# **ST. PETER'S NEWSLETTER**

2A Killeen Street, Sunshine South West:





September 10th 2021

Dear Families,

Thank you to the many fathers and families who joined our Father's day assembly last Friday. It was so lovely to hear from the children why their fathers are so special and to hear from our dads why they love being a dad. It was one of the most special family moments we have been able to enjoy together this year. I promise all of our dads I will definitely cook you bacon and eggs next year.

Please remember that there will be no assembly today as the teachers are meeting all day today to plan for term four. But next week we will have one of our favourite assemblies of the year as we all wear our footy colours and cheer on our favourite teams. You never know, you may even be barracking for your Doggies who could be into their second grand final in five years. As a Bulldogs friendly school, we wish the Bulldogs and all of the teams still in the finals all the best.

# **Google Meets and Focus Groups**

I would like to say thank you to our families and children who continue to attend their daily 9.00am meets followed by their focus groups with their teachers. I know recently the year 3-6 teachers have also started social meets for their children which the children are really enjoying. We are really trying to balance the amount of time that children are online learning both independently and with their teachers' support, between the amount of time they can be offline. I know our teachers are working so hard to ensure your children are staying as engaged and as focussed as possible given the current situation.

# NAPLAN

Our year three and five children sat the NAPLAN assessment earlier this year and this week we have posted their results to their families. Congratulations to our children who all tried their best during this assessment.

### Lockdown 6

As we continue to follow the Chief Health Officers advice and only leave the safety of our homes for 5 reasons, I do ask that we try to enjoy the sunshine when we can. It is great news that playgrounds are now open and I know our children are very happy to be venturing to the playground as often as they can. We are so lucky to have the rocket park just down the road for our children to enjoy.

### **New Staff**

This week we welcomed Fitri Azril to our team as a new Learning Support Officer. Many of you will know Fitri as she is an early childhood teacher from our local Fairbairn Road Kindergarten. We are very lucky to have Fitri's skills and she will be working in Prep P when we return to onsite learning.

At the beginning of next term we will also welcome Angela Beasley to our Learning Support team. Many of you know Angela from Before and After Care. We are very excited to have Angela joining our St. Peter's family.

Finally, we have employed Jock McMillian as a maths/science specialist. We are aiming to begin an advanced Maths/Stem program each Friday for the remainder of the year. We will provide more details about this program when we return to onsite learning.

# **Prep Enrolments**

We are still taking a few prep enrolments. If you know of anyone who is still interested in finding out more about St. Peter's and all we have to offer, please ask them to call Leah in the office on 8312-6900.

# **School Fees**

Thank you to all of our families who continue to pay their outstanding fees. We now have **\$52,000 remaining** in outstanding fees. The office is open from 9.00am - 1.00pm if you need to pay your fees.

I continue to pray for you all. For our safety, our wellbeing, and for each other. Please call me personally if I can help you and your family in any way at all.

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.