



Our Lady Queen of Peace Primary School

NEWSLETTER TERM 3 WEEK 9 2014

SEPTEMBER

WEDNESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER

- ⇒ Showcase Auditions start 8:30 to 8:55am & recess each Wednesday
- ⇒ P&F Meeting @ 7:30pm in the Library

SATURDAY 13 SEPTEMBER

- ⇒ **OLQP BIG FETE**

FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER

- ⇒ **Last day of Term 3**

OCTOBER

TUESDAY 7 OCTOBER

- ⇒ **Term 4 commences for all students and staff**
- ⇒ **Healthy Harold visiting Kindergarten, Y2 & Y5**

WEDNESDAY 8 OCTOBER

- ⇒ **P & F Meeting at 7:30pm**

TUESDAY 28 OCTOBER

- ⇒ **2LH & 2W Excursion to Fairfield City Museum**

WEDNESDAY 29 OCTOBER

- ⇒ **2H & 2S Excursion to Fairfield City Museum**

NOVEMBER

WEDNESDAY 12 NOVEMBER

- ⇒ **P & F Meeting at 7:30pm**



UPCOMING EVENTS



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Students, Parents and Teachers,

Preparation for our **SCHOOL FETE** this **Saturday 13 September** continues and we are still hoping for parent support on the day. **We particularly need people for the afternoon (12.00pm to 3pm)**. There are lots of jobs helping with stalls, setting up and packing up at the end of the fete day. If you can give some time to help with these jobs, please contact **Mrs Melissa Cini** on **0413676700**. Thank you to all those families that have provided gift baskets and donations for the Chocolate Wheel. We look forward to a sunny, successful day.

I am very pleased to announce that our **soft fall** area is going ahead. Work will begin in the September holidays. We have been very fortunate in obtaining a **\$30,000** grant from **Wentworthville Leagues Club** and **Mr David Bourne, Principal of St. Paul's College**, has also generously donated **\$25,000** towards the project. I believe that the soft fall area will allow the children to have a space where they can play safely as well as having a place for outdoor learning. I would like to acknowledge the efforts of **Mr Kieron Maye** (parent) who organised the grant application and the tender process for the companies providing the work. **Mr Robert Simonetto** (parent) also provided much needed building consultation on the whole process. We are very fortunate in deed to have people of this caliber to organise large projects such as this one. Together with the P&F we are now looking at re-surfacing other areas of the playground in the future.

Our **Staff Development Day** last week was an excellent opportunity for our teachers to unpack the new **Mathematics** and **English Syllabus** documents. It was a very productive day and has allowed us to begin planning for 2015.

As previously mentioned we have recently adopted a new database for parent and student information called **FACES**. It is very important that data entered is accurate, particularly the parent contact details.

***** URGENT: Have you updated your Family Details Yet?**

As we migrate to this new administration system we ask that you **update parent details** with regards to mobile phones, email addresses, medicare details, etc, as well as providing confirmation of student travel arrangements. Could you please go to: <http://tinyurl.com/p8ybu8n> to **update your details**. Thank you to all those parents who have already provided this information.

Congratulations to Olivia Pratt (6D), our school captain, who has made it through to the **grand final** of the **Parramatta Diocesan Voice of Youth Competition**. This is a wonderful achievement, particularly given that Olivia has had to deliver a three-minute speech to a number of large audiences. As you can imagine this takes a great deal of skill and confidence and we are all very proud of her.

On **Monday** we celebrated a special **Mass for Mary** on the **feast of her birthday**. The Mass involved students from **OLQP** and **St. Paul's College** and a procession of the statue of Our Lady through our school grounds. It was also our first school Mass with our new Parish Priest, Fr. Paul Marshall. **Fr Paul** comes to us from **Toongabbie Parish** and we are very happy to have him as our **new pastor**. We look forward to his guidance and his celebration of the Sacraments in our school.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE CONT :

As this is the last newsletter for the term I would like to thank everyone for their continued support. I'm sure our fete will be a wonderful success as it is always a great experience when we come together as a community, with a common purpose – to ultimately provide the best learning facilities and experiences for our children.

I hope everyone has a great spring break and comes back refreshed and ready for term 4.

Have a great week

Michael Hopley

Principal

AP NEWS:

National Literacy and Numeracy Week

Over the past week many parents have taken the opportunity to visit their child's classroom to see the great work that is happening in literacy and numeracy, as well as visiting our Book Fair with their child in order to encourage them to continue to develop their love of reading. Thank you for supporting and encouraging your child.



Next Friday the children will have the opportunity to take part in our "Sandwich Board Parade" (10:30am—10:55am all parents welcome), as well as our Literacy and Numeracy Trivia competition.

Father's Day

Thank you to all the dads and male carers who turned up for our BBQ breakfast and Father's Day Liturgy last Friday morning. It was lovely to see such a huge turnout. The children were so excited to have dad at school for breakfast, as well as taking their fathers to their classrooms and Book Fair and praying with them an opportunity sometimes restricted to mums! I think this really made the children's day.

Grade Assemblies

Kinder and Year 1 have already celebrated their learning this term with grade assemblies that were very well attended. Thank you for joining us in celebrating your children's growth. The following grades would also like to invite parents, carers and grandparents to their assembly for this term, which is to be held on:

- Year 2 - 19/9 - 12pm to 1pm
- Year 3 - 19/9 - 2pm to 3pm
- Year 4 - 18/9 - 2pm to 3pm
- Year 5 - 16/9 - 12pm to 1pm

Premier's Reading Challenge

Thank you to all students who participated in this challenge for 2014. The Premier's Reading Challenge has now closed. Certificates will be issued in November.

Holidays

As this is the last newsletter for this term I would like to take the opportunity to wish all families a safe and happy holiday. I look forward to working with you and your children again in Term 4.

School resumes on Tuesday 7 October.

Diocesan Athletics Report - 2014

We would like to congratulate the **29** students that represented OLQP at the recent **Diocesan Athletics** last **Friday 22nd August**. All the children that were part of our school team competed with great pride and sportsmanship and should be extremely proud of their effort.

11 of our students were successful in gaining selection to the **Mackillop Track & Field Championships** at **Homebush to be held on Monday 15th September**. We would like to acknowledge their great performances and wish them all the best for this competition.

These students are as follows:

Student	Event
Nicholas Bilokapic	Senior High Jump
James Carr	11 Years 800m 11 Years High Jump
Jack Hansen	11 Years Discus
Megan Mifsud	9 Years 100m Junior High Jump Junior 4 X100M Relay
Trisha Castelino	Junior High Jump Junior 4X 100m Relay
Mikhaela Topfer	Senior High Jump
Stephanie Bilokapic	Junior 4 X 100m Relay
Kiara De Angelis	Junior 4 X 100m Relay
Jacinta De Leon	Senior 4 X 100m Relay
Katerina Bonovas	Senior 4 X100m Relay
Sophia Turano	Senior 4 X 100m Relay

LIBRARY NEWS:

Thank you for your support with the *Scholastic Book Fair*. I hope your children continue to be inspired to read. An especially **BIG THANK YOU** to the families who donated books from the fair to the library:- The Aslanidis, Mateos, Sarafoglai, Henein, Fehir, Hammond, Cavall, Trevena, Stanton, Ojurovic and Miliotis Families. Your generosity is truly appreciated.

The children are working hard on their **Sandwich Boards** to parade in **Week 10**.

Thank you again

The Library Team

MUSIC NEWS:

Entries for the **2014 Talent Showcase** are now closed.

We have received over 80 entries. Auditions will begin this Wednesday before school and at Recess, and will continue on Wednesdays into next term.

Participants will receive a reminder note the week before their audition.

Participants need to make sure they have their music with them if needed. There is no need to come in costume.

Mrs Grella and Mrs Mahony

UNIFORM SHOP NEWS:

The last day for trading before the holidays will be **Thursday 18th September**.

We will open in the **second week** of the holidays which will be **Wednesday 1 October**, from 12.00-2.00pm and **Saturday, 4 October**, 8.30-10.00am.



ANNOUNCEMENTS:



Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Makhlouf, together with Sebastian (KL) on the birth of their new baby girl, "Selena".

Congratulations to Mr & Mrs Alim, together with Jack (KL) on the birth of their new baby boy "Jonah Matthew".



IN THE KNOW:

ACTIVE KIDS ARE HEALTHY KIDS....

Facts about Childhood Obesity

One in four Australian children are overweight or obese and this can lead to type 2 diabetes and cardiovascular disease. There is also a 25-50% chance of childhood obesity leading to adult obesity, so preventative action during childhood is really important.

Weight gain occurs when the energy intake from food and drinks exceeds energy expenditure from physical activity. Fortunately, many of the causes of overweight and obese children can be changed, such as:

- Diet
- Physical activity
- Active travel

Parents can help develop lifelong healthy habits by offering children healthy foods and encouraging exercise **every day.**



A huge *Thank you* to all the mum's that helped out at our Father's Day Stall.

Lisa Barker, Karen Olsen, Kristy Stanton, Roulla Hanna, Belinda Carr, Wendy Tointon, Mendy Dib, Shadia Cavalli, Kate Sultana, Rochelle Houssarini, Anne Nott, Faye Abd-Elahad, Dianne Khattar, Diane Santos, Shae Skelton, Melissa Cini, Marie Evans, Miriam Gibson, Elizabeth Banks, Gaye Dennis, Lorraine laquinto.

Thank you

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REMINDER: P & F Meeting TONIGHT from 7:30pm

Countdown to our **BIG FETE...**

3 more sleeps!!!

- * **Over 70 kilos of sausages ordered**
- * **130 loaves of bread**
- * **650 rolls**
- * **Ice-creams galore**
- * **20 litres of sauce**
- * **300 baskets donated**
- * **Dodgem cars are arriving Thursday night!!!**
- * **Swinging chairs**
- * **Jumping castles**
- * **Water Walkers filled up on Friday**
- * **A room full of clothes, books and toys**
- * **Gourmet Gozleme / like them on Facebook and get \$1 off each purchase on fete day**
- * **Over 2,500 drinks for sale**
- * **2 Coffee Van's all day to keep you going and going!!!**



OLQP 2014
BIG FETE

Braeside Road, Greystanes
Saturday 13th September

10am - 3pm

- Chocolate Wheel
- Rides
- Hoopla
- Water Walkers
- Showbags
- Ting Town
- Kids Clothing
- Jewellery
- Gift Baskets
- Cakes
- Plants
- & Much More!!

FUN FOR ALL THE FAMILY!

CANTEEN NEWS:

CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 3 2014

MONDAY 8 SEPTEMBER	TUESDAY 9 SEPTEMBER	WEDNESDAY 10 SEPTEMBER	THURSDAY 11 SEPTEMBER	FRIDAY 12 SEPTEMBER
		Anne Cilia Julia Wahba Sandra Wilson	Deborah Terracciano Miriam Gibson Melissa D'Angola Lisa Gladdish	Carol Sioufi Effie Bonovas Maggie Sabbagh
MONDAY 15 SEPTEMBER	TUESDAY 16 SEPTEMBER	WEDNESDAY 17 SEPTEMBER	THURSDAY 18 SEPTEMBER	FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER
Sandra Merrick Rebecca Bezzina Sonia Amus	Maree Callaghan Diane Galea Anne David	Cynthia La Rosa Anita Meredith Elizabeth Banks	Rebecca Simari Sarah Barden Teresa Rota Cara Pedavoli	Mary Sarafoglou Kristine Mercuri Amy Hill Liz Scott Allison Sorensen LAST DAY OF TERM

TERM 3 CANTEEN UPDATE...

Canteen will be **CLOSED** as usual on the last day of term **FRIDAY 19th September** for stocktake and cleaning. **PLEASE DO NOT SEND IN LUNCH ORDERS.**



Next Term **SUMMER OPTIONS** will only be available for **BIRTHDAY BUCKETS.**

These must be **paid for IN ADVANCE.** Options are:

Quelch Fruit sticks, Icy Twists, Callipo's.

Please see **KIM FARRUGIA** in the Canteen to order on of these, prices available on request.

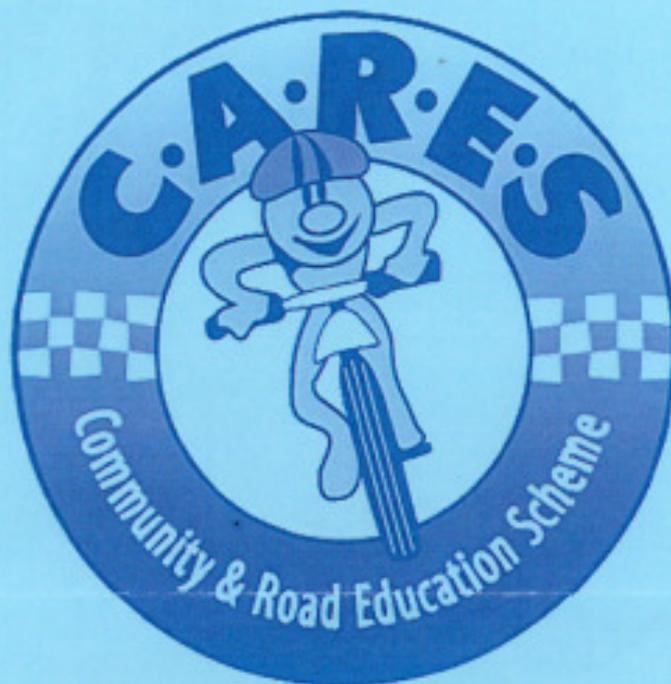
Next Term the **LEBANESE PIZZA** will be offered again as a **MEAL DEAL** to all classes, **MANOUSH (Oregano)** and a **Juice \$4** and **CHEESE** and a **Juice \$5.** Please watch out for flyers coming home for your child's turn.



I would like to take this opportunity to **thank** all the parents who have volunteered their time to help me this term. However I am always in need of some help, if you are available to spare any time to assist and join the wonderful team of helpers please drop i and say hello, any assistance is always appreciated, enjoy your holidays and see you again next term.

Regards

Kim



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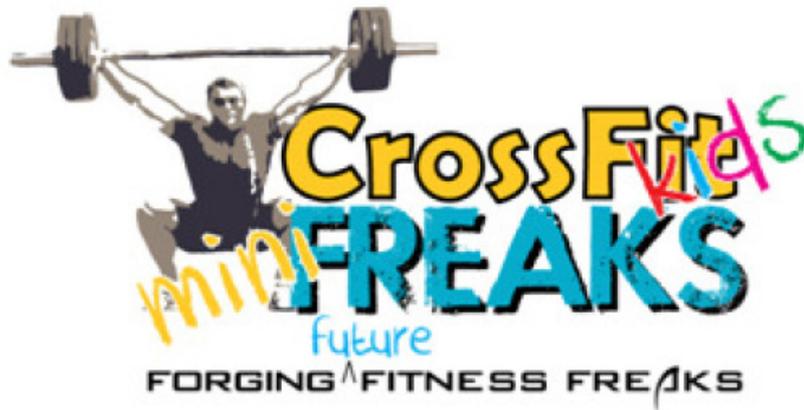
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10AM - 3PM

- Bring your own helmet & bike
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- Road Safety Information
-
- Safety Checks & Skills Course
-
- NSWP Push Bike Squad
-
- Cake Stall & Sausage Sizzle
-
- Face Painting
-
- Participant Show Bag

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Time:

- Monday 22nd of September @ 10:30am
- Wednesday 24th of September @ 10:30am
- Friday 26th of September @ 10:30am
- Monday 29th of September @ 10:30am
- Wednesday 1st October @10:30am
- Friday 3rd of October @10:30am

Cost: \$60 (6 sessions). If not all 6 sessions attending each session cost \$12.50.

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Ages: 5-11 years

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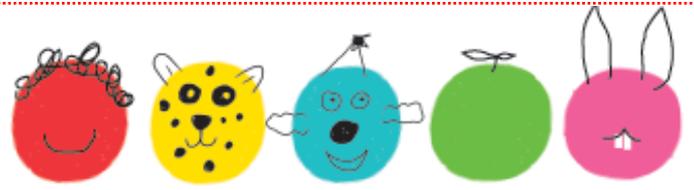
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