



ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL
Thursday 12th May 2022, Week 3, Term 2
NEWSLETTER

School Vision

St Peter's is a faith filled and inclusive community that embraces diversity.
We aspire to engage and empower all to think critically and act justly,
guided by our catholic values, on our journey as lifelong learners.

St Peter's School Improvement Framework

To empower students to learn

To build teacher pedagogical practices

To strengthen partnerships with families and the wider community

Principal Report

Buongiorno St Peter's community,

We have celebrated some amazing community engagement activities over the past two weeks:

Maths Family Engagement Night

Mother's and Special Person Stall and Open Classroom Day

Reconciliation and Eucharist Night

It is really exciting that we can connect with our community and showcase our amazing school to our community.

Thanks Erin Whitbread and our staff for the **Mathematics Engagement Night** -

We had a terrific number of families that came along and helped their children solve and discuss mathematical problems together. Congratulations to our prize winners.



Our **Mother's Day Stall** and raffle was a great success. We had a small number of parents that helped prepare our gifts and one parent helped on our stall day. Thank you!

There was much excitement when our students came to purchase their unique gift. We hope our special people loved their gift. It would be wonderful to have more families involved in our Father's Day stall later in the year.

Community support helps to connect our families and celebrate our amazing school.



Our **Reconciliation and Eucharist night** introduced our Year 3/4 families to the sacraments. Fr Nathan spoke with our families about the different sacrament in our catholic faith.

The families moved into workshop activities and discussed preparations for the upcoming Eucharts celebration on Saturday 21st May at 12pm at the St Peter's Church.

Thanks Sara Brundell and the wonderful Year 3/4 team for your preparation and involvement.



Colour Fun Run - WOW!!!!

We're holding the *School Fun Run* as a major fundraising event this year! The event will be held on **Monday June 6**. We are really hoping to raise money which will pay for our new sandpit and sensory play area to enhance student engagement in the yard.

Keep your eyes peeled for the sponsorship forms which have been sent home with your child. Once you have the form, you should sign up for a Student Profile Page at schoolfunrun.com.au. You'll be able to access online fundraising and can win a \$20,000 Ultimate Family Package!

Students who raise \$10 or more will receive a reward, and the more money you raise the better the reward and the more you help the school! The first class that has all students registered will be rewarded with an icy pole so get in quick!

We're looking for all students to participate and we're organising a great day for our school community, so we'd love everyone to support the kids. If you would like to volunteer in the fun run please email Sara Brundell sbrundell@stprepp.catholic.edu.au

Thanks for supporting the school and we hope to see you at the event!

Naplan 2020

Our Year 3 and 5 students have taken part in NAPLAN this year. The assessment tests will inform our school of what we are doing well and areas of improvement.

The remote learning platform has been a challenge for our students over the past two years - however the new chapter of learning at St Peter's is focused on data driven differentiated teaching and aims to ensure all our students make at least 12 months of growth.

It is important to remember NAPLAN is only one small part of our assessment data to inform our teaching.

Child Safety Policy

St Peter's staff are currently reviewing our Child Safety Policy. Each week at our staff meetings our staff unpack the policy and discuss how it implemented St Peter's. In the coming weeks we will be working with students to ensure we have a child friendly policy and discussing with our students ways we feel safe at school. Next Thursday evening we

will be presenting the new child safety standards to our combined Advisory committee. Moving forward all our newsletter will include child safety information for families.

Children and Social Media

It is always a concern that students have access to many different forms of social media. Please monitor your child's use of social media and what they are watching on U tube. There are images and language that are not appropriate for primary school aged students. I strongly encourage the use of phones. iPads, laptops and computers to be only used in an open living area space and should never be used in the bedroom. Families may also choose to review the browser history on their child's device to see what they have been viewing. Sit down regularly with your child and discuss their use of the platform.

Unfortunately tick tock and other accounts are being opened and viewed by our students and the content is inappropriate.

Do it for Dolly Day

Tomorrow is Do it for Dolly Day. This day is dedicated to bringing communities together, spreading kindness and uniting in a stand against bullying.

Each class will complete one activity with a focus on online safety and/or cyberbullying. As a reflection each class will write a message of kindness on a blue butterfly that I will hand out tomorrow morning. These will be displayed in the school to remind students to be kind to others. Blue casual clothes can be worn to school tomorrow or the school uniform.

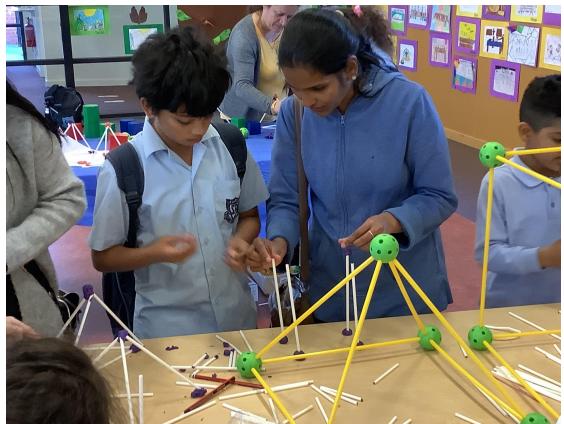
Students will be able to wear blue clothing tomorrow to mark this day.

Dolly's Dream <https://dollysdream.org.au/>



Thank you for your ongoing support as we journey together in our new chapter at St Peter's

Kindest regards,
Angela Tonkin
Principal



News from the Maths Hub



Last Tuesday St Peter's hosted the inaugural **Family Maths Engagement Night**, and what a huge success it was. It was amazing to be able to have our wonderful school community come together. We had around 120 students and their families attend, thank you to all who were able to come along and join in the fun!

At assembly last Thursday the prizes from the night's competitions were awarded. Congratulations to the following students -

Guess the Jellybean competition - Diya (1AM), Aarav (3/4PS) and Bethany (5/6JM)

Aeroplane flying competition - Davey (Yr 4)

Door raffle prizes - Claudia (Yr 5) Anthony (Yr 4)

I hope all involved found it to be an engaging and a worthwhile experience.

I have also attached one of the puzzles explored on the night for any family who want to have a go at home!

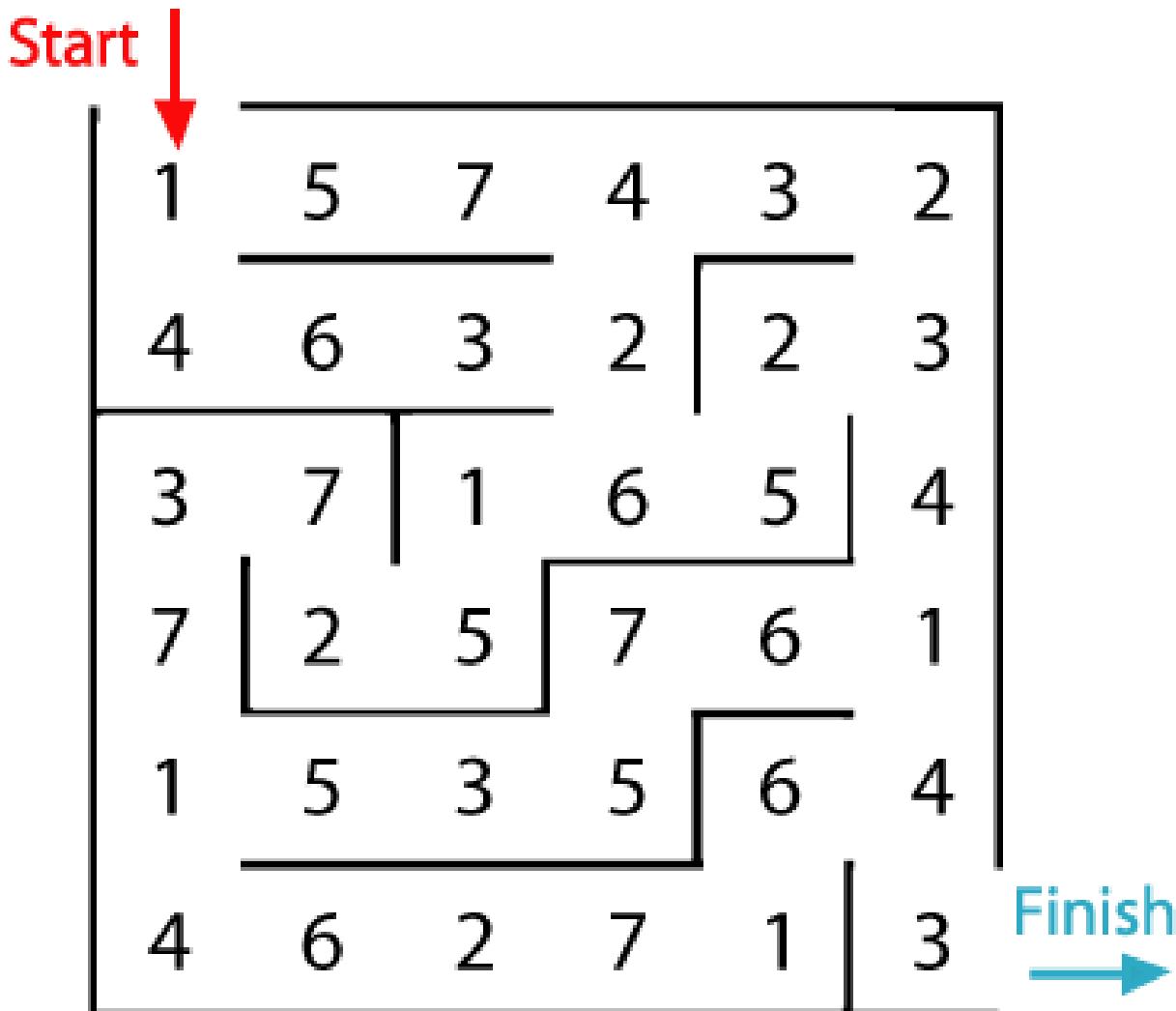
Mrs Whitbread

Numeracy Leader

Maze 100

In this maze there are numbers in each of the cells. You go through adding all the numbers that you pass. You may not go through any cell more than once.

Can you find a way through in which the numbers add to exactly 100?



What is the lowest number you can make going through the maze?

What is the highest number you can make going through the maze?
(Remember you may not go through any cell more than once.)

Religious Education

This Sunday is the Fifth Sunday of Easter in the Church. This Sunday's Gospel reading we hear Jesus issue a new commandment, 'love one another'.

John 13:31-35

**'My little children, I shall not be with you much longer.
I give you a new commandment: love one another;
just as I have loved you, you also must love one another.
By this love you have for one another, everyone will know that you are my
disciples.'**

This Gospel reminds us that we are called into action by Jesus, an action to serve just as he modelled. In this service we are called to use the fruits of The Spirit love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control in our everyday lives.

In what ways can you share the fruits of the Spirit with others and live out Jesus' commandment, 'love one another, just as I have loved you'.

Sacraments

Thank you to the families of our Reconciliation and First Eucharist candidates that joined us in our family Sacrament evening last night. It was a great opportunity for families to engage in learning about the Sacraments.



First Eucharist Photography Information

The celebration for First Eucharist will begin at 12pm in St Peter's Church on Saturday 21st May.

Photo forms were sent home earlier this week. Please use the QR code to book a time for your child's individual portrait and family photos. These will be taken in the Galilee Space.

Photography will begin at 10:30am

All students are to be in the foyer of the Galilee Space at 11:30am and families are to make their way to the church. A group photo will be taken at this time.

Confirmation Sacrament Evening

A reminder that on Wednesday May 25th we will be holding a Family Sacrament evening for all Confirmation candidates and their families. This will be held in the Galilee Space and commence at 6:30pm.

Wellbeing

Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships

This term all students continue to engage in our wellbeing program Resilience Rights and Respectful Relationships. Our current topic is 'Coping Strategies'. In the unit of learning the students will discuss and participate in learning experiences that identify and strengthen the use of coping strategies to support them in the classroom and the playground. The learning in the unit exposes students to positive self talk to manage challenging situations.

Child Safety Standards

New Child Safe Standards commence on 1 July 2022 (Ministerial Order 1359). As a school we are preparing for the change in documentation by engaging in dialogue with our school community regarding the changes. As we step through this journey information and updates will be shared with families so they are informed of the policies and processes

The new 11 Child Safe Standards come into effect on July 1st, 2022. In these new standards there is a great emphasis on the following:

- The involvement of families and students in child safety efforts
- The safety of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Isalander students
- The management of the risks of child abuse in online environments
- Governance, systems and process to keep students safe

We will continue to update our school community and explore Child Safety Standards with all at St Peter's.



National Walk Safely to School Day - Friday May 20th

This national initiative aims to encourage children to lead a healthier, more active lifestyle by simply including a walk at the beginning, at lunchtime and at the end of each day. The event also promotes reduced car-dependency, greater use of public transport, cleaner air, improved diets and road safety to primary school children across Australia.

On this day we will be encouraging students to walk to school safely with an adult, abiding by road rules and showing safety while walking. All students that participate will receive a certificate of participation.

NCCD

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD) is an annual collection of information about Australian school students who are receiving adjustments due to disability.

The attached information sheet provides detailed information for parents.

≡ NCCD Information Sheet parents

The information sheet is also available in the following languages:

- ❑ NCCD Information Sheet parents_Updated_AR.pdf**
- ❑ NCCD Information Sheet parents_Updated_Tagalog.pdf**
- ❑ NCCD Information Sheet parents_Updated_SZH.pdf**
- ❑ NCCD Information Sheet parents_Updated_VI.pdf**

Physical Education

A huge congratulations to our school cross country squad this year! All performed extremely well in wet and cold conditions at Bundoora Park. It was a very competitive day with 10 schools in our Lalor District running 2 kms. A special congratulations goes out to our students who successfully made the Lalor District Squad: Natalia Mangano, Allegra Sajeva and Jamie Vogdanis. All three will compete on Wednesday 25th May at Bundoora Park again. Mrs Moore

Mrs Moore



School Communication

As much as possible, school communications will be sent to families via the Operoo app. This is an efficient and time saving app. We ask that parents ensure that they check their Operoo Account on a regular basis, as well as ensure that their details are up to date.

We are seeking parent consent for the following via Operoo:

- Year 1 & Year 2: Water Safety Awareness Program.
- Prep - Grade 6: Local walking excursion permission.

Please remember that there is a 'live chat' button on the bottom right of the screen to assist with any issues. <https://www.operoo.com/contact-customer-support/>

Please contact the office if you continue to have issues accessing operoo.

Report a student absence

To report a student absence please send an email to notices@stprepp.catholic.edu.au or use the [quicklink](#) on our website. Please bear in mind that teachers may not always see their emails before the roll is taken each morning.

Planned Evacuation Drill

On Thursday 19th May at 11.30am St Peter's will carry out a planned evacuation exercise. The purpose of evacuation drills is to assist staff to understand their roles and responsibilities in an emergency situation in accordance with the schools plans and procedures. This also helps to prepare students and visitors to the school to leave the building quickly and in a pre-planned and organised manner.

Key Dates Term 2

May	
Thursday 12th	Conventions of Language Naplan
Friday 13th May	Do it for Dolly Day
Monday 16th	Visit from St Monica's College (Year 4 & Year 5 students)
Tuesday 17th	Numeracy Naplan
Tuesday 17th	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
Thursday 19th	Evacuation Exercise
Friday 20th	Bishop Terry visit (Year 6 Confirmation Candidates)
Friday 20th	National Walk Safely to School Day
Saturday 21st	First Eucharist (Grade 4), St Peter's Church 12 noon

Wednesday 25th	Family Sacrament Evening (for Confirmed candidates + families) 6.30pm Galilee Space
Mon 23rd - Thursday 26th	Daily swimming program Grades 1 & 2 (10.30am - 1.30pm)
Tuesday 24th	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
Tuesday 24th	Prep 2023 Parent Conversations
Friday 27th May	Melbourne Zoo Excursion Grades 1 & 2
Monday 30th May - Thursday 2nd June	Daily swimming program Grades 1 & 2 (10.30am - 1.30pm)
Monday 30th	Prep 2023 Conversations begin
Tuesday 31st	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
June	
Wednesday 1st	Prep 2023 Parent Conversations
Saturday 4th	Confirmation (Grade 6), St Peter's Church
Monday 6th	Colour Run
Tuesday 7th	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
Friday 10th	First round acceptance offers sent out today for Prep 2023
Tuesday 14th	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
Wednesday 15th	Preps & Year 1 Melbourne Museum Excursion
Monday 13th	Queens Birthday Public Holiday
Friday 17th	Closing date for acceptance offers to be returned for Prep 2023
Tuesday 21st	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
Thursday 23rd	KABOOM Sports Incursion - St Peter's Day Celebrations
Friday 24th	St Peter's Day Mass 10:15 - 11am
Friday 24th	End of Term 2, 1.30pm finish

Feedback

We are always looking for ways to improve our school community - please email our principal Mrs Angela Tonkin if you have suggestions or feedback you would like to share. Thank you atonkin@stprepp.catholic.edu.au All emails will be acknowledged.



Have your contact details changed?

Please don't forget to inform the school office if your personal contact details need updating, phone numbers, address, email etc. It is important we are able to contact either parent / guardian in the event of an emergency and will ensure communications are directed to the correct contact.

An email can be sent to office@stprepp.catholic.edu.au



Competition closes on Friday 3 June 2022

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Welcome back to Term 2!

We are so excited! We have a fantastic Term full of exciting, fun and adventurous activities!

What's happening at Extend in Term 2?



Kids Club Competition 2022

Thursday 5 May - Friday 3 June

Extend's Kids Club is back!

Children can showcase their unique creative skills and also work as a team in the service to create a masterpiece.

We can't wait to receive the applications from families and submissions from our Extend services!

Winter Extend Squad Holiday Program

We're planning a very exciting Winter Extend Squad holiday program for families.

Extend Squad opens for bookings on **Thursday 26 May**. Parents can plan ahead and book early to secure the early bird rate.

Families can attend any school across Australia where an Extend Squad holiday program is offered, if you don't have a service at your school.



Planned Activities

Our dedicated educators are dedicated to providing the ultimate learning experience for the children at Extend.

Here are some examples of activities our educators have planned for May:

- Mother's Day Arts and Craft
- Gratitude Tree Display
- Making Rocky Road
- Minor Games - Talent Show
- Footy and Handball
- Chess Tournament

Extraordinary Support for Extraordinary Schools

For assistance contact our friendly and knowledgeable customer service team on

1300 366 437 or email support@extend.com.au