Catholic Education Week – out in the schools...
In 1869, Mary Mackillop travelled north to Brisbane and remained here with her Sisters of St Joseph until 1871. They established a base at Kangaroo Point, rowing a boat across the Brisbane River to get to Mass at St Stephen’s Cathedral. From here the Sisters (like other religious groups) established schools in Brisbane and eventually throughout Queensland.

The current St Joseph’s School Community, Kangaroo Point, stepped back in time to celebrate 150 years of the Catholic Church in Queensland. The staff and students wore costumes from the late 1800s. They stayed in role for the entire day, following a schedule resembling an 1869 timetable. Micheal O’Sullivan (Principal) and Anne Victor (APRE) used the recently BCE produced resource Moving Forward in Hope – Recalling 150 Years of the Catholic Church in Queensland for research and inspiration. See the timetable they followed on page 13 of the above-mentioned resource.

Did your school celebrate Catholic Education Week in a special way? We would love to hear about it. Email Chris Thomas a brief description and a couple of photos of the event.

Archdiocesan Youth Festival - Sunday 11 October, 2009 - Rosalie Precinct
In response to this year’s Social Justice Sunday Statement, And You Will Be My Witnesses: Young People and Justice, by the Catholic Bishops of Australia, the Catholic Justice & Peace Commission and the Archdiocesan Commission for Ministry with Young People have collaborated to develop a creative, festive, informative, hope-filled event. They are bringing together social justice groups, young people and those who work with young people from across the Archdiocese. The event will be held at the Rosalie Precinct (the old Marist Junior College site) and will include:

- guest speakers
- live music
- drama
- social justice workshops
- displays by local social justice groups
- liturgy
- culminating in a concert

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Make, Take and Instigate PD – 12 October, 2009 - O’Shea Inservice Centre, Wilston
Primary and secondary teachers of religion should not miss this great learning opportunity. The program for the day includes a keynote presentation by Mark Elliott Principal Education Officer – Religious Education on Religious Education and the 'Stuff' Quandary. Workshops will be presented by religious educators from the Religious Education Team and Multimedia Centre. Enrol now through the Brisbane Catholic Education Professional Development Calendar.