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### Queen of Peace - Guiding the Way

Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to our children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday. The ceremony was very moving. The children participated reverently in the celebration. Many thanks to Suzanne, Gracias, Marija Woods, Loren O'Toole, and Natalie Enright for the way they have prepared the children.

Thanks also to the school choir for singing so well – they sounded beautiful, and in particular Margot O'Malley and Maree Bracken for coordinating and preparing the choir. I would also like to thank the Queen Of Peace staff for their assistance prior to and on the day. Thanks also to Bishop Edwards, Father Healy and Deacon Tho for leading us in a very beautiful liturgy.

#### **Senior Athletics Day**

The weather held out on Wednesday when we held our Senior School Athletics Carnival. A good day was had by all. I would like to congratulate and thank Mrs Marshall for organising the day. A special thank you to the following parent helpers who were there to make the day a success. Vesna Mikulic, Pauline Chetcuti, Poppy Napoli, Maureen Puopolo, Margaret Beckman, Michelle Raffaele, Lauren Kelly, Tina Mifsud, John Mifsud, Kimberley Shields, Michele Ross, Cheryl Price, Jacky Milat, Christine Manssour, Pamela Leung, Michelle Goostry, Lauren Kelly, Jackie Atanasovski Celeste Ryan and Belinda Cliffe

#### Social events at QOP - P & F day bowling

I would like to encourage as many families as possible to support the upcoming family Ten Pin Bowling afternoon on Saturday, 16 June at 3pm at WynCity where the whole family can get involved. Please see details below in the 'P & F News and also the note on CareMonkey.

#### School Closure day Term 2

**Tuesday 12 June -** The staff will be revisiting our vision with Janine Luttick, Australian Catholic University, to define, explore and analyse what is important to our community.

Darren Gibbons Principal

### **Prayer of the Week**

Lord, lead me to look for the positive in all people and in all situations.

May I help bring light to those in darkness, and encouragement to those who feel unhappy.

May I show as much care for others as I would like them to show for me.

Amen



# Religion News

#### Feast of the Sacred Heart

The Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass will be a whole school mass on Friday 8th June at 9.15am.

This is also the mass where our school has a collection for St Vincent de Paul's Society, where items are collected for the poor and disadvantaged families in our community.

Our Minnie Vinnies Group have organised for each year level to collect certain items.

Preps- blankets and beanies

Yr 1's- Packets of rice

Yr 2's- Packets of pasta/pasta sauce

Yr 3's- Cereals

Yr 4's- Long life milk

Yr 5's- Canned food

Yr 6A- Toilet paper/ soap

Yr 6B- Shampoo/conditioner

Yr 6C- Toothpaste/toothbrushes

please drop off items to child's classroom

#### **Confirmation Certificates**

Confirmation candidates will receive their Confirmation certificates after the whole school mass on Friday 8th June -The Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass at 9:15am.

#### **Sacrament Family Nights 2018**

Eucharist - Tuesday 17 July at 7pm Reconciliation - Tuesday 18 September at 7pm

#### Sacraments for 2018

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** 

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

Laverton

St Martin de Porres Mass Sunday

Mass

Mass

Mass

Mass

Mass

**Point Cook** 

Stella Maris

Lumen Christi

Stella Maris

St. Mary of the Cross

Reconciliation

Tuesday Thursday 10:00am 9:15am 9:15am

Reconciliation by request

Altona Meadows Oueen of Peace

Saturday

9:15am 6pm 8:00am

Sunday Wednesday

11:00am 9:15am

Friday 9:15am

Saturday

10:00am-10:30am 9:00am

Sunday Wednesday Thursday Friday

9:00am 9:15am 9:15am

The Feast of the Sacred Heart reminds us that we are called to the fullness of life through the love of Jesus.



#### **Student Absences**

According to new Attendance Guidelines, the school is required (by the beginning of Term 3) to notify parents as soon as is practicable, whenever their child is marked absent without explanation. We have begun implementing this procedure and a text message is sent to a parent of any child who is marked absent without notification. Please note that if your child is not in class at 9am they will be marked absent.

If your child is going to miss school for any reason it is important that you contact the school **before 9am** to advise:

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

You can do this using the FLEXIBUZZ app. Click on the ABSENCE tab and fill in a quick form. If you are having trouble with this app, come to the office and we will try help you. N.B. The option to leave a phone message is being phased out. 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 & your child has been marked absent today. Please contact the school, QoP 9369 2581

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

#### **QoP Uniform Shop**

Open Fridays 2:30-3:30pm. 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: <u>2018 CSEF Application Form</u> 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.

#### **Commbank School Banking**

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. N.B. the Secret Scratch Pad is no longer available to order

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 2					
Please contact the school office if you are unable to attend on your rostered day, thank you.					
11 June	12 June	13 June	14 June	15 June	
Queen's Birthday	SCHOOL CLOSURE	Amelia M	Bridget & Michelle	Naomi	
Public Holiday	DAY		_		
18 June	19 June	20 June	21 June	22 June	
Cheryl P	Maria A	Belinda N	Jessie & Michelle		

Term 2: Monday 16 April – Friday 29 June

PUBLIC HOLIDAY: Monday 11 June PUPIL FREE DAY: Tuesday 12 June

EARLY FINISH: 1pm Monday 25 June (3 Way Conferences)

Term 3: Monday 16 July - Friday 21 September

Term 4: Monday 8 October - Wednesday 19 December

Student Awards				
Prep A	Janika L	For wonderful independent writing.		
	Alexis G	For over 100 nights of reading.		
Prep B	Edith P	For thinking of others and showing kindness to her class members		
	Luka G	For always using his time wisely to finish work on time		
Prep C	Liam A	For his great reading today.		
Year 1A	Neve H	For her wonderful effort in Reading Recovery and during reading groups.		
Year 1B	Tristan K	For his fluent reading reading during Reading Groups		
Year 1C				
Year 2A	Angela G	For demonstrating kindness and respect towards her peers.		
Year 2B		<u> </u>		
Year 2C	Isabelle S	For wonderful singing at the Grade 2 Prayer Service.		
Year 3A	Isabelle C	For her amazing progress in reading.		
Year 3B	Michael B	For his great work in the area of geography and mapping.		
Year 3C	Charlotte G	For challenging herself during our unit on chance.		
	Thomas K	For his outstanding effort during our chance investigations.		
Year 4A	Chloe W	For <b>always</b> having a positive attitude to her learning and consistently presenting her work to a high standard.		
	Michael M	For his responsible attitude in the classroom and for his thoughtful and considerate actions towards others.		
Year 4B	Darcy B	For his fantastic effort in helping out at Long Jump on Athletics Day.		
Year 4C	Ava T	For thorough research on her report about Coober Pedy.		
Year 5A	Martin B	For always being a polite, co- operative and caring member of 5A!		
	Cindy N	For always putting her best effort into all she undertakes.		
Year 5B	Sienna D	For her insightful contributions and sharing her connections during reading groups.		
	Heidi B	For displaying a positive attitude at the athletics carnival and giving everything a go with a smile.		
Year 5C				
Year 6A				
Year 6B	Tiffanie L	For always helping teachers in the classroom.		
	Kade A	For his great work in problem solving groups.		
Year 6€	Maddison G	For her hard work during mathematics.		
Year 6C		matromatro.		



Parents & Friends



Parents and Friends News:

P&F General Meeting- Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May 7pm: Thanks to everyone who came along to our Term 2 General Meeting. Lots were discussed and the minutes are available to everyone through FlexiBuzz and a hard copy is available at the office. Feel free to email <a href="mailto:Pandf@qopaltonameadows.catholic.edu.au">Pandf@qopaltonameadows.catholic.edu.au</a> for a pdf version.

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> August at 7pm, everyone is welcome to attend for a cuppa and to join in the discussion about our P & F issues and events.

#### Social events at QOP

As a result of the recent Social Survey, it was evident that some families would like to be involved in a family fun event. SO, we have organised a Ten Pin Bowling afternoon on Saturday, 16<sup>th</sup> June at 3pm at WynCity where the whole family can get involved. It costs \$15 for 2 games and shoes hire. Please reply to the CareMonkey form and return the money to the School Office by Wednesday,6<sup>th</sup> June to secure your reservation. Maybe some would like to stay on for pizza at Scolaro's Family Restaurant for dinner.

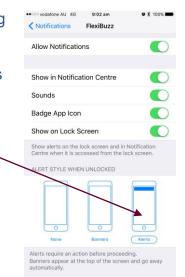
#### School DISCO: Friday 3rd August SAVE THE DATE!

Take care of yourself and each other

Teresa Prismall
P&F President 2018

# Flexibuzz – don't miss out on your reminders!

To ensure you're receiving alerts and notifications for new entries, please go to the Settings \ Notifications on your smartphone, switch all buttons on and also select 'alerts'.



## FETE UPDATE / CLASSIFIEDS

#### SPONSORSHIP!

If you've got it, we want it.
We have lots of sponsorship
opportunities available for all types
of businesses - big or small - and
we'd really love your support.



19 October 2018: 3-8pm

**MAJOR SPONSOR** 



**ALTONA MEADOWS** 





Become a volunteer and help man a stall - register via <a href="bit.ly/qopfv18">bit.ly/qopfv18</a>



**WANTED: MARQUEES**will need lots of marquees

We will need lots of marquees - if you know of anyone who has one, we would love to hear from you.

Are you following us on Facebook? Make sure you "Like" and "Follow" our Facebook page to keep up to date with all things Fete related. Don't forget to "Share" the page with your family and friends.

QoP Fete in the Meadows 2018

## Last week's art/craft parent workshop

The aprons made were "sew" good!



## Final art/craft workshop of the term

Friday 22nd June 12:30pm onwards in the Art Room.

A chance to complete work previously started or make something new from a previous workshop:

card making; rock painting; apron making; sunbursts / dream catchers.

YOU CAN EMAIL THE FETE TEAM ANY TIME AT FETE@QOPALTONAMEADOWS.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU

#### **Emmanuel College News**

Congratulations to our musicians, singers, dancers, actors, back-stage, sound and lighting crews on the outstanding performances of Beauty and the Beast staged last week. Our parish primary students had great fun and enjoyed the matinee performances, as did the large, enthusiastic audiences at the evening shows.

#### **Mount St Joseph Girls' College News**

Next Open Morning: Thus 21 June 2018 Open Morning 9:15 – 10:30am. Please note applications for Year 7 2020 close 3/8/18.

