Dear Parents, Staff and Students

Our Centenary celebrations reached a new high with our Open Day last Friday and what a day it was!

Our day began with Mass in our church before heading over to the school for morning tea. Reminiscent of the loaves and fishes parable, the huge morning tea provided by our Years K-2 parents allowed our guests to mingle and catch up with friends and family over a cuppa.

Our official ceremony began with the drummers from Year 5 calling the assembly together for the acknowledgement of country and the national anthem.

Having past student, Fr Paul Gooley and his mother, Mrs Kath Gooley (also a past student) present to officially launch the St Augustine’s School Centenary book, written and compiled by Rosie Doherty, was a real highlight.

The cutting of the Centenary Cake by 97 year old Mrs Olga Mackay, our oldest living past student, and her great grandson, Ben Frederick really brought home the generational connection with our school.

Accompanying the raising of the time capsule laid during the school’s 75th Anniversary was Peter Martin, (school captain in 1987) and his daughter Alice. The contents included old report cards, newsletters and copies of the Advocate. It is envisaged that the new time capsule will be raised at the 125th Anniversary.

Year 6 provided specialised school tours for our visitors showcasing our learning framework and the school’s beautiful buildings and facilities.

The planting of the centenary tree by four generations of the Tooth family will provide a commemorative talking point for years to come.

Guests spent a large amount of time in the school hall perusing the school’s timeline wall and sifting through old photos and other memorabilia.

The children enjoyed the opportunity to play some old time favourite games including elastics, jacks/knuckles, quoits, skipping, three legged races and marbles. For many of the students the soccer match between the currents students and ex-students offered some entertainment during the luncheon break with families picnicking on the hill.

The afternoon saw various musical items around the school from the instrumental music students and various choirs.

The Gala Dinner held on Saturday evening was a spectacular affair held together with our comedic MC’s, ex-students, Peter Martin and Nigel Tooth.

There are a number of photos showcasing our centenary celebrations on our Facebook page.

We are very grateful for the support of the school community for their involvement in our centenary celebrations. The success of the Open Day and Gala Dinner highlight the extraordinary support our school receives from the community and is arguably one of the key factors in why our school is so successful.

As we finish the end of yet another successful school term we wish everyone a safe and happy school holiday.

Best Wishes

Jake
CATECHETICAL NEWS

In our busy lives it is so important to find time to show our families that you care and that you love them. Sometimes we get caught up in the business of life and forget the little things, and it is easy to take one another for granted.

It doesn’t take long to pray with our children to thank God for all we have and to think of those who are less fortunate. Stay safe during the holidays and make time for God by going to Mass.

Friday 27 September is the feast day of St Vincent de Paul. Let us reflect on how lucky we are and think of the difficulties many people face when they live in poverty. St Vincent de Paul (24 April 1581 – 27 September 1660) was a priest of the Catholic Church who dedicated himself to serving the poor. He is venerated as a saint in the Catholic Church and the Anglican Communion. He was canonised in 1737. De Paul was renowned for his compassion, humility and generosity and is known as the "Great Apostle of Charity".

You cannot be slaves both to God and of Money - Luke 16 : 1-13

Jesus said to his disciples, “There was once a rich man who had a servant who managed his property. The rich man was told that the manager was wasting his master's money, so he called him in and said, ‘What is this I hear about you? Turn in a complete account of your handling of my property, because you cannot be my manager any longer.’ The servant said to himself, ‘My master is going to dismiss me from my job. What shall I do? I am not strong enough to dig ditches, and I am ashamed to beg. Now I know what I will do! Then when my job is gone, I shall have friends who will welcome me in their homes.’

So he called in all the people who were in debt to his master. He asked the first one, ‘How much do you owe my master?’ ‘One hundred barrels of olive oil,’ he answered. ‘Here is your account,’ the manager told him; ‘sit down and write fifty.’ Then he asked another one, ‘And you—how much do you owe?’ ‘A thousand bushels of wheat,’ he answered. ‘Here is your account,’ the manager told him; ‘write eight hundred.’ As a result the master of this dishonest manager praised him for doing such a shrewd thing; because the people of this world are much more shrewd in handling their affairs than the people who belong to the light.”

And Jesus went on to say, “And so I tell you: make friends for yourselves with worldly wealth, so that when it gives out, you will be welcomed in the eternal home. Whoever is faithful in small matters will be faithful in large ones; whoever is dishonest in small matters will be dishonest in large ones. If, then, you have not been faithful in handling worldly wealth, how can you be trusted with true wealth? And if you have not been faithful with what belongs to someone else, who will give you what belongs to you?

“No servant can be the slave of two masters; such a slave will hate one and love the other or will be loyal to one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and money.”

A last thought. Have patience with everything unresolved in you heart…. Live the questions now. Perhaps then, someday far in the future, you will gradually, without even noticing, live your way into the answer.

God Bless and keep safe during the holidays.

Paddy Dent - Leader of School Evangelisation
Mary Machatsch – Leader of Catechesis

THANK YOU
Thank you to our Years K-2 families who provided morning tea at our Centenary Open Day. Our visitors were most appreciative.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
Please note the staff will be participating in a Professional Development Day on Friday 20 September. There will be no school for students on that day.
P & F NEWS

SOCIAL BOWLS DAY
Tickets are now ready for purchase from the office for our Social Bowls Day to be held on Sunday 27 October at the C.Ex Club, from 1:00—3:00 pm. (Please note this day is for adults) Food and drinks available for purchase at the Club.

Scott Bohringer—P & F Committee Secretary

LARC Matters
It is so simple to access information about great authors and books with the use of the internet. Finding everything you need to know about books is only a quick google search away. In LARC time recently, Year 2 students have been discovering information about Roald Dahl and Year 1 students have looked at Stephen Michael King. But this is only the beginning. Here is a list of some great sites you may like to look at with your child to see what you can discover about some authors or books. There are many more as you start to look around but these are just a few of the best.

Roald Dahl [http://roalddahl.com/]
Stephen Michael King [http://stephenmichaelking.com/]
Dr Seuss [http://www.seussville.com/]
Deborah Abela [http://www.deborahabela.com/site/]
Welcome.html
Cameron Stelzer [http://www.cameronstelzer.com/]
Jeff Kinney [http://www.wimpykid.com/]

See you in the LARC
Annie Madden—Teacher Librarian

MEN’S AND BOYS’ CAMP
This year the Men’s and Boys’ Camp will be held on 19 and 20 October at Valla Beach Tourist Park. A note was sent home last week for you to register your attendance. More information will be sent home on Wednesday 9 October. Please phone the Resort on 6569 5555 to book your site or cabin. You can choose to stay for Saturday night only, or Friday and Saturday nights. Under School Attendance Guidelines, children are to attend school until 3:00 pm on Friday 18 October.

COMING EVENTS

SEPTEMBER
19 LAST DAY OF SCHOOL TERM 3
20 STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY—no children at school

OCTOBER
7 PUBLIC HOLIDAY
8 FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL TERM 4
11 Yr 3 at Parish Mass 9:15 am
15 Yr 4 Breakfast 7:30-8:15 am
Yr 6 Speech Competition
18 Annual Book Fair
19/20 Men’s and Boys’ Camp
24 Yr 1 Pet Liturgy 10:20 am
25 Yr 5 Grade Mass 9:15 am
26 Yr 6 Parents Social Evening at Pier Hotel
27 P & F Social Bowls Day
29 Yr 3 Breakfast 7:30—8:15 am
Yrs K-2 Chicken Burger Day
31 Yr K Liturgy 10:20 am

NOVEMBER
1 Yr 3 Grade Mass 9:15 am
5 P & F Meeting in Library at 7:00 pm
8 Yr 4 at Parish Mass 9:15 am
12 Yrs 5/6 Chicken Burger Day
13 Yr K 2014 Parents Wine & Cheese Night

EMAIL ADDRESSES
If you know of any parent/carer who is not receiving our school emails with Newsletters and notes, please ask them to contact the office and supply us with a current email address.
SPORT NEWS

POLDING ATHLETICS
Congratulations to all the students who travelled to Newcastle to participate in the Polding Trials Athletics Carnival. This is a great achievement.

The following students qualified for the Polding Team and will now compete in the NSW PSSA Athletics Trials on Wednesday 16 and Thursday 17 October in Sydney:

Sophie Scott – 11 yr Girls 100m and 200m
Blair Boulton – Junior Boys Shot Put
Joel Guy – 11 yr Boys Long Jump

Congratulations and we wish you the best of luck!

POLDING GOLF
On 9 and 10 September, Ben Gibbeson trialled for the NSW PSSA State Golf Championship in Port Macquarie. Congratulations to Ben for qualifying in this competition.

KnowledgeNET
Check out the 2013 Sports News page on KnowledgeNET. This page has current information and what’s happening this week. It also has important dates. If you have information you would like on this page please contact Regan Kama at school.

RUGBY UNIFORMS
Please return all rugby uniforms to Mrs Kama as soon as possible. Unfortunately every year a couple of socks, shorts and jerseys do NOT get returned. In 2013 Mrs Kama kept a list of names of everyone who received a St Augustine’s sports uniform. Please return the uniforms if you haven’t already done so.

YRS K-2 SPORTS CARNIVAL
Thank you to all the volunteers who assisted at the Yrs K-2 Sports Carnival today. The Sports Carnival is a great introduction to the skills of Little Athletics. It also teaches children how to cope in a competitive environment where not everyone wins a prize.

If you want to know who the age champions and the winning house were today you will need to go to the KnowledgeNET sports page.

SUMMER SPORTS TRIALS
In the first week of Term 4 the Clarence Zone will be calling for Year 4 and Year 5 students only to nominate in the Summer Sports Trials. These sports include Basketball (boys and girls), Touch Football (boys and girls), Softball (boys and girls), Tennis (boys and girls) and Cricket (boys only).

To nominate you must be of representative standard. To get a nomination form please see Mrs Kama in the sports office.

DIOCESAN NETBALL AND FOOTBALL (Soccer) FINALS AND GALA DAY
Congratulations to the St Augustine’s Netball and Football teams that travelled to Grafton on Wednesday 18 September. The two teams were the Clarence Zone winners and were competing to be the Lismore Diocese winner for 2013.

What’s the go with Go4Fun??
It’s on in Term 4! It’s fun! It’s free! It’s a family healthy lifestyle program! It’s for 7-13 year old children who are above a healthy weight range! If you want to make a change and get fit and healthy for summer with your family call 1800 780 900 now!!
OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

AFTER SCHOOL CARE
It’s the end of Term 3 already!! We have had a great time at after school care and hope to see the children back for term 4. **PLEASE CHECK OR UPDATE YOUR CHILD/CHILDREN’S BOOKINGS FOR TERM 4. BOOKINGS MAY NOT BE AUTOMATICALLY TRANSFERRED INTO THE NEXT TERM UNLESS SPECIFIED PREVIOUSLY ON A BOOKING SHEET.** We will see you back for After School Care on Tuesday 8 October.

END OF YEAR VACATION CARE
Monday 23 December - Tuesday 28 January 2014 inclusive. Program and Booking Sheets will be available in November.

23/12/2013 - 01/01/2014 inclusive OSHC will be CLOSED for Christmas break.

02/01/2014 - 24/01/2013 Vacation Care will be OPEN from 8am – 6pm.

27/01/2014 is Australia Day Public Holiday and OSHC & school will be CLOSED.

28/01/2014 is a Staff Development Day and OSHC will be OPEN from 8am – 6pm.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY 20 SEPT AND VACATION CARE
We have a very exciting program planned for tomorrow, 20 September and the next 2 weeks for Vacation Care. We’ve still got a few spots available **SO MAKE SURE YOU BOOK ASAP** to secure a spot for your child. If your child has never attended Outside School Hours Care or Vacation Care, but you like the program, all you need to do is collect an Enrolment package from the OSHC room, complete and return it to OSHC prior to commencing.

PLAYGROUP
Please feel welcome to attend our Playgroup sessions every Wednesday from 9 – 11am in the OSHC room. **Playgroup will return on Wednesday 9 October.** A $3 fee per visit per family is payable on arrival and we ask you to bring a contribution towards morning tea (fruit, home-made goodies, etc.). Hope to see you there!

Parent ‘Show & Tell’
Our OSHC children often talk about their parents/carers/grandparents and their jobs/hobbies and interests. We thought it might be fun if parents would come in to visit OSHC and talk to the children and share their job roles, hobbies or interesting facts that I am sure we will all enjoy listening to. Please, contact Brigitte (bklinkers@lism.catholic.edu.au or 0417 666 494) so we can book you in.

For any administration queries, bookings, amendments, cancellations or account enquiries please note the change in contact to Linda Rick - lrick@lism.catholic.edu.au Thank you for your cooperation.

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**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**OCTOBER**

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**HOLIDAY LANES TEN PIN BOWLING**

Holiday Lanes is now under NEW MANAGEMENT and soon to become the leading family entertainment Centre on the Coffs Coast. Come down and meet the new Team. Mention this ad during the holidays and receive a special discount of two games for only $15.00.

Entry via Cox Lane—loads of free parking. Phone 66525666
Kids Activities in Coffs Harbour during the school holidays
Looking for something to do during the school holidays?

The Coffs Harbour City Council has a great website that has a variety of activities, attractions and information for your children to be active during the school holidays.


There are also a number of great free things to do due to the wonderful area we live in, don’t forget our great parks, beach and bike tracks.

Wishing you a fun, active and safe holiday!

It’s Fruit and Veg Month!
Are you participating?

Did you know that only 22 per cent of four to eight year olds eat the recommended serves of vegetable each day? As kids get older, this number decreases even more. We created Fruit and Veg Month with the goal to educate communities about the importance of eating more fruit and veg.

Change it up!
It’s easy to get stuck in a carrot stick or apple rut! Challenge your kids to bring in a different food each day. They could try raw broccoli, snow peas, kiwifruit, cherry tomatoes or capsicum sticks. Parents should get in on the challenge too! If you try something different, your children are more likely to follow.

Alex Shaw—Coordinator

GARDENING CLUB
What a good week in our school garden! Carrots, snow peas & beans are everywhere! We have been able to supply the Coffs Harbour Soup Kitchen with fresh produce to cook with. Well done gardening club!

Ngaire Robinson
Parish Schools Board Coffs Harbour Sawtell

A reminder that term 3 payments were due and payable by 1/09/13

Payment of school fees by the due date is a condition of ongoing enrolment. Therefore, it is imperative to contact us as soon as you become aware of any inability to meet a forthcoming payment.

All families who honour their school fees agreement and who have paid their accounts in full by the due dates will be entered into a prize draw. (All families who have a direct debit arrangement which is kept up to date will automatically be entered into the draw.)

Novotel Coffs Harbour Pacific Bay Resort has generously donated one nights’ accommodation in a Resort Room for two adults including a full buffet breakfast in Charlie’s Restaurant.

Don’t miss out on your opportunity to go into the draw!

Please feel welcome to call us on 6651 0000 if you have any queries or need to discuss any other issues concerning your school fees. All enquiries are strictly confidential.

Thank you,
Cathy Sheridan (School Fees Manager)

Parish Office Coffs Harbour
Monday-Thursday 8.30am-5.00pm; Friday 8.30am-3.30pm
(including school holidays)  Email: admin@parisheschoolsboard.com.au
Website: www.parisheschoolsboard.com.au
CENTENARY OPEN DAY
FRIDAY 13 SEPT 2013

What an exciting day in our St Augustine’s School story! Last Friday we celebrated 100 years of education in our school and welcomed many who have shared the journey with us.

Our present staff and students gratefully acknowledge your contribution to our school and your attendance at this special celebration.
CENTENARY
GALA DINNER
SATURDAY 14 SEPT 2013

A night to remember as the St Augustine’s community old & new came together to celebrate in style 100 years of Catholic Education. Whether on the dance floor, at the poker tables or the photo booth, a great night was enjoyed by all.

“The room at the C.ex looked amazing, setting the scene for the night but it was the people who made it such a success.”

Many thanks go to our gala dinner sponsors:
‘THEN & NOW’ CENTENARY ART COMPETITION WINNERS

Well done to everyone who submitted artwork. The standard was very high and selecting winners was a challenge!

YEAR 4
Abbi Dagger & Maeve Urquhart

YEAR 5
Tegan White

YEAR 3 & 5
Samson & Charlie Catling - the boys’ wonderful classroom models of past & present also won the People’s Choice Award!

Many thanks to our centenary sponsors Kachel’s Transport for providing the competition prizes.

WHAT’S YOUR LUCKY NUMBER?

$5000 COULD BE YOURS!
Each number is worth $100.
Buy your lucky number on your own or get a group together.
Only one number can win!