Dear Parents,

There are two strong images in Sunday’s Gospel: the law and love. In a few verses Jesus keeps moving between the two ideas because he knows how closely related they are. Think for a moment of people or projects we love, ones to which we are committed. We don’t need a rulebook to call us to the most generous and sacrificial behaviour in their regard. We respond ‘above and beyond the call of duty’ not because of the law, but because of love. Jesus teaches us that obedience to his commandments is a part of our loving relationship with him. Jesus says to the disciples that ‘In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live.’ Christian people believe that Christ continues to be present in the world even though he is no longer physically present. It is those who believe who continue to recognise and affirm his ongoing presence in the world. Whilst the Spirit, the advocate or paraclete, will act in the world to bring about the reign of God, it is in the hearts and minds of those who believe where the Spirit will act most strongly.

FAITH-BUILDING EVENINGS
A big thank you to all parents and families who have attended the faith evenings held over the past few weeks. It has been pleasing to observe the interaction between parents and children as well as the opportunities to deepen discussions, reflections and share comments.

GROWING WITH GRACE PROGRAMS
On Monday, children in the 3/4 level will have a classroom presentation, ‘The Wonder of Life’. This is followed by parent-child workshops the following week, on Wednesday 4th June in the hall. The times are either 6:00-7:00pm or 7:30-8:30pm. There will be parent-child workshops held for the 5/6 level as part of the ‘Growing with Grace’ program. There are two sessions to choose from – Monday 26th May at 7:00pm or Wednesday 28th May at 7:00pm.

PARENTS’ ASSOCIATION
Last night at the Parents’ Association meeting, among the items discussed was the Trivia night on Friday 13th June. The focus of the night is ‘social’ – we are hoping to cover costs, but the focus is not on fund raising, but coming together and enjoying a night out together. Please read the attached details.

FETE MEETING
Our next Fete meeting is next week, Tuesday 27th May at 7:30pm - we are hoping that many parents will attend to assist with the planning of our major effort for the year.

MINI VINNIES
Congratulations to the children who visited Corpus Christi Aged Care facility – the children represented themselves, their families and school extremely well, and more importantly giving joy to the residents.

INTERSCHOOL SPORT
The Year 5/6 students will be playing sport against Amsleigh Park Primary School tomorrow. We will be the ‘home’ team with Netball and Boys Soccer, while Girls Soccer, Volleystars and football will be played at Amsleigh. We welcome parents to assist with the teams, and of course your support is most welcome.

Students who are competing in the District Cross Country on Thursday 29th May will be training on the Oval tomorrow morning with Mrs Tobin, and on Monday morning – 26th May will be running the Walk-a-Thon course again, leaving at 8am.

PREP ENROLMENTS
A reminder that enrolments for siblings for next year’s Prep are due by Friday 30th May – so far only 10 current families have submitted an enrolment form for 2015.

FIRST EUCHARIST
This evening Fr John will lead Yr 4 children and their parents who are preparing for First Communion in a special Mass at 7pm. On the following week – Thursday 29th May there will be a Workshop for children and their parents at 7pm in the Hall. This follows a Reflection day for the children on Wednesday 28th May.

LICE
Lice have been detected in some students’ hair and have been treated. It is important that you regularly check your child’s hair, and treat their hair with products that are readily available from your pharmacy or supermarket.

With thanks,

Thomas Coghlan
PRINCIPAL

BIGGEST MORNING TEA
A reminder to all families that we are hosting a Biggest Morning Tea in the hall at the back of the Church after the morning assembly. If parents are able to stay to help serve and clean up afterwards it would be greatly appreciated.

PASTORAL CARE
If any families would like to be on a food roster to help out our pastoral care service, please leave your contact details with Grace Leslie (1/2SP, 3/4L), or at the office.
TERM TWO DATES

May
Thursday 22nd  Yr 4 Eucharist ‘Walk through Mass’
7pm
Friday 23rd  Biggest Morning Tea
Monday 26th  Yr 5/6 Workshop – Growing with Grace
7pm
Tuesday 27th  Fete meeting
Wednesday 28th  Yr 4 Eucharist Reflection day
Yr 5/6 Workshop – Growing with Grace
7pm
Thursday 29th  Yr4 Eucharist Family Workshop

June
Wednesday 4th  Yr 3/4 Parent/child workshop: Growing
with Grace 6pm & 7:30pm

FRIDAY 13TH COHR PARENTS QUIZ NIGHT

Put this date in your diary now and secure your baby sitters for our annual parents’ social night. These are always fun nights and are a great way to get know other parents; our new COHR parents particularly welcome!

Our theme for the night is Friday 13th so come dressed in black.

Friday 13th June
7pm
$25 per head
COHR Hall
BYO Nibbles and Drinks

This is a trivia night with a difference! Answers are multiple-choice (great for those of us who know the answers but can’t recall the answers!) and responses are entered electronically. Points are weighted for quicker response times but points are also lost for incorrect answers! And what’s a parents’ social night without a DJ to finish off the night.

This year we’ve decided to use a secure online ticket purchasing system. Simply enter the follows link into your browser and select ‘Continue Booking’

http://www.trybooking.com/87994

Alternatively search for ‘COHR Quiz Night’ at www.trybooking.com

Payments can be made via credit card for a transaction fee of 30 cents per ticket and seats can be selected at specific tables. Tickets will be emailed to your nominated email address. Contact Brigid Boyce 0407 323 805 if you don’t wish to pay online or if you don’t have a table but would like to join one; all welcome!
On Wednesday 21st May the Mini Vinnie’s and the Social Justice Captains visited Corpus Christi Aged Care Facility. We shared a liturgy with the residents about Mary the Mother of God and how the Church focuses on Our Lady as one, who is a model who can help us to, live a Christian life. Then we shared with them the special women in our lives. We had a wonderful afternoon together.