From the Principal

Investing Equity
The best education for a child is a solid partnership between home and school as we seek to develop both the heart and mind of a young man. We should never underestimate our influence as parents on our children. Part of that influence is when we form a partnership with a school that shares our values. When parents enrol their sons at MBBC, they take an emotional equity in the College. Those that invest by supporting their sons all the way through the College reap the greatest rewards.

As you know, we have a Chinese proverb on our website
If you are planning for a year, grow rice.
If you are planning for 20 years grow trees
If you are planning for a century, grow men and women

While this sounds profound, it is the type of man we grow that is most important!

J oe Ehrmann, a former NFL star in the US who subsequently became a pastor and youth worker, stated that, we can limit masculinity to thinking it is only about sports, or sexual conquest, or economic success. Personally, I believe that being a man is about relationships, our capacity to love and be loved and the importance of having a purpose beyond ourselves. In other words, a successful man should be defined by the quality of his relationships (as a friend, brother, uncle, father, husband), rather than by his level of achievement. A successful man is also committed to a purpose or cause beyond themselves for in doing so, they contribute to improving the quality of our world. As the economic turmoil swirls around us, and we can become fearful of where our world will head, growing young men who are merciful, independent, resourceful, respectful open-minded and resilient becomes even more important. This is something we can do together. For as they develop these attributes, they will be men of faith and integrity, able to look themselves in the mirror- successful men, of whom we can be justifiably proud … and our equity investment will have returned enormous dividends.

P&F Dinner Dance
I look forward to welcoming parents and friends to the annual P&F dinner dance on Saturday, 29 August. This is the major fundraising event for the P&F so thank you too all families who have been able to support it in some way, whether by attendance or through support of the various silent auction items and hampers. Last year it was an evening of great fun, with good food, a good venue, great company and plenty of dancing, and, as we are back at the same venue this year, I am sure it will be another terrific night. It is not too late to book a ticket and join over 130 who are already attending. Special thanks to the P&F executive, especially president Karen Austin and Vice President Lisa Thompson, who have put it an amazing effort to ensure the success of the evening.

Dr Roderick Crouch
Principal

Announcements

Father & Son Breakfast - 4 September 2009
As mentioned in last week’s newsletter, our annual Father & Son Breakfast will be held at the Shangri-La Gardens Reception Lounge, 1969 Wynnum Road, Wynnum West. This is a wonderful opportunity for boys to show their appreciation for all the wonderful things dads do and are in their boys’ lives, so we encourage you to come along and enjoy some quality time with your son.

The cost for attending the breakfast is $22.50 per person. If you would like to attend the breakfast, please return payment in a named envelope in the Silver Box at Reception by Wednesday, 26 August 2009.

Homestay Family Required
A homestay family is required for one of our senior school students between now and the end of the year. For further information call Dr Crouch in the Silver Box at Reception by Wednesday, 26 August 2009.

Events - Highlights

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MEMORY VERSE

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Blue Reign Rock Out at Weekend Rehearsal

Blue Reign undertook its first weekend rehearsal on Sunday, 16 August 2009. The boys worked hard over the five hour long rehearsal, rocking out a full set list for their upcoming performances at Carnival Day and for the College’s Riverfire event.

They put together five new songs before a sausage sizzle lunch, then spent the afternoon practicing their new and old songs to perfection.

Many thanks to the boys for putting in such a great effort - it was a rocking way to spend a weekend!

Events - Upcoming

Science Week THIS WEEK (17 August to 21 August) and Family Science Night (20 August)

Once again MBBC joins in the national celebration of Science Week in a variety of ways. Across all year levels, boys will be undertaking a variety of projects that will be judged during Science Week. One highlight will be the launching of the Year 10 rockets on the oval, Friday afternoon. A science show, “Is there a doctor in the house” will be performed to both primary and Middle/Senior assemblies.

Science Fair Projects will be judged this Thursday. For more information on the year level task see your classroom teacher.

Another opportunity to celebrate is the Science Family Night, 20 August 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. This is a very well attended evening that gives parents, students and siblings the opportunity to undertake a variety of fun science experiments. We look forward to seeing you for fun and intrigue.

MBC Dance - Years 8-10
Saturday 29 August

Moreton Bay College is holding a dance on Saturday 29 August in the Oriel Handley Hall from 7-10pm. Students in Years 8, 9 and 10 are invited to attend. Admission is $10 per student, payable on entry on the night.

The dance will be fully supervised by Moreton Bay College staff, parents, security and police. Students will need to be dressed appropriately. Backpacks will not be allowed in the Hall. Snacks and drinks will be available for purchase during the evening.

Students interested in attending will need to collect a ticket from Mrs Patchett. Presentation of this ticket and their MBBC ID card will be necessary when the entry fee is paid.

Teaching and Learning

The University of New South Wales
International Competitions and Assessment for Schools - 2009 Science

Congratulations to the following boys on their outstanding achievements. Certificates will be handed out for Years 7-11 at Assembly on Thursday, 20 August and for Years 4-6 at Assembly on Friday, 21 August. Once again boys, well done, these are tremendous results!!

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Kyle McCain
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Martin Rollo
Yianni Sines
William Matterson
Toby Monaghan
Christopher Beasley
Chris Lang
Thomas Rooker
Matthew Day
Joshua Gillespie
Dominic Guilfoyle
Bhavik Kapadia
Stephen Lee
Kieran Pugh

Co-Curricular

Active After School Sport - Important notice
It is parent’s responsibility to ensure they have made arrangements to pick up their child immediately following after school sports. Under the school’s duty of care, primary children will be taken to After School Hours Care following an after school co-curricular activity if they are not collected on time. A cost for this supervision will be incurred by the family.

Sport

Basketball (Secondary School - Supplementary GPS)
Week 1 - Training and Games begin this week

For the first time, MBBC will participate in the Supplementary GPS Basketball season, commencing this week. This is a fantastic opportunity and I encourage all boys in Years 8-11 to participate.

Boys who have already expressed an interest received a sign up sheet last week - please return this, completed, to Mr Pike ASAP. Training will commence this afternoon, with training also on Thursday afternoon from 3:00 - 4:00 pm on the Basketball Courts.

As soon as match details are provided to the College (approximately Tuesday afternoon), they will be passed on to players and submitted to the
MBBC Cricket - Primary and Secondary School

In an effort to provide a well-rounded cricketing pathway for all students at MBBC from Prep to Year 12, we have recently established a relationship with the Wynnum Manly District Cricket Club.

The WMDCC and MBBC will work together to ensure that MBBC boys are able to play both club cricket and MBBC School Cricket.

To become a proficient cricketer, the following club/school pathway would be ideal for your son:

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All cricket games are played on a Saturday morning.

Sailing - Holiday Events and Teams Racing

Sailing in Term 4

ROYS is running a number of programs over the holidays (Refer Community Notices), and I would encourage all boys interested in being in the Teams Racing sailing to take part in these programs. Teams Racing sailing is an exciting and competitive form of racing that students from Years 8 - 12 can take part in on Sundays. Parent coaches, managers and volunteers are sought to help manage this program - please contact Mr Pike as soon as possible.

Mr Hamish Pike
Sports Master
pikeh@mbbc.qld.edu.au

Chaplain’s Corner

Looking in the Mirror

I believe we have developed a bad habit in our culture. It is a habit that stops us from facing tough issues. It prevents us from growing through adversity. It stops us from becoming the person that God would have us be. What is this habit? It is the habit of blaming others for our problems or difficulties instead of facing up to them ourselves.

Blaming others seems to be a very natural or automatic thing to do. If I am not happy with my life then I place the responsibility elsewhere. For example we might blame our work for our problems. We might think or say, “my boss has it in for me” and “the people I work with are not supporting me enough.” It is also easy to blame our family. “My wife is being too demanding” or “my kids are being disobedient and disrespectful.”

Making excuses seems to be an easy path through any problem. We tend to do this without even thinking about it. It seems to be an automatic response. However I have discovered that it is not a path through my problems at all. Rather it is a dead end street. If I blame everyone else for my problems, I do not attempt to actually work through those problems at all. I just get stuck there while the problems continue to rage around me. After a while, this is going to leave me frustrated, bitter, unmotivated and depressed.

So what can be done to address this habit? Well strangely enough I think Michael Jackson has something to say to us here. He gives us a key in the chorus of his song, “Man in the Mirror.”

Man In The Mirror: Michael Jackson

I’m starting with the man in the mirror, I’m asking him to change his ways,
And no message could have been any clearer, if you wanna make the world a better place,
Take a look at yourself and then make a change.

When I am not happy about something in my world or my life then I need to stop and take a close look at myself. If I am going to make a change in my world then I have to start with me. If something is not working then maybe I need to look at myself and see what I can change or improve. If I change my attitudes and thinking about a certain situation then maybe that situation will not be as bad as I previously thought it was. Maybe I need to make some decisions or take a stand about an issue.

I think it is time to break this habit of blame and to start taking responsibility for our lives. Let’s stop make excuses or blaming others when things
are not going exactly as we think they should be. Let's take a look in the mirror from time to time and start to ask ourselves what we need to do to make things different. And let's start moving forward through our problems and leave them behind as we grow through the experience.

If I can be of assistance to you or your family or if you would like to give me any feedback on any 'Chaplain's Corner' article please feel free to do so, on mccarthys@mmbc.qld.edu.au

Mr Shane McCarthy
School Chaplain

College Business

OSHC Important Notice

PERMANENT BOOKINGS CHANGE FROM AUGUST 31 2009
We have a fantastic new Online Enrolment and Bookings system.

You can go online, enrol and make and edit your bookings as and when you need to!

We need you to start using the new system, especially the Permanent Bookings section, by August 31. Please, if you are already using the Online Permanent Booking System, great!

OLD BOOKINGS ARE BEING REMOVED
The old traditional system of parents making verbal changes to Permanent Bookings with the coordinator is being phased out. The new system is much more reliable and safer for your family.

Any old permanent bookings not conducted online will be phased out by 31 August so please re-book online before then. Otherwise your child won't appear on the rolls. If you aren't sure, simply login and double check your bookings.

IT’S EASY TO ENROL AND BOOK ONLINE
Simply go to https://www.oshclub.com.au/view.htm and follow the prompts. Still unsure? Email us at admin@oshclub.com.au and we can send you an instructions guide. If you don’t have internet access please see the Coordinator for access, or use your local library. You will need an email address and credit card, savings account or cheque account details to setup your account.

Cancellations
Remember to give the coordinator 24 hours notice if you wish to cancel a booking, otherwise you will be charged. Cancellations are not made online. Remember to remove Permanent bookings online when you no longer need them, to avoid being charged.

Casual Bookings
You can still make a casual booking, as long as you are enrolled online. Simply call the Coordinator.

So remember, even if you have made verbal changes to your bookings in the last few weeks with the Coordinator, we do need you to go online and ensure your bookings are correct. Those old bookings will be removed on 21 August.

Thanks for your help.

The OSHClub Team

Senior Jerseys for 2010
A reminder to all students in Year 11 - orders for your senior jersey are due to the MBC Uniform Shop by next Wednesday 26 August.

Chicken Pox
Please note that we have had a few more cases of the Chicken Pox reported in the junior and senior school.

For information on Chicken Pox, please view the Queensland Health website.

Collection of Children's Toys
The MBC Fete is holding a second hand toy stall and require boys' toys in good condition. If you have any toys that your son is no longer using, please place them in the box in the MBBC school office by Wednesday, 19 August.

Tuckshop
Please note that ALL grades need to pre-order tuckshop on a Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

Please ensure you have checked your son's order is correct and has the total amount of money owing for tuckshop included. If the correct money is not supplied a note will be sent home advising of this.

Late to school
If your son is late to school, you are required to sign your child in at the school office. Children in younger grades (up to Year 5) are NOT to be sent into the office without a parent.

Drop Off Your Children Safely
A reminder to all parents that the roundabout is NOT a drop off zone - this is both very dangerous for our children, and contributes to traffic congestion around this already busy area.

Please use the designated zones for both parking and drop offs.

Parents & Friends

If you need to deposit money into the P & F Bank account, please use these details: Westpac Bank BSB 034 053 A/C No. 175600. Reference: child's surname and year.

MBC Fun Day
Come down to MBC on Saturday, 22 August and get a tattoo from the MBBC Temporary Tattoo stall, where we will have plenty of tattoo choices for everyone. All sales go to MBBC.

We will be situated in a marquee on the oval near the rides.

Toys for boys are still required for the MBC toy stall. If you have any toys that are in good condition and wanting to part with, please place in the box provided at the office.

For more information on the day, see Community Notices, below.

Masquerade Dinner Dance
Find a marvelous mask and wear it well, so your true identity no one can tell.
Tickets will be sent home on Friday please check with your son, if you do not receive them please contact thompson46@optusnet.com.au.

Tickets can still be purchased until Thursday, 20 August. If you have not paid and indicated that you are attending please do so asap. Any special dietary requirements please contact radford107@yahoo.com.

A big thank you to the following businesses for sponsoring the Dinner Dance. Please support them where you can.

Gold Sponsor: Platinum Private Properties Real Estate
Silver Sponsor: 3S Lighting
Bronze Sponsor: Fruition Tuition Manly

**Balloon Assemblers Required**

We need the assistance of 3 people to fill balloons with helium for the Dinner Dance on the 29 August at the Coombs Hotel from 1:00 pm - 3:00 pm. Please email me if you can help. radford107@yahoo.com.

**Photographer Required**

Do you have passion for photography and a digital camera? If you are free on the 29 August 2009 for an hour or so around 6:15 pm please contact me. radford107@yahoo.com.

**Hampers**

Thank you to everyone who has supported the hampers. It is not late to late to contribute.

*Mrs Karen Austin
President
MBBC P & F*

**Community Notices**

**MBB Fete and Family Fun Day**

MBBC families and friends are invited to participate with the MBBC community in their Fete and Family Fun Day on Saturday, 22 August from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. The event will be held on the oval at the Hargreaves Road entrance to the school and includes fabulous rides, stalls and exhibitions of art, music and dance. For those interested in having a closer look at the College, tours of the campus will be held at 11:00 am and 2:00 pm.

**RQYS Holiday Sailing program**

Royal Queensland Yacht Squadron Sail & Play Program
Sailing, Powerboating, Fishing, Rafts, Kites, Island Trip and More!
September 26 – 2 October
9:00 am to 4:30 pm each day
For ages 7 to 12
Visit www.sailandplay.com or phone 3396 8666 for more information.

**RQYS Introduction to Sailing**

Includes Yachting Australia Basic Skills 1 & 2 Certification
September 21 – 23
Suitable for Years 7 to 12
9:00 am to 4:30 pm each day
Visit www.rqys.com.au or phone 3396 8666 for more information.

**Guardian Angels’ School and Parish Annual Fete Day**

Sunday, 30 August 10:00 am - 2:00 pm, 188 Bay Terrace, Wynnum.
Go along to enjoy lots of stalls, rides, food and entertainment.

**Brigidine College Dance**

When: Friday, 21 August
Time: 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm
Who: Years 8-10
Venue: Brigidine College Multi Purpose Centre, Fairley Street, Indooroopilly
Cost: $10 plus student ID (payable at door)

**Art competition**

Art competitions are a great way of children getting involved in and becoming aware of community issues. The Kmart wishing tree 'The Art of Giving' art competition is open to all primary school children.

Media: paintings, drawings, collages
Size: A4, A3-A2
Entry categories: Prep to Year 4, Years 5-7.
Judging criteria: most creative and well illustrated art piece that best represents the spirit of giving
Key dates: Entries close last mail - 31 August 2009
National winner announced 12 November
People’s Choice Awards voting opens 1 Sept, closes 18 Sept
Prizes are awarded.

If you would like to participate or would like more information, please see Ms Joubert.

**Wynnum Manly Little Athletics 2009/2010**

For information for sign on day please see the flyer.