

# OLQP Newsletter

Term 2 Week 4 2018



Dear Parents, teachers and students

At the beginning of this week we invited parents to take part in a School Improvement Survey called **TTFM**. The data from this survey helps us to improve our performance, identify areas of need and establish an agenda for forward planning. It is an online survey and the URL for the site is [www.tellthemfromme.com/olqp123](http://www.tellthemfromme.com/olqp123) Teachers are currently completing the survey and the students will be completing them next week. Please take the time to complete the survey as it will help our school's development.

Last week our school participated in Peer Review. This is a compliance process where randomly selected teachers are asked to present their teaching programs to a panel of other teachers from the Diocese. Our Stage 1 teachers very confidently presented their information and the data collected is used as part of our School annual registration. Our thanks to all the teaching staff for their diligence and commitment to quality learning.

Star Partners at Merrylands have long supported our school with generous donations. Last Monday they donated 100 umbrellas, suitable for younger children. As there are a limited amount, we can only offer to children from Kindy to Year 2. They are available to take home from the office on request. One per family.

Kindergarten enrolment interviews are well under way and we hope to complete them by the end of June. We currently have 165 applications for Kindy 2019.

Over the course of the last few weeks I have had two serious incidents related to parents who, while attending school to pick up or drop off children, have spoken to other children inappropriately. These incidents have resulted in a great deal of anxiety for children who have felt intimidated by an adult. Parents should never approach another child regarding their behavior. Any matter concerning a child should be referred to a teacher or to myself. These incidents are considered to be breaches of the Child Protection Act and are reportable to Family and Community Services. More serious breaches would be reported to the Police.

At OLQP we believe that children need to develop the kind of resilience they will need throughout their lives to deal with problems they may encounter with their peers. They also need to understand that they are well supported at school and at home if they feel that they need help. The teachers and the leadership team are committed to supporting children and parents in developing safe and supportive relationships.

Unfortunately, we have also had a visit from the Police who are patrolling the area regularly.



## **DATES TO REMEMBER:**

### **Thursday 24 May**

- Year 6 Excursion to the Blue Mountains

### **Friday 25 May**

-Kindergarten 2019  
Enrolment applications  
close

### **Sunday 27 May**

-Pentecost Sunday

## **NOTES THAT HAVE BEEN SENT OUT:**

**\*\* All notes can be found on the school website \*\***

- Parish Raffle ticket booklet
- Lice Note
- International Family Day
- Year 6 Blue Mountains excursion
- Athletics Carnival
- St Vincent De Paul Appeal
- State of Origin donut offer

*The capacity to learn is a GIFT; the ability to learn is a SKILL; the willingness to learn is a CHOICE*

They have requested that parents do not park over driveways; do not allow children to alight from the car on the drivers side; do not stop in *No Stopping* zones; do not stop on the pedestrian crossing to let children out; do not use mobile phones at any time, especially on the Kiss & Ride line and do not turn right out of the Kiss & Ride zone. For the safety and wellbeing of all members of our community, please abide by the stand traffic rules.

***Have a great weekend***

***Michael Hopley***  
***Principal***