

# Our Lady Queen of Peace Primary

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# **Enrolling Now for Kindergarten 2023**

Dear parents, students and teachers,

Our formal enrolment period has begun and will finish on the 25th March. If you have a child of school age or you know someone who does, please download a form from our website or visit the school office and ask for an enrolment form. Our Open Day will be held on Wednesday 9th March and all new families are welcome to attend.

Our Opening School liturgy was held on Wednesday and it was a really wonderful ceremony acknowledging teachers and students who are new to our school as well as recognising our new school leaders for 2022. Fr. Paul always makes our celebrations special and it was great to see our invited parents in attendance. Unfortunately there was a glitch in our online streaming that couldn't be corrected during the ceremony. Our apologies for the presentation.

#### Dismissal

Our dismissal procedure continues to work well given our restrictions. The severe storms this week allowed us to have some parents onsite to collect their children. This was a one-off situation and hopefully we won't have heavy storms again for some time. Please **don't** contact the office to ask about picking up children early in the rain. We will notify you by SMS if dismissal is to be done early.

#### **Wellbeing Week**

After a great, but hectic start to the year we will have Wellbeing Week next week. The children will be engaged in various Sport and Creative Arts activities designed to support the wellbeing of students. There will be no homework and children can wear their sports uniforms if they wish.

## COVID Safety

On Friday 8 more RAT kits will be given to each student in Kindergarten to Year 4. Next week we will deliver the kits to Years 5 and 6. These kits have been provided by the NSW Government and are to be used at the parents discretion. This will be the final provision of RAT kits. Very soon we will be able to publish some changes to covid restrictions that will allow parents to attend our site in small groups. Thank you again for all your support during these times of constant change. I will send further information soon.

## Swimming

Congratulations and good luck to all our children participating in the Zone Swimming Carnival on Monday.

#### School Fees

School fees have been forwarded to all families over the last week. CEDP has moved to a new school fee system so please check your statement carefully and if you have any questions please contact the office and ask for Mrs Buhagiar.

# Crazy Hair Day

On Thursday 10 March OLQP will be having a crazy hair day, students can come to school with crazy and coloured hair, for this privilege children are asked to make a gold coin donation. (Further information will be forwarded closer to the date). All money raised will be donated to World's Greatest Shave !!



More players needed ! Register your interest at https://olqpfalcons.org.au/registration/ or contact us at registrar@olqpfalcons.org.au

Next Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent as we celebrate Ash Wednesday. This is a significant time of the year for our Catholic Community. It is a time to focus our thoughts on the person of Jesus in our lives and we follow the Gospel stories of his passion leading to his resurrection at Easter.

At this time we are also invited to focus our prayers on those who suffer with their own stories and in particular those who are currently under threat of war.



I invite everyone to make this coming 2nd March, Ash Wednesday, a Day of Fasting for Peace: let believers dedicate themselves intensively to prayer and fasting. May the Queen of Peace preserve the world from the madness of war. Pope Francis

Have a great week. Mchael Hopley Principal