Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Moonlight Fair
Thank you to all who attended the Annual Moonlight Fair. It was a good night for all involved, and excellent to see so many in the Roma Community support this event. It is an extra night for staff to supervise, work and organise the stalls, but, the rewards of meeting those in the community and the strengthening of relationships between staff, students and parents are boosted by such an event. Behind the scenes, Mr Andrew Harvey (Grace Yr 9) has a very dedicated team: Heather McHugh (Darcy Yr 8), Judy Hafemeister (Byron Yr 7 and Caitlyn Yr 8) and Leesa Murray (Jack Prep) along with teachers: Doug Amiss, Jenny Eeles and Ross Penrose. I thank them on behalf of the school community. I also highlight Mr Andrew Harvey who has been instrumental in the success of the Moonlight Fair over the past 15 years, in planning and setting up and cleaning up each year. I also would like to thank the other families who helped teachers on the night, run the BBQ, serve behind the bar and those who came the next morning to clean up.

Congratulations to Year Nine
Our Year Nine students as part of their Religious Education Program, organised and carried out their first St John’s Youth Group last Sunday afternoon from 3 - 6 pm. It was well attended and the students thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Thank you to the supervisors Mrs Bernie Makim and Mrs Rebecca Lynch.

Standards
At St John’s, we aspire for the best. We are looking and expect high standards of behaviour, manners, academics and effort. If we approach others around us in a hostile way, they are likely to respond with hostility. Fortunately, the opposite is true. It is the expectation that St John’s students try their best in all areas, wearing their uniforms properly, speaking properly, being punctual and speaking to people with courtesy. The vast majority of our students always do

Events in this month

Monday, October 31 - Thursday, November 3
Outdoor Education Camp, Year 10

Friday, November 4
Senior Art Exhibition

Monday - Friday, November 7 - 11
Year 12 Exam Block

Friday, November 11
St John’s Remembrance Day Ceremony

Monday - Wednesday, November 14 - 16
Year 12 Retreat

Reflection

“Apathy, indifference, listlessness are often simply the counter signs of adulthood. Children wait for someone else to satisfy them. Adults are people who are able to make their own happiness. To find nothing in anything is often because we put nothing into everything.”

Yours sincerely,

Nicholas Lynch
Current NEWS!

Prep Program 2017
Parents/Caregivers are invited to bring your 2017 Prep student along to experience an afternoon in Prep.

When: 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Term Four
Wednesday - 26th October
Wednesday - 2nd November
Wednesday - 9th November

Where:
St John's Prep Room

Please bring a hat and water bottle.
A fruit snack will be provided.

RSVP:
School Office (46221842) at least two days before each session.

Expression of Interest
The P & F is looking at making changes to the Tuckshop and is seeking expressions of interest from any builders who may be interested in quoting on this work. It will involve extending the Tuckshop to enable service from both sides for sporting events. If interested, call Anita Crawford on 0418 985 276 to obtain more information. Expressions of interest close 01 November

School Fees
Term Four school fees are due today 25/10/16. Please ensure your account is finalised for the year.

Year Three Religion

This term in Religion, we have been listening to Scripture and understanding the image of God according to the people in the Old Testament. We spent time creating our own image of God and comparing it to the image of God as found in the Old Testament. We have also been looking at God's amazing creations in the environment around us. We have taken time to explore and look closely at the environment surrounding us at school and understanding the important role we play in caring for God's creations. In the coming weeks, we will choose an environmental issue and explore ways in which we can contribute to helping solve this issue and how we can show God we care about the environment.

Cassie Shields
Year Three Teacher

Year Five English

This term in English, we will be exploring the genre of poetry. So far, we have explored a number of different poetic devices that poets use within their writing. We have looked at how to use onomatopoeia, personification, hyperbole, similes, metaphors and alliteration. We have looked at how these can be used within poetry and created some of our own poems with these devices. We will also look at different forms of poetry such as haiku. The students will look at different Australian poetry before analysing their own poem and rehearsing it to perform to the class.

Danielle King
Year Five Teacher

Year Ten English

In Semester Two, English Communication students have examined the art of persuasion. After analysing the use and effect of a range of persuasive techniques in advertising, students developed a public awareness campaign to persuade Roma residents to take a course of action regarding their chosen issue. This term, students are studying how persuasion is used in documentary films and will reflect on their personal reaction to the films studied.

Leah Woodhouse
English Teacher
Theresian Fundraising

Week 4 - Wednesday: House Dress up Day has been cancelled: instead students will be able to purchase Zooper Doopers on Fridays for the rest of term.

Week 5 - Friday: Cold Rock Day. Ice-cream and assortments will be sold in the tuckshop at First Break.

Uniform Shop
The Uniform Shop will be closed Thursday 27th October.

Thank You
I would like to thank those students and parents who contributed their time and energy to the soft drink stall, at the Moonlight Fair last Friday night. Everybody followed their perspective rosters which made the night run smoothly and be enjoyable for all.

Gerard Mulligan

Tuckshop
Fruit salad is back on the menu for Term Four.

Craft Stall

Many thanks to all those who supported our Craft Stall. To those who donated beautifully handmade items for sale, thank you for your time and effort in helping to make the stall a success. To those who purchased items or supported the cent auction, we appreciated your help in raising funds for the students of St John’s. Winners of the cent auction prizes were:

- Tracey Harms - Children’s Pack
- Aileen Knowles - Crocheted rug and coat hangers
- Georgie Lyons - Birdhouse
- Natalie Beattie - Mug and tea
- Jo Boland - Chocolate Pack
- Edna Walker - Cheeseboard

Yenda Emery, Cathie Padbury, Katarina Silvester and Natalie Stinson

Moonlight Fair’s Potty Plant Stall

Thank you to everyone who supported the Potty Plant Stall at the Moonlight Fair. Potted plants, cuttings, fresh flowers, seeds, plant hangers and bird feeders all sold well with little left over. The stall appears to have been a successful part of a great fundraising night thanks to generous donations of time, plants and potting mix from our families and the community.

The free guessing competition for students was won by Harrison Dart who had the closest guess to the number of gumnuts in the jar which was 92. The winner of the raffle, a beautiful rose bush and pot, was Neve Allen’s mum Helen.

Congratulations to our winners who were presented with their prizes at assembly on Monday.

We hope everyone enjoys planting out their pots after the lovely rain on Saturday.

Anne Moloney
Random Acts of Kindness in Year Three & Parent Information Session

This week, Year Three will hand out their kindness flowers to local businesses around town.

The kindness flowers have petals on which the students have written statements that express gratitude for the services provided by each business. Year Three students have been exploring the character strength of Kindness in Circle Time and they are very excited to hand out their flowers.

Year Three Maroon says, “This is how we say thank you. This spreads kindness, joy, happiness and shows we appreciate the hard work of the businesses and other places in town. Little people can spread love. We are building our character strength of kindness. We are bucket fillers when we are kind. We want to spread kindness, compassion, goodness, love and happiness. This shows gratitude, which is important. We want others to feel that we care about them.”

For more on bucket filling – see this website – www.bucketfillers101.com

**POSITIVE EDUCATION FOR PARENTS**

THURSDAY 10 NOVEMBER

On Thursday 10 November (Week Six) Cathy Perkins and I will run a parent information session on Positive Education at St John’s – we will run a morning session from 9am – 10am and then an evening session from 5:45pm – 6:45pm. The evening session will be held in the library, the morning session venue is TBA. Please email me - Bernadette. makim@twb.catholic.edu.au - for further info or to RSVP to either session.

Bernadette Makim
Coordinator of Positive Education
YEAR NINE Youth Group

For Year Nine Religion Term 3, we were given the ‘Be more challenge’ for our assignment which consisted of completing a chosen task to benefit either people or the environment around us. As a group, Coby Fechner, Koby Dodd, Logan Connell and Libby Partridge chose the issue of mental health. They decided to create a ‘youth group’ to raise awareness within our school community. So on 23rd October, Term Four a group of year Nines came together on a Sunday afternoon. The afternoon consisted of playing group games such as two truths one lie, eating and talking. Everyone who came said it was “an extremely enjoyable and fun time” and found that it was a great way to get to know people with whom you may not usually spend your Sunday afternoons. They also said that if it happened again, they would definitely be interested in going.

Libby Partridge
Year Nine Student

YEAR NINE Design Technology

Here are some of the simply stunning projects that the Year Nine Design Technology students have been working on this year, using their skills to complete complex processes within a matter of weeks. For anyone interested in DT, it is a great experience as we use all kinds of tools and machines.

(Darcy Proud)
Year Nine Student
Hello Everyone

We are nearing the end of 2016 and are on the home stretch of this year. However, Theresian Tigers don’t slacken off! It has never been more important to maintain the high standard of our House. There are only three weeks left until the winner of the Spirit Cup is announced so there is plenty of reason to continue working hard and keep handing in point cards. These can be signed for all extracurricular activities! Make sure you always have some so you can collect all the points possible that we need for our House to come out on top. For our primary cubs, keep handing in those tokens; you guys are doing a brilliant job!

It is a short busy term, which, believe it or not, we are already halfway through. Coming up fast is **Theresian’s house breakfast on 4th November**, so mark your calendar and come to school at 7:30 for a FREE breakfast cooked by your very own Prefects and Dean of House (yes we can cook!). We will be serving bacon and eggs, pancakes and fruit, so you definitely don’t want to miss out!

It is Theresian’s term to fundraise and three awesome events have been planned! **zooper Doopers** will be sold every Friday. Our second fundraiser is a yummy surprise, **Cold Rock Ice-cream Day**, we will be serving delicious ice-cream with your favourite lollies to mix through it. Nice, cool ice-cream is what you need in the summer heat! Your final fundraiser is at the Christmas Concert in the Monday of Week Nine where we will be selling awesome glow sticks and glow items for you guys to use on the night. Please be involved in these fundraisers as all proceeds from fundraising will be going towards the brand new Year 12 area, which each of you will use as you pass through the school.

Moonlight Fair definitely exceeded expectations with the night turning out a massive success. We all saw many Theresians running around smiling ear to ear as they were enjoying their night and others working on their stalls. We would like to thank everyone who came along and helped out, supporting our school and we hope you all enjoyed your night.

As the end of the year approaches, we will sadly be seeing off the 2016 Year Twelve cohort as they leave on 18th November. We will miss them all, especially our fellow Theresians; we have fond memories of the great bunch of graduates and have had many laughs. Also, the end of the year marks halfway in our duration as Prefects; we have all enjoyed helping out the teacher and you guys. From all the Theresian Prefects, we thank you for making our 2016 such an enjoyable one and we are all extremely proud of our Theresian’s that come through every day handing in points cards and making sure we win all the good fights. We hope that you guys have enjoyed 2016 as much as we have and we hope you have a great holiday as you prepare for 2017.

Miss Jones, Josh, Jamie and Carmen out.
St John’s School Senior Art Exhibition

Official Exhibition Opening
Friday, 28 October 2016 @ 6.00pm

Showing until Friday, 2 December

Opening Hours: Monday-Friday, 9am-5pm and Saturday, 9am-12noon
Walk of Art is located at Roma Community Arts Centre, 38-44 Hawthorne St, Roma

For more information call 1300 007 662
or visit our website www.maranoa.qld.gov.au
WALK FOR DANIEL – ST JOHN’S SCHOOL 2016

Wear Red and Walk for Daniel with St John’s School!

Wear Red and Educate is the theme of for Day for Daniel as we strive to take action and conduct child safety activities in our communities to help in Keeping Kids Safe.

The objectives of Day for Daniel are:

- To raise awareness about child safety and protection and to promote a safer community for children.
- To educate children regarding their personal safety and empower them to Recognise, React and Report.
- To provide FREE safety and educational material.
- To honour the memory of Daniel Morcombe.
- To have over 1 million people Australia Wide to participate in Day for Daniel.

Day for Daniel is also an opportunity for Australians to make a statement that crimes against children are not acceptable in modern Australia.

Please come and join Miss Lyons and Miss Gillam to support the ‘Day for Daniel’.

**Start Time:** 7.30am  
**Date:** Friday, 28th October 2016  
**Venue:** Roma PCYC, Northern Road.  
**Distance:** Approximately 2km long, starting at Roma PCYC and finishing at St John’s School, McDowell Street Gate.

*If you are unable to walk to school. Students can wear a red collared shirt with their sports shorts, school socks and shoes. This will be a gold coin donation which will go towards the Daniel Morcombe Foundation.*
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Community Service
Xaverian House Report

We acknowledge the original inhabitants of this land, the Mandandanji people, and show our respect for their ancestors and traditions.
Roma Church of Christ
Kids Program from Grade 1 to Grade 6
5:30 till 7pm
119 Curry Street Roma
Pauline Bain 0447 050 284 / epbain@hotmail.com

7th October  Outside Games
14th October  Team Games
21st October  No Jzone (St John’s Moonlight Fair)
28th October  Water Games (bring towel and spare clothes)
4th November  Minute to Win It
11th November  Duct Tape Night
18th November  Sports Night
25th November  Water Night (bring towel and spare clothes)

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Merry Christmas
You are invited to the Hodgson Hall
BBQ, Christmas Tree & Dance
(Not Live Music)
Saturday, 10th December 2016
BBQ 6pm, $15.00 per person
BYO Chairs
Christmas Tree 7.30pm, Children to 12 years,
$15.00 per child includes Tree, Meal & Ice Block

RSVP for BBQ by
Saturday, 03rd December 2016
Please bring a salad or a sweet
for the BBQ to share
Bar will be operating

Names, Children’s Ages & Money to:
Ang Lorenz: 0428 229 003
By Friday, 25th November 2016
TUESDAY NOVEMBER 1ST, 2016 FROM 11:30 AM
ROMA CULTURAL CENTRE
Tickets $60 Per Person
Includes: Licensed 3 Course Luncheon
With Glass of Bubbly on Arrival
*WATCH THE RACE LIVE ON THE BIG SCREEN
*MULTI DRAW AUCTION
*CALCUTTA  *Sweepstakes
*FASHION PARADE BY AMANDA’S CHOICE
*GIVEAWAYS AND PRIZES:
LUCKY SEAT; BEST DRESSED; BEST FASCINATOR

*FULL BAR FACILITY, TEA AND COFFEE

Tickets available from
Juanita 0421 364 229
Deliere 0427 224 650
Tammy 0408 007 259
Laurice 0499 163 441

All Proceeds to the Great Endeavour Rally entrants
“Endeavour Angels” & “Wreckreator” for the 2017
Endeavour Rally

SPONSORS OF THE DAY INCLUDE;
HOUSE OF RELAXATION, WESTERN EXHAUST CENTRE,
TAM YOU’RE NAILS, RADIANCE BEAUTY BAR, SALON 78,
AMANDA’S CHOICE, SARRAH, ROMA FLORISTS
Have you got a spare room? Become a host family!

Not-for-profit, WEP Australia, is looking for volunteer host families to welcome overseas exchange students arriving in Australia in February 2017! WEP host families come from all over; the city, the bush and everywhere in between! We ask families to feed the student, but above all to share their family and local life. Students have their own spending money and are fully insured.

“We had to share our home and then we shared our hearts.”
Nikita (9yo) and Madison (8yo), host siblings of Pauline from Belgium.

How does it work?

1. Request a free information pack

2. Choose your student

3. Get excited for their arrival. (WEP will take care of school enrolment, Working with Children Checks, visas etc.)

4. Student’s arrival

5. Experience a different culture from the comfort of your own home, be a part of the WEP community and so much more!

This sounds great! How do I find out more?

Request a free information pack to receive detailed program information and profiles to help you make this important decision.

W: wep.org.au  E: sylviakelly@wep.org.au  P: 1300 884 733