MBBC’s Show of Faith

Joe W.

On the 29th of July, a cross, viewable from both inside and outside the college grounds, was put up to signify that our school was more than unique.

“The cross will serve as a focal point in times of tragedy, as well as being a place to rally around.” says Chaplain of MBBC, Mr Shane McCarthy. It is clear that Mr McCarthy is pleased with the new cross.

Mr Wood, MBBC Head of College has also shown a great deal of enthusiasm for the new addition to the school.

When asked what he thought of the new cross, Mr Wood replied: “The cross shows that we are a Uniting Church school. It also signifies the sacrifice that Jesus made to forgive our sins.”

The cross has future plans and is still in construction. Mr Wood announced that there will be a garden planted in a ring shape around the cross to show respect to our creators.

The placement of the cross is good because it is in clear view from every direction and provides more insight on our school to the public.

The cross will demonstrate the school's pride in our core beliefs.

The cross is made from well-treated wood, with four bolts to replace the rope.

To add detail, they have added small, dark planks across each side.

The Eagle’s Eye - A Student’s Perspective of College Life

Welcome to the first edition of The Eagle’s Eye, a student led newsletter/magazine that is recorded, edited and published by boys at MBBC.

The goal is for boys to record the events that occur around the college and write and edit their own stories from their perspectives. These will then be published in The Eagle’s Eye, to be shared with the school community.

The Eagle’s Eye has been set up to give our avid writers an opportunity to showcase their skills, develop their writing and provide a place to publish their work.

There will also be opportunities for our artists, story writers, photographers and anyone else who wants to contribute to the “Eye” to showcase their work. We hope you enjoy our first edition.
MBBC Boys Laugh to Cure Cancer

Amy the puppeteer with Kyle the puppet, teaching the boys about Camp Quality, for children with cancer.

Aaron H

On Wednesday the 5th of August, 2015, Camp Quality held a puppet play for the boys from Prep to Year 6 to learn more about cancer and the role that Camp Quality plays to support kids with cancer. During the play they taught us many things about cancer, including how it begins and treatment. This play was a lot of fun, but also had a serious message. It gave us a lot to think about and taught us that no matter whether you have cancer or not that you can always support those around you.

At MBBC we raise a lot of money for Camp Quality. We raise it at the end of Term 3 where we give a portion of the money from Carnival Day to Camp Quality to support kids all over Australia.

For Carnival Day, kids will be asked to donate prizes to be used in their class stalls. They will then be given most of the day to spend their own money at the stalls.

Families can be confident that every cent of the money raised by each stall will be donated to one of our chosen charities, which includes Camp Quality.

Don’t forget with Camp Quality, “laughter is the best medicine.”

Gold Coins and Jeans for Genetic Research

Blake D

On Friday 7th of August, the boys of MBBC supplied a gold coin donation and wore free dress, to support the annual Jeans for Genes Day.

Whilst this was a great opportunity for students to enjoy free dress, students completely understood that the donations were to support genetic research.

MBBC’s donations are passed on the Children’s Medical Research Institute. An organisation that looks into genetic research for children’s medical conditions.

This was connected to Dunlop house’s charity for the year.
Hervey’s Big Bike Win

Harvey poses in front of the MBBC mountain bikes

Sebastian L

Harvey Anderson competed in the 2015 QLD State Cyclocross championship on Sunday, 2nd of August.

He competed against 2 other competitors, both the same age as him in the under 7’s.

The first race was good for MBBC and was filled with lots of tight and loose turns.

This was a different race for MBBC mountain bikers, who are more familiar with their tight and twisting home track.

Harvey Anderson got a gold medal coming out of the championship and was awarded the title of 2015 U7 Cyclocross State Champion.

When asked how he felt about the win, Hervey said, ‘It felt good winning’.

Overall the MBBC riders did very well, especially Harvey.

This is another example of the good work that is being done in the MBBC Mountain Biking Club.

MBBC vs MBBC In Big Home Game Clash

Cooper W

On Friday the Year six teams went head to head on the basketball court in a thrilling battle.

MBBC white were coming into this encounter with some confidence off the back of a close win to Padua, while the blue team were looking to send a message to the competition.

The effort from both teams was high from the starting whistle to the final siren.

The 26-4 score line didn’t reflect the effort put in from both teams.

Year six white came out on top and Dallas Krook was named MVP.

Dallas Krook, Jack Gooley and Jordan Nichols scored a handful of goals while Max Nelson and Josh Taylor chipped in with some good defence at the other end of the court.

The blue team played well with some brilliant plays leading to goals.

But in the end it was just not enough.

This leaves the white team on 2 wins after 2 rounds and the blue team 0 wins from 1 match.
MBBC striving to create a better “science experience”

Hugh B

Moreton Bay Boys’ College is creating greater opportunities for boys to do science.

The college has undertaken a project of constructing new, improved science facilities to allow more boys to experience science in an interesting and fun way.

The new MBBC Science Block starting to take shape.

“We want boys in Grades 7 and under to have a science experience”, quoted Mr Wood, Head of College.

The current science block will be extended into a larger, two storey building, with updated facilities to suit the needs of the 21st century.

These facilities will include an additional science laboratory and a new Extended Experimental Investigation (EEI) Room. The EEI room will allow students to set up and conduct long term experiments, without interference.

The ground floor will have the capacity to accommodate another classroom, but will remain empty for the meantime.

Another positive feature of the new building is that disabled access will be available.

Construction of the science building was commenced in April 2015 and is expected to be completed in the first week of the Term 3 school holidays.

As a result, the Family Science Night has been postponed until Friday, 9 October 2015, to showcase the new science facilities.

Team Time Riddled With Problems

Blake D

Brothers and sisters I have none but this man's father is my father's son.

Who is the man?

If you can answer this, then you would have loved the last Team Time activity that group 2 faced with Ms Hamson.

Team Time is a time where all students from year 4-6 participate in activities that the teachers set for students.

Students participate in Team Time every Thursday at 2:10pm.

These activities are created to improve group work and collaboration skills.

With Ms Hamson, group 2 participated in problem solving activities. The entirety of the group were split into groups of 4, 5 and 6’s. As a group, we were to solve a large number of riddles that Mrs Hamson supplied to all of the groups participating.

All of the groups successfully completed the riddles, this was accomplishable because all of the groups intelligently worked together to solve all of the problems supplied.

All of the students that participated in the riddle activity were enthusiastic about the collaborative activity that group 4 took part in. This led to a successful team time activity, clearly demonstrating the properties expected to be applied in 4-6 team time.

For all those who think they are good at riddles, I'll leave you with this one.

Tear one off and scratch my head what was red is black instead?
Ranger’s Apprentice

Benjamin T

‘Ranger’s Apprentice’, by John Flanagan, is a twelve-book fictional series, which has won many awards.

It is a gripping novel that will keep virtually all audiences, young and old, on the edge of their seats. ‘Ranger’s Apprentice’ will keep children entertained and is a great way to encourage them to start writing their own novels.

The book centres around Will, an orphan at the Redmont Ward. Every few years, orphans were chosen by a certain craftmaster (a person talented at something).

He was hoping to follow his father’s path and be chosen for Battleschool, where they train to become a warrior.

Much to his dismay, Will saw that Horace (one of Will’s ward mates, who bullied him all the time) was right - that no master was likely to choose him.

Despite his useless objections, the Battlemaster did not approve of Will. If he is not chosen, then Will would be forced to live the life of a farmer. But, will one mysterious master hold the key to it all?

‘Ranger’s Apprentice’ series will bring years of endless pleasure for the readers.

Star Rating

It’s a very touching story, that shows you what being a refugee is like.

This is a book worth reading for soccer lovers and people who are researching refugees and what their life might be like. While the book itself is not a difficult read, the story deals with many complex issues involving family, love and identity.

A Look At Mr Lewis

Daniel M

Since coming to MBBC in 2014, Mr Lewis has established himself as a much liked teacher, with valuable contributions across the college.

Q: What is your favourite subject to teach? And why?
Maths, because it makes sense and there is always a right or wrong answer.

Q: When did you know you wanted to become a teacher?
When I was out working with a group of kids on a summer camp.

Q: What age group do you most prefer to teach?
I enjoy teaching Year 3 to Year 6.

Q: What would you be doing if you hadn’t become a teacher?
I would have become a sports journalist.

Boy Overboard

James B

In the Morris Gletizman Book, Boy Overboard, we follow the life of a young boy, Jarmal, a soccer mad Manchester United supporter, though his dreams to flee his war torn home country of Afghanistan.
The Puzzler

PYP Attributes
Can you name all of the PYP Attributes in the crossword below?

Riddle Me This, Riddle Me That…
By Jared W

Q. What has a face and two hands but no arms or legs?
A. A clock!

Q. What is the easiest way to double your money?
A. Put it in front of the mirror of course!

Q. What has a thumb and four fingers but is not alive?
A. A glove.

Q. What has to be broken before you can use it?
A. An egg.

Q. What has a neck but no head?
A. A bottle.

Q. What gets wetter as it dries?
A. A towel.

Q. What goes up and doesn’t come back down?
A. Your age.

Q. What belongs to you but is used more by others?
A. Your name.

Q. Everyone has it and no one can lose it, what is it?
A. A shadow.

Q. It’s been around for millions of years, but it’s no more than a month old. What is it?
A. The moon.

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