# **ST. PETER'S NEWSLETTER**

2A Killeen Street, Sunshine South West:





April, 29 2022

Dear Families,

Welcome back to Term Two and I hope you had a restful break over the holidays with your child/ren and your family.

With last Term achieving so many milestones, especially preparing our students for the Sacraments of Penance and Confirmation, I'm sure you will agree that both students and staff are ready to tackle another wonderful term of learning.

Whilst Ms Begin commences her well deserved long service break, I and the Leadership Team look forward to supporting and partnering with you and your child(s) learning. As we know, there are continuous changes to COVID protocols so please continue to support us as we implement these changes once we have received direct notice from MACS.

As always at St. Peter's, our doors are always open and if you have any questions please feel free to see your child's teacher or myself if the need arises.

# **Staff News**

At the end of last Term, Ms Rachel Giufridda and her partner Thomas Bezzina became engaged. We would like to congratulate Rachel and Thomas, and we hope that they have a long and happy life together.

We also welcome back Ms Monica Miller who will be working with us every Thursday. Monica will be supporting students in the class and lead in the New Arrivals program.

Lastly, just a friendly reminder that Ms Bergin will be on long service from Tuesday, 26th of April to Friday, 3rd of June. If you have any questions that relate to a Principal matter, please feel free to make an appointment with Leah in the office to see me personally.

# **ANZAC Day**

On Monday, 26th, we commemorated Anzac Day. This date is the anniversary of the day Australian and New Zealand soldiers landed on Gallipoli in 1915 as part of the Allies' invasion. Anzac Day is a time for us to recognise more than 1.5 million men and women who have served Australia in all conflicts, wars and peacekeeping operations. It's also a time to remember some 102,000 Australians who lost their lives as a result of that service. During this time of remembering our past wars we continue to pray for peace in Ukraine.

# **Swimming Program**

It has been a pleasure to see our Swimming Program in action this week after two years being canceled due to COVID 19 Lockdown and restrictions. As always, thank you for supporting us by encouraging your child to look after their belongings and preparing them with their swimming materials. I know I always look forward to the last day of swimming to see how much our students have progressed in their swimming technique and independence.

### **2023 Prep Enrolments**

We continue to hand out a number of enrolment packs to all our school families. Please return these as soon as possible because our enrolment numbers for Prep in 2023 are already very high. If you know of anyone who has a child turning 5 by April 30, 2023, please let them know they can now enrol their child at St. Peter's. I'm sure you all agree that St. Peter's is a very special school with amazing facilities but most importantly we care about what we do as we centre our core business around 100% students, 100% of the time.

### Wonder of Living Program

Just a friendly reminder that as a part of our Year 5 and 6 Wellbeing and Inquiry Learning we have organised 'The Wonder of Living Family Enrichment Program' to offer a Family Night on the topic of sexuality education. The purpose of this night is to encourage good communication between families and children about these important topics. It will be conducted by Open Doors Education, an ecumenical Christian non-profit organisation. Please ensure your child is accompanied by an adult to support them with their learning.

#### Mother's day

With Mother's day just around the corner Sunday, 8th of May, I know your child will ensure to mark this day with an extra hug to show their appreciation for all you do for them. Also, we will have our annual Mother's Day stall where your child is able to purchase a gift for you. This stall will be held on Friday, 6th of May with gifts starting at \$3 to \$10. Please support your child by having their money ready on this day in a plastic pocket. Please see your child's teacher if you have any questions.

As we have swimming on during this time we will not be able to hold our annual mother's day breakfast this year, but we will be sending home a special treat to our mums for all they do.

27/04/2022	Swimming Commences (8 day program)
06/05/2022	Mother's Day Stall
06/05/2022	Swimming finishes
15/05/2022	2 <sup>nd</sup> instalment of fees due
13/06/2022	Queen's Birthday Holiday
15/06/2022	School Photos
16/06/2022	Mid Year Reports to go home
19/06/2022	Year 3/4 Sacrament of First Eucharist
20/06/2022	Learning Conversations (12-7pm)
23/06/2022	Feast of St. Peter's and St. Paul's
24/06/2022	Term 2 Ends @ 1:45pm

Blessings to you and your family,

Ms Grace Frazzica ACTING 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.