



COOLOOLA CHRISTIAN COLLEGE LIMITED

Growing God's Kingdom through Excellence in Education

What is the purpose of the Cooloola Christian College Parent & Friends Association?

The CCC P&F Association exists to promote the interests of the College:

- by endeavouring to bring about closer co-operation between the parents of the students attending the college, other citizens, the teachers at the college and the students;
- to encourage the parents of Cooloola Christian College to take an active interest in the college through the Association and to encourage Christian leadership within the Parents & Friends Association;
- to foster community, competence and character within the college;
- to provide a supportive role in the college to complement and assist the Board, Principal and staff, as may be requested by the Board or Principal;
- to provide a forum to develop and discuss parent initiatives, and provide an opportunity for presentation to the Principal;
- to provide or assist in the provision of financial or other resources or services for the benefit of the students of the college.

'Faith in Action' is a vital initiative of the Parents & Friends Association that helps achieve these objectives.

"Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds." James 2:18

What is 'Faith in Action'?

As a friend drove to the grocery store, she noticed a woman walking along the side of the road and felt she should turn the car around and offer her a ride. When she did, she was saddened to hear that the woman didn't have money for the bus so was walking home many miles in the hot and humid weather. Not only was she making the long journey home, but she had also walked several hours that morning to arrive at work by 4 a.m.

By offering a ride, my friend put into practice in a modern setting James's instruction for Christians to live out their faith with their deeds. We are saved by faith, not works, but we live out our faith by loving others and caring for their needs. May we keep our eyes open for those who might need our help as we walk together in this journey of life.

Source: <https://odb.org/2017/06/29/faith-in-action/>

Proverbs 2:6 "For the Lord gives wisdom, from His mouth comes knowledge and understanding."



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Our faith in God manifests itself in love and care for others. The 'Faith in Action' P&F initiative provides an opportunity for us to be Jesus' hands and feet by welcoming, caring for, supporting and building up our fellow Cooloola Christian College families.

How does the practical side of Faith in Action work?

The practical outworking of Faith in Action occurs in several ways:

- Staff or Class Parent Representatives may hear of a need within the College family and, with permission, alert the Faith in Action co-ordinator. The co-ordinator will then offer support through practical means such as meals, baking, ironing, gifting of cards or flowers etc;
- Class Parent Representatives may hear of a need within their own class and then reach out to other parents within their class to provide practical help and assistance.

A kind conversation and word of encouragement in a card often accompany this practical help.

Where do the meals, baking and other items come from?

- Faith in Action has a list of faithful volunteers who, when called on, willingly provide a meal or baking for the family in need. Examples of needs could be; a new baby, sickness, a death in the family etc.
- Several classes within CCC also cook meals and baking as part of their Service Learning to be used by Faith in Action. These meals are stored onsite.
- Generous parents and friends donate items such as cards, flowers, food and more.

How can you help with Faith in Action?

- Have your name added to the bank of people to call on in times of need and let us know how you can assist (eg. baking a meal, providing a voucher, purchasing a treat or a card).
- Become a Class Parent Representative.
- If you become aware of a need within the school community or of someone you feel would benefit as a recipient of faith in action, please communicate that with your class representative or the faith in action co-ordinator
- Most importantly pray - pray for all of our CCC staff, student and families.