



ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL

**Thursday 15th June 2023, Week 8 , Term 2 2023
NEWSLETTER**

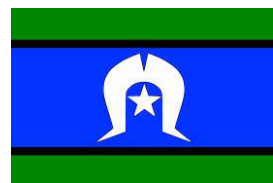


Acknowledgment of Country

We acknowledge this land as the Traditional Lands of the Wurundjeri People of the Kulin nation and we pay our respects to all elders past, present and emerging.

We will respect the land, animals and waterways, from the roots of the earth to the tops of the trees.

Thank you for letting us learn and grow on your mother earth. We understand that if we protect and look after the country, then the country will look after us.



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.

Principal Report

Good afternoon St Peter's community,

Our students enjoyed Wacky Wednesday yesterday. Our student leaders introduced this day to highlight social and emotional health in our school community and check in to see if everyone is ok. It's also a fun day to get dressed up and have some fun at school.

End of Term Dates

Term 4 ends on Friday 23rd of June at 1.30pm. Reports will be available to families at 4pm on this day electronically.

Thank you to the teachers for their time and effort writing the mid-year reports to ensure families have an informed document of student entry points in different aspects of the curriculum.

Family and teacher conversations are on Monday 10th July starting at 11am.

Thank you to the families making the accommodations over the next two weeks to meet with staff that are taking leave on either side of the school holidays. We are trying our best to ensure all families have the opportunity to discuss student growth with classroom teachers.

Students return to classes on Tuesday 11th of July.

Interpreting the grades in the mid year reports

Your child will be given an overall progression point which demonstrates your child's achievement in each of the curriculum areas assessed this semester:

Highly Accomplished - your child is well above the standard at this time of year.

Extending - your child is above the standard at this time of year.

Achieved - your child is at the standard at this time of year.

Working Towards - your child is below the standard at this time of year.

Not Evident - your child has not engaged in this learning.

Each curriculum area reported on has been broken down into a number of specific learning outcomes that have been taught throughout the semester. Each skill has been assessed using the same five point scale as above.

School gates

The school gates open at 8.30am every day. Three members of the leadership team supervise the student entry and play in the mornings. **The school gates are closed at 8.55am in the mornings and 3.45pm in the afternoon.** Families entering or exiting outside these times need to do so via the office. Please make sure students arriving late are signed in by the adult dropping them at school.

School oval

I am currently in the process of applying for a new oval surface and playground for our students. The synthetic turf oval will include a running track and a soccer field as well as additional four square courts. The grant process is challenging and competitive. We will keep trying until we have success.



St Peter's Day



On Friday 23rd of June our community will celebrate St Peter's Day. There will be mass on Friday at 10am. At this time we will reveal our beautiful St Peter's mosaic our very talented art teacher Kelly Manos and students have been collaboratively creating.

Congratulations Mark Torcaso



Our school community extends our Congratulations to Mark Torcaso, parent of Zack (5 /6) EP and Charli (3/ 4TD) for winning the **A-League Women's Coach of The Year Award**. In the club's inaugural year Mark led his women's team to the grand final some weeks ago, a great achievement!



School Policies

Each week we will share in our newsletter school policies for community awareness

This weeks policies:

1. [Child-Safety-and-Wellbeing-Policy-v2-0-2022.pdf](#)
2. [Child-Safety-Code-of-Conduct v3.0 2022.pdf](#)

Catholic Secondary College Enrolments Local Catholic Secondary Colleges take Year Seven enrolments during a student's Year Five year.

I encourage families of current Year Four and Year Five students to contact secondary colleges that they are considering for their child, in order to determine enrolment requirements and cut off dates. Year Seven 2025 enrolments (current Year Fives) close on Friday August 18th, 2023.



School Disco - Let's GLOW Crazy! Let's GLOW Crazy at the 2023 St Peter's Disco!

On Friday 18th August we invite the St Peter's students to get their favourite neon or fluoro outfit ready for a night of games, prizes and loads of fun!

The format this year: Our Junior Primary will get the party started so they can own the dance floor early in the night. We invite our Preps, Year Ones and Year Twos to get down from 6pm-7.15pm. Then we invite our Senior Primary to the dance floor to shake it out and bust a move without fear of bumping over the younger ones!

The volume will definitely be increased as we welcome the Year Threes, Fours, Fives and Sixes to dance the night away from 7.30-8.45pm.

Tickets MUST be purchased in advance. **More information next term. Save the date**

Please note: Students will not be permitted to be at the school outside of their time slot.

While the students are dancing, nibbles / tea and coffee will be provided for the parents to mingle and get to know each other in a social environment in our staff room.

As always I would love to hear any feedback you have about our school, so please feel free to email me at principal@stprepp.catholic.edu.au with any thoughts, concerns or suggestions that you may have to continue to make our school a wonderful place to be and to learn. I will get back to you as soon as I can and do appreciate any feedback that you have to share.

On a personal note - it was an exciting weekend for my family.



My dad was awarded an Order of Australia Medal (OAM) on the King's Birthday. This was in recognition of 58 years of community service: Victorian Surf Life Saving and the Apollo Bay Surf Life Saving Club. I am so very proud of my dad for this achievement.

Hope you have a great weekend - don't forget to share significant events that your family experiences with our school community. Email : office@stprepp.catholic.edu.au

Kind regards

Angela Tonkin

principal@stprepp.catholic.edu.au

Their Care will be running a school holiday program at Lalor East Primary School during the school holidays. See page 11 for more information

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

On Friday the middle school students participated in an incursion from **Mad about Science**. The incursion was all about Sustainability and how humans are impacting our Earth. The grade 3/4 were scientists for the day and completed experiments on greenhouse gases, climate change, 5 r's of saving the planet!



During this term a group of the year 4's went to **Parade College Bundoora for a soccer clinic**. It all started with our very hard working year 3/4 teacher Mrs Davies, thank you Miss Davies for this amazing experience! At the first session some of us were confident because some of us already play soccer and some of us were not playing soccer so they were nervous but we were relieved that it wasn't scary at all and most of us had lots of fun!

There were 4 rotations, the first activity was about dribbling the ball and kicking it. The second activity was mini soccer games, even if the other team lost or won we were all supportive. The third activity was Octopus but with the ball and the defenders had to try and kick the balls away. The last activity was like Piggy in the Middle but with the ball and you would try to kick the ball out and score. It was great to see everyone progress every week!

The Parade students were very helpful and supportive. At the end of the 6 weeks everyone that participated in soccer will be given a Manchester City T-shirt and a certificate. All of the year 4's who have participated in soccer had so much fun and they learned so much! Thank you Parade College for helping us and teaching us!

Also thanks to Mrs Torcaso and Mrs Brundell for coming along and supporting us each week.

Lynh Hoang (3/4PS)



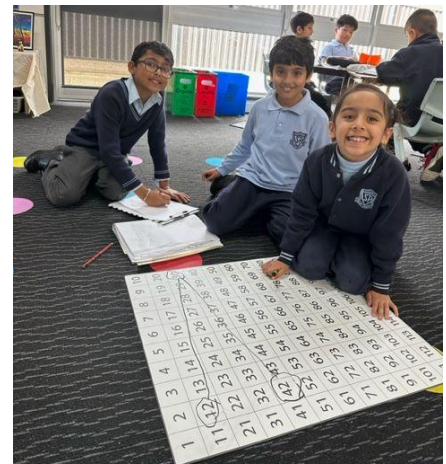
News from the Maths Hub



This year, we have 4 Senior School students who have been appointed as Numeracy Leaders. As part of their role, they are supporting the mathematics learning in other year levels and informing the community about the learning at St Peter's. REcently, they visited the Year 2 classrooms and composed the following reflection...

Dear parent / guardians

We hope you are all doing great. A few weeks ago, we went to the grade two classrooms. In 2DD, they started with a maths game. In that game, they had to pick five random cards and add the total amount. They were excellent in the game. They then learnt different numbers that made the same total. They did some examples on the floor. Then they went off and used a balance scale to make equivalent sums. For example, Melanie's number was 6. The sum she came up with was three plus three and two plus four.



In 2ED the students were learning about patterns and were trying to use them to add numbers together.

In 2BM the Year 2's were very productive. They were playing a maths game in which they rolled dice and made an equation. They had to see who could solve it first.

We had a great time working with the Year 2's and hearing them share their thinking and ideas! They really like playing maths games in Year 2!

From the School Numeracy Leaders,
BJ, Baani, Niyam and Aiden



Religious Education

Confirmation

This Saturday students from the senior school will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep the following students in your prayers.

<i>Sebastiano</i>	<i>Bon</i>	<i>Michael</i>
<i>Claudia</i>	<i>Noah</i>	<i>Alana</i>
<i>Bethany</i>	<i>Cullen</i>	<i>Alexia</i>
<i>Eden</i>	<i>Ryder</i>	<i>Julian</i>
<i>Chloe</i>	<i>Vincent</i>	<i>Ayla</i>
<i>Zack</i>	<i>Joshua</i>	



***Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts
of all the people, so that they may believe in You
and Jesus whom You sent.
Look kindly on all the candidates for Confirmation
as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to
Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that
You have begun in them***

Amen

Reminders

Photos will be held in the Galilee Space at the following times

- Surnames A-k 8am-8:30am
- Surnames L-Z 8:30am-9am
- All students come into the Galilee Space for group photo at 9:10am

All students are to have their stoles on for photos

Each family will have a pew allocated. Names will be on the aisle end of the seats. Staff from St Peter's and Glowrey will be available to assist on the day.

Mass starts promptly at 9:30am and is expected to last for an hour.

Please email me if you have any questions

Sara Brundell

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Library Book Borrowing



We have had a number of books returned to school damaged. We are asking that parents provide a plastic bag for library books to protect them from being damaged by food and water in school bags.

Students will not be permitted to borrow books unless they bring a plastic / waterproof bag for the books.

Procedure for Reporting an Absence

Thank you to the families that are using the notices@stprepp.catholic.edu.au email account or the 'Report an Absence' link on our website, to notify the school of an absence.

It is not always possible for teachers to access emails before they mark the morning roll or they may also be absent. By sending an email to the notices email address, the office staff can make sure the roll is updated. Please send an email for each day your child is absent, or specify a date range for their absence. A reason for the absence must be noted.

The exemption from school form is to be completed for students that are absent for more than 10 school days. The form is also available from the school office.

Updating your personal and contact information & changes to student medical conditions

Do we have your most up to date contact details? If not, please contact the school on office@stprepp.catholic.edu.au so we can update our records. This includes parent/carers' name, address, phone numbers, email address and emergency contact details.



Please ensure any changes to student medical conditions are communicated directly to the office in person or via email. This will help to ensure that appropriate measures are put in place to manage your child's medical condition.

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.



Key Dates Terms 2 & 3

(Please note dates may be subject to change)

APRIL	TERM 2
WEEK 8 12 - 17 Jun 	Friday 16th: Whole School Assembly Prep hosting 2:40pm - Families welcome to attend Saturday 17th: Confirmation (Gr 6) 9:30am - St Peter's Church
WEEK 9 19 - 23 Jun	Friday 23rd: Feast of St Peter, Whole School Mass, 10am St Peter's Church Friday 23rd June: End of Term 2, 1:30pm finish

JULY	TERM 3
WEEK 1 10 - 14 Jul	Monday 10th: FAMILY CONVERSATIONS (Students to attend with their family - no classes on this day) NAIDOC Week Friday 14th: Year 3/4 Gymnastics program, YMCA Epping 9:45 am - 12 pm Friday 14th: Whole school Assembly
WEEK 2 17 - 21 Jul	Tuesday 18th: Sibling Prep 2024 Conversations 9:30 - 1:30 Wednesday 19th: Sibling Prep 2024 Conversations 9:30 - 1:30 Wednesday 19th: State Secondary School Placements: parents notified in writing Thursday 20th: Sibling Prep 2024 Conversations 9:30 - 1:30 Friday 21st: Year 3/4 Gymnastics program, YMCA Epping 9:45 am - 12 pm
WEEK 3 24 - 28 Jul	Friday 28th: Year 3/4 Gymnastics program, YMCA Epping 9:45 am - 12 pm
WEEK 4 31 Jul - 4 Aug	Wednesday 2nd - Friday 4th: Year 5/6 Camp - Arrabri Lodge, Warburton Friday 4th: Year 3/4 Gymnastics program, YMCA Epping 9:45 am - 12 pm
WEEK 5 7 - 11 Aug	St Peter's Science Week Thursday 10th: STEM / Maths family engagement expo Friday 11th: Year 3/4 Gymnastics program, YMCA Epping 9:45 am - 12 pm
WEEK 6 14 - 18 Aug	Friday 18th: Middle / Seniors Author Visit (for book week) Year 3/4 Gymnastics program, YMCA Epping 9:45 am - 12 pm St Peter's parent committee disco Yrs Prep - 2 (6 pm - 7:15 pm) Yrs 3 - 6 (7:30 pm - 8:45 pm)
WEEK 7 21 - 25 Aug	St Peter's Book Week

		Book dress up parade Tuesday 22nd: Book fair arrives / set up Tuesday 29th: Book fair pack up
WEEK 8	28 Aug - 1 Sept	Monday 28th: MACSSIS Survey Opens Thursday 31st: Fathers Day Stall Friday 1st September: Open afternoon - Fathers / special person
WEEK 9	4 - 8 Sept	Child Protection Week
WEEK 10	11 - 15 Sept	Friday 15th: MACSSIS Survey Closes Friday 15th: End of Term 3, 1:30pm finish



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Group Games:

Dodgeball, octopus and downball was very popular amongst the children as a group game, last week, Children also got to play outside in the playground during afternoon sessions.



Sea World:

Last Week children were involved in doing sea world activities such as making jelly fish, creating sea animals using paper magic clay, making origami fish bookmarks, under the sea coloring pictures. Children were very happy and satisfied to make their own sea creatures...



Spontaneous play:

Last week apart from planned activities children also enjoyed playing pretend shops, dress ups, building train tracks, chess, reading books in the tent.

⌚ TIMES

Before School: 6:30Am - 9:00Am

After School: 2:30Pm - 6:Pm

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