Dear Parents and Carers

Thanks to all the helpers who contributed to making the Fathers’ Day Breakfast such a success. There were over 400 people in attendance and some very competitive handball games going on. Thanks especially to Mr Podesta and Mr O’Connell who cooked from before 6am to 8am to provide sustenance to all.

Thanks also to all the families that registered the school in the Coffs Running Festival. Yesterday we received a prize for the highest participation rate for large schools in the region; $1100 worth of sports equipment that will be put to great use.

Preparations for ‘Alice, The Musical’ are going at a cracking pace and I’m assured all will be well for the opening performance next week. It is a big undertaking by some very dedicated staff and helpers and I am constantly amazed at the confidence and poise of the performers, regularly getting up in front of large audiences with consummate ease.

We have received wonderful news that the RMS has released funding for flashing lights to be installed on Albany St. This will help slow traffic but the key to safety rests with parents and children. There will be more changes to procedures and infrastructure to the area around Albany St but once more I urge everyone that uses this area to:

♦ Keep safety as your number one concern – go slow and be especially alert
♦ Use the crossing if walking across the street
♦ Hold your child’s hand
♦ Use the Gordon St pick up area if possible

If you would like your child to receive the Sacraments of Penance & First Holy Communion this year, the Parish will be running a program starting soon. For further information please email our Parish Coordinator Kate on pc@coffscatholic.com or ring The Parish Office on 6651 0000.

A few weeks ago the new homework policy was outlined with time guidelines. This is an area where the school and home need to work collaboratively so if the work is too hard, let the teacher know. There are many activities but the importance of getting into the habit of home reading every night cannot be underestimated and the effort made now will pay off into the future.

Peter Watts
Principal
PARISH MASS TIMES

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CATECHETICAL NEWS

FRIDAY MASS 9:15 am—Year levels attending
16 September—Yr 5 & Yr 1

All welcome to attend and parents/carers are invited to sit with their children.

Mercy on the Move
Recently many of our students had the opportunity to view and reflect on paintings and photos that portray God’s Mercy. The pictures titled, ‘Mercy on the Move’ is a travelling exhibition throughout the Diocese. It was very apt that on St Augustine’s Feast Day, amongst the business of this significant celebration, there was time to reflect on how we can put mercy into action. The children have an awareness of mercy and are keen to put this into action. We are sure you will continue to see mercy in action throughout the year.

‘You aspire to great things? Begin with little ones’

St Augustine of Hippo

P& F NEWS

MEETING
The next P & F Meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 October at 7:00 pm in the LARC. All welcome.

WALKATHON
The sun shone and the music played! We had a lovely time on the field walking laps and raising money for our playground facilities. A big thank you to all our parent helpers on the day for their support. The prizes will be awarded at our last assembly (22 Sept) this term so all sponsor money will need to be back to school by then. So far over $7000 has been raised. Well done!

FATHERS’ DAY RAFFLE
Kirstie Spagnolo was the winner of the raffle. Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets.

THANK YOU
Thank you to Mrs Jann Golding who organised and ran the Fathers’ Day stall last Friday. Jann does a wonderful job each year and we thank her once again for all the work she does.

MASTERS’ BBQ
We are urgently seeking helpers to set up, man or pack up the BBQ on Saturday 24 September. Can you please spare one hour of your time? Funds raised will contribute to the new playground. Please phone Stephen Appleton on 0457 860070.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY
Friday 23 September is a Staff Development Day. The school will be closed for students on this day. The last day for students in Term 3 will be Thursday 22 September.

Sharon de Dassel - Leader of School Evangelisation
Paddy Dent – Leader of Catechesis

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Sorry We’re CLOSED
**CANTEEN ROSTER**

**12.09.2016**
- **Mon**: D Mauger  **HELP!! HELP!!**
- **Tues**: G Bull, N Foggiato
- **Wed**: J Golding, A Ryan, M Simpson
- **Thur**: K Allen, H O’Rourke, L Rowthorne
- **Fri**: T Blundell, J Cutler, A Goode, A Stephens, S Winkler

**19.09.2016**
- **Mon**: G Franklin, L Seccombe
- **Tues**: J Armytage, R Morrison, C Williams
- **Wed**: L Buckley, K White  **HELP!! HELP!!**
- **Thur**: M Eden, C Williams  **HELP!! HELP!!**
- **Fri**: STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY—NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL

If you are unable to do your rostered day, please phone the office so we can organise a replacement.

**SUSHI**
Sushi is now available on **Wednesdays** at the Canteen!

**PLEASE ORDER ON TUESDAYS**

Barbra Symons & Alicia Betland—Canteen Managers

**COMING EVENTS**

**SEPTEMBER**
- **13**: Yr 5 & Yr 6 Chicken Burger Day
- **14**: School Musical—‘Alice’
- **15**: School Musical—‘Alice’
- **16**: Yr 5 & Yr 1 at Mass 9:15 am
  - Yr K Learning Journey 2:00 pm
- **22**: Yrs K-2 Sports Carnival
  - School Assembly 2:00 pm
  - LAST DAY OF TERM 3
- **23**: STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY—no children at school
- **24**: MASTERS BBQ—helpers needed

**OCTOBER**
- **10**: First day of Term 4 for students
- **11**: P & F Meeting 7:00 pm in the LARC
- **16**: P & F Bunnings BBQ—helpers needed
- **19-21**: Yr 5 Camp
- **22-23**: Men’s and Boys’ Camp

**YEAR 6 PHOTOS**
Jacqui Carret is organising photos for the Year 6 Graduation. If you have any photos of the students over their seven years of primary school, please email to Jacqui at jacqui.carrett@chcc.nsw.gov.au
Thank you.

**HEAD LICE**
There has been an outbreak of head lice at school. Please check your child’s hair over the weekend and treat if necessary.
SPORT NEWS

Clarence Zone Primary Gala Days: Football and netball
Our football and netball teams will be travelling to Grafton on Monday 12 September for the Gala Day.

All students are required to arrive at school at 7:45 am for an 8:00 am departure on the bus. Students are expected to return at approximately 3:30 pm, therefore parents/carers are asked to make alternative arrangements to pick up students on that day.

Polding Athletics Carnival
Laila McDonald (800m sprint), Gabrielle Kolic-Clarke (shot put), Reid Stephens (100m sprint) and Holden Stubbs (high jump) are competing at the Polding Athletics Carnival in Newcastle today. Results will be in the next Newsletter.

NSWPSSA Representative Trials: Rugby Union
Rory Beech attended the NSWPSSA Rugby Union carnival at Mudgee recently. He was one of just two students from the Lismore Diocese who were in the Polding team.

The NSWPSSA carnival is a three-day event that hosts the best rugby union players in the state from all schools, including catholic, independent and state. Rory’s team placed an admirable 6th place overall at the end of the tournament out of 13 teams.

Congratulations Rory on your achievements!

NSWPSSA Representative Trials: Softball (boys)
Year 6 student, Benjamin Langler, attended the NSWPSSA Softball (boys) carnival at Wagga Wagga last week. Unfortunately, the majority of the carnival was washed out due to rain.

Ben has consistently represented in softball and competed against the best in the state. Congratulations on doing so well and reaching such a high level!

Years K-2 Sports Carnival
Our Years K-2 Sports Carnival will be held on the school field on Thursday 22 September from 9:00 am until 1:40 pm.

Children will compete for their sport house and have fun in many events ranging from running, field events and novelty races. The school encourages all parents to organise a house-coloured shirt for their child to get into the spirit of the day so that they can feel part of their house.

All parents are invited to attend to watch the carnival. The P & F will be running a BBQ and the coffee van will be there too!
SPORT NEWS (Continued)

Coffs Harbour Junior Rugby Union
Four teams from our school competed in the Coffs Harbour Junior Rugby Union competition this year. The season concluded recently with grand finals at Rugby Park on Hogbin Drive.

The 8’s, 10’s and 12’s, have been working hard all season, training regularly on Thursday afternoons and playing on Friday evenings. There have been a lot of committed volunteers involved to help make it possible. The school would like to take the opportunity to extend a big thank you to all coaches and managers who volunteered, including: Mr Paul Butcher (8’s), Mr Brad Henry (8’s), Mr Tim Chapman (8’s), Mr Jeff Cox (10’s), Mr Shane Blundell (10’s), Mr Billy Budd (12’s), Mr Richard Evans (12’s), Mr Paul Ninness (12’s) and Mrs Candice Butcher.

Congratulations to our teams that made it to the grand finals.

Barney Barselaar Cup: Football
Our Football team attended the Barney Barselaar Cup earlier this week. This is a memorial match that is hosted by St Francis Xavier PS, Woolgoolga. Mary Help of Christians PS and Bishop Druiit College also attend.

St Augustine’s fared well during the round robin portion of the tournament, winning two of three games. This effort placed them in the final against Bishop Druiit College. The final was very close, finishing in a 1-1 draw at the end of timed play. A penalty shoot-out was entered to decide the winner, resulting in a 4-3 count. Congratulations to Bishop Druiit College who were declared winners at the end of the day.

Thank you to St Francis Xavier PS for hosting such a special event.

Shaun Bamford – Sports Coordinator
sbamford@lism.catholic.edu.au

Kristy M’Dermid – Sports Administrator
kmcdermid@lism.catholic.edu.au
Lost Property Clarification

The children have a class tub to place their belongings in when they are finished eating and the tub is taken back to the classroom at the end of lunch. However, many items are left in different places around the school during the course of the day. These items are picked up by staff and left in the lost property boxes. Every couple of weeks these items are displayed outside the Canteen so students can identify what belongs to them. If the items are labelled they can be returned to the owner. Unfortunately most things do not have a name. If at the end of the term the unnamed items are still in lost property they are given away to charity.

PARISH SCHOOLS OFFICE
Serving the Catholic Schools of Coffs Harbour and Sawtell

Parents paying school fees by three instalments (and not using our Direct Debit Request facility) - the final payment for 2016 was due by 1/09/16.

Please call 6651 0046 urgently if you have missed your payment.

For those using our direct debit facility and paying via 3 instalments, your final payment was automatically deducted on 1/09/16.

Thank You!
ST AUGUSTINE’S PRIMARY SCHOOL
PROUDLY PRESENTS
Alice
THE MUSICAL

14 & 15
SEPT 2016
MATINEES @ 12:00 NOON
EVENING PERFORMANCES @ 6:30PM
ST AUGUSTINE’S SCHOOL HALL
TICKETS: Adults $10, Students 16yrs & under $5

VOUCHERS FOR A DRINK & ICE CREAM WILL BE PRE-SOLD AT THE OFFICE:
$5 for 1 DRINK (water, soft drink or popper) + 1 MINI MAGNUM. NO vouchers on sale at the musical.
Dear parent,

Go4Fun is a healthy lifestyle program for children aged 7 to 13 years, who are above a healthy weight. Best of all it’s absolutely FREE.

WHEN DOES GO4FUN RUN?
Go4Fun runs for 10 weeks after school or on weekends during the school term, and children attend a fun filled 2 hour session each week with their parent or carer.

WHAT DO WE DO AT GO4FUN?
Every week the children will be involved in fun and interactive games and activities to get their heart rates up and enjoying being active.

Each week you and your child will learn about healthy eating, setting goals, portion sizes, label reading and more. The program also includes a supermarket tour where you get to put everything you’ve learnt into practise.

START UP PACK
Your child will receive a start-up pack including a:
- Go4Fun backpack,
- Go4Fun t-shirt,
- Go4Fun water bottle

Your child will also earn up to 3 bonus attendance rewards over the ten Go4Fun sessions.

Parents receive a $15 fresh fruit and vegetable voucher for each session you attend, plus a folder full of weekly session information, activities, recipes and more. Plus you will receive a practical Meal Mate cup to help with portion sizes and a Detective Card to help decipher nutrition information on food packaging. Parents receive a report on their child’s progress and health improvements following Go4Fun.
ENROL TODAY!

Registrations for Term 4, 2016 programs are now open with limited places available in our Port Macquarie, Wauchope, Kempsey, Macksville and Coffs Harbour programs. We'd love to welcome you and your child into a Go4Fun program and encourage you to secure your place.

Coffs Harbour Term 4 program will run:
Tuesdays, 4pm to 6pm starting October 11th
Venue: Coffs Harbour Public School
Register at Freecall 1800 780 900 or online www.go4fun.com.au

NSW Health
Mid North Coast
Local Health District

Nutrition Snippet

The simplest way
...to volunteer with Eat It To Beat It.

Cancer Council NSW flagship nutrition program Eat It To Beat It helps families eat well to reduce cancer risk.

We also empower parents and community members to help others.

Volunteer as a Program Facilitator, delivering free Healthy Lunch Box sessions and Fruit & Veg Sense workshops, and we will provide free training and support to assist you to:

- Help families to reduce their cancer risk.
- Make a difference in your community.
- Increase your confidence and improve your presentation skills.

For more information email eatittobeatit@nswcc.org.au or phone (02) 4923 0710.

For more information visit www.eatittobeatit.com.au
or join us at facebook.com/eatittobeatit
CHILDREN BOTANIC GARDEN HOLIDAY PROGRAM
SPRING 2016

Come and enjoy the springtime offerings of the Gardens and join in the Holiday Program. Pre-schoolers to primary school age children. $5 per child. All art materials provided. Bring hat, walking shoes and a snack.

Join in the fun, games, dancing, singing, story-telling, art making and discovery walks in the Gardens on the following dates.

Bookings essential to Julie Belford 6648 4542

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**Baby Plants on the Move**
Through story and song learn about the clever tricks of baby plants. Creative activities will include creating music from found objects, decorating a pot, potting a plant and making a decorative pot plant stick ornament.

**Special Family Event**
Wednesday, 28 September - Bush Bash in the Gardens Opening of the early Settlers Walk 10am-11.30am Damper, billy tea, bush ballads and a yarn or too. A fun outing for all the family. $2 per person.

**Garden Creatures**
Discover little garden creatures. Sculpt your own creature and create their home.

**Dappled Light Walk**
Enjoy a refreshing walk through the Garden Forests looking, listening and learning as we go. Creative activities will include an array of paper crafts.

**Lucky Dip Day**
This is a surprise session with an array of hands on crafts for children to do.

**Fabulous Floral Creations**
This adventure walk is all about flowers; the pretty and the tricky create a floral pinwheel or a pretty card or potpourri bag.
KIDS CAN JOIN THE FUN AND LEARN TO PLAY CRICKET

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Diggers Cricket Club Registration Day
Where: Bray Street Cricket Nets  Age: All Ages
Date: Saturday, 10 September 2016  Time: 10am-12pm
Contact: Brett Carlyle - 0419 481 781