



Our Lady Queen of Peace

Newsletter – Term 2 Week 4, 2015



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE:



Dear parents, students and teachers,

Kindergarten enrolments for 2016 are now open. We are currently interviewing parents and children, and the final date for submissions will be Friday 29th May. Applications are available from the office or from our school website: [OLQP website](#)

Congratulations to Mrs Andruskin who is pregnant with her first child. This is a very special time for her and her husband, and we wish them both well. Mrs Andruskin will be taking leave at the end of November.

Congratulations also to Mrs Senior on the arrival of her baby – Beau. Mr and Mrs Senior are thrilled about the birth of their first child and mum and bub are doing well.

Our thanks to Mrs Godwin and Mr Knight for organising a wonderful Mother's Day liturgy last Thursday. It was great to see all the mothers and grandmothers who attended and I hope you all had a lovely Mother's day with your families.

Our students in Year 3 and Year 5 are currently engaged in NAPLAN. This is an opportunity to analyse how our children are performing in Literacy and Numeracy at this particular time. We wish them well over the course of this week.

Our netball/basketball court and car park are now finished. I would remind parents to please not enter or leave the school through the car park, as cars are constantly moving through this area. The court is being used by the children each day and by our sporting teams.

Whilst the majority of parents are using the morning drop-off area well there are still some unnecessary delays. Parents please do not get out of your car, as this slows the whole process down. If you need to undo seat belts or unpack bags you will need to park in Braeside road to do this. No children should alight vehicles from the passenger side as this is particularly dangerous.

Office News:

At the P&F Meeting last night we discussed ways in which we can support safe and engaging play at lunch and recess times. One suggestion was supplying equipment, such as soft balls for the children to use. Another was having designated areas for playing with different materials – toy cars, chalk, boxes etc. Over the next few weeks I would like to continue this discussion with the staff so that together, we can help our children have an enjoyable time with their friends in the playground. Our next P&F Meeting will be an information evening with Constable Hatton from Merrylands Police on **Tuesday 16th June at 7.30pm in the Library**. The topic will be Cyberbullying and the use of social media. She will then follow up with our year 5 and 6 students the next day.

A number of our teachers are currently involved with family difficulties that have arisen due to ill health. Please keep them in your prayers as they continue the challenging but rewarding work of educating our children.

Have a great week

Michael Hopley

Principal

Office News:

PUPIL FREE DAY:

There will be a pupil free day on **Friday 26th June**, which is last day of Term 2. Please do not send children to school, as there will be no supervision for students on this day.

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