**Mary Immaculate Primary School**

**Quakers Hill - Update**

**Term 1 Week 3**

10th February 2010

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**OPENING SCHOOL MASS**

Opening School Mass: This Friday is our opening mass for 2010. Starting at 9.15am. We warmly invite parents, family and friends to attend this Eucharistic celebration to bless our school year ahead and welcome our newest members: Kindergarten to our community. We will also be commissioning our School leaders and new Ministers of the Word.

**HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT THE MARY IMMACULATE WEBSITE LATELY??**

We have a brand new address, and you can find us at...

http://www.maryimmacqhill.catholic.edu.au/

Have a look around and you will find:

- Newsletters
- Canteen Price Lists
- Parent Handbook
- Photo Galleries
- Learning Journeys
- Latest news
- Upcoming Events
- Mr Jordan’s Blog.

Parents and students are welcome to comment on Mr Jordan’s experiences at Mary Immaculate.

More website news to follow soon!

Mrs Jones

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**PLEASE NOTE**

Learning Journey, Term 1 Parent Calendar and MIPS (new) Homework Policy will be sent home tomorrow (Thursday 10th February)

New Canteen price list was sent home Tuesday 9th February.

**HAITI:**

Thank you to all those who brought their gold coin donation last Friday for the Haiti Appeal. If you forgot, you can still bring in your contribution during this week.

**OFFICE HOURS**

Parents are politely reminded that office staff are only available between 8.25 and 4pm. Please be advised that phone calls and foyer enquiries can only be dealt with during these office hours.

Michelle Allen
Office Manager

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**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**

Mr. Jordan speaking to the students about never taking the happiness from anyone else!

**A Kinder Tells ……**

A little girl at MIPS just finished her first week of school and said to her mother-

“I’m just wasting my time,” she said to her mother.

“I can’t read, I can’t write and they won’t let me talk!”
**Joke of the Week**

What do you call a dog with no legs?

Doesn’t matter it won’t come anyway!

Christopher Addison 5P

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**SWIMMING CARNIVAL 2010**

Last Monday the primary grades were involved in the school’s swimming carnival. The weather was not as kind to us as was first thought but by lunch it was warm and clear.

Children were involved in 50m races, 25m races and non-swimming activities and fun was had by all.

Thank you to all the teachers and parent helpers involved. Without their support the day would not have run as smoothly.

The children were very supportive of their teammates, extremely well behaved and cheered enthusiastically throughout the day.

Congratulations to Dharruk (Green) who won the carnival followed by Pentland (Red), Callose (Blue) and MacKillop (Gold).

The age champions will be awarded at a Friday school assembly in the near future.

Amanda Attard & Josh Miller
With the trophy that Green team won at the Swimming Carnival.
Congratulations to all!!

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**MERROO ADVENTURE CENTRE**

Monday, 1st February all Year 5 went on an excursion to Merroo Adventure Centre. We were to do different activities to help us with learning and understanding how to cooperate, work as a team supporting each other.

We got there after about 50 minutes in a bus. When we ARRIVED we had a little snack and broke up into our colour groups. I did catapulting and the team, an obstacle course.

I learnt that the building of the catapult required team work and a lot of attentive listening. During the obstacle course I learnt that you needed to encourage and not to use put downs to be able to complete the course.

There was also the blind trail where we were all in a straight line and were not able to see. We had to trust the person in front and listen very carefully.

To finish the day we were able to go on the water slide and use the 25m pool. We had fun pushing Mrs. Jones in and were challenged jumping into the pool like a Mexican wave.

We had a terrific day and learnt that any time a team encountered a problem we just have to work together to solve it.

Kamryn Makdesi and Matthew Fung

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