

# ST. PETER'S NEWSLETTER

2A Killeen Street, Sunshine South West:



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Dear Families,

Welcome back to Term Three.

None of us wanted to begin Term Three like this but sadly it is the way we are living for now. I hope you and your children managed to enjoy the extended holiday with lots of walks and family time.

Last week as you all know the teachers were in school preparing for the coming weeks and contacted each and every one of you. I thank you as always for your ongoing support of our staff and the work they are doing to ensure your children have the best possible opportunities to learn during the coming weeks.

## **Deputy Principals**

As you are aware I have appointed two Deputy Principals and many of you met Mrs. Tamara on Monday when you came to collect your learning packs. I wanted to let you know that Mrs. Tamara Moravski will be Deputy Principal of Students and Ms. Grace Frazzica will be Deputy Principal of Staff. I am very excited to be working with Tamara and Grace in their new leadership roles.

## **Remote Learning Packs**

Thank you to the Year Prep to Four families who came and collected the Remote Learning Packs on Monday. These have been prepared by your child's class teacher to support their learning at home. If you require more supplies during the coming weeks, please contact Helen in the front office.

## **Sick Children**

Please remember to call the school office by 8.50am if your child is sick and is going to be absent or they will be marked absent if they miss their roll call.

## **iPads and Chromebooks**

During this period of remote learning, we are instructing the children that they are only allowed to be on their school devices from 9.00am to 3.00pm each day as we know how important it is for them to have some down time throughout the day that does not involve screens. We ask that you support us in this and we hope that our decision will help to support you at home as well.

## **Masks**

As you all know from Thursday masks are mandatory in Melbourne. Teachers do not have to wear a mask while teaching, but they do have to wear a mask while moving around the school. You must all wear a mask if you are coming to school. Children under 12 are not required to wear a mask, but we are more than happy for your child to wear one if you would like them to. Thank you to Sally (Joey's mum) who donated 2 boxes of masks to the school. We really appreciate it.

## **School Fees (Swimming Cancelled)**

Please note that swimming for 2020 has been cancelled. If you have paid your fees in full, the swimming component will be refunded to you. We will be happy to refund other components on your fees that have not been used by the end of Term Four, but we will be waiting to see what our remaining expenses will be due to Covid-19 before we decide on further fee relief. As always if

you have any questions about fees, please contact myself or Leslee in the office, not your class teacher as they don't have anything to do with fees.

As always, I pray for you all during these difficult times and ask that God may give you and your family the strength and love you need to support each other in these times.

Take care and God Bless.



PRINCIPAL



FREE online resources for Dads! [thefatheringproject.org](http://thefatheringproject.org)

The Fathering Project provides support for dads and kids through virtual community groups. We're all about the engagement of dads, building a collective support group, positive messaging, and strengthening the fathers-child bonds through this new virtual community - featuring podcasts, videos, chat forums, research-based reading materials and light-hearted celebrity conversations. Membership is FREE.

#### 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.