

OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE PRIMARY

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Dear OLQP families,

Firstly I would like to say a warm welcome to all our new families joining us at Our Lady Queen of Peace. I hope first days nerves and tears have settled and that this is the start of an exciting and wonderful new adventure.

On Wednesday <u>15th February at 7.30pm in the school library</u> the P&F and Mr Hopley will be hosting our first information evening. We would like to concentrate on the role of the P&F in supporting the school.

This is a great opportunity to meet new families, find out what is happening in and around the school and feel part of the school community.

What is the role of the OLQP P & F?

- 1. The first most important aspect is *learning*. The P & F strive to establish a life-long learning partnership between parents and teachers. These include Parent Information Evenings and Workshops to help you understand how learning is implemented in the classroom enabling you to assist your child at home. In 2016 we held information evenings which included Keeping Kids Safe, Building Resilience and a number of Mathematics and Literacy Workshops. It also involves discussion on how parents can work in the classrooms to support programs like reading.
- 2. The second aspect is *welfare*. The P & F strive to help those in need in our community. From time to time families may have difficulties including bereavement and our parents can help in lots of ways. Our Parish community is also part of this area of support.
- 3. The third aspect is communication. The P & F is a place to put forward collective positive thoughts about how to assist O.L.Q.P in moving forward to ensure it is an outstanding learning environment for all our children. Keeping you informed and up to date with the P&F Facebook page @ OLQP Primary School P & F Greystanes NSW and school newsletters. Moving forward we are investigating a number of new and exciting social media platforms.
- 4. The fourth aspect is fundraising. The P & F strive to raise money to ensure quality resources are available for excellence in teaching, learning and playing. Due to the number of students and time restraints on teachers and parents our school has one major fundraiser a year The Walkathon. In 2016 our school Walkathon raised over \$45,000. This is the highest fundraiser ever seen at the school. These funds will be used to further develop the playgrounds.

I look forward to seeing you all on **Wednesday 15th February 2017 at 7.30pm in the school library.** Entrance to school library is via staff carpark off Old Prospect Rd.

Kind Regards

Anne Pittam

OLQP P&F President on behalf of the P&F