

# ST. PETER'S NEWSLETTER

2A Killeen Street, Sunshine South West:



June 4 2021

Dear Families,

I would like to give a big shout out and thank you to all of the parents and carers who are assisting our beautiful St. Peter's students in learning remotely every day. We love seeing their smiling faces on Google Meets (Year one – six) every morning and hearing how they are progressing with their work each day. It is important that the student attend their Google Meetings every day as this is how we mark the role and check in. Preps will begin this process next week.

The teachers are loading new work for the children on a daily basis to complete at a flexible time frame. As always, please reach out to your child's teacher via email with any queries or contact our office on 03 8312 6900.

We currently have some students attending remote learning at school. This option is only available for those parents who are both Essential Workers. If you are an Essential Workers, we will require a letter from your employer indicating the standard days and hours of the week that you work, so that we can legally provide care for you child/ren.

As lockdown has now been extended for another seven days we will be continuing to support our children by increasing to pull out groups for our Year One to Six Children and beginning Google Meets for our Prep children starting from Monday.

While we hope to see you all back at school very soon, in the meantime, we will keep you up to date via email and the Skoolbag App for any information we received from the Government of when the school will be reopening.

## **St. Peter's features in an international, peer-reviewed research journal.**

In 2018 St. Peter's collaborated with St. Paul's (West Sunshine) and St. Bernadette's (North Sunshine) Catholic Primary Schools to lead a family engagement research project. The project investigated how school leaders can support and influence teachers' use of social media (for example Twitter) to help families connect with their children's school learning. As part of this work, St. Peter's staff thought about how twitter posts, featuring photos and videos of children's learning, might help families to talk with their children about school learning at home. We are very proud to have had this project recognised by international peer reviewers, as valid and important work. Congratulations and thank you to Ms. Gill Baxter for leading this project.



### **Vale Mary Foley (St. Peter's Principal 1990 – 2000)**

It is with much sadness that we have learnt of the passing of our former Principal Miss Mary Foley. Mary was the third and longest serving Principal of St. Peter's from 1990 to 2000. Mary passed away peacefully after a short illness on May 3, 2021 aged 80. I ask you to pray for Mary's family at this time. May she rest gently in God's loving care.

Mary joined us at every invitation to come back to St. Peter's. She held our school and the community very close to her heart.

This photo was taken at our 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary in March, 2019

### **Term 2 Dates/Events:**

<b>Dates</b>	<b>Event</b>
<b>Monday June 14</b>	Public Holiday
<b>Thursday June 24</b>	Learning Conversations
<b>Friday June 25</b>	Term Two Ends at 1.45pm

As always, thanks for your support, stay safe and have a great 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.