

ST. PETER'S NEWSLETTER

2A Killeen Street, Sunshine South West:



May, 13th 2022

Dear Families,

As we enter into Week Three of Term Two, it's so lovely to see our students talking about their achievements in their learning, swimming, using their growth mindset and the new friendships they have formed. It has been noted by potential 2023 Prep parents during their school tour how respectful our students are with their friends and their classroom teacher. I truly believe that this is what makes St. Peter's School so special and unique. The relationships that students have with each other and with their teachers are second to none. Therefore, I would like to thank you for your ongoing support in partnering with us in your child's learning so that they are able to continue to celebrate their milestones both at school and at home. I look forward to seeing students continuing to thrive in their own very special way throughout the coming weeks.

Swimming

Congratulations to all of our students who participated in this year's swimming program. Once again, St. Peter's students were acknowledged both by the staff from Maribyrnong Aquatic Centre and the bus company for having outstanding manners. Teachers have also spoken very highly of our students in regards to their growth in swimming, despite not being able to participate for the last two years. Lastly, I would like to thank Ms Tamara for successfully coordinating our swimming program this year.

2023 Prep and other Year Level Family Interviews

We are looking forward to interviewing prospective 2023 Prep and other Year Level families in the coming weeks. It's so lovely to be acknowledged by these potential families how wonderful the school is, in regards to the amazing facilities the students have access to and most importantly that they can see for themselves how happy the students are at being at St. Peter's School. I continue to ask you for your support in promoting our school to your family and friends as we seek to grow our beautiful community. You're always welcomed to direct your family and friends to our social media platforms as a way to gain an insight of who we are but we know the best promotion is by word of mouth. Therefore, if you know any other families that would like to be part of our community please ask them to contact us directly.

YMER Family Math's Night

We are extremely excited to announce that we have secured Michael Ymer this year to work with our teachers, students and families. Michael is an experienced Maths expert that is in high demand both in Australia and in Asia due to his knowledge around how students learn maths and providing simple strategies for families in supporting their child at home. If you haven't already done so, please return your note to indicate that you will be attending our family night. As always, St. Peter's is happy to provide translators for free in order to support your understanding of Michael's context. If you have any questions about this evening, please see your child's teacher. The Family Math's night will start at 6.30pm sharp on Monday 23rd May.

Phones At School

Just a friendly reminder that students should not bring their phones or any other electronic device to school. If your child needs these devices for a particular reason, please communicate this with your child's teacher. In that way, we are able to securely mind their device during school time and return these items at the end of the day.

Mother's Day Stall

I would like to personally thank Ms Leah and our beautiful family volunteers who coordinated an extremely successful Mother's Day Stall. This year we raised \$1,235 from the items that were sold. I hope that our St. Peter's mothers and carers were able to enjoy these special items on Mother's day complimented with an extra big hug!

New phone interpreter option for parents to use when ringing St. Peter's School

St. Peter's has recently changed the phone options parents can choose from when they call our school. Parents can now choose option 2 to be put through to a phone interpreter, who can help you speak to school staff in a language of your choice. St. Peter's is partnering with the Victorian Interpreting and Translation Service to provide this important service. Please be aware that St. Peter's will still continue to organise interpreters at important school events such as learning conversations.

NAPLAN

Congratulations to our Year Three and Year Five children who sat NAPLAN this year. Children really do take this form of assessment in their stride, as they are so used to completing assessments in a variety of ways these days. Thanks to all of the staff who were flexible this week with the changes of timetabling to ensure the children had the most comfortable conditions to complete their assessments.

School Fees

Thank you to all of our families who have paid their 2nd instalment of fees. For those who have not done so, please ensure this is done by May 15th, 2022. As always, the school relies on these accounts to be paid so we are able to continue to support students with their learning. Please call Leah or Cora if you have any questions regarding your account.

Upcoming Excursions

Another great thing about this year is seeing our students attending excursions related to their current learning. The next two weeks, we will see our Grade 1/2s attend CERES and our Preps visiting the Collingwood Farm. I'm sure your child will come home with amazing recounts of their day at these particular excursion sites.

15/05/2022	2 nd 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.