Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome to Term 4. I hope you all had an enjoyable break and managed to get some rest after such a great term. We have another busy one ahead of us with lots of great learning and activities on the cards. Next Thursday, we will commence the Aussie Hoops basketball program through the Sporting Schools Grants. We were successful in receiving funding to run this program as part of our PE program for the term. Each class will participate in 5 sessions of basketball, which will be led by Mr Pop Dickerson. With the program, we have received a full basketball kit, which includes a set of basketballs. This kit will be a fantastic addition to our PE resources and will be utilised throughout the term and into next year. Thanks again to the Sporting Schools Grants for this grant.

This term, we welcome back Mrs Sanders to the Year 2 class and APRE position. We thank Mrs Maree Twidale for her work with the year 2’s over term 2 & 3. We welcome back Mrs Fiona Andrews. Mrs Andrews is working alongside Mrs Stacey Picton (who we also welcome to our school) in the Prep/1 room.

A reminder that our swimming block program will be occurring in Week 7, starting Monday 19th Nov and will go through until Friday 23rd Nov. Please see the attached note for further information.

Regards
Luke Barrett
Principal

1. CULTURAL DAY
As a finale to the LOTE program in term three Mrs Chappell organised a session where the students could experience all things Indonesian: food, games, craft and more.

2. GORE HIGHWAY SPORTS DAY
On the last Friday of term three year 5/6 students participated in the Gore Highway Interschool Sports Day in Pittsworth. Two teams competed in a well organised Oztag comp coached and refereed by the NRL Junior Coaches. Team 1 made it to the final of their pool. Well done!

3. PE LESSONS - BASKETBALL
PE Lessons will be as normal this Friday. Starting next week the Aussie Hoops program will take place on a Thursday therefore students need to wear sports uniform on that day.

4. SWIMMING PROGRAM
The swimming program will run in week seven. Please read the attached letter outlining details.
5. **PUPIL FREE DAY**
The school will be closed on Monday 22nd October. The Pupil Free Day is to allow staff to attend CTJ Day, Consistency of Teacher Judgement Day in Toowoomba.

6. **FORMAL ASSEMBLY**
Please come along to Formal Assembly on Friday of each week in the Assembly Hall at 9am. Weekly awards will be presented: Student of the Week, Principal’s Award and Music. The Mary MacKillop Award will be presented monthly and ICAS as they come to hand.

7. **TUCKSHOP**
Tuckshop will commence this Friday. Thank you once again to our wonderful volunteers for this service. A new roster and menu have been included with this newsletter.

8. **SCHOOL FEES**
Term 4 school fees will be issued in week 3 with the next newsletter.

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**PRINCIPAL’S AWARD**
“Never See A Need Without Doing Something About It”

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**MARY MacKILLOP AWARD**
“A Random Act of Kindness”

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**MUSIC AWARD**

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**LIBRARY NEWS**

What exactly are ‘Magic Books’?
Commencing this term, all eligible students will have the chance to find a ‘Magic Book’, upon borrowing each week. There are currently 100 ‘Magic Books’ hidden on the shelves in the school library, scattered in the following locations: Junior Fiction, Junior Non-Fiction, Fiction and Non-Fiction. They are not magazines, DVD’s or CD’s. The first 3 students who borrow a Magic Book will be able to select a book up to the value of $15 from the latest Book Club catalogue. The only catch is that students who have overdue borrowings are ineligible – so bring back your outstanding loans for a chance to win!

Does anyone have spare shoeboxes? (Science Program)

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**PREP / YEAR 1/2 News**

Hello and welcome back to Term Four! I trust that you all had a wonderful break with your families, and are looking forward to the last term for the year! We are excited about getting back to school, and we hope the students are too!

We would like to take the opportunity to wish Mrs Chappell all the very best over the next few weeks as she awaits the arrival of her precious baby, and thank both her and Mrs Sharp for the amazing work they have done with the Prep / Year 1 / 2 students. They are charging along academically and we plan to continue the great programs she has put in place already.
This term we will be as busy as ever, with Reading Groups, PMP, Maths, English, Spelling, Writing, HASS, Science, Religion and so much more. We will continue to work on reading and comprehension strategies through a range of modelled, shared and guided reading lessons, and through writing sessions will be responding to different texts, writing letters and studying poetry.

PE lessons with Mr Barrett will start on Friday, but from next week Basketball lessons will be on Thursdays so please remember to wear Sports uniform on Thursdays each week. Library will also continue on Thursdays, so don’t forget your books and folders.

As always, we ask for volunteers to help run our reading program, which will be on Mondays and Tuesdays this term, so if you have some time and are keen to give us a hand, please let us know when you are available. All help is greatly appreciated!

See you all soon!

Cheers,

*Fiona Andrews and Stacey Picton*
YEAR 3/4
We have had a great start to our final term of the year! Throughout the term, students will be immersed in information texts in English. They have been learning about the difference between fact and fiction and how it is important to include only facts in an information text. Students will soon have the opportunity to write their own information texts on a topic of their choosing. In Maths, students have been learning about fractions. Students have been identifying fractions, creating fraction booklets and plotting fractions on a number line. In upcoming weeks, we will be identifying equivalent fractions and looking at the relationship between decimals and fractions. I look forward to seeing the great work the students will produce over the term.

Mrs Hinrichsen

YEAR 5/6
Welcome back to term 4! Even though we have a short term, year 5/6 will be doing lots of great work. In maths, we are working with statistics. Students completed a character strength survey last term and we will be using the results in our unit of work to gather and represent data, while they learn about their peers’ top strengths. Students will also have the opportunity to design their own survey questions and analyse data as they explore their personal heroes. In English, we will also focus on developing reading and comprehension skills – students have already made fantastic strides in this area and, no doubt, will continue to do so. Students will also be exploring news reports and have the chance to film their own news segment. With lots of exciting events, including swimming and drama, we are looking forward to a great term.

Mrs Day

P&F NEWS
Parents and Friends Association

Next Meeting Will be held on Wednesday the 17th of October (Week 2). Any agenda items would be greatly appreciated before the close of business on Friday 12th. We will be discussing a range of matters including a wrap up of the Camp Oven Festival and P and F shirts. Any input would be greatly appreciated.

Thank you To everybody from our wonderful little school’s community who helped with the Camp Oven Festival canteen. It was wonderful to see so many people giving their time and energy either serving in the canteen or preparing baked goods for sale. The event was successful financially for the school, but it was even more important for the community as a whole to be seen to be contributing. We met several past students over the weekend and all expressed how happy they were to see members of the school community helping out at an event such as the Camp Oven Festival.

P and F Shirts The P and F have made the decision to invest in shirts. The decision is based around allowing members of the greater Millmerran community a better opportunity to know who to talk to at fundraising events, and hopefully making the P and F more approachable. Please understand that it is NOT NECESSARY for you to have a P and F shirt to assist at any P and F event.

While a final price has not yet been determined (it will be announced later this week), the P and F is in agreement that this first round of orders would include a subsidy from the P and F. The shirts will be available (after this initial order) from MRA and it is intended that a bulk order (including subsidy) would occur once per year after the AGM.

We have opted for two designs (see below), a polo shirt and a long sleeved shirt. This round of orders will close after the meeting on Wednesday 17th of October. For more information, or to express your desire to purchase, please email the P and F at the email below.

Batteries The P and F would like to encourage you to take any old car / truck sized batteries to SizeCo. The P and F are working with SizeCo to collect any old batteries for recycling, with the proceeds being donated to the P and F for school improvement purposes. Please DO NOT bring the batteries to school, they MUST be taken directly to SizeCo.

Communication Please feel free to communicate with the P and F executive through the email address; stjosephmillmerranpandf@gmail.com

The P and F will endeavour to communicate with parents through the “Skoolbag” app. This app is available from the App Store and on Android. Please search “St Joseph's Primary School Millmerran” in your relevant App Store.
PARISH NEWS

MASS TIMES Sun 14th Oct – 8.30am Liturgy  Sat 20th Oct – 6pm Mass

Friday 14th September

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

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<td>Matilda Evans</td>
<td>Being super helpful during art, keeping your area tidy.</td>
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<td>Harry Farrington</td>
<td>Always working hard during maths. You are a numbers wizz!</td>
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<td>Shakyrah Knox</td>
<td>Being a sight word super star. Keep up the great work!</td>
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<td>Year 3/4</td>
<td>Monica Commens</td>
<td>For her willingness to attempt all set tasks with a smile.</td>
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<td>Lucy Taylor</td>
<td>For writing a fantastic ode! Great work!</td>
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<td>Improvements and effort in writing. Great job!</td>
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<td>Luke Goebel</td>
<td>Always contributing well in class.</td>
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<td>Ava Farrington</td>
<td>Always helping out when she sees a need.</td>
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UPCOMING EVENTS

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COMMUNITY NEWS

MILLMERRAN SWIMMING CLUB – SIGN UP NIGHT!! Thursday 11th October at 6pm. Free sausage sizzle, canteen and drinks available, fun swim night. Membership: Swimmers 9+ yrs - $120, 8yrs - $80, 7 and under - $40. Club is registered for “Get Playing” Vouchers. Families of 3 or more swimmers get discount. (We do recommend members are able to swim 25m). What do you get for your membership? Club night each Thursday night with timed racing. Squad training available Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri mornings and Wed afternoons. Great fun making friends and staying healthy at the same time. BBQ dinner/canteen available to purchase each club night, Opportunities to race in other district carnivals. For more info: Donna 0488 632413 or Lexie 0409 9554015

CULTURAL DAY
St Joseph's Parent's & Friends Association
General Meeting MINUTES

Date: 19/09/18  
Meeting Opened: 1740

Attendees: Luke Barrett, Matt Clark, Adan Sanders, Tracey Cameron, Jess Symonds, Catherine Folker, Pete Nason, Nic Farrington

Apologies: Tanya French, Bruce Wise, Roberta Richter

Opening Prayer: Presented by LB  
Previous Minutes: Moved by JS, seconded by PN

Issues arising from previous meeting:

1. Camp Oven. Roster, final changes etc
   a. Halls donating the eggs ~1,800 eggs. MC suggested donating some profit to say thank you.
   b. Signage for food – has to be big
   c. BBQ tools – can P and F supply? P and F to supply
   d. Food safety certificates, P and F to supply
   e. Location of BBQ’s – same place as always. 3 BBQs to be brought. Cardboard for spillages etc
   f. Baking – drop off Friday afternoon. Need to drop it to the showgrounds canteen. Communication to go out to those who have offered. Could also drop to Raffs or SizeCo during the day on Friday.
   g. Roster – AS to confirm shifts. Concerns about too many people being out there and not on roster.
   h. P and F to buy tea and coffee, P and F to order bacon and rolls. (JS)
   i. No sausage option for breakfast. Eggs cooked on the BBQ. Bacon and eggs offered on a roll or on a plate. No butter on the rolls.
   j. Auto boil at showgrounds went cold 2 years ago – P and F to bring our urn that runs at 2,400watts
   k. Hiring cold room from Darrell Gibson. Bacon drop off will be Friday. JS to order bacon and rolls 700 for Saturday, 700 for Sunday. MC to collect rolls on Saturday. PN to collect rolls on Sunday.
   l. $4 for a bacon and egg roll.
   m. Finance – profit to be split 50/50. Float ($4,000) to be supplied by Parish.

2. P and F shirts (PN)
   a. Dark / Cherry / Blood red option. Long and short sleeve options. To be purchased from MRA.

3. Credit card
   a. Treasurer’s name to go on card and stored in the safe at school. To be signed in and signed out.
   b. Monthly limit of $2,000. 42 days to be paid.
   c. Pete Nason to move a motion, Seconded by Catherine Folker: We wish to apply for a Business Visa (L52) credit card with Heritage Bank with a limit of $2,000.
      i. Cards to be allocated as follows:
         1. Cardholders name and spend limit e.g Tracey Cameron $500 of $2,000 limit.
         ii. Repayment will be automatically deducted from Account S1 to pay the balance at the end of the month.
   d. Matt Clark moved motion regarding procedure, Seconded by Adan Sanders:
      i. Ring President for approval.
      ii. President to let Principal know (Principal to let School Admin Officer know if needed)
      iii. Card to be signed out, including for what purpose
      iv. Card signed back in timeframe (24hrs unless otherwise discussed), with receipts.
      v. Treasurer to check receipts monthly and online statement regularly.
   e. Matt Clark moved motion to change signatories for bank account. Seconded by Tracey Cameron.
      i. Signatories for Heritage Bank Membership Number 10837469 to be changed as follows;
         1. Craig Blackett, Marie Lewis and Lynnda Taylor are to be removed
         2. Matthew Clark (Pres.), Peter Nason (V Pres.), Tracey Cameron (Treas.) added.
         3. Internet Banking password will be reset and assigned to Tracey Cameron, with Matthew Clark holding the authorising password.

4. Camp Draft wrap-up
   a. More meat needed
   b. It might be easier to buy veggies pre-cooked
c. A good fundraising event
d. Price changes for next year?

5. Post Awards night dinner  
a. BBQ style buffet?
b. Lions to be asked to cater, if they don’t do salads we will allocate a class to that
c. A class to be allocated to sweets
d. P and F agree to fund book presents for students
e. Eating to still be on the courts

Principal’s Report:
- Our Early Years Expo was a successful event. Once again it is an opportunity to showcase our school to the public. Students from C&K and Little Tackers joined us for a morning of activities organised and led by Mrs Chappell. The School Choirs performed two songs for the assembled crowds.
- Mrs Chappell ran a well organised Indonesian Cultural Day today. Students participated in games, arts, cooking and counting activities. Prep/2 students enjoyed the opportunity to take part in the activities even without have learnt basic Indonesian.
- Year 5/6 are participating in Oz Tag sports Day on Friday in Pittsworth.
- The 2018 RADII data has been returned. Currently working through the responses with the teachers and looking for key areas of development or affirmation to be included in the 2019 Plans.
- In Term 4 week 7, Swimming lessons will commence in a week block. The program will operate the same as last year. I’m waiting out for final booking times for the sessions. Further information will be forwarded to families closer to the date.
- Successful in receiving another Sporting Schools Grant for Term 4. Last year Tennis and this year we will be doing a 5-week Basketball program with Pop Dickerson running the Aussie Hoops program.
- Next Term the Yr 3 & 5 classes will be completing the School Readiness Test for NAPLAN in preparation for 2019. Students will be shown through the system and the will sit a special test to assess our school’s network capability in preparation for next year. No results will be recorded for the Students.
- On Friday we say thank you and goodbye to Mrs Chappell as she goes off on Maternity leave. We wish her all the best and hope to see her back at school soon.
- Big thanks to the P&F for all of your work this term.
- Key events: Christmas in the Bush 24th Nov, Swimming Carnival 29th Nov, Presentation evening 30th Nov, End of Year Mass 7th Dec

Correspondence IN: Camp Oven correspondence to Parish
Correspondence OUT: As above
President’s Report: N/A
Treasurer’s Report: Horse sports profit ~$1,600, Kindon profit ~$128, Camp Draft ~$1,300 profit.

Committee Reports:
Maintenance: Knight’s Electrical to install Air-Con in 5/6 and P/1 rooms over the holidays.
Tuck shop: Stove top and Tap both need looking into, MC to call Knights and get a quote done when they are here doing the air-cons. Tap has a problem with turning when hot water goes on.
Cattle: N/A
Grants: Expression of interest for David Littleproud, but we were unsuccessful in getting through to next round. Other grants are open however and MC and John Rogers are looking into those.
Finance: As per Treasurer’s Report.

Agenda Items: Term 4 Working bee. List generated by RR. LB to discuss.
a. List generated, some handy man / some contractors. Some can be done before the end of the year.
b. Working Bee early Term 4?
c. 28th of October. AS to publish in newsletter / Skoolbag

Agenda items for next meeting: Christmas in the Bush (JS)
Next meeting date: 17.10.18 (Week 2, T4) Meeting Closed: 1934
Channel 7 filming "Great Day Out". Everybody welcome.

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SPRING TOUR 24 OCT - 25 NOV 2018

Great Music - Free BBQ - Free Kids Activities

Where: Rocky Creek Hall
When: Wednesday 24th October - 6.30pm

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Get your tickets from Millmerran Community Support Office or online at www.festivalofsmallhalls.com

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Bethany & Courtney to perform

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