



## Letter to Parents

Dear Parents,

Natural Fertility Services Cairns will visit our school in this term to present a Personal Development Program based on the "Wonder of Living" series. NFS has been educating for over twenty years in the area of age appropriate sexuality within a Christian moral framework. NFS is a ministry of the Cairns Catholic diocese. The program is values-based and family-orientated and the presenters are accredited Family Life Educators.

Parents are a child's primary source of formation regarding their sexual development and this program seeks to assist parents in this area.

The children will view the first movie of the three part "Wonder of Living" series titled ***A New Baby The unique gift of each child!*** The movie shows a family sharing the story of their son's birth. It is the wonderful story of how life in the womb grows from conception to birth.

**You are invited to attend and participate in the movie sessions with your child.** Sessions will be held **on Thursday 23 July** as follows:

<b>Year 1</b>	<b>8.30am – 9.30am</b>	<b>Year 4</b>	<b>12.00pm – 1.00pm</b>
<b>Year 2</b>	<b>9.30am – 10.30am</b>	<b>Year 5</b>	<b>1.30pm – 2.30pm</b>
<b>Year 3</b>	<b>11.00am – 12.00pm</b>		

And on **Friday 24 July**:

<b>Year 6C &amp; ½6H</b>	<b>8.30am – 9.30am</b>
<b>Year 6S &amp; ½6H</b>	<b>9.30am – 10.30am</b>

Following the movies, the session continues with a group discussion using foetal development and baby models to create the appropriate environment where questions may be asked and answered.

The program also includes **Puberty Talks** for the **Year 5 & 6 students** in gender specific groups on **Friday 24 July**.

The issues discussed are puberty, hygiene, hormones, body and emotional changes, behavioural issues and managing periods (girls). These sessions do discuss puberty changes for both genders, in an attempt to foster an attitude of respect for this time of change in their lives.

Open Doors the creators of the movie series also provide a resource for parents, "Conversations with your Child" that may be purchased online from [www.opendoors.com.au](http://www.opendoors.com.au)

I encourage parents to attend the movie sessions and take advantage of this Personal Development Program being offered for the benefit of all families in our school community.

If you **DO NOT WISH** your child to attend the program please complete the form below and return to school by **Wednesday 22 July**.

Yours sincerely,

Principal

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### Natural Fertility Services

*Wonder of Living Program (Yrs 1-6)*

*& Puberty Talks (Yr 5 & 6)*

*Please return completed form by **Wednesday 22 July***

**Family Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Child's Name** \_\_\_\_\_ **Year** \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **No**, I do not give permission for my child to attend the Wonder of Living Program.

**Signed:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date:** \_\_\_\_\_