

Our Lady Queen of Peace

Newsletter - Term 2 Week 2, 2015



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:



Dear Parents, Students and Teachers

Over the last few years the Parents and Friends Committee have changed their approach to organising meetings. The primary function of the P&F will be parent learning. To begin this year's agenda, Mr Warren Hopley has been invited to speak on "Boys Education" on Wednesday 29th April at 7.30pm in the library. The content of the session is applicable to all children and parents, but is focused on how boys generally learn in a different way. Please see the website for more information.

Our thanks to the Year 6 team who completed our series of Easter liturgies on Monday. They, very prayerfully, re-enacted the resurrection story for us and reminded us of God's promise of new life. I hope lots of our families were able to attend Easter Masses in the holidays.

Our thanks also to Mrs Dwyer and Mr Hossack, who created a wonderful ANZAC memorial garden and organised a beautiful liturgy to commemorate the 100th year of the landing at Gallipoli. The children understood the significance of the celebration and were very reverent during the ceremony.

There will be a special Children's Mass at 10.00am on Sunday (3rd May) where the children will be asked to sing and perform the usual tasks of Sunday Mass. I hope lots of our families will be able to attend.

Next week also we will celebrate Mother's Day on 7th May at 9.15am in the Hall. There will also be a Mother's Day stall on Wednesday 6th May for children to purchase a small gift for mum.

Michael Hopley

Principal

School Photos:

SCHOOL PHOTOS- MONDAY 11 MAY



- School photos will be taken on *Monday*, 11 May.
- Children are reminded to wear their full winter school uniform on that day.
- Payment envelopes will be sent home with your child later this week.

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PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE



• Has now commenced – note sent home this week with further details

Skoolbag App Issues

We have had a few calls regarding problems with some parents not getting or not able to open 'Alerts' on the Skoolbag App.

I have a few thoughts that might help here.

- Please ensure that your app has been updated. The Skoolbag app was updated to the latest version 3 in January, so some users may have not updated the app, and therefore are experiencing problems with the Push notifications.
- If you see a black screen it can be you are running an OS that is less than version 4. The new update version only runs on phones that are at least version 4 OS.
- You may have experienced people seeing the alerts, but when clicked on the app did not open. This was due to the last few days there has been very un predictable internet connections to phones because of the Storm damage etc,in NSW.
- If you are getting "can't connect to Skoolbag", it is because the app cannot establish a reliable internet connection. This can happen even with 4 bars of service on a 3G connection. This may be due to the last couple of days' weather activities.

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