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Dear Parents and Carers,

Confirmation

Last Sunday morning, many of our families gathered to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation at Queen of Apostles Church and witnessed their children in Year 6.2 make a personal commitment to follow Jesus more closely as they were sealed with and received the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. I'm told it was a joy-filled and reverent Mass and that it was obvious to all how excited the children were to be receiving this Sacrament.

Congratulations and thank you to Mrs. Boronovskis for the gentle and caring way in which she prepared the children for this special Sacrament of Initiation. "Thank you" also to Mrs. Perry and the School Choir members who led the congregation so beautifully in combination with the members of the Parish Choir and Musicians. A special vote of thanks to all the staff who attended and helped out in many ways to ensure that it was a memorable occasion for the candidates and their families.

Building Project Update

As all of you would no doubt be very much aware by now, work has commenced on our new building project. Apart from fencing off the whole building site area to keep everyone safe and separated from the work area, you may notice that the trees have been removed from the western and southern sides of the oval, along the fence lines. Once the stumps are removed, work will commence on a new boundary fence right along the western boundary from the car park all the way through to the far end of the basketball courts.

I know that many parents will share my concern at the loss of the mature trees along the western boundary, however, their loss was unavoidable. We have, however, minimized the nett loss from their removal by asking the builders to preserve as many logs and sections of trunk as possible for use in the new Kindy and Pre-Primary playgrounds to be constructed as part of the project. I'm pleased to report that we have managed to preserve 11

X 3m logs and nearly 40 X sections of trunk varying in thickness from 20 cm to 40 cm and 60 cm. These will be used as inclined steps and play elements in two new nature play areas. Ultimately, this will save us thousands of dollars in the cost of materials for the new playgrounds, so as you can see, we have salvaged something from the loss of the trees. We will also ensure that we replant twice as many trees as were removed in the landscaping of the new playgrounds and gardens.

You will also notice work commence on structural changes to the car park and drive through area in Tribute Street. The plan is to get the main earthworks completed over the next couple of weeks and leave it as a road base surface till construction work has been completed. The new bitumen will be the last thing done so that heavy equipment does not destroy the new surface. Once the road base is down, the drive-through will be opened for use again. We expect that the current disruption will last for 2-3 weeks.

DATES TO REMEMBER	
Thurs 2 June	Lifelink Fundraising Day – Paper Chain Yr 3 Incursion Eagles Cup
Fri 3 June	Yr 2 Incursion
Mon 6 June	WA Day Public Holiday – SCHOOL CLOSED
Wed 8 June	8.50am Assembly 3.2 SRC Executive to LifeLink Launch
Fri 10 June	Peer Support Eagles Cup
Mon 13 June	7.00pm P&F Meeting
Wed 15 June	9.00am School Mass 2.2 ICAS Testing – Spelling 6.00pm School Board Meeting
Fri 17 June	Footy Colours Day Fundraiser Eagles Cup P&F Disco
Wed 22 June	8.50am Assembly Yr 4
Fri 24 June	12.00 Peer Support Eagles Cup
Wed 29 June	9.00am School Mass 6.1
Fri 1 July	Jump Rope for Heart LAST DAY FOR TERM TWO
Tues 19 July	FIRST DAY OF TERM THREE FOR STUDENTS



THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!

I know that it's early days, however, I would like to say a huge "THANK YOU" to all our parents and carers for the fantastic way in which you have cooperated and adapted to the changes in parking, traffic flow and pedestrian movement around the school. Your patience and cooperation has been exemplary and we really do appreciate your understanding and calm approach. As always, our number one priority is the safety of the children and so far your efforts have ensured that their safety has not been compromised one little bit.

I would also like to acknowledge the efforts of our staff who have also had to adjust to different parking scenarios and also their willingness to lend a hand and pull double duty supervisions after school to help ensure all the children get home safely. Whenever we face a challenging situation, they are always there to lend a hand and do whatever it takes to ensure a safe and successful outcome. I thank them for their patience and willingness to step-up and help out.

LifeLink Day Fundraising

A reminder to all our families that tomorrow we will be fundraising for LifeLink Day to raise much needed funds for this very important charity initiative developed by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe. LifeLink is a central fundraising and coordinating service that distributes all the money raised to a network of Catholic Church charities and services that provide invaluable assistance to the poor, homeless, hungry, unemployed, disabled and disadvantaged people right across our archdiocese.

We ask that every child bring a gold coin donation tomorrow to pay for one paper link in our school's LifeLink Chain. Children are welcome to purchase more than one link if they wish. The longer our paper chain becomes, the more money we will have raised. Then next Wednesday, Mrs. Galbraith and myself, accompanied by our SRC leadership, will attend a huge LifeLink Charity Day Launch at Lake Monger, where over 100 Catholic schools will come together and join all their paper chains to create one enormous paper chain, to symbolise not only the amount of money we have collectively raised to help those in our community less fortunate than ourselves, but also to demonstrate our connectedness and unity as a community of all catholic schools coming together, linked together in our charitable efforts.

Full-Time Kindy and 3 Year Old Kindy

Following on from last week's announcement, I would just like to reiterate to you all some of the advantages that our new Early Learning Centre will provide us with for the very first time next year. There will be the opportunity to offer our Kindy parents the option of full-time Kindy on a user-pays basis. Our intention is that normal Kindy will operate on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays for both classes. In one of the Kindy classrooms we will then be able to offer parents of Kindy children the option of an extra two days of Kindy on Tuesdays and Thursdays, on a user-pays basis. I'm hopeful that out of the two Kindy classes we will have enough families take up this offer of full-time Kindy. For many of our families, the current situation is that they come to Kindy 5 days per fortnight and spend the other 5 days in day care. It therefore makes sense to offer parents the option of Kindy for 5 days per week. It would certainly provide increased opportunities for the children to build their relationships with other children, with staff and to further develop their mastery of Kindy learning and concepts taught.

Of course the other Kindy room hopefully won't be sitting idle on Tuesdays and Thursdays either! Our intention will be to offer a 3 year old Kindy program for those parents and carers who want one. This would probably run for two half day sessions in the mornings. Once again, as there is no funding for 3 year old Kindy, it would be a user-pays basis. Next term we will be sending home survey forms to gauge the level of interest in both full-time Kindy and 3 year old Kindy programs. If there is sufficient interest to make it viable, we will proceed to develop the plans and issue enrolment applications and schedule interviews for the 3 year old Kindy.

Our current Kindy centre will then become the home-base for OSH Club so they have a permanent home with their own toilets, kitchen, storeroom, junior playground area and use of the Annexe Oval. Parents will use the Church carpark for drop-off and pick-up.

Please keep an eye on this newsletter each week for further developments.

OSH Club Update

One last reminder that OSH Club will be offering Vacation Care over the next two school holiday periods in July and October, please see the statement below and the attached flyer from OSH Club regarding this new development.

Dear Parents and Guardians

OSHClub is delighted to advise that from this coming Term 2 holiday break a Vacation Care service will be added to the existing Out of Hours Care service and available to all families!

In partnership with the school we are pleased to be trialling this new service for the next 2 x holiday breaks and we invite and encourage families to use the service.

Attached is an updated Key Information Sheet with all the service details and information on how new families can enrol.

The Holiday Program bookings are now open and the Vacation Care brochure for the service will be emailed out and available from the 4th of June.

We look forward to seeing you at the new service.

Eagles Cup Sport Tomorrow!

Good luck to all our Year 5 & 6 students competing in the Eagles Cup Interschool Sport Competition tomorrow. Irrespective of winning, losing or drawing, I know you will be great sporting ambassadors for our school.

Peace and best wishes,

Shaun O'Neill

Principal

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Sacrament of Confirmation

Congratulations to the students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Sunday. We pray that the Holy Spirit will stay with each of these students and help guide them throughout their lives. This significant time in the candidates' lives was celebrated in a wonderful way and we thank everyone for their support and help for these children. A special thank you to Father Paul who celebrated the Mass and to the teachers, in particular Mrs Boronovskis and Ms Maloney for the time and effort in organising this Sacrament and preparing the candidates so carefully. Thank you also to all those children that came and sang in the choir. We also acknowledge the families and parish community for their willingness to be witnesses in sharing their faith with the students. A final thank you to the staff of Queen of Apostles, who not only supported the candidates by their attendance, but also with their willingness to lend a hand when it was needed and help on the day.

Confirmation Photos

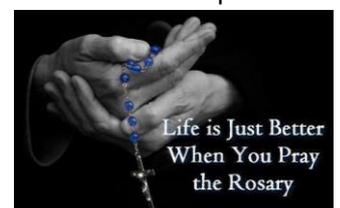
Confirmation photos are available to view and order online at: www.prophotobooth.com.au.

The passcode is: qa327. Please support this, as it ensures we will continue to have a photographer come each year to photograph these Sacraments.

The Rosary

As we were in the final days of Mary's month, May, on Monday we came together to pray a decade of the Rosary and hear about the fifth Joyful Mystery – The Finding of Jesus in the Temple. This is when Jesus was separated from his parents on a trip to Jerusalem and was later found in the Temple with doctors and teachers. This decade of the Rosary asks us to be obedient to the Father and to pray for unity and strengthening of all families.

Russell Wylie and Julie Galbraith
Assistant Principals



SCHOOL NEWS

Pick and Drop Off Arrangements

We are sorry that the impact of our build has happened so quickly. As of Monday we had to put into place new arrangements for pick-up and drop off at the end of the day.

It is essential for the quick pick up of children that you display your surname car label for the duty teachers to avoid unnecessary delays. Should you need one please contact Terri in the office.

Thank you for the patience and courtesy that you have shown over the past three days with our new arrangements.

Tribute Street

Parking only on Tribute Street. You may park on Tribute Street and come into the school to collect your child/children. Tribute Street is no longer a drive thru area while construction is occurring.

Tudor Avenue

No Parking along Tudor Avenue. Tudor Avenue is now our drive thru area along with Barbican Street (starting tomorrow). There will be cones to show the drive thru area on Tudor Ave. Children who are getting picked up at the drive thru on Tudor Ave will wait on the church steps as usual.

Barbican Street

Barbican Street will be open for drop off in the morning and drive thru pick up in the afternoon. After picking up your children in the afternoon, cars will turn around at the cul-de-sac at the end of Barbican Street. Children will be waiting on the Annexe Oval under a temporary shade area in wet weather.

Parking

Basketball courts will be used as a parking area for parents who are wanting to get out of their car to collect their child from 2.15pm. You will need to be mindful of entering and exiting the church carpark gates as there will be pedestrians and only room for one car. Your patience will be required. For the safety of all, please drive at a walking pace speed.

Parking in the Church car park will be difficult and cause added frustration, so we highly recommend parents use the basketball courts for parking at pick up time.

Before School

No special arrangements will be in place for dropping children off in the morning. Please use either Tribute Street, Barbican Street or Tudor Avenue. Parking will only be available on Tribute Street, the Church carpark bays or side streets.

OSH club parents can park on the Tribute Street verge to drop off and pick up children so long as it is outside of the school drop off and pick up times.

Please discuss with your children where you will be picking them up from so they are in the correct place and do not needlessly worry.

Parents should be mindful not to obstruct the local resident's driveways.

Uniform Shop

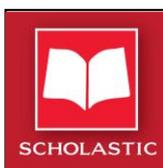
**The Uniform Shop will re-open on Wednesday 8 June.
Please note any orders received will not be processed until 8 June.**

Are You Report Ready?

Report time is fast approaching. Reports come to families via SEQTA Engage and the school no longer prints semester reports for families, so it is essential that you have set up your own password that is easily remembered. Once you have made your own user friendly password, it will then be your responsibility to remember it.

In first term this year each family was contacted via email to select their own easily remembered password for SEQTA Engage. This email expired after one week. Many families have already set up their password and can access SEQTA Engage to see term overviews and other useful information that is on class portal pages.

Some families however, have still not done so and will not be able to access their child's report/s at the end of the term. If you cannot access SEQTA Engage please contact Terri in the office and she will need to re-provision your access. To check if you are report ready go to: <https://goa.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au/> Please click on this link to see you get to the appropriate web page.



**Orders for Scholastic Bookclub Issue 4
are due no later than Friday 6th June.
Late orders cannot be accepted.**

Eagles Cup

We couldn't manage a win on Friday, but we certainly had a great time out in the open air and sunshine, playing our chosen sports. As any coach would tell you - you learn more from a loss than you do from a win, so I am sure our teams will be out to make adjustments and improvements when we head off again this Thursday June 2 to play Bull Creek Primary School.

The soccer teams will once again play at Trevor Gribble Park (Lefroy Rd, Bull Creek), while our football, Netball A and Netball B teams play at Bull Creek Primary School (32 Hardy St, Bull Creek). As Bull Creek only have 2 netball teams, our Netball C and D teams will remain at school to play a scratch match.

Games will start at approximately 1.30pm. As always, we enjoy the support of parents and family at these events, so we hope to see some familiar faces there.

LifeLink 2016

Our social justice focus this term is Care and, in keeping with the virtue of caring for others, we will be supporting the Archbishop's Annual LifeLink Appeal.



Money donated to LifeLink is used to fund various charities in and around Perth and throughout Western Australia. These organisations reach out to those in need of care and essential services.

On **Thursday, 2 June**, students at Queenies will be invited to support LifeLink by donating gold coins to make a paper chain. Each coin will be exchanged for a link and students can, of course, purchase more than a single link; the more links purchased, the more money we will be able to donate to LifeLink.

After morning recess, each class will assemble to make a large paper chain symbolising our unity as a faith community and our determination to make a difference, particularly in this Jubilee Year of Mercy.

On June 8 our Student Representative Executive will attend a special LifeLink event at the invitation of Archbishop Costelloe and Bishop Sproston where our chain will be joined with those made by other Catholic Schools. The long, continuous chain created will be a powerful example of our joining together as one Catholic family to reach out to our brothers and sisters in need.

Thank you for supporting our school's LifeLink fundraiser.

The Social Justice Committee



Hello from the School Social Worker

“**Friendliness** has been identified as a basic skill that will contribute to children’s overall success at school and beyond”. Helping children to tap into their niceness will assist them to work better with others, be more tolerant and happier.

Children can say and do things that can be harmful to their peers. One of the “jobs’ of parenting is to help children to tap into their capacity to be tolerant, kind, helpful and generous to others. It needs to be developed, nurtured and encouraged.

Michael Grose suggests these **tips for tapping into this area;**

- Develop a ‘no put down policy’ to help children recognise the potential for contributing to low self-esteem. If negative messages are given often enough and over time they can be internalised and believed.
- Help children to identify friendly behaviours. Helping children to understand how good friends act and reminding them of the elements of friendship when they are being unfriendly promotes change.
- Package your personal wisdom around niceness and reiterate it! One of the phrases that was reinforced to me was “if you don’t have anything nice to say about someone, don’t say anything at all!” (Michael Grose: “Help kids tap into their capacity to be nice.” Parentingideas)

Regards, **Tracy Small**.

OSH CLUB

OSHClub News

Before School / After School Care Program



Program Update

Access to OSHClub with construction to the oval/carpark:
 With the exciting construction underway at the front of the school we will now be using the following options during drop off and pick up at OSHClub:

- Please park on Tribute Street for drop off and pickup and enter through the gate beside the admin building.

OR Park at the church car park and enter through the gate.

We sincerely thank everyone for their cooperation and understanding 😊

HOLIDAY PROGRAM COMING TO QUEEN OF APOSTLES OSHCLUB!!!!
 Yes! You heard right! We have a holiday program coming to Queen of Apostles. Excursions, incursions, and fun themed club days here at Queenies during the holidays!
 Enrolments are open now and the program will be released on the 4th June 2016!
 For more information please feel free to call us or pop in!

In line with health and safety, we now ask to please ensure your child brings a hat to OSHClub when they are attending. This does not need to be a school hat and can be kept here with your child's name on or returned after each session.
 Please also ensure any medication or medical plans are updated prior to their expiry as this is an attendance requirement. If you are unsure of expiry dates, please contact Lyn on: 0431 310 180 and we can very quickly and easily provide expiry information and requirements to approved contacts.

We sincerely thank you in advance for your assistance in keeping our Queen Of Apostles OSHClub compliant and in line with national standards😊

Next Week's Activities

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Before Care Activities	Elastics	Craft	Twister Celebrity Heads	Giants, wizards and elves Word games	Children ordering with Coles
After Care Activities	Bang Homework	Art Tunnel ball	Waste not Wednesday	Cat and Mouse	Basketball relay Reading

Parent Information

OSHC program phone: 0431 310 180
 Coordinator: Lyneesa (Lyn) Payne
 Assistants: Katherine Goh, Anna Nielson, Sharon Hardemann
 OSHClub Head Office: 03 85649000

All families must be enrolled to attend the program, remember this is FREE!! Please create an account online at www.oshclub.com.au. All bookings and cancellations can also be managed via your online account. For on the day bookings please contact the Coordinator direct at the program.

Outside School Hours Care Program

Queen of Apostles Primary School

Welcome to OSHClub - your Before & After School Care Program provider.

OSHClub provides the highest quality Before School Care, After School Care, Pupil Free Day Care and Holiday Programs for Primary and Preschool aged children.

We pride ourselves on providing children with a fun experience that they will enjoy. From exciting activities and healthy, nutritious snacks to caring, motivated staff, the program meets all your children's needs.

Program Contact Number	0431 310 180
Head Office Number	(08) 9261 3200 (8:00AM to 6:00PM Mon-Fri)

Operating Times

Before School Care	7:00 AM to 9:00 AM
After School Care	3:00 PM to 6:00 PM
Holiday Program	7:00 AM to 6:00 PM

Cost

Before School Care from \$7.02 to \$10.85 per child per session (full fee \$21.70)
After School Care from \$9.18 to \$14.93 per child per session (full fee \$29.85)
Holiday Program from \$8.45 to \$29.50 per child per session (full fee \$59.00) <small>(fees subject to change)</small>

Most families are eligible for Child Care Benefit (CCB) and the 50% Child Care Rebate (CCR).

The full fee applies for families who do not apply for and are not eligible for CCB and the CCR. All fees are approximate only. Late pick up fees of \$2.00 per minute per child apply. Prices may change at any time. Casual bookings made within 24 Hours incur an extra charge of \$3.30 per session for Before and After Care. A late booking fee of \$10.00 applies to all Holiday Program Bookings made within 5 calendar days of a session.

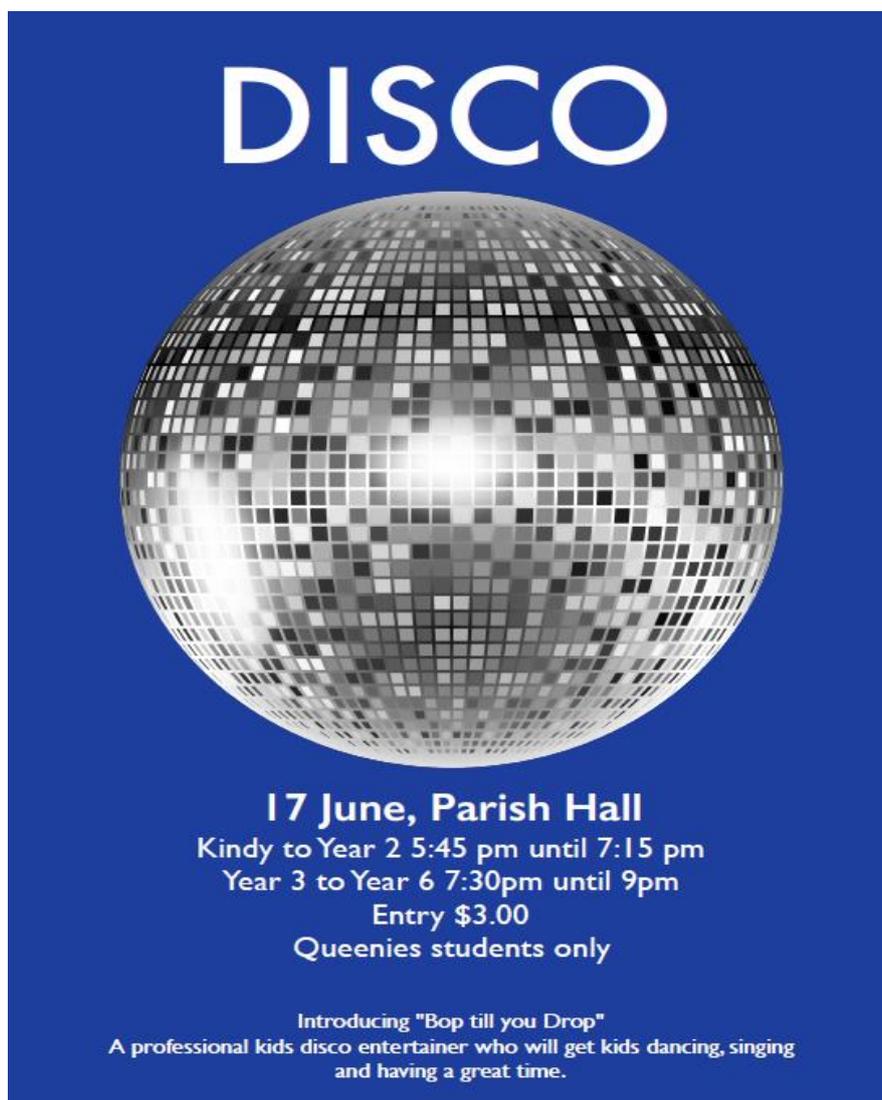
What happens?

Loads of fun activities for all ages including art/craft, games, sports, drama, board games and fun with friends.

What to bring

Make sure you wear or bring appropriate clothing including a hat.





Entertainment Memberships Are Here!

Please support our Term 2 fund raiser. \$13 from every membership sold goes to our P&F, which is then used towards equipment and events for our children.

Order a book or digital membership for \$65 at:

<https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/8325i6>. Digital memberships can be used on 2 devices, so you'll never be without your vouchers.

If you prefer to pay cash (books only) there will be a stall outside the library every Wednesday after school.

There are loads of restaurants, cafes and attractions included in this year's membership, including a whole Bali section. You can preview the book by following this link: <http://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/about/Tell-me-More/Perth#FLICKBOOK>

If you have any questions, please call Deanne Strommen on 0407 986 269.



QUEEN OF APOSTLES PARISH

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Congratulations to all children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in our parish in the month of May.

Our 2016 Post-Confirmation Program will be held on the first Sunday of every month.

Our first meeting is on:

DATE SUNDAY 5th JUNE

TIME 10AM – 12PM

LOCATION PARISH HOUSE MEETING ROOM

The Post-Confirmation Program is suitable for teens 12-15 years old.

Parents, we welcome you to the Program and encourage you to accompany your child, so as to get to know the program and facilitation team.

See you there!





PARENT WORKSHOP



PROTECTIVE
BEHAVIOURS WA INC.

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP

This workshop is a must for all parents and carers. This training workshop has been designed to provide parents with information regarding the content of the **internationally acclaimed Protective Behaviours Child Safety Program** to increase their children's personal safety.

There are many ways of talking to children about their personal safety and when we do so, it is important that we do not scare them or leave them feeling unsafe, afraid or disempowered.

Protective Behaviours provides children with strategies to keep themselves safe and cope with situations that threaten their well being such as bullying, child abuse & domestic violence. The program empowers the individual with the **right to feel safe** and sets out ways in which they can gain the appropriate help when they are not feeling safe.

THE PURPOSE OF THIS WORKSHOP

1. To provide parents and carers with a basic understanding of child sexual abuse and other unsafe situations.
2. To provide specific personal safety training skills, techniques and examples to use with your children.
3. To lessen your anxiety about your children's safety, so you can allow them the freedom of movement they need as they grow up.

DATE FRIDAY, 10 JUNE 2016

TIME 7.00PM – 9.00PM

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PRESENTER JUSTINE O'MALLEY

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