Music
I am delighted to announce that we will be able to introduce an instrumental music program for boys in Years 3 and 5 next semester. The program will operate as follows:

Year 5 – Boys will have the opportunity to learn a woodwind or brass instrument for a semester. The instrument and weekly small group lessons will be provided by the College. Lessons will occur in school time and during Term 4, an ensemble will be formed. An information evening will be held for Year 5 parents and boys on Tuesday 7 June at 7.00 pm in the Year 5 classroom. Boys should wear school uniform to the meeting.

Year 3 – Boys will have the opportunity to learn a stringed instrument for a semester. The instrument and weekly group lessons will be provided by the College. Lessons will occur in school time and during Term 4, an ensemble will be formed. Further details will be provided to parents later in the term. This opportunity has arisen thanks to a wonderful donation of 7 violins from the Davis family. The College is currently acquiring additional violins so if any family would like to support this project, please contact me directly.

My thanks too, to the P&F who are providing some additional resources for these programs.

Open Day
Last Friday we had a steady stream of families though the College. Congratulations to all boys for their efforts on assembly – it was terrific to see so much music, speech and drama, while the Year 7/8 interpretation of Henry V in V minutes took Shakespeare to new heights. Thank you to all those parents who encouraged friends.

A Well Rounded Curriculum
Yesterday I attended a community cabinet lunch in Wynnum at which the Premier spoke of the importance of education and innovation in ensuring our future work force remained competitive in a world market. Much has been written on a similar theme. Recently I read an interesting article entitled, ‘Leading and learning with no one in charge’, which argued for a broad based curriculum to enable students to engage fully in our world. Rather, it should include:

Education in integrative brainwork: the capacity to synthesize for the solution of real-world problems the analytical methods and insights of conventional academic disciplines. (Exposure to basic science and mathematics, to elementary systems analysis, and to what a computer can and cannot do, are part, but only a part, of this education.)

• Education about social goals, public purposes, the costs and benefits of openness, and the ethics of citizenship to enable each prospective leader to answer for himself or herself two questions: “Apart from the fact that I am expected to do this, is this what I would expect myself to do?” and “Does the validity of this action depend on its secrecy?”

• A capacity for self-analysis: the achievement of some fluency in answering the question, “Who am I?” through the study of ethnic heritage, religion and philosophy, art and literature.

• Some practice in real-world negotiation, the psychology of consultation, and the nature of leadership in the knowledge environment.

• A global perspective and an attitude of personal responsibility for the general outcome – passports to citizenship in an interdependent world.

This links strongly with the MBBC 3R’s of research, reason and relationships. If our boys are to become the tomorrow’s leaders and be happy, effective citizens then their learning needs to be more than reciting a series of facts. By underpinning our curriculum with a series of thinking skills (as well as our Christian faith) and using an inquiry based approach we can assist boys in developing themselves as life long learners.

Roderick HW Crouch
Principal
**College Foundation**  
A College Foundation steering committee has been formed to discuss ways that a Foundation can be established to support the College’s master plan. The Foundation will differ from the P&F in that it will focus on major building projects rather than day to day support. Further details will be attached to next week’s newsletter.

**Assembly**  
Congratulations to Year 7/8 for a great job at assembly. Year 2 will be leading this week’s assembly.

**Memory Verse**  
Romans 6:11, "In the same way, you must think of yourselves as dead to the power of sin. But Christ Jesus has given life to you, and you live for God".

**House of the Week**  
No collection of points occurred last week due to Open Day.

**Awards**  
No award cards were given last week due to Open Day.

**Music**  
Congratulations to all the boys who performed at Open Day. Your efforts were outstanding. Ms Hollingsworth.

**Choir**  
The Senior and Junior Vocal Ensemble will rehearse at their regular times this week.  
Ms Hollingsworth.

**Library Matters**  
**Overdue Library Books** - Unfortunately this year there has been a significant increase in missing library books. This places great pressure on school resources as well as making it harder for other boys to borrow books both for pleasure or research. As such the following system will become our College policy:

1st notice - Boys will be advised of any overdue books by their teacher. They will have until the following Monday to return the book. Boys will not be able to borrow any further books until the book is returned.

2nd notice - A ‘red slip’ will come home asking for the book to be returned within the week.

3rd notice - The cost of book plus an administration fee of $10.00 will be added, under the heading ‘Replacement book charge’, to your school fees for the following term. Books located and returned after invoices are issued will have the replacement book charge only refunded in the subsequent invoice.

**Lunchtime Use of The IT Lab**  
This week, we will trial the use of the IT Lab at first break on Tuesdays and Thursdays. The Lab will be open to boys in Years 5 to 8 to work on teacher-assigned tasks. These can include: homework, research tasks, publishing and web challenges. Individual internet usage will be randomly monitored (e.g. sites visited, downloads, etc.) to ensure that the IT Lab is not being used in a recreational manner.

**Middle School Science**  
Yesterday, all Middle School boys received the task details for their *Fauna of the Nature Refuge Research Report* for Term 2. This report is due on Friday, 16 June. Please see the MBBC website if you require any further information.

Thank you to the Miles family (Christian, Year 4) for their very generous donation of a human skeleton to the Science Lab. The Middle School Science students are studying the systems of the human body at present, so this addition to the College is already being put to good use. Many thanks again!.  
Mrs Patchett.

**Under 8’s Week**  
Under 8’s Week was “celebrated” in fine fashion last week with a P-3 play day on Wednesday. Thank you to all parents who helped with the set up and supervision throughout the day. From sandpit to crown making, the boys engaged across the curriculum and across the year levels. Even smaller siblings joined in the festivities. There were lots of positive comments from the boys, parents and staff about the activities which makes the day worthwhile and one which is sure to become an annual event. Ms Youngman.

**Support-A-Reader Program**  
The support-a-reader program is very grateful to the parents that consistently attend the school and engage in one to one reading sessions with the boys. We would like to show our appreciation by inviting you to attend morning tea on Thursday 8 June at 10.00am in the Year 2 room. This is also a great time for interested parents to attend and talk with parents already involved in the program. There is a waiting list of children to be catered for on the program and we require more parents to join this worthwhile program. So if you are a current support-a-reader parent or would like to find out more please join us for morning tea on Thursday 8 June. Andrea Bowden, Nicola Vincent and Trudy Tait.
**Tuckshop**
A big thank you to all those parents who have volunteered to assist with tuckshop. I will be in contact with you soon to arrange final details. Deanne Ogilvie.

This week’s tuckshop is a hamburger plus milk or juice. Please fill out the tear off slip to order tuckshop and place in the silver locked box outside the office by Wednesday 10.00am. Tuckshop is not able to be ordered on Thursday.

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**Sports News**

**Under 7 Cougars Soccer**
The Cougars were defeated by a strong U7 team who were deserving in their victory. In goal this week were Callum McKechnie and Jack Taggart, who gave their best and enjoyed playing in this position. Next week’s match will be at 10:30am Bayside United, Field 4 with training on Thursday at 4:30pm and Sunday at 9am. Nicole Dargin-Elders, Manager.

**Under 8 - Bayside Destroyers**
What a game Y3 boys had this week defeating Clairvaux Wallabies 13-0. Jordan Topham and Mason Buckeridge were players of the match, but each and every boy put in 100%. Training Friday morning 7am, next game Bayside Fld 3. The Destroyers this Sunday are playing an all day carnival at Memorial Park, Bulimba - we wish them all the best.

**Interschool Sport**

**Senior Boys Soccer – Friday, May 19**
MBBC 0 – Wondall Heights 6. Despite a valiant effort by the boys in blue from Moreton Bay Boys’ College, this was a tough game against strong opposition. Our second half was better than our first, and MBBC boys capitalised and improved when the ball was moved onto our wings from the midfield congestion. Ben Darmanin had some good runs on the right and Mikaere Henare-Lawson on the left, unfortunately, the Wondall goalkeeper must have had some magic powder on his gloves as he stopped all of MBBC shots. Hard work is never easy, we need to keep training and playing football and the results will come our way. Joshua Kelliher, Captain.

**Interschool Rugby**
The boys had a win on Friday against Guardian Angels. That brings the total of our wins to three. Each week the boys are getting better and on Friday they played as a team. We are playing Wynnum North on Friday at 1.30pm at Kitchener Park if you wish to attend. Merryl Bennett.

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**P&F News**

**P&F Meeting**
At the last P&F meeting, there was a very informative presentation about the possible establishment of a Wynnum Manly Community Bank branch of the Bendigo Bank. If you wish to find out more and/or pledge your support, information sheets are available from the administration office.

The next P&F meeting is on Monday, 5 June 2006 at 7pm in the Y7/8 classroom - all are welcome. On the agenda this month, is fundraising, the draft constitution (see MBBC website, under P&F section for draft copy) and the proposed “changeable” sign.

**Trivia Night & Auction, 26 August 2006**
For those of us who don’t fit our “I Dream of Jeannie” costumes as well as we once did, the P&F would like to remind everyone that the dress code for the “Arabian Nights” theme is smart/casual with fancy dress optional. Many thanks to everyone who is actively seeking out auction item donations, please keep up the good work. The success of this evening depends entirely on the whole school community working together.

**The P&F Would Like to Thank...**
- Des Schinkel, Kent Hardgrave, and Richard Matterson for installing the P&F donated combo soccer/goal posts. The boys cannot wait to get to the oval during break to practise their soccer and goal kicking skills.
- **Meat by the Bay**, Cnr Wynnum and Randall Road, Wynnum West, for kindly supporting the P&F by offering to donate sausages to our monthly sausage sizzles for the rest of the year.
- Kent Hardgrave, Richard Matterson, Andrew Ogilvie and Jenny Carstairs, for organising the sausage sizzle on Open Day.
Westfield Shop for Your School 2006, 16 May – 6 August
We are currently in 4th place in Band 1 (up to 299 students) at Carindale. Any school finishing in 1st – 10th place is eligible to win a prize (see online at westfield.com/au/sfys for more details). Don’t forget to present any receipts to the Concierge desk at any Westfield centre or drop them into the collection box in the school administration office. Please also see the P&F section of the MBBC website under Current Activities for more details. Happy Shopping!

Community Notices

Rugby Union
The Wynnum Bugs U10 team is looking for a couple of players to join a very successful team to practise on Thursday evenings for an hour from 5.30pm and play each Saturday at 10.40am. Could any interested players parents contact Anton Dovey on antondovey@iagroup.com.au or 0439 475 612.

MBC Family Funday
The MBC P & F would like to invite MBBC to our Funday@theBay on June 17th. Flyers concerning this event may be obtained at the office.

Tuckshop Order – Thursday 1 June

Hamburger
Name______________________________   Year _______________
Chocolate milk or apple juice (please circle drink of choice)
$4.50 cash per order enclosed exactly (no change is able to be provided)
Please put in an envelope marked Tuckshop order and place in Silver locked box no later than 10am Wednesday.