

PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Tuesday, 28th May 2016

Communion: The Year 4 students received the Sacrament of Communion last weekend. Thank you to those who were involved in preparing the students for the sacrament, especially Fr Minh-Thuy and Fr Truc. Thank you to Ms Klatt and Mrs Dwyer for coordinating and running the parent workshop as well as the student retreat day.

LifeLink Day: We had our own LifeLink Day, as well attending the Archbishop's LifeLink Launch at Lake Monger. Our Student Leaders, as well as Mrs Dwyer, represented the school by attending the launch.

Reports: Semester One reports will be sent home on Tuesday. Commencing next semester, I am considering giving parents access to SEQTA. Parents will be issued with a username and password, which will allow them to download their children's reports.

A number of primary schools are currently trialling it and have reported back a positive response from parents, although they did have a few teething problems with parents forgetting their username and password. This would eliminate photocopying and stationary costs and Administration time and give parents access through their children's school years.

Split Recess and Lunch Times: I am currently in process of splitting up the recess and lunch times – Years 1-3 and Years 4-6. I have also made enquiries about the possibility of taking down some of the Years 4-6 children down to Frank Drago Oval to participate in organised a sport once a week (Year 4 on one day and the Years 5-6 on another day).

The reason for splitting the recess and lunch times and taking some of the students down to Frank Drago is to create more playing space for all students. As you can all appreciate, it's going to take some time to coordinate split sessions as well as the specialist timetables and duty roster. I am hoping to have it up and running by the beginning of Term 3.

National Catholic Education Commission Conference – Faith to Lead, Lead to Faith: The Leadership Team attended the recent conference at

the Perth Convention Centre. Keynote speakers were outstanding with the main theme '*Less, but better*' - Need to do what matters most!

Keynote speaker, Chris Lowney, talked about 'Doing the Laundry' and defining the attributes of good leadership - humility, authenticity, service and someone who listens.

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22nd June, 2016