Dear Parents,

This week we say good-bye to Mr Malone for the last three weeks of this term and the first three weeks of Term 4. Bryan and Katharine are expecting their second baby in a couple of weeks. We wish them both all the best at this exciting time and we’re sure that Elliott will enjoy his new brother or sister – we will let you know as soon as there is news!

On Monday, the teachers in our Information, Communication and Learning Technologies (ICLT) committee were able to spend a day with Brisbane Catholic Education support staff as part of our ongoing process of reviewing and updating our teaching and learning practices relating to ICLTs. Over the past few years, recent BCE and Federal Government grants have allowed us to upgrade our hardware and infrastructure to a point where we are now able to engage in some new and exciting teaching and learning experiences. One exciting project that the committee is planning for is the system-wide rollout across Brisbane Catholic Education of an online Learning Management System called ‘Life’. Life is an online learning environment that has been selected by BCE as the best package for all 120+ schools in our system. This is just one example of the many items that the committee is planning for as we work towards providing an engaging and creative learning environment for our students.

Our Father’s Day stall is this Friday and again, we thank the members of our parent community who put so much effort into preparing for the stall. All the purchasing and wrapping of gifts starts weeks and months in advance, so a big thankyou for not only the gifts on the stall, but for the gift of your time as well.

God Bless,

Maryanne Riley & Bryan Malone

COLES VOUCHERS ARE DUE BACK AT SCHOOL BY 10TH SEPTEMBER (BUNDLED PLEASE). WOOLWORTHS STICKERS ARE DUE BACK AT SCHOOL BY 3RD SEPTEMBER.
TUCKSHOP ROSTER:
Wednesday 05/09: Alana Coomber; Jeanette Kennelly; Nicole Brennan Cake Roster: Kathleen Burgess; Kerrie Lovisa
Friday 07/09: Chris Mewett; Anne Harley; Anne-Louise Wells Cake Roster: Beata Montiel; Claire Duffield

DATE CLAIMERS
Fathers Day Stall 31/08
Art Expo 14/09
Board/P & F Meeting 18/09
Well Read Day/End of Term 21/09
Start of Term 4 08/10
P & F Meeting 16/10
Pupil Free Day 22/10
Prep Orientation Evening 25/10

2012 WEST BRISBANE FALCONS BASKETBALL CLUB SUMMER SEASON
(Season dates 12/13 October – 09/10 November – 5 weeks)
If you are interested in playing for West Brisbane Falcons Basketball Club in the Summer Season for 2012, please visit our website and download & complete the Player Nomination Form. Existing West Brisbane players will only pay $50 (no additional costs) and new players $60 for the season. PLEASE NOTE that new players are required to pay a Brisbane Basketball Inc (BBI) Registration Fee, these details are available from the BBI office at the Auchenflower Stadium.
WE WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY NOMINATIONS AFTER SUNDAY 02 SEPTEMBER 2012.
A Summer Season Player Nomination Form & Further Information can be found on our website.
www.westbrisbane.basketball.net.au
westbrisbanebasketball@hotmail.com

2012 W. B. FALCONS SUMMER SEASON
24th – 28th September
Enrolments Now Open
Game On Australia is back again this September with another multi-sport holiday clinic. After the sell-out Olympic program in June, which featured Leisel Jones and other Olympians and Paralympians, this upcoming schedule is also sure to please.

When: 24th – 28th September
Where: Christ the King Primary School (Undercover gym) and Graceville Memorial Park
Years: Prep - Year 7 - All abilities welcome
Cost: $150 for the full week ($100 for each additional sibling); or $40 for daily option
Times: Activities from 9:00am-3:00pm
Operators: Game On is fully insured and conducted by qualified HPE teachers & coaches.
Places are limited, so be sure to secure your booking quickly.
For full details and to register online, visit: www.gameonaustralia.com.au
Ph: 0423 315 404 or E: info@gameonaustralia.com.au

AUGUST! AUGUST! AUGUST! READ! READ! READ!
We are into the last few days of our month of reading. I wonder if your child/children could spend an extra 5 minutes reading over these last few August nights? There is still time for your child/children to join the thousands already reading for a reason in 2012, so, come on, jump on board and register today- just go to the
MS Readathon website. Thank you to those students who have registered and for the tremendous support they are giving to making a difference to people living with multiple sclerosis. Happy reading. Margaret Hanrahan (Co-ordinator)

CSIRO Holiday Science—A whole day of hands-on science experiments and activities for children aged 7 to 12.
28 September OR 2 October 2012 at University of Queensland, ST LUCIA QLD 4067
Cost: $65 Double Helix Member / $75 non-member.
Times: 9.00am – 3.00pm. Children need to bring their own food and water for the day.
Please note: nuts and products containing nuts are banned.
Note: Parents do not need to attend. Children will be signed in and out of the care of the CSIRO staff.
Activities during the September-October school holidays include:
Investigating density and creating a Cartesian diver
Explore colour, light and make your own kaleidoscope
Examine energy, create and test a mousetrap racer
Sessions are limited to 30 children so bookings are essential!
For more information and bookings: www.csiro.au/events/QLD-Holidays

TAKE HOME A BIG BROTHER OR BIG SISTER
Give your children the wonderful opportunity to have an international big brother or big sister by hosting one of our exceptional international students arriving in Australia in February 2013 for their 3, 5 or 10 month programs. Our international students from France, Germany, Italy, Austria, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, Finland, Japan, Canada and the U.S.A. will live as a local, attend a local secondary school, arrive with their own spending money and comprehensive insurance cover – all arranged by Southern Cross Cultural Exchange. Visit us at www.scce.com.au, email scceast@scce.com.au or call us toll free on 1800 500 501. Request our little booklets of international student profiles, and capture the spirit of family and friendship!

At the closure of 2012, our local community will farewell a longstanding member of staff. Since 1997, NEREDA DENNINGTON has been a much valued member of the early childhood teaching team at Chelmer Station Community Kindy (Graceville Community) and she is soon to retire to devote her much valued, knowledge, skills and empathy to a growing family of grandchildren and her own local community. To this end, we are planning “A FAREWELL SOIRÉE” and CSCK would like to invite everyone back to Kindy to help us all say thank-you and give a fitting farewell to Nereda.

Corinda Graceville Catholic Parish
Weekend Mass Times
Saturday 6pm – St Joseph’s Corinda
Sunday 9.30am – Christ the King Graceville
Sunday 6pm – Christ the King Graceville

CHILDREN NOT RETURNING NEXT YEAR
Please complete and return to the school office as soon as possible (even if you have already advised the school that you are leaving)

My child ___________________________ in Year ________ Blue/Green/Gold WILL NOT be attending St Joseph’s in 2013. ___________________________ Signed Parent/Guardian