



Social and Pastoral Officer's Report 2016

This year has been a busy one in terms of social and pastoral activities, the aim of which is to help strengthen the QOP school community. Many new initiatives were undertaken and I feel that they were well received by parents.

The Family Assistance Program was set up and many families put their names down to help with either the foodbank service or the school transport service. Thank you to all those who are willing to help others in the school community when needed.

Social dinners for parents were held at the beginning of Term 2 - although there were small turnouts, an enjoyable evening was had by all.

Mothers celebrated Mother's Day by attending a movie at the Sun Theatre. This was very popular, with attendees asking for more, resulting in another movie night in Term 4 as well as the Queen of Peace Mum's Movie Club being established.

Dads celebrated Father's Day by going to the Two Birds Brewing brewery for a tour and dinner. This was enjoyed by those who attended and a second dad's night out was held in Term 4 - a dinner followed by 10 pin bowling at WynCity.

Regular cuppas were held from 2pm each Monday prior to assembly in the hall foyer. Thank you to those who helped set up and pack up the cuppas.

Parent volunteers set up and catered for a morning tea for our school staff for World Teachers Day. Thank you to all these families for such a wonderful morning tea.

Parents helped out with the Prep Orientation sessions.

Births were acknowledged in school newsletters and farewell cards to teachers on behalf of parents of Queen of Peace were distributed.

For next year, I hope that the above activities continue, that the frequency of the social events increase to one per term and the numbers attending increase. Based on feedback from parents, we may need to rethink our way of communicating to parents, as many seem to be unaware of activities.

Thank you to all those who have supported me in this role. I have enjoyed working with and meeting so many parents at our school.

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