# **OLQP Newsletter**

Term 2 Week 8 2019



#### Dear Parents, teachers and students

It has been brought to my attention that quite a crowd of children are gathering near the Blue Room gates by 8:25 am and that this can be dangerous once the Kiss and Ride children start to disembark from their cars as well. To alleviate this congestion we are inviting parents to start using the top Office gates in the mornings as well. The gate on Braeside Road is open first each morning and we can open the interior gates into the school at 8:25 as well. Having two points of entry should considerably ease the congestion of people waiting near the Blue Room gates each morning. If you are walking into the school, as opposed to using Kiss and Ride, I encourage you to use the top Office gate, to give the Kiss and Ride children enough room to enter. We will continue to ask parents not to leave their children waiting, unaccompanied, at either of these gates, and access into the school will continue to start at 8:25 am.

A reminder to parents to please sign your child into the office if they are late. Sometimes students come in unaccompanied, thereby requiring us to mark them as having a partial unexplained absence. Sometimes students don't come into the office at all, and if teachers have already marked the roll, the student may be marked absent for the entire day. It is a duty of care to accompany any student who arrives after the bell to the office and provide a reason for the lateness.

Last Monday we heard from Father Paul about his upcoming mission work in East Timor, in which he and the 'Lighthouse' youth group from the parish are working towards securing a water supply for two villages there. Today we held a fundraising day to help support Father Paul's work and we thank everyone who made a donation. We raised just over \$1370.00. The children have enjoyed preparing pictures for Father Paul to take to East Timor and present to the children there.

Congratulations to the children who attended the Captivate Arts Factor Eisteddfod this week. Our school band and our senior choir attended these events and both groups were very successful on the day, securing first place in both events.



## DATES TO REMEMBER:

Friday 21st June

- St Vincent De Paul Winter Mission Appeal

#### Tuesday 25th June

-Year 3D & 3M Excursion to The Australian Museum

#### Wednesday 26th June

- -Half Yearly Reports sent home
- Stage 2 Boys and Girls Soccer Gala Day

#### Thursday 27st June

- Sacred Heart Mass 10.15am

#### Monday 1st July

-Dance Fever Performance

### Reminder:

Term 2 Finishes on Friday 5th July and Term 3 will recommence on Monday 22nd July.



The half-yearly reports will be sent home next Wednesday and we are currently organising bookings for interviews next week. I hope all parents can attend these meetings as it is a great opportunity to discuss your child's progress and acknowledge their successes.

Next Thursday, June 27th, we will celebrate a Mass for the Sacred Heart of Jesus as a school community. Mass will be at 10:15 am in the Church and all parents and family are welcome to attend.

Congratulations to all those children who are making their First Holy Communion at the moment. Lord Jesus Christ, in the Sacrament of the Eucharist You left us the outstanding manifestation of your limitless love for us. Thank You for giving our children the opportunity to experience this love in receiving the Sacrament for the first time. May your Eucharist presence keep them ever free from sin, fortified in faith,

pervaded by love for God and neighbor, and fruitful in virtue, that they may continue to receive You throughout life and attain final union with You at death. Amen.

hope you all have a wonderful week ,

Kym Romanous

**Acting Principal**