ST. PETER'S NEWSLETTER

2A Killeen Street, Sunshine South West:





June 10th, 2022

Dear Families,

It's great to be back from my trip to Central Australia. I had a wonderful time away and a great break. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ms. Grace Frazzica for stepping up into the Principal role in my absence. From all accounts she did an outstanding job as we all knew she would.

I must say I have really enjoyed catching up with the children this week. I truly missed them all very much while I was away. I am so proud of the learning they have all achieved while I have been away. They have been very keen to share their learning with me.

2023 Prep and other Year Level Family Interviews

We have recently met our new 2023 prep students and their families. As you are aware, these families are very excited to start their journey at St. Peter's due to the calm nature St. Peter's delivers. These families continue to speak highly about how wonderful the school is, in regards to the amazing facilities the students have access to and most importantly that they could see for themselves how happy the students are at being at St. Peter's School.

Thank you to the families who have written about their positive experience at St. Peter's on the St, Peter's google review as this was mentioned a number of times in the Prep interviews.

As always, we 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.

Winter Uniform

As we welcome winter into Term 2 and 3, we would like to remind our school community that students must be wearing the correct winter uniform (apart from their specialist day). Further, we have introduced St. Peter's raincoat and beanie with assigned house colour names to the uniform shop. Therefore, students are only allowed to wear a St. Peter's beanie in Term 2 and 3. Any other beanies **will not** be accepted as it does not match the St. Peter's winter uniform. You can purchase these items at the office. Please see Leah if you have any questions.



Production

With the introduction of production to St. Peter's in 2018 and a supporting Drama/Music specialist class, we have decided that our students are ready to tackle a musical! Therefore, I can happily announce that St. Peter's will be showcasing their talents to the musical **'Wizard of Oz'**. Auditions will commence in the coming weeks with preparation in full swing throughout Term 3.

The performance will be held at **Marian College on Thursday 15th of September**, please ensure this date is marked on your calendar. More information will come out once we have finalised a few details. I thank Ms Ree and Ms Grace who will be leading our students in this area.

School Photos

Just a reminder that we will be having our school photos next week Wednesday, 15th of June. Students will need to wear their full winter uniform. Students in Prep Z and 3/4's will need to bring their runners in a bag to change into later once their photos have been taken. I know that the teachers look forward to having their class photo as it's a documentation that is marked part of history. The only dilemma I have is what to wear....any suggestions?

Eucharist Reflection Day and Eucharist

As part of our Religious Education Program, all Year 3/4 students will be taking part in our Eucharist Reflection Day at Saint Joseph's By the Sea in Williamstown on Friday 10th June. Students will be taking part in learning experiences that explore the Catholic tradition relating to the Sacrament of Eucharist. Students will engage in cooking, creative responses and mindful learning experiences on the beach. This day also marks those students who will be receiving the Sacrament of Eucharist.

I'd like to invite all of our families to Mass at St. Paul's Catholic Church on Sunday 19th of June at 9.30am to celebrate the Sacrament of Eucharist with Ken, Jarel, Evelyn, Stella, Jasmine, Kevin, Ross and Isabella. Please keep these children in your prayers as they take the next step in their faith journey this weekend.

Feast Day

On **Thursday June 23rd** we will be joining St. Paul's for our annual Feast of Ss Peter and Paul mass, shared lunch and activities. The students will have mass at St. Paul's church followed by lunch in the school and a performance from Genieve Bryant in the St. Paul's gym at 1.00pm.

Traffic Congestion and Parking

I continue to thank parents and families who are parking legally. I encourage you to continue to put our children's safety at the centre of all your decisions and you continue to park legally to ensure every child at St. Peter's is safe. Our neighbours continue to ask you not to pull into their driveways to drop off or pick up children.

Prep Excursion

We were very excited that our Preps were able to finally arrive on their first excursion for the year. Prep Z had a wonderful day at the Collingwood Farm. Once again, thank you to the Prep families who supported us with the change of date and getting the students ready for this day.

Chaplaincy Notes

Just a friendly reminder to hand in your child(s) Pastoral Care note. Our Pastoral Care Worker Claire Manton sent consent forms to each family in which the school was asking you to sign acknowledging your awareness of our Chaplaincy program within the school. As you are aware, children experience various emotions as they navigate throughout their day. Sometimes children are unable to regulate their emotions by themselves and require adult assistance. Claire's job at our school is to provide this assistance when extra support is needed. However, in order for Claire to work with children in this way, she will need to have a signed consent form for them. Children will work with Claire when the need arises. If any intensive intervention is required, Claire will contact you and seek further consent forms.

We strongly encourage all families to sign the consent forms as you never know when your child may encounter a situation that requires Claire's expertise. We all know that children learn best when they are happy and that Wellbeing is a key factor to academic success. We are extremely lucky to be one of the few schools in the West that can offer this Chaplaincy program.

If you have any questions regarding our program, please feel free to either speak to your child's teacher, Claire (Mon, Wed or Fri), Ms Grace or myself.

13/06/2022	Queen's Birthday Public 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). School finishes @ 11:30am
23/06/2022	Feast of St. Peter's and St. Paul's
24/06/2022	Term 2 Ends @ 1:45pm

Enjoy your 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.