NAPLAN Congratulations Last Friday, the last NAPLAN test for 2015 was completed for POP students. We are proud of the way that our students participated in NAPLAN this year. Some stepped in a little nervous but I think most students felt that they had plenty of learning to show. We don’t like to place too much emphasis leading up to NAPLAN as QCAA believe that students can become desensitised to the format and fail to do their best. Your children will know that in the weeks leading up to the test we demonstrated some key strategies so that we could capture as much learning as possible. Zigzagging, place holders, elimination were just a few that helped our students appreciate that testwiseness is an important element to be able to demonstrate all we can do. We look forward to receiving the results in August this year.

PREP STAR READING PROGRAM Today we are holding 2 sessions for Prep parents and carers to explain how our reading program works at POP and what you can do at home to maximise your child’s success. We were thrilled last year to see such impressive results and felt that the partnership between home and school was one of the elements that saw our students learn to read at their own pace and make fantastic progress. If you’d like to make the sessions they are being held at 1.30 and 7.00 PM in the library. Please come along. Based on your child’s readiness with book conventions, letters, sounds and words, teachers will be making decisions regarding the best time to begin sending readers home.

Training begins for the PoP team going to Cambodia. Due to the series of earthquakes and devastation in Nepal, ALWS is no longer planning to go to Nepal this year for the Service Learning tour so now it is off to Cambodia. The team from Prince of Peace are Hannah Yarnold, Jasmine McLeod, Laura Wilton, Jonathan Southward, Jak Speirs and Nic Telfer who will be travelling with Mr Low and other team members from St Peters (Springfield), Concordia and Luther (in Melbourne) colleges. Pictured are team members from SE Queensland who came to the Senior campus on Saturday, 9 May for their first training day to prepare them for the tour in the September school break.

Date Claimers: Friday 22 May Sport Gala Day for Year 4-6. Junior Chess Club (Year 1-3) will be starting on Tuesday 2 June at 12.45 on the outdoor chess board.

BOOKCLUB Junior Campus - Term 2 Book Club orders are due in by Wednesday 3 June.

Monday the Senior Campus began ALWS Nepal Fundraising with a Free Dress Day and Sausage Sizzle and yesterday the Junior Campus also had a Sausage Sizzle which will be followed next Wednesday 27 May with a State of Origin Team Colours Day.

The Winter Fete Team still needs help for all convenors. If you would like to chat about what is involved come to the meeting on 31 May.

PRINCE OF PEACE CHURCH NEEDS AN OFFICE VOLUNTEER We are looking for a person with good computer skills for 2 to 3 hours every Friday to put together the PPT presentations for our Sunday services. Training will be given. Please contact the office 3872 5757 or email Pastor Rob rob.paech@lca.org.au

- 21 May Prep W Sensitivity Unit excursion
- 22 May Y4-6 Gala Day
- 22 May Prep B Sensitivity Unit excursion
- 22 May Y11 Business Management excursion
- 26 May Y9 Altitude Day
- 27 May Senior Campus Open Morning
- 27 May Y7-12 P/T/S Conferences
- 27 May P&FA meeting