FROM THE PRINCIPAL

I thank and congratulate all those parents, teachers and students who were part of the parish Mass last Sunday night. It was wonderful to see so many celebrating the Eucharist together and there was certainly a tremendous sense of genuine community in the church and a visible link between Catherine McAuley School and the parish.

On other matters community I encourage as many parents as possible to join in the McAuley Dinner and student art auction to be held at the Canobolas Hotel on Friday night July 31st. It is certainly a lovely venue and it will be a chance for members of the school community to mix with friends (and teachers!) new and old. Tickets ($45 each) will be on sale very soon. We are limited to 200 so it will be case of first in first tickets.

Michael Croke
**FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL**

**Student of the Week:** Congratulations to the following children who were awarded student of the week: Jye Spurr, Delinda Chamberlain, Ted Healey, Grace Edwards, Lachlan Crump, Mia Johns, Patrick Crump, Madison Newman, Knox Gibson, Akok Aluk, Austin Fitzpatrick, Anika Ballard, Darcy Kelly, Jonty Middleton, Amelia Hogben, Marley Cardwell, Adithya Biju, Emmasen Buesnell, Abby Dean & Jamie Merchant.

**Whole School Assembly:** Year 4 will present their work at the next Whole School Assembly on Friday 12th June commencing at 10.00am in Kenna Hall. New class councillors will be announced at this assembly.

**Professional Learning:** Mrs Forbes, Mrs Miller and I Attended the Assistant Principals and Coordinators Meeting run by the Bathurst CEO last Friday in Orange. Mrs Forbes attended a PLC course in Sydney last week on Thinking and Learning. The course focused on differentiation, assessment and data collection. Vicki Vance was at McAuley today helping the teachers with Google slides linked to Enhance TV and Hapara Teacher Dashboard. Our staff meeting yesterday was a discussion on a teacher survey aimed at improving McAuley School. Mr Croke will attend a Principal’s Meeting this Friday.

**Music Manefesto Workshop:** Our Concert Band and Senior Choir attended a Music Manifesto Workshop at James Sheahan yesterday. Thank you to Mrs Aumuller and Mrs Allan for providing the children with this wonderful opportunity.

**Diocesan Spelling:** We wish Milan Shaji (Year 6), Ellie Kostich (Year 5) Alan Parayil (Year 4), and Angel Tom (Year 3) who will represent Catherine McAuley at the Bathurst Diocese Spelling Bee in Wellington on Thursday 4th June the best of luck.

**Southern Region Athletics Carnival:** The Southern Region Athletics Carnival will be held on Friday 24th July in Canowindra. The back up date is Friday 31st July.

**Kindergarten 2016:** As part of the enrolment procedure for Kindergarten 2016 the children and their parents will attend an interview and have a look around our school. These interviews continue next week.

**Exiting the School from the Hill St Site:** As a result of the construction of our new building, it is very congested at the Hill Street exit gate. We ask for parent’s cooperation if they are waiting for their children to come inside the gate and the children will wait at that point with a teacher until the majority of parents and children have moved on. The children will then move up to the normal waiting place adjacent to the Kenna Hall steps. We will trial this to see if it alleviates the crowded footpath that leads to parents waiting on the road. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**June Reports:** The teachers are currently assessing the children and beginning to write reports on the children’s progress for the first half of the year. This reporting period the majority of the teachers will use the new reporting proforma designed by the Bathurst CEO (reportepro). Kindergarten will use our traditional report as it was too difficult to make the necessary changes in the time that we had available. It is envisaged that all classes will use the reporterpro format for the report at the end of the year. If you have any questions or queries regarding report formats or the reports please contact me through the school office to discuss them.

Please see the following explanation on the next page of the A-E Grading.

Steve Maguire
A-E REPORTING SCALE

The A-E scale used in Year 1-6 is different to the scale used when you were at school. There is no bell curve and “A” does not mean 100/100. In fact a “C” means a sound understanding of the stage outcome, and to maintain a “C” throughout the year is difficult. At Catherine McAuley we refer to the A-E scale using the following terms and to put the A-E reporting system into perspective, it helps to look at the analogy below for driving a car.

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PUPIL FREE DAY
TUESDAY 9TH JUNE 2015
(after Queens Birthday Long weekend)

INTERESTING FACT OF THE WEEK

The paint on the Eiffel Tower weighs as much as ten elephants.
**Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ:** Last weekend we celebrated the feast of the Blessed Trinity, and this weekend we come to the end of the major feasts for this Liturgical year, with the celebration of the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi). This feast commemorates what is central to all Christianity – the Eucharist. Each time Mass is celebrated, we re-enact what Jesus did at his Last Supper. The words used today are the very same words that have been used in the Church for two thousand years. May our Eucharist this weekend really help us to be one with Christ.

**First Holy Communion:** It is almost time for our Year 3 students to receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist in Holy Communion. They have been working hard to prepare for this very special moment in their lives, and we congratulate them and their teachers for all the work they have put into this preparation. The children will receive the Sacrament at all Parish Masses on the weekend of 13th and 14th June. As part of their preparation for the Sacrament, Year 3 will receive the Second Rite of Reconciliation next Wednesday morning.

**Parish Mass:** Thank you so much to all who came along to the Parish Mass last Sunday evening, it was absolutely fantastic to experience the support you offered our school and our children by attending this Mass. There was a wonderful atmosphere right throughout the Mass, and I believe all involved would have thoroughly enjoyed this Liturgical celebration. We will have another opportunity to celebrate together in Term 4, and I look forward to it. Thank you to all the musicians, readers and other ministers for their great work in the Mass, it added so much to the Liturgy.

Wishing you a great week ahead. God Bless,

Robyn Petty
When you think of **PLAY** do you think of **NOT LEARNING** and just having fun. Well let us change that view. Learning through play is a term used in **education** to describe how a child can learn to make sense of the world around them. Through play children can develop **social** and **cognitive** skills, mature **emotionally**, and gain the **self-confidence** required to engage in new experiences and environments.

Play is not wasted time, but rather time spent building new knowledge from previous experience. Even for adults **PLAY** is important.

In our hectic, modern lives, many of us focus so heavily on work and family commitments that we never seem to have time for pure fun. Somewhere between childhood and adulthood, we’ve stopped playing. When we do carve out some leisure time, we’re more likely to zone out in front of the TV or computer than engage in fun, rejuvenating play like we did as children.

Just because we’re adults, that doesn't mean we have to take ourselves so seriously and make life all about work. We all need to **play**. This may take the form of Computer games, gardening, IPAD games or mobile games, completing crosswords, sudoko, board games or puzzles, and most importantly playing with your children. So over the next few weeks go out and have some fun with your children. I’m sure they will benefit from it and so will you.

**Belinda Wilson**

**CLASS OF THE WEEK - 1B**

**Welcome to the Buzzing world of 1B**

This term has been a very busy one however just like bees we have buzzed around all activities and learned lots. Some of the things we have been learning about are:

- **Community Workers in HSIE**
  - Australian Money and grouping numbers in Mathematics
  - The Tashi book series by Anna and Barbara Fienberg with Kim Gamble in English
  - Looking at how we can be good communicators in PD and Health
  - Being active even on wet days with our online fitness program GoNoodle
  - Concentrating more on writing longer complete sentences in English
  - Spelling lots of new words and trying to use them in our writing
  - Exploring how things work such as push/pull and floating/sinking in Science

Even though we have been busy with all this learning we do have time for fun where we get to build castles that go along with our story of the week. They were very detailed as you can see in the pictures below. You can also see some photos of what we would like to be when we grow up which correlated with our Community Workers Unit.

1B look forward to having a very active Term 3 which is just around the corner.

**Belinda Wilson**

& **Peta Lidster**
Happy Birthday to the following children who have birthdays this week:
Madison Allen, Ryder Arden, Euhanna Ramos, Dane Medlyn, Beau Jeffery, Lilly Nonnenmacher, Lilly Tyack, Heath Vaughan, Leo Vaughan, Archie Adamson and Jake McNeill.

Please note we are running very short of volunteers on a Friday. If you can spare a couple of hours, please consider putting your name down to help out at our canteen.

Roster—Commencing Monday Wednesday 10th June to Friday 12th June 2015

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Tuckshop Ph: 6362 0942

Music Manifesto

To be held
7.00pm for 7.30pm
Friday 19 June 2015
&
7.00pm for 7.30pm
Saturday 20 June 2015
at Kerns Hall
Hill Street
Orange.

Tickets $15 Adults
$10 Students
$40 Family
Tickets on sale from 4 June 2015
They can be purchased individually or in tables of 8 through the JSCCHS school office or
(02) 6362 1429 for bookings

Bring along your nibbles. Drinks.
Please note: This is a ‘nut free’ event.