Mary Mackillop’s reflective saying for this week is:
God alone knows what is best for us. 5.3.1870

Dear Parents and Carers,

This week we have started the church’s liturgical season of Lent with Ash Wednesday Mass. In the church this is a time for reflecting on our choices we make in our everyday lives and look at how we are helping others in need. It can also be a time to fast – give up something we really enjoy like a coffee or sweets or a drink. It is a time to reflect on our lives and take stock! Thank you to those who celebrated the beginning of Lent with us.

GO St Maria Goretti! Congratulations to our four swimmers who went to Mac Zone trials last Friday! They were all great ambassadors for our school. It was Goren’s first time to swim in a 50m pool which also produced a PB. Erin also swam PB’s. At the end of the day we are very proud to have three swimmers now attending Darling Downs trials at Gatton on 28th February.

This week I am attending the Principals’ Forum in Warwick where we have been looking at the direction that our Diocese is going into the future and where we fit as a school within that. It is a great opportunity to network with other Principals and hear what great things are happening in their schools. I look forward to sharing some of my learning with you on my return.

Next week, on Thursday, we are holding a parent information afternoon with teachers. Here is the time frame …

3:15 – Meet under the school
3:30 – Prep to Yr 3 room
3:45 – Yr 4-6 room.

If there is any variance to this, we will notify you early next week. We look forward to seeing you all.

Yours in God’s love
Paula
**Tuckshop Volunteers:**

16th February: Workers— Carla Trevisiol  
Home Cooking— Zalae Smith  

23rd February: Workers— Sara Price  
Home Cooking— Lee Garland  

2nd March: Workers— Carla Trevisiol  
Home Cooking— Sara Price  

**Birthdays:**

**YURARABA BUS CONVEYNANCE COMMITTEE**

**AGM**

(Omanama/Millmerran Road bus run)

**WHEN:** THURSDAY 22/02/2018  
**TIME:** 5PM  
**WHERE:** “SORRENTO”  
132 COOLMUNDA DAM ACCESS ROAD  
All welcome to attend.

The Year 4-6 class have started on their art work for the show. These students showed students and parents on assembly this morning.

Congratulations to these swimmers who attended Mac Zone last week!

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PRAISE, ENCOURAGEMENT & REWARDS

No matter how old your children are, your praise and encouragement will help them feel good about themselves. This boosts their self-esteem and confidence. Sometimes rewards can be useful too, especially if you want to encourage good behaviour.

Praise

Praise is when you tell your child what you like about her or her behaviour. It goes a long way towards helping your child feel good about herself.

Descriptive praise is when you tell your child exactly what it is that you like. For example, ‘I love the way you shared your Lego with your brother just now’. Descriptive praise is best for boosting self-esteem and building good behaviour – when children get praise for behaving well, they’re likely to want to keep behaving well.

You can praise children of different ages for different things. You might praise a younger child for leaving the park when asked, or for having a go at tying his own shoelaces. You can praise teenagers for coming home at an agreed time, or for starting homework without being reminded.

Encouragement

Encouragement is praise for effort – for example, ‘You worked hard on that maths homework’.

Praising effort can encourage your child to try hard in the future. But you can also use encouragement before and during an activity to help your child do the activity or behaviour. For example, ‘Show me how well you can put your toys away’ or ‘I know you’re nervous about the test, but you’ve studied hard. No matter how it turns out, you’ve done your best’.

Some children, especially those who are less confident, need more encouragement than others. Encouragement is particularly important for older children.

Rewards

A reward is a consequence of good behaviour. It’s a way of saying ‘well done’ after your child has done something good or behaved well. It could be a treat, a surprise or an extra privilege.

Rewards can make your praise and encouragement more effective in encouraging good behaviour. Most behaviour is influenced by the consequences that follow it, so when you reward your child’s behaviour, the behaviour is more likely to happen again in the future.

# Sometimes it’s easier to criticise than it is to compliment. Bad behaviour is more obvious than good behaviour – you’re much more likely to notice when your child is yelling than you are to notice when your child is quietly reading a book. Try to pay attention to the good behaviour, too!

To read more on tips, video clips and ideas - http://raisingchildren.net.au/articles/praise_and_encouragement.html
APRE News—Ash Wednesday Mass
Parent Information Afternoon

with teachers.

Thursday 22nd February

3:15 – Meet and greet under the school

3:30 – Prep to Year 3 room

3:45 – Year 4-6 room
Reptile Workshop

Tuesday 27th February
2pm

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SAVE THE DATE!
Tuesday 27th February
2pm

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**President:** Sara Price  
**Secretary:** Zalae Smith  
**Treasurer:** Sam Hobbs

Please see the office if you would like more Easter raffle tickets. Please also let Mandy know if you are available to sell raffle tickets in the street over the coming weeks. Tickets are to be returned (even if unsold) by Monday 26th March.

**PPF Meeting:** Wednesday 7th March at 3:30pm

### School Board

**Chairman:** Mike Price  
**Secretary:** Lexie Bennett  
**Board Members:** Paula O’Rourke, Fr Sean Lynskey, Sara Price, Zalae Smith, Sam Hobbs

**PPF Meeting:** Wednesday 7th March at 3:30pm

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**Toowoomba Catholic Schools**  
**Visiting services**  
**February**

- **28th:** Speech Therapist

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