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**28/10 World Teacher Day
Assembly & Morning Tea
4/11 Morning Tea**



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Catholic Education
Diocese of Rockhampton

Term 4 Week 4
27 October 2022

Our Friends, the Saints

Friendship is one of the deepest joys we can know. The love and support of friends enhances our joy and pleasure in good times and helps us face pain and sorrow that could cripple us. Our experience of friendship is not confined to those here with us on earth. Those who have died continue to love us still. I experienced this somewhat dramatically a few years ago. Without realising it, I had developed a serious heart condition. The local medicos were wonderful...but nothing was showing up on tests. I felt worse and worse till I prayed to Sr Joan, who had died a year earlier. We had lived together for 12 years and developed a deep friendship. From the bottom of my heart, I asked, 'O Joan, please sort this out.' Within 24 hours I was in Brisbane, a few hours later having an angiogram. During this, I felt I was dying but I was calm: Joan was with me, more real than if she had been sitting there. I lived. The relief of the stent was that dramatic but more dramatic was the loving presence that had been with me. Thank you, Joan.

Sr Joan is one of my personal saints. You have yours. They are the people who have known and loved you over the years – your grandparents and friends, work colleagues and, perhaps especially a child who has died. They watch over us, caring and loving us. They are with us and we need to take the time to sit and bask in their love. Next week, the Church celebrates the Feast of All Saints. This is our time to delight in our friends, our saints.

Loving God, I thank you for the people who have loved me through my life. Let me appreciate how much care my departed loved ones have for me and let me delight in speaking to them of our love and of my need. I ask this in Jesus' name, confident that you will hear me.

Sr Kym Harris osb

Dear Families

This week we have had the pleasure of welcoming our new Prep students to St Benedict's. On Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday morning we hosted the children and their parents for an orientation morning. The students visited our Prep rooms, engaged with some of the activities and were shown the 'ropes' by our current Preps. Thank you to these students and congratulations on a job well done! Our new parents participated in an information session where we discussed the important aspects of beginning school. I would like to thank all those who came along for these sessions, they greatly assist the transition to school for our students and teachers. We look forward to welcoming you to our Benedictine Community in 2023.



Twilight Markets

Our markets are only one week away and we are still needing support for some of the activities. Please see your class teacher if you are able to assist in any way.

Raffle Tickets

If you have not taken any books of raffle tickets please collect them from the office before school. We have over 70 brilliant prizes for our multi-draw raffle.

Rides Tickets

This year we have Bill's Amusements hosting our rides at the Twilight Markets.

Unlimited ride tickets are available for purchase online using the link below, or you can scan the QR code. We will have paper tickets available outside the school office from next Monday 24 October.



Rides included are Dodgems, Crazy Wave, Super Slide, King Flyer, Teacups, Merry Go Round, Paw Patrol Inflatable & Bluey Inflatable

To secure your pre-sale \$30 armband for St Benedict's School Twilight Markets simply purchase your ticket here. Regular price \$35. So hurry as sale ends 3rd November 12pm!

CLICK ON THIS LINK OR SCAN THE QR CODE TO SECURE YOUR TICKETS

<https://www.trybooking.com/CDIPW>



SEEKING DONATIONS

Year 2 Cake Stall

Volunteers are on duty Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday before school with cake and sweet boxes for you to fill. Alternatively, boxes will be available at the office at other times. If you are time poor, maybe Grandma might consider making that family favourite.

Donations due Friday 4th November - Learning Support Room



World Teachers' Day Assembly

On Friday November 28 Year 1E will celebrate World Teachers' Day at assembly. Year 4B will host morning tea afterwards. We invite our St Benedict's community to attend this event.

World Teachers' Day Prayer

Almighty God,

We come to you today and give thanks for all our teachers.

Thank you for the way in which they give of themselves each day in the classroom,

Serving and instructing the next generation of this land.

We thank you for them all now.

Father, please fill their hearts with courage now by your mighty Spirit.

Fill them with your strength, so they may rise to every challenge and not grow weary.

Fill them with your wisdom, so that they may be able to make good judgement when guiding and helping others.

Fill them with your peace, so that when stress and anxiety comes it would not overwhelm them.

Fill them with your joy, so that the passion they have for their subject may become an infectious passion that spreads.

We ask all this in the wonderful name of Jesus.

Amen.

- Prayer from [Lord's Prayer Words](#)

Road Works – Pacific Heights Road

Parents please be aware that Pacific Heights Road will be closed from today - Thursday 27 October to Saturday 29 October. This will mean all families will need to access the school from Panorama Drive/Lacey's Road during this time. This will cause some traffic delays – we ask you to be patient during this time.



School Savvy is back for 2023! CQ residents can look forward to the School Savvy pop-up shops returning in 2023, with shops in Rockhampton, Gracemere, Mt Morgan and the Capricorn Coast once again set to open. From January 9, students from families facing financial struggles will be able to access quality second-hand uniforms and essential booklist stationery supplies at extremely affordable prices. Uniform donations are now being accepted through donation locations across the area. For a current list of donation points, please visit

www.catholiccarecq.com/donationpoints

Support your local community and make a difference in a school student's life. The School Savvy CQ team is looking forward to seeing you!



Happy Birthday to

Valentina Clare	27 October	07 Years
Oscar Carvey	25 October	09 Years
Jamie Balzer	27 October	12 Years

Assembly Awards

Congratulations to the following students who were presented with awards at our last assembly:

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Class	Student	Award Comment
PB	Indi Guest	For your amazing reading and writing this week. You are a sound super star!
PE	Beth Canavan	For your wonderful writing about the little piggy who went to the lagoon. Keep up the great work, Beth!
1E	William Smith Luella Patison	For his wonderful 'Seahorses' writing. You stretched out your sounds. Well done Will! For her wonderful involvement in 'Night Under the Stars' and your great efforts to share your thinking during science. Super Work Luella!
1U	Benjamin Palmer Nevaeh Bacon	For the wonderful way you work independently on all set tasks and are always helping out your peers. Well done, Ben! For the wonderful reading you have been doing in our reading groups. You are a reading superstar.
2B	Max McLuskie	For your detailed scientific explanations about the water experiments conducted in class. Great thinking Max!
2B	Edie Lang	For your positive attitude in solving Maths problems using arrays and balanced equations. Well done Edie!
2R	Charlotte Fitch Thomas Miller	For your excellent labelling and description of the water cycle. Well done! For outstanding work writing equations in Mathematics. Your algebra is awesome!
3S	Abigail Kriedemann	For your thoughtful ideas about how to care for creation. You worked hard on your poster and the final product is fantastic. Well done Abigail.
3P	Darby Brown Lily Miller	For your fabulous contributions during our Science discussion about the Sun. Well done. For the incredibly smart and mature choices you have been making towards helping your learning this term. You're a star!!
4B	Hayden Brooks	For your active participation in discussions and determination to produce your best work in all subject areas. Well done!
4C	Reid Hughes	For the thoughtful questions you asked during our guest lessons this week. Your enquiring mind showed you paid attention to the presenters. Great work!
5G	Ebony Nipperess	For your consistent and diligent work ethic. Your positive attitude will take you far!
5W	Silas Cranny	For eager and excellent answers across all academic areas.
6D	Zaiyon Nasalo	For the thoughtful Psalm you wrote. It was truly heartfelt. Keep up the great work!
6M	Charlotte Smith	For confidently and thoughtfully contributing to scientific discussions in the classroom making insightful connections to your previous knowledge. Your circuit knowledge is electric!

2022 Highlights in Year 4

We asked the children what their favourite parts were this year. Find below some of their responses.

My favourite part of Year 4 so far was Convict Day. Convict Day was so fun, all of the scrubbing the deck, making shelters and eating gruel. I couldn't imagine any day to be better in Year 4C. There hasn't been any better Year 4 teachers than Mrs Clifton and Mr Beavan. Our teachers put so much effort into Convict Day, to make every child have a smile on their face. These Year 4 teachers are incredible. I love Mr Beavan's Maths. I bet he could teach me all the maths I need. So far, this year has been incredible. - *Chase Crosland*

Year Four was one of my favourite school years, I had so much fun! My favourite part was Book Week dress up day because during Drama we got to talk about who we dressed up as. It was really fun talking as if we were those characters in real life. I love it! - *Imogen Patison*

My favourite part of Year Four is coming to St Benedict's. I chose this reason because class time is more fun and my friend from kindergarten, Koby, comes here as well. It was the first time I had seen him in five years! - *Toby Jensen*

My favourite parts of Year 4 were PE because my friends were there and it's sport. HaSS was also one of my favourite parts of Year 4 because I like learning about the early living of Aboriginal people. Finally, division, multiplication, subtraction and addition check-ins, because it got harder as I got better every week. This pushed me to be better. For example on the first week of division I got 7 and on the second week I got 46. I have had one of the best years! - *Lochie Crawford*

My favourite parts of Year Four include Capra's Cup and Book Week dress up day. One of my favourite parts of Year Four was playing in the Capra's Cup because I had a great time playing footy with all my friends. I also really enjoyed Book Week because we dressed up as our favourite characters from books and Harry Grant came to every classroom. - *Hayden Brooks*

I have many favourite moments for the 2022 year. One of them was Convict Day. We had to eat like convicts, work like convicts and act like convicts. Mrs Clifton and Mr Beavan dressed and acted like marines as well. We also got to build shelters using some natural materials the convicts would have used. It was a great experience and really fun! - *Jimmy Chappell*

My favourite part of this year has been the PAT spelling test. I like the spelling test because I like to spell and I also like being tested on school work. When I finish my work it makes me feel good. - *Isaac Lawrie*

I had a spectacular year in Year 4. There was one day that really called my name though. That day was Convict Day. It was one of the greatest experiences of my lifetime. I think everyone really learned a lot, especially me. I liked dressing up and eating the food they would have eaten. I really enjoyed my experience in Year 4 and wish I could do it again. - *Charlotte Whitehead*

My favourite part of Year 4 was going to the Livingstone Shire Council. Going to the Council was one of my favourite parts of Year 4 because we got to have a mock debate to see how they decided what to do and what they shouldn't do. Overall, going to the Council was really fun. - *Flynn McFarlane*



Make sure you come and check out our handmade earrings at the Craft Stall! We hope you love them as much as we do!