Dear Families,

We’ve had yet another wonderful term of learning and loving life here at St. Peter’s. The children’s learning this term has centered around Australian History and the children have learnt so much about our past which hopefully will encourage them to make successful decisions in the future. Next term children will focus on Innovation and discovery exploring all avenues of science. I am sure you’ll be able to experience some amazing experiments when your children bring their learning home.

Last week we held our Art Show, which was highly supported by our families. A special congratulations and thanks to Ms Ree and her team who pulled together an outstanding art show last week. The children were so proud of their work and I think you’ll all agree we have some extremely talented artists at St. Peter’s. Thanks to the families who helped out in the art show cafe as well as the many families who bid on the artwork which was auctioned on the night. We raised nearly $2,000 from this event and had the most wonderful night.

Another highlight from the term was the presentation by Mrs. Ide Garvey and Ms. Janine Luttick to the Southern Zone Catholic Education Ballarat Conference. We presented the work our children have been doing in Religious Education. At this conference, Ide led teachers in a Bibliodrama, which is an approach to engage with scripture that we use here at St. Peter’s. This approach was a new and most inspiring experience for them. I would like to thank Ide and Janine for the way they have led our staff in Religious Education in recent years as it is now a much more authentic experience for our children.

As a Sunsmart school we pride ourselves on keeping your children safe in the sunshine and will invoke our Sunsmart policy from day one of Term 4. Please remember to use a range of protection when outside including sunscreen and school hats. From Term 4 we enact our ‘No Hat No Play’ policy.

Thanks everyone for another great term. I hope to see many of you at our Talent Show next Tuesday 19th, September at 9.00am and our Footy Day on Friday 22nd, September. I’m sure you’ll all be barracking hard for the Swans now the Bulldogs are having a rest this finals series.

Enjoy your holidays,

Karen Bergin
PRINCIPAL
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**100 STORY HOLIDAYS**

On September 25th, 26th & 27th 100 Story Holidays has three exciting writing workshops for children aged 7-11 years. In the 'Level 73 Strange Objects' workshop (Sep 25), children will use their special story-hunting skills to discover crazy histories, strange facts and unbelievable secrets at our Level 73 Cabinet of Curiosity and Wonder Exhibition. They can cast spells, fight dragons and topple giants in a story-telling fantasy adventure in the ‘Level 6 Trapdoor Quest' workshop (Sep 26) or save the world from animal armageddon as a spy in the “Level 38 SIA” workshop (Sep 27).

Where: 100 Story Building, 92 Nicholson St, Footscray 3011 (in the pedestrian mall next to the Commonwealth Bank)

Book online now: http://www.100storybuilding.org.au/100-story-holidays/

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**FOOTY DAY**

Friday, September 22nd

Wear your special footy clothes and be ready for a fun day full of footy activities, we will be kicking off the day with a Footy Parade at 9.00am in the gym, all welcome.

Don’t forget to order your special hot dog lunch.

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**Wednesday 4th October**

**Western Bulldogs**

(VU Community Sports Stadium)

417 Barkly St, Footscray (Whitten Oval)

Footy Frenzy is 60 minutes of non-stop interactive inflatable FUN!

Footy Frenzy is EXCITING, EXHILARATING, ENTERTAINING

Cost: $10.00

$10 Entry per x 1 hour times lot

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**FAMILY TIP # 1**

Promote healthy sleep habits

Children are tired after school and might look forward to bedtime from about 7.30pm. Your child needs about 10 to 11 hours of sleep each night.

**Sleep Guide**

- Babies under 1: 14-18 hours throughout the day and night
- Toddlers: 12-14 hours per 24 hour period
- Primary school: 10-12 hours per day
- High school: 8-10 hours per day
- Adults: 7-9 hours per day