



Queen of Peace Newsletter



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Queen of Peace – Guiding the Way

Dear Parents / Carers,

NAPLAN Online testing of Year 3 and Year 5 students will begin in Week 5, see timetable below. While the **written** NAPLAN test was held over three days, students completing NAPLAN **online** will have the same number of tests, but these will be scheduled over 9 days (called a testing window). The Year 3 students will still complete their writing assessment using pen and paper.

Federal, state and territory education ministers have agreed that NAPLAN testing will move from paper-based tests to computer-based assessments over a two to three-year period. NAPLAN Online replaces the paper-based NAPLAN tests with computer-based assessments. In most of the tests, students can go back and change answers. Students can also check their progress at any time during the test. Students will still be able to do working out on paper. Our students will complete NAPLAN Online using the devices they use every day in class. The ICT skills they will use to complete the online test are the same ICT skills they are using across a number of learning areas. Students have had the opportunity to experience NAPLAN Online trial assessments in the past weeks. Results for these tests have not been recorded.

NAPLAN Online Testing is a Federal Government directive, which uses narrow information gained from these tests to compare the performance of students and schools with each other. It is important to keep this in perspective, remembering it is just a snapshot of children's ability on a particular day, and to place any information gained from it within the context of what our school does to monitor progress and to keep parents informed. Our school assesses regularly, for different purposes, particularly in the areas of Literacy and Mathematics.

We assess

- FOR Learning: that is, pre-testing to find out what the student knows/doesn't know
- AS Learning: as the students are progressing through the activities/experiences
- OF Learning: at the completion of a unit of work, to see if the student had grasped the new learning.

Teaching is then planned to meet the educational needs of all the children. A pamphlet will go home today with all Yr 3 and 5 students explaining NAPLAN Online in more details. Below is the timetable for testing. All tests will be completed in the morning session between **9am and 11am**.

Monday 14 May	Tuesday 15 May	Wednesday 16 May	Thursday 17 May	Friday 18 May
	Year 5 Writing (online) Year 3 Writing (paper)	Year 5 Reading		Year 5 Conventions of Language Yr 3 Writing catch ups to be completed
Monday 21 May	Tuesday 22 May	Wednesday 23 May	Thursday 24 May	Friday 25 May
Year 5 Numeracy	Year 3 Reading	Year 3 Conventions of Language	Year 3 Numeracy	Catch up tests

Scripture:

Micah 6:8

“He has shown you, O man, what is good;

And what does the Lord require of you?

To act justly and to love kindness and to walk humbly with your God.”



Student Absences

According to new Attendance Guidelines, the school is required (by the beginning of Term 3) to notify parents whenever their child is marked absent without explanation. We are implementing this procedure next week and will send a text to a parent of any child who is away without notification.

If your child is going to miss school for any reason it is important that you contact the school **as early as possible** to advise:

1. Your child's name
2. Your child's class
3. Reason for absence

You can do this by either:

FLEXIBUZZ: click on the ABSENCE tab and fill in a quick form
or EMAIL absence@gopaltontameadows.catholic.edu.au
or PHONE 9369 2581 to leave a message on the absentee line (remember to leave name, class & reason)

Preferred method is Flexibuzz or email as phone messages can sometimes be difficult to understand.

If we have not been informed of your child's absence, a parent/carer will receive the following text:

You are receiving this text as Queen of Peace has not been notified of your child's absence today. Please contact the school, QoP 9369 2581

Please bear with us as we work to implement this system. We may need to fine-tune procedures, however we will always inform you of any changes to the process via FlexiBuzz and the fortnightly newsletter.

Bunnings Sausage sizzle

Thank you to all the parents who helped last Sunday to make this fundraiser such a success. A special mention to the coordinators Cindy, Fides and Bec.

Darren Gibbons
Principal

Have you changed your Mobile number? Address? Email?
PLEASE INFORM THE SCHOOL OFFICE AND UPDATE YOUR DETAILS ON CAREMONKEY.

Term 2: Monday 16 April – Friday 29 June
PUPIL FREE DAYS: Thursday 17 May & Tuesday 12 June
Term 3: Monday 16 July – Friday 21 September
Term 4: Monday 8 October – Wednesday 19 December

Mother's Day Morning Tea

On Friday the 11th of May, the Mini Vinnies group have organised a morning tea for the Mothers in our school community. There will be a Mass for our mothers at 9:15am, and following that is a Mother's Day morning tea at 10:00am. Mothers are invited to attend. The Mini Vinnies group are going to make some cakes and goodies that our mothers like! To attend the Mother's Day Morning Tea, we kindly ask that you bring a gold coin donation, which will all go to The Breast Cancer Foundation. If your mothers can't make it to our Mother's Day morning tea and mass, your grandmothers can attend the Mother's day morning tea and mass. We hope to see all our lovely mothers and grandmothers from our QoP community at our Mother's Day Morning Tea.

– QoP Mini Vinnies



QoP Uniform Shop

Open Fridays 2:30-3:30pm. **Also opening on Monday 21 May 2-3pm.** Orders can be left with the school office if you are unable to attend at this time. Returns will only be accepted with receipt.

Important Notice re Camps, Sports & Excursions Fund (CSEF)

CSEF provides payments for eligible students to attend activities like: school camps or trips, swimming and school-organised sport programs, outdoor education programs, excursion and incursions. A reminder to all eligible families that the CSEF forms are available from the office and must be submitted **no later than Friday 29 June 2018** to receive funding for 2018. This is \$125 per year for eligible primary school students and parents need to apply for this every year. More detailed information can be found on the VET website, click here: [CSEF Information & Eligibility](#)
To download a copy of the form, click here: [2018 CSEF Application Form](#) or pick up a hard copy from the carousel in the office foyer.

Collecting children early

To avoid disruption to classrooms, if children need to be collected early they should be picked up at the lunch break **(at 1:30pm Monday or 1:40pm Tuesday to Friday)**. It is also very disruptive for classes and the office to be passing on messages to children in the afternoons. It would be appreciated if these interruptions could be kept to a minimum.

Religion News

Friday 4 May – Year Prep Prayer Service

Friday 11 May – Whole School Mass to celebrate Mothers Day

Friday 18 May – LCEC Confirmation Reflection Day

Sacrament Family Nights 2018

Eucharist – Tuesday 17 July at 7pm

Reconciliation – Tuesday 18 September at 7pm

Sacraments for 2018

Confirmation – Sunday 27 May

First Eucharist – Sunday 12 August

Reconciliation – Thursday 18 October

Please note that these dates are currently correct but may change due to circumstances beyond our control.

Laverton Catholic Parish

Parish Office – 9369 6877

laverton@cam.org.au

Fr John Healy – Parish Priest
Tho Tran – Deacon

Sue Sherman – Secretary
Grace Gingco – Bursar
Liz Nissen – Baptism Coordinator

LAVERTON PARISH CHILDREN'S LITURGY

2nd and 4th weekend of the month (except January)
11am and 6pm at Queen of Peace 9am at Stella Maris

Laverton

St Martin de Porres	Mass	Sunday	10:00am
		Tuesday	9:15am
		Thursday	9:15am

Reconciliation by request

Altona Meadows

Queen of Peace	Mass	Saturday	9:15am
			6pm
		Sunday	8:00am
			11:00am
		Wednesday	9:15am
		Friday	9:15am
	Reconciliation	Saturday	10:00am–10:30am

Point Cook

Stella Maris	Mass	Sunday	9:00am
St. Mary of the Cross	Mass	Wednesday	9:00am
Lumen Christi	Mass	Thursday	9:15am
Stella Maris	Mass	Friday	9:15am

Open Day at Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre

The Mary MacKillop Museum at 362 Albert Street East Melbourne tells the inspiring story of Australia's St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. The Museum has a special Open Day on Saturday 5th May from 10am-4pm with a guided Mary MacKillop Walking Tour at 11am and a special morning or afternoon tea available between 11am & 3pm. www.mmhc@sosj.org.au

ANZAC Day

Thank you to our student leaders who presented the floral tribute at the Altona Dawn Service yesterday on behalf of all the families, students and staff of Queen of Peace. Thank you also to the QoP Staff who attended. It was a very reflective service.



Family Engagement News

A special thank you to those parents who turned up to contribute to our community conversation. Your thoughts and ideas were valuable contributions to help shaping our schools vision.

A great way to find out more about what your child is learning at school is to ask your child how their day was. Sometimes you may get a "fine" or a grunt in reply. This list below is a great way to get some different responses from your child. Give it a try today!

Belinda Bartolo

Classroom Teacher & Family Engagement Learning Leader



Petition to 'Keep children of Altona Meadows safe on the roads'

Thank you to all the grade 5 and 6 students and staff who have so far signed my petition to Vic Roads after I spoke at school assembly. With my letter and your help, I hope we can influence Vic Roads to make children's crossings safer in Altona Meadows, especially the ones at the corner of Queen and Victoria Streets. Since I spoke at assembly, a few parents have asked at the office if they can also sign my petition. Thank you! If other parents or children are interested in signing it, I have left a copy at the school office for one week so that you can do this. After this, I will send the petition and letter to Vic Roads. Let's all help make it safe for children to walk and ride in Altona Meadows! - Lucy N (5C)



Fete Update

The first **parent art/craft workshop** was held last Friday in the art room. With ideas and guidance provided by QOP Art Teacher Sue Rigby, parents enjoyed creating their own cards and as you can see in the photos, with fantastic results! The next workshop is Rock Painting (or you can continue with card

making if you choose) next Friday 11th May from 12.30 - 3.30pm. All welcome.

Thank you to those who have already volunteered to be a **stall supervisor** on Fete day. Responses are due **next Thursday 10th May** so please take the time to look at the description of any stall you may be interested in and see if you can help out at the Fete in this way. Without supervisors, stalls cannot exist. Stall supervisors will be announced in the next newsletter.



The Fete team is beginning to approach local businesses for sponsorship and donations. **Please let us know if you have approached any local businesses so that we don't unnecessarily approach them again.**

We are still in need of **many more marquees/gazebos** to borrow. If you have one at home, or know of someone who has one, and are willing to loan it to the school for use on Fete day, please contact the Fete team by next Tuesday at Fete@gopaltonameadows.catholic.edu.au

Don't forget to check us out on facebook (follow, share, like). Search for "QoP Fete in the meadows 2018" or visit: <https://www.facebook.com/gopfeteinthemeadows2018/> So that you don't miss out on any notifications, make sure you have selected "all on" under "notifications", under "following" on the Fete page.

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2

Please contact the school office if you are unable to attend on your rostered day, thank you.

Mon 7 May	Tues 8 May	Weds 9 May	Thurs 10 May	Fri 11 May
Frank S	Bridget H	Michelle R	Jessie N Michelle R	
Mon 14 May	Tues 15 May	Weds 16 May	Thurs 17 May	Fri 18 May
Cheryl P	Maria A	Belinda N	PUPIL FREE DAY	Gina P

Is anyone available to help Antoinette on Friday 11 May between the hours of 9:45am-2pm approximately?

Please call school office **9369 2581**.

Student Awards

Prep A	Noah Z	For helping to keep our school tidy.
	Daniel M	For always thinking of others.
Prep B	Fermin O	For great singing during practice for our Prep Prayer session.
	Valentina B	For making right choices and being a friendly class member.
Prep C	Hannah C	For showing kindness to others in our classroom.
	Brandon D	For always being friendly.
Year 1A	Emily M	For working hard in her place value learning.
Year 1B	Leonardo B	For consistently reading his reader every night.
Year 1C	Jeremy R	For confidently presenting his Maths Book entry in front of the grade.
Year 2A	Thomas R	For being a great listener and always following instructions.
Year 2B	David L	For his participation in class discussions and helping others.
Year 2C	Evelyn J	For putting lots of effort into letter writing!
	Curtis F	For a well constructed letter to his family.
Year 3A		
Year 3B	Angelina B	For showing great improvement when presenting her written work neatly.
Year 3C	Jasmine C	For always displaying a positive attitude towards others and learning.
	Brendan M	For making good progress in elaborating on his arguments in persuasive writing.
Year 4A	Helen H	For consistently challenging herself during our investigations into multiples, factors and patterns in maths.
	Benjamin N	For his determination and perseverance when faced with a series of challenges whilst coding the spheros.
Year 4B		
Year 4C	Mukundi C	For great participation in reading groups this week.
	Alek L	For working really hard to solve problems in maths.
	Jack H	For clear thinking, demonstrating great maths strategies.
Year 5A	Lauren P	For her great persuasive text.
Year 5B	Alyssa S	For her outstanding efforts in mathematics and always showing positive attitude.
	Xavier T	For always being open to giving new things a go and showing great persistence.
Year 5C		
Year 6A		
Year 6B	Emilia K	For proudly representing the school at the Dawn Service on ANZAC Day.
	Ben M	For proudly representing the school at the Dawn Service on ANZAC Day.
Year 6C	Zack H	For showing goods sportsmanship at basketball.
	Adrian D	For representing QoP at the Altona Dawn Service.



Queen of Peace Parish Primary School

Parents & Friends



Dear Parents & Carers

Last Sunday, 29th April we held a BBQ at the **Altona Bunnings**. It was a great success. A huge thankyou to everyone who volunteered their time to sell and cook sausages.

Thanks also to the families and friends who came past to support the cause. Well done to Cindy, Fides and Beck for organising the day- we are very grateful.

This **Thursday 10th May** we are holding our annual **Mother's Day Stall**. The children are very excited about choosing a gift for the special women in their lives. Thanks to everyone who has volunteered to help this coming Thursday. I look forward to seeing you then.

Have a great fortnight.

Teresa Prismall
2018 P&F President

Mount St. Joseph Girls' College Presents



Seussical™

Music by **STEPHEN FLAHERTY** Lyrics by **LYNN ANHRENS**

Book by LYNN ANHRENS and STEPHEN FLAHERTY

Co-Conceived by LYNN ANHRENS, STEPHEN FLAHERTY and ERIC IDLE
Based on the Works of DR. SEUSS

Licensed by exclusively by Music Theatre International (Australasia)
All performance materials supplied by Hal Leonard Australia

ALTONA THEATRE **TICKETS & INFO**

May 11 - 12 www.tickethost.com.au



Poster Design Artwork Harvath

School banking day is every **TUESDAY**. Any new students to the program will receive your student number with your first deposit at school. The process for school banking is as follows: Students bring in their deposit books with their money on a Tuesday morning, give them to their classroom teacher, where it is then sent to the office in the note tub to be banked. Students receive a Dollarmites token each time they bank. Once they have 10 tokens, they can then send them in with their next deposit to redeem the tokens for a reward.



Get ready for a Super Savers adventure with School Banking.

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This year in School Banking, your child will join the Dollarsmites on a Super Savers adventure, developing strong savings skills.

School Banking encourages children to learn the value of saving and rewards those who demonstrate a regular savings behaviour.

New Super Savers reward items.

Introducing an exciting new range of reward items with two released every term.

Your child can redeem one of these rewards, while stocks last, after making 10 School Banking deposits.

Remember, with the CommBank Youth app, it's easy for your child to monitor the Dollarsmites tokens they earn when making School Banking deposits and track their savings. Available to download from the App Store on any iOS® or device.

A chance to win a family trip to Hawaii.

Students who truly are Super Savers will have the chance to win a family trip to Honolulu, Hawaii, staying 7 nights at the Sheraton Waikiki Resort, plus A\$2,000 spending money.

To enter, students simply make 15 or more School Banking deposits before the end of Term 3 2018, and they will automatically enter the Super Savers Grand Prize Competition.

To find out more about School Banking, or explore fun activity sheets for your child, visit commbank.com.au/schoolbanking.

Please see disclaimer: The "Super Savers Grand Prize Competition" (Promotion) is conducted by the Commonwealth Bank of Australia (CBA) at 123-125 Pitt Street Level 11, Sydney NSW 2000. The Promotion runs until the end of 30/06/2018. To participate, you must be aged 11 years and also live in New South Wales. 10 random School Banking Rewards users will be randomly selected. Randomly drawn winners may receive cash prizes up to \$2,000. Cash prizes will be paid as a lump sum payment. There is no prize pool. The Promotion ends on 30/06/2018. Prizes will be awarded by 30/09/2018. The Promotion is open to all eligible residents of New South Wales who are aged 11 years and over at the time of purchase. The prize will be awarded to the person's nominated point-of-purchase. CommBank App is available for free. Full terms and conditions available under our participating advertising agency Bell & Howells Pty Ltd, PO Box 111, North Sydney NSW 1585.

Classes are 30 minutes, at this stage they will be held Monday mornings. Students will be invoiced at beginning of each school term. Fee: \$28 per individual lesson. Instrument to be purchased by parents. Once you have your violin, lessons can begin. Tutor book also to be purchased by parents. Please call me if you have any questions: Liz Ambrose 0404 011 039. HAPPY VIOLIN PLAYING!



Showing You Our BEST

Sunday 6 May

St Paul's Campus
423 Blackshaws Road
Altona North
10.30am - 1.30pm

Notre Dame Campus
2-40 Foxwood Drive
Point Cook
11.00am - 2.00pm



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