the delivery day, Friday 22nd June.

Collection of pies, Parish Hall after 2.30pm Friday 22nd June.

### **Tuckshop**

We are in need of helpers for the running of the Tuckshop.

Tuckshop is operated on a Monday 9.00am = 2.00 pm. Tuesday if Public holiday on the Monday

Please come forward and place your name on a roster.

The Tuckshop is a Fundraiser for the school, also a great way to meet fellow parents.

The children love to see Mum or Dad on Tuckshop days.

### **Second-hand Uniforms**

Please contact Chloe McIntosh on 0457915137 for all enquiries, Chloe is available on Tuesday afternoons if you need clothing, please give Chloe a call first.



# Oakey Parkrun

Located at Arthur Shooter Park the Oakey parkrun is held every Saturday at 7.00am. This is a 5 km course where you run against the clock. It is free to register so go online to <http://www.parkrun.com.au/oakey/> . When you register you will be given a barcode. Present the barcode at the parkrun and your time for the course will be recorded each time you run. Families are welcome to run, jog or walk the course. A great, active way to start each weekend!

## School Holiday Program

We are offering an all new program for these holidays

### Different Themes each day

*No power Day, Movies (Incredibles 2) Harry Potter Day, Around the world, Formal Party, Careers Day, Mad Hatters, Reptile Day, Tie Dye Day, Opposite Day.*

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35-37 York Street Oakey

## Results from the Dalby Eisteddfod

Molly - Highly Commended

Bonnie - 1st solo own choice

2nd solo musical act

3rd Sacred song

Lilly - 3rd Folk song

Highly Commended solo musical act

Lilly and Bonnie 1st duet

Lilly Bonnie and Molly 3rd musical act.





**You are invited!**

# **St Monica's Primary School Oakey**



## **Under 8's Morning**

**Celebrating the Early Years of Education**

**Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2018**

**9:00am - 11:00am**



**LOTS OF FUN AND LEARNING ACTIVITIES**

**VISITS FROM EMERGENCY SERVICES**

**FACE PAINTING**

**OBSTACLE COURSE**

**DANCE DISPLAYS**

**VISIT FROM TOWN LIBRARY STAFF**

**MURALS**

**ACTIVITIES TABLES ..... AND LOTS MORE!**

Visiting students please bring morning tea, hat, sunscreen and water bottle.

Morning tea provided for parents



Parents/students visiting from Kindies, Day Care Centres and other educational centres, please RSVP by 20<sup>th</sup> June by phoning the school on **46911067** or email: [oakey@twb.catholic.edu.au](mailto:oakey@twb.catholic.edu.au)