Thursday 5th March, 2015  Fortnightly update .... Week 6

Dear Parents,

What a very busy week we have had! Students were working hard yesterday with the help of Mrs Debbie Elliot in creating their cards for the upcoming Inglewood Show. The results were fantastic and the creative efforts of our students shine through in each of their creations. A big thank you is extended to Debbie Elliot who gave her time and extensive array of scrapbooking resources over for the children to use. I would also, on behalf of our community like to thank Sally West and parents Rochelle Bynon and Matt Shaw for coming in and helping and sharing their scrapbooking know -how. Well done everybody!

Lily Robson and Ryan McPherson have returned from a very successful day at the Darling Downs Swimming Trials that were held in Gatton yesterday. Both students have assured me that they thoroughly enjoyed the day and the experiences that went along with it. Lily came fourth in her heat for Breaststroke, while Ryan came 7th in Breaststroke, 4th in Backstroke and 9th in Freestyle. Ryan came 3rd in Butterfly and was very close to qualifying for the Darling Downs Team. Being able to compete at this level is a wonderful achievement in itself and we are very proud of their efforts.

Last night the first of this year’s school board meetings was held. There were many positive and productive conversations around the table that have created possible new ideas and ways forward for St Maria Goretti. The board would like to extend an invitation to the entire school community for anyone wishing to take up positions on the board to attend the Annual General Meeting (AGM) to be held on the 18th March. Being a member of the board provides a platform for affecting change in our school. All members of our school community are welcome to attend. Those people wishing to be considered for a seat on the board need to forward their expressions of interest to the board secretary - Jodie Campbell. Alternatively, your expressions of interest can be handed into the office for us to pass on for you. If you have any questions to ask regarding this process please do not hesitate to come in and see me.

**World Day of Prayer:** The year 5/6 students will be attending the ‘World Day of Prayer’ gathering at the Catholic Church tomorrow morning at 9:30am. This gathering welcomes a gathering of all Churches in Inglewood each year to pray with a particular country of focus. This year the archipelago (group of islands) of the Bahamas is the area in focus throughout the prayer service. The students are very excited about attending and being part of the prayer service. Everyone is welcome to attend.

**Australian Olympian - Justin Anlezark:** Justin, from Little Athletics – Queensland, ‘popped’ into the office yesterday and asked if the school would be interested in him doing an athletics workshop with the children today. We of course accepted his offer and he worked with the children today in many areas of athletics. The children enjoyed Justin’s enthusiasm and learnt many new skills.

Homework is a very important aspect of your child’s education. It is an opportunity to establish routines that will carry on throughout your child’s schooling. If there is any confusion around expectations for homework please do not hesitate to contact your child’s classroom teacher. Sometimes information passed from teachers to students to parents can get lost in transit.

Please note that our Parents and Friends Association (P and F) meeting is to be held this afternoon at 3:30pm. Your input as parents and friends of our school community is always welcome at these meetings and encouraged. It would be great to see everybody there.

**Mary Mackillop reflective saying for this week:**

“When I want something very much, I thank God beforehand for I feel God will certainly grant what He has been thanked for.” 3/5/1874

Yours, in God’s Love,

Tyronne Maher
Acting Principal

*Wednesday Treats:*
*Water Ice-block $1*

Parents: Please ensure your child has sunscreen before school starts!
Year 3—6 Academic Awards

Congratulations to Ryan, Ryan, Jack, Jai and Jorja for achieving 100% in Number Facts!!

P/1/2 class would like any donations of vegetables towards their vegetable creations for the show. If you have anything growing in your garden, please send something in. Please deliver to the P/1/2 classroom by Tuesday.

A reminder that fees are due this week. If you would like a copy of your statement, please see Mandy.

Inglewood Aquathon
Sunday 8th March
7:30am

World Day of Prayer
Friday 6th March
9:30am

Inglewood Show
Friday and Saturday
14th and 15th March

ROOS GOONDIWINDI SOCCER CLUB
Want to play soccer?
Register online before 31st March on the MyFootballClub website
www.myfootballclub.com
Go to
www.roosgoondiwindi.sportingpulse.net/

Brisbane Roar Clinic
Wednesday 25th March
register online at www.roaractive.com.au
Queries Clare Mailler 46765112
Learning News

Today literacy consultant, Dr Janelle Young, worked with our teaching staff in equipping them with new skills and strategies to teach writing in the classroom. As teachers, we often walk away from these professional workshops with new and inspirational ways of delivering teaching that inspires learning in our students. Janelle will be back with us in a follow-up visit in a fortnight to answer any questions that may have arisen. We look forward to continuing to improve upon our knowledge base in this area.

Justin Anlezark Visit
INGLEWOOD SHOW

Friday & Saturday
13th & 14th March 2015

Free Admission
2015 Show

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