

ST. PETER'S NEWSLETTER

2A Killeen Street, Sunshine South West



February 21st, 2020 Issue 2

NOTICEBOARD

FEBRUARY

Monday 24th

2.50pm: 3/4C ASSEMBLY

Tuesday 25th

2:15pm-3:15pm: PREP INFORMATION SESSION

7.30am-8.30am: SHROVE TUESDAY PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Wednesday 26th

2:15pm: ASH WEDNESDAY MASS

Thursday 27th

7:00pm: REFLECTION FAMILY NIGHT

Friday 28th

YEAR 3/4 RECONCILIATION REFLECTION DAY

MARCH

Monday 2nd March

2.50pm: 1/2H ASSEMBLY

Thursday 5th

STAFF CONFERENCE (SCHOOL CLOSURE)

Friday 6th

STAFF CONFERENCE (SCHOOL CLOSURE)

Monday 9th

LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY (SCHOOL CLOSURE)

Thursday 12th

7.00pm: SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Monday 16th to Friday 20th

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK

Tuesday 17th

CATHOLIC EDUCATION WEEK MASS AND CONCERT

Thursday 19th

4:00PM: TWILIGHT SPORTS

Friday 20th

FREE DRESS DAY

Friday 27th

9:15pm: EASTER LITURGY

1.45pm: TERM 1 ENDS: SCHOOL PICK UP AT 1:45pm FOR STUDENTS

Dear Families,

Lent

Next week is Ash Wednesday which marks the beginning of the 40 days of preparation for Easter. It mirrors the experience of Jesus' preparation for his ministry. While in the desert, Jesus spent 40 days in prayer and fasting. As Catholics, we are called to experience our own desert, in which we also enter into a period of prayer and fasting while we reflect on how we can be more Christ-like. You might remember Lent being a time when you were encouraged to give something up as a way of fasting and seeking penance. For example, people would give up chocolate. They would spend Lent denying themselves of this joy and when Easter Sunday came they would celebrate and embrace that joy by breaking their chocolate fast. This can be a way to begin to understand what it is like to go without and transform, but it isn't really about challenging or changing the essence of who we are. In 2020, we are encouraged and we encourage our community instead to give something of ourselves, to transform who we are and how we show our love for each other and for ourselves. It is a time to give to others, to pray for others and to focus on becoming a person of Easter. I pray during this time of Lent, we can all see God's Grace in our daily lives.

Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday

On **Tuesday February 25th** we will hold our annual Shrove Tuesday Pancake breakfast. We look forward to seeing all families attend this breakfast from **7.30am to 8.30am**. While the school will cover most of the cost (\$9.80 per pancake), we do ask that all families make a gold coin donation (per pancake) towards this event. The following day marks the beginning of Lent. I ask all families to join us on **Wednesday February 26th for Mass at 2.15pm** in the gym as we begin to prepare ourselves for the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ at Easter.

School Fees and Health Care Card

Remember the first installment of school fees and your 2020 levies are due by **Monday February 24th, 2020**. If you have a health care card you are entitled to a **reduction of \$125** from your fees. Please present your card to the office asap.

Change to lunch eating time

A reminder that students now eat their lunch in their classrooms at **11.30am**. If you are delivering your child's lunch, please bring it at this time.

New Staff

Here is a picture of our new staff so you can recognise them and say hi to them when you see them in the school.



Mr Adrain Platek (1/2P), Ms Rachel Giuffrida (3/4G), Ms Sasha Sant (5/6S), Señora DeGiusti (Spanish) and Mr Bernard Mogg (Physical Education)

Staff Professional Learning Days

The school will be closed on **Thursday March 5th and Friday March 6th** so that staff can address the actions in our Annual Action Plan. Please make alternate arrangements for your children on these two days.

Engagement

Congratulations to Ms Pelliser who became engaged to Mark over the holidays. We wish Elloise and Mark a life of happiness together.

Enjoy your week,

Karen Bergin
PRINCIPAL

MAY OUR CHILDREN FLOURISH

We have zero tolerance of child abuse and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated seriously and reported in line with our legal obligations, our moral obligations and our school policies. Creating child-safe environments is a dynamic process that involves active participation and responsibility by parishes, schools, families and communities. It is marked by collaboration, vigilance and proactive approaches across policies, procedures and practices.



As a Catholic Community we respect the Wurrundjeri people, traditional custodians of the land upon which our school resides, and commit ourselves to reconciliation and justice for all in our community and nation.

PHYSICAL EDUCATION NEWS

Fun Days for Physical Education Classes

Fun Days are a whole class reward for every student displaying our school values, teamwork, good sportsmanship and sporting behaviour during Physical Education lessons. When all in the students in the class display these qualities the class earns 1 star toward their Fun Day. Each grade needs to work together to achieve 6 stars before they can have their class fun day. Once the 6 stars are achieved an invitation will sent home with further information to the students of that class. As part of the reward students can choose to do special activities e.g., bike, disco, scooter.

Mr Mogg will set up activities and supervise during the Physical Education lesson. It is one of many positive reinforcement strategies that is used in Physical Education lessons to encourage and develop a sense of responsibility and teamwork whilst reinforcing our school values.

Sunshine Sporting Clubs

If your child is looking for a club to join, please find some local suggestions below. If you know a great local club please come and see me and I can pass on details to other keen sportspeople.

Mr Mogg

PE/Sport Co-ordinator

CitySide Sports - Netball & Volleyball

Address: 39 Lily St, Braybrook VIC 3019

Phone: (03) 9495 0909

<http://www.citysidesports.com/braybrook>

Sunshine Cricket Club

Address: Sunshine North VIC 3020

Phone: (03) 9312 3829

<http://sunshinecricketclub.vic.cricket.com.au/>

Sunshine Park Tennis Club

Address: Stanford St, Sunshine VIC 3020

Phone: 0423 195 106

<https://www.tennis.com.au/sunshineparktc/>

Sunshine Football Club

Address: Lily St, Braybrook VIC 3019

Phone: (03) 9310 2094

<https://www.sunshinekangaroos.com.au/>

Sunshine Heights Junior Soccer Club

Address: Castley Reserve, Pellew St, Sunshine West VIC 3020

Phone: 0418 377 737

<https://sunshineheightsjsc.wixsite.com/heights>