



**ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PARISH PRIMARY SCHOOL**

**Thursday 28th April 2022, Week 1, 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,

It is wonderful to see our community back on our school site. Families are welcome to come into the school mornings and afterschool to farwell and greet students each day. To avoid congestion at the gate, families are welcome to come into the school and arrange a meeting place with students.

Our students reflected on the **ANZAC story** this week. We had a wonderful ANZAC display outside our school library and students learned about the challenges brave men and women encountered during the war. Our Year 2 students made ANZAC biscuits yesterday and each class participated in a prayer reflection throughout the week. Our teachers work to ensure our students reflect on our past, present and future.

## **Mother's Day**

Mother's Day celebrations look very different for each family. It is truly a day to celebrate special people in the lives of our students.



St Peter's will celebrate Mother's Day this year: [W 2022 Mother's day.docx](#)

1. Mother's Day raffle - \$2 ticket and three tickets for \$5. The opportunity to win a bag filled with unique Mother's Day gifts. Tickets went on sale today. The raffle will be drawn at 3.15pm on Friday.
2. Mother's Day stall - students will have the opportunity to purchase gifts from our stall \$8 and \$10. Mother's Day stall is on Friday 6th of May.
3. **Open door classroom** - Mum's or a special person have the opportunity to visit the classroom on Friday 6th May and take part in an activity and a prayer reflection between 2.30-3.15pm.

### **Maths Family Engagement Event**

An exciting new chapter of exploring maths learning with the whole family.

Erin Whitbread, our Maths Leader has planned an exciting afternoon of maths challenges for the whole family.

From the beginning of the maths journey on Tuesday our students will receive a mathematical badge of participation and families will have the opportunity to engage in maths challenges but also be in the running for some amazing prizes.

**Tuesday 3rd May 3.30pm-5pm - A night not to be missed!**

Our teachers will be present to assist families with the activities.



### **What's Happening**

**We have so many exciting events happening in our school this term**

1. **Year Prep & 1 students will be visiting the Melbourne Museum**
2. **Year 1 & 2 students will be visiting the Melbourne Zoo**
3. **Year 5/6 students will take part in their Confirmation celebration.**  
Next term the students will take part in a wheelchair basketball experience and a music/ performing arts experience
4. **Year 1 & 2 Water Safety Program at the YMCA Epping**
5. **Year 3/4 will take part in their Eucharist celebration**

Colour Run Term 2 - more information to come

St Peter's ensuring all our students experience success



## STEM Junior School IncurSION

### Mini Beasts

Challenging and stretching our students every day.



### Reporting student progress to families

Our dedicated teachers are continually assessing and adapting their teaching skills to meet the needs of our students. St Peter's has an amazing team of teachers that work hard to meet the needs of our students every day.

At the end of this term the teachers will report the learning progress of each student. This is an extremely vigorous process as the teachers moderate and ensure they have sufficient evidence to complete reporting documentation. The school reports will be sent home electronically on June 20th and parent teacher interviews will be on Wednesday June 22nd.

### Before School Care

As many of you may have read in correspondence last term the EBefore School Program was closed due to lack of numbers attending the program.

**I have been able to negotiate with 'Extend' the program to run in the second term.** However we need more families to access the program for it to continue.

If you are considering using the before school program please contact, extend and enrol your child. The co-ordinator 'Sammy' is a vibrant and really energetic leader.

The students enjoy the program she runs before and afterschool.

### Reading workshop

Thanks Melissa Gatt for your engaging Reading at Home workshop today. It was terrific to see so many families take part in the workshop.

### Cross Country Team

All the best to our Cross County Team that will represent St Peter's On Wednesday 4th of May. It is so exciting to see our school return to inter school sporting competitions.

*During the holidays, Melissa Gatt, our Teaching and Learning leader, was invited to guest lecture at Monash University. Over 2 days, she presented to preservice teachers on how STEM can be integrated into inquiries that link curriculum areas. Melissa's experience and professional practice in this area is highly valued within education.*

Kindest regards,  
Angela Tonkin  
Principal



### **Workers and Volunteers in Schools under the Pandemic (Workplace) Order 2022 (No. 8)**

Education workers include volunteers that attend an education facility and that work in close proximity to children, students or staff. This includes parent helpers, canteen or tuckshop assistants, reading helpers, excursion supervisors or classroom or working bee volunteers.

**As such, any volunteer performing any work at a school is an education worker and they must be fully vaccinated (boosted) or have an exemption.**



## DISCOVER, LEARN AND PLAY

Extend offers a chance for children to learn and play in a fun and supported environment. Session times are tailored to the school's community needs and aims to give families the assurance and support they need as they head into work.

Extend's Before and After School Care program, develop and nurture young minds with science, cooking, sport and imaginative play. Children's interests and ideas are central to our programs, customised under the My Time Our Place School Aged Care framework.

Extend promotes a healthy lifestyle by facilitating a device free zone with the exception of tablet-based homework. Every day there are extraordinary activities for children to discover, learn and play. Further, we create healthy habits by providing nutritional food and lots of opportunities to participate in active play.



#### PROGRAMS WITH PERSONALITY

Children are encouraged to shape their learning and play – whether it's science, drama, cooking, sport or yoga, memorable experiences are being made every day.



#### EXTRAORDINARY EDUCATORS

With open arms, endless energy and a passion for teaching, Extend Educators make a real difference to children, families and the school community



#### SAFE AND PROTECTED

The safety and wellbeing of children and staff is of paramount importance to Extend. Our processes and procedures have given us an impeccable safety record.



#### HEALTHY AND STRONG

Extend offers a range of nutritional food and encourages healthy eating as part of a wider program promoting active play for healthy minds and bodiest

## Religious Education

### Sacrament Celebrations

In Term 2, the Sacraments of First Eucharist and Confirmation will be held at St Peter's Church on the following days.

<u>First Eucharist</u>	<u>Confirmation</u>
Saturday May 21st at 12pm	Saturday June 4th at 10:30am

### Family Sacrament Evenings

This Term we will be holding family Sacrament evenings onsite for families of children that are or have celebrated a Sacrament this year. These Sacrament evenings are an opportunity to engage in some dialogue and reflection about each of the Sacraments.

Family Sacrament evenings for 2022 will be held at 6:30pm on the following days

- Reconciliation and First Eucharist - Wednesday May 11th
- Confirmation - Wednesday May 25th

We look forward to meeting Sacrament families on these evenings.

## Wellbeing

### Child Safety at St Peter's

At St Peter's, we hold the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people as a central and fundamental responsibility of our school. We are committed to ensuring that we are constantly maintaining high standards in student wellbeing and are ensuring that our school and wider community are familiar with the Child Safety Standards and how these are lived out at our school.

Each week at our staff meeting, our dedicated staff are engaging in dialogue around Child Safety and in each newsletter we will be sharing information from this discussion and about our policies and procedures.

Our staff are currently unpacking our [Child Safety Policy](#), which is available to our families and the school community on our school website under the [Policies](#) tab

Our staff focus this week was to revise the definitions used within the document as well as the commitments (pages 2-6). As a staff we were able to reflect on these commitments and name the ways that we live the commitments day to day at St Peter's School.



### 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.

## Teaching and Learning News

Dear Parents and Carers,

It's been lovely welcoming our students back after their term break. As Catholics, we have celebrated Easter; Christ's resurrection. The school's Galilee space illustrated the students' understanding of the Easter story. As Australia's, we stopped to remember our ANZACs. Our school library has a display that highlights the journey that the Australian and New Zealand soldiers took to get to Gallipoli. There are many picture story books that the student's have had access to, to learn more about the ANZACs. Our Year 2 students made ANZAC biscuits this week! Yummy!



I want to thank the parents that came to our parent information session earlier today that focused on effective ways to read to your child at



home. It was a great turn out which humbled our staff to know that so many of you are willing to support your child in their learning journey. Together, parents and teachers, make a strong teaching and learning partnership! If you were unable to make the information session today but would like to learn more about effective reading strategies for your child, a video recording will be uploaded to our school website in the coming weeks.

The National NAPLAN testing days for our Year 3 and Year 5

students are scheduled to start in the coming weeks. The dates are as follows:

Tuesday May 10th - Writing

Wednesday May 11th - Reading

Thursday May 12th - Language (spelling, grammar & punctuation)

Tuesday May 17th - Numeracy

The students will be accessing NAPLAN tests online. Your child is required to have their own over-the-head headphones to bring into the classroom, that they will need for the Naplan assessments.

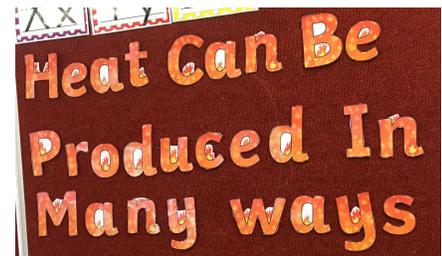
Please no earbuds, or airpods.

If you have questions regarding the NAPLAN schedule, please feel free to contact the school.



### **Units of Inquiry**

During Term 2, the whole school has an overarching Big Idea that centers around Science Understandings. St. Peter's has been working hard behind the scenes to secure rich learning experiences for our students. Students across the levels will have opportunities to visit the zoo, museum, make and fly model planes and drones, build arcade games, cook, learn to swim as well as many other fun and exciting activities! Many of our students have missed incursion and excursion opportunities during the pandemic lockdowns, and so we are very happy to offer these learning experiences once again.



Below you will find links to each class level's Term Two Curriculum Overviews.  
Click on the link to read more.

[Foundation Term Two Overview](#)

[Year 1 Term Two Overview](#)

[Year 2 Term Two Overview](#)

[Middle \(Years 3/4 \) Term Two Overview](#)

[Senior \(Years 5/6 \) Term Two Overview](#)

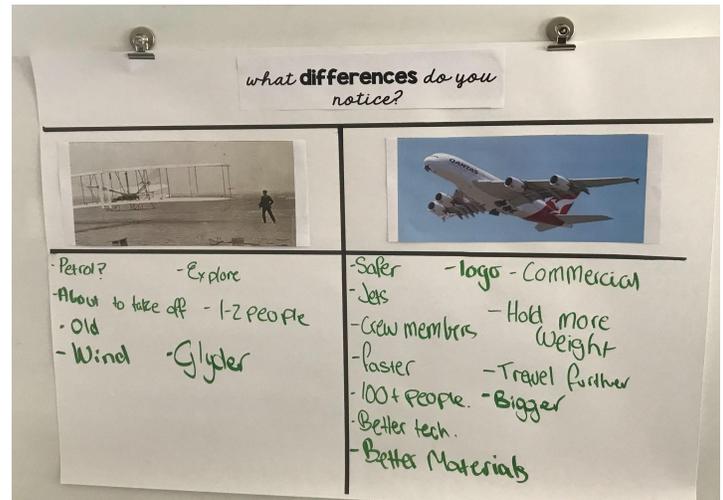
We look forward to another productive and engaging second term of learning.

Kind regards,

Melissa Gatt

Learning and Teaching Leader

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NAPLAN is fast approaching and we look forward to celebrating the amazing learning by our students as the Year 3 and Year 5 students participate. Please note the dates for the assessments below.



<b>Tuesday 10th May</b>	Writing
<b>Wednesday 11th May</b>	Reading
<b>Thursday 12th May</b>	Conventions of Language
<b>Tuesday 17th May</b>	Numeracy

Assessments are completed in class during school hours. It is important that students are prompt to school on these days to ensure the assessment schedule runs smoothly.

If you have any questions regarding your child's participation, please contact the classroom teacher.

# News from the Maths Hub



It's almost here!! Our family mathematics engagement night is **NEXT TUESDAY!!**

Families will be able to participate in a range of hands-on learning activities together.



Activities include:

- Measuring mass using scales
- Aeroplane flying competition
- Number cruncher - mind boggling puzzles
- Money and shopping activities
- Building shapes using materials
- Jar of jellybeans guessing competition

There are a range of prizes to be won by those who attend and a St Peter's maths badge for all as well!

Please come to the Galilee front doors after school and be ready for fun and learning!

## *St Peter's Family Mathematics Engagement Night -*

### **Problem Solving Extravaganza**

**Tuesday, 3rd May 2022 - 3:30-5pm**

**Galilee space**

Kind regards,

Erin Whitbread

NAPLAN Co-ordinator

### **Second Hand Uniform Shop**

The second hand uniform shop is now open (please see the key dates section for opening hours).

The shop can be accessed via the Galilee side entrance next to the office.

Please note we only accept cash and we do not hold any new uniform onsite. For any new uniform requirements, please visit <https://academyuniforms.com.au/> Any uniform ordered can be delivered to the school free of charge.

We are in need of coat hangers if parents have any to donate.

If you are unable to visit at the allocated times, you may fill in the second hand uniform request form and we will endeavour to fill your order. Please click on the link to access the form and uniform prices:

[☰ St Peter's Second Hand Uniform Request Form](#)

## Key Dates Term 2

<b>April</b>	
Tuesday 26th	First Day Term 2
Tuesday 26th	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
Thursday 28th	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
Friday 29th	Transition to Secondary Parent Information Packs to be sent home today
<b>May</b>	
Tuesday 3rd	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
Tuesday 3rd	St Peter's Mathematics Engagement Night 3.30 - 5pm - Galilee Space
Wednesday 4th	Lalor District Cross Country Carnival (Years 4 - 6) Bundoora Park
Thursday 5th	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
Friday 6th	Mothers Day Stall
Tuesday 10th	Writing Naplan
Tuesday 10th	Second hand uniform shop open 08:45 - 09:15am & 2.45 - 3.15pm
Wednesday 11th	Reading Naplan
Thursday 12th	Conventions of Language Naplan
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	National Walk Safely to School Day
Saturday 21st	First Eucharist (Grade 4), St Peter's Church
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
<b>June</b>	
Wednesday 1st	Prep 2023 Parent Conversations
Saturday 4th	Confirmation (Grade 6), St Peter's Church
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

### Report a School Absence

If you know that your child is going to be away in advance please send an email to their class teacher or visit our school website and click the Quick Links tab to fill out the [Report an Absence form](#).

If it is an unexpected absence please ring the front office on 9401 1157 and let the office team know.



### 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](mailto: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](mailto:office@stprepp.catholic.edu.au)



AUSTRALIA'S #1 NON-COMPETITIVE SOCCER PROGRAM



TERM 2, 2022  
SOCCER FUN FOR GIRLS &  
BOYS AGED 2-12

STARTING FROM 7TH MAY

FOR A **FREE TRIAL** P: 0424 793 800

### MITE-E SOCCER (2-3YO)

A great introduction to Soccer!  
Children work with their parents to  
learn new soccer skills and develop  
their motor skills! Lots of fun games  
in a non-competitive environment!



35 MINUTE CLASSES / \$140 FOR 8 WEEKS

### PINT SIZE SOCCER (4-5YO)

Children take their first kicks in soccer! They'll  
be introduced to shooting, dribbling, goal  
keeping and more! Children get to play lots of  
fun, skill based games. Grasshoppers get  
introduced to the Pint Size 1v1 Big Game!



50 MINUTE CLASSES / \$160 FOR 8 WEEKS

### INTRO TO MICRO (5-6YO) MICRO (6-8)

The ultimate challenge for young  
soccer players! They'll learn the rules  
of the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game  
and develop their skills in passing,  
dribbling, shooting and more!



60 MINUTE CLASSES / \$170 FOR 8 WEEKS

### MICRO PLUS (9-12YO)

This program focuses on skill  
development and team work in  
preparation for club soccer. Children  
will enjoy all the favourite soccer based  
games, fine tune their skills as well as  
play the Grasshopper Soccer Big Game!



60 MINUTE CLASSES / \$170 FOR 8 WEEKS



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## Term 2, 2022 ENROLMENT FORM - STARTING FROM 7TH MAY

Child's Name: ..... DOB: .....  
 Parent's/Guardians Name: .....  
 Address ..... Suburb: ..... P/code: .....  
 Phone: ..... Mobile: .....  
 Email: .....  
 How did you hear about us: .....

### Term 2, 2022 (Please Tick)

**MERENDA**

**St Josephs Catholic Primary School**  
 44 Mernda Village, Mernda VIC  
 8 week program starting on 7th MAY

**EPPING**

**Epping Secondary College**  
 Mcdonalds Road, Epping VIC  
 8 week program starting on 8th MAY

**KINGSBURY**

**Kingsbury Primary School**  
 1A Maryborough Avenue, Kingsbury  
 8 week program starting on 13th MAY

### PROGRAMS (Please Tick)

MITE-E (2-3 YO)  PINT SIZE (4-5 YO)  INTRO TO MICRO (5-6 YO)  MICRO (6-8 YO)  MICRO PLUS (9-12YO)

CLASS TIMES	MITE-E	PINT SIZE	INTRO TO MICRO	MICRO	MICRO PLUS
KINGSBURY- FRI	N/A	N/A	4:30-5:30 pm	4:30-5:30 pm	4:30-5:30 pm
MERENDA- SAT	9:30-10:05 am	9:30-10:20 am	10:30-11:30 am	10:30-11:30 am	10:30-11:30 am
EPPING- SUN	9:30-10:05 am	9:30-10:20 am	10:30-11:30 am	10:30-11:30 am	10:30-11:30 am
<b>TERM FEES</b>	<b>\$140</b>	<b>\$160</b>	<b>\$170</b>	<b>\$170</b>	<b>\$170</b>

**PAYMENT OPTIONS:** CASH OR BANK TRANSFER (Grasshopper Soccer has a **NO REFUND** Policy)

**Account Name:** Grasshopper Soccer Melbourne North

**BSB:** 013347

**Account Number:** 323767994

**ADD:** Grasshopper Soccer Shirt, Shorts & Hat- Enrolment Special- \$55 ( Size- please Circle) **XXS XS S M L**

Parent/Guardian Consent: I hereby authorize Grasshopper Soccer to act on my behalf should my child require medical attention, and release Grasshopper Soccer from any liability for injury incurred by my children at Grasshopper Soccer programs. Photo/Videos of children attending these programs may be used for reasonable promotional purposes by Grasshopper Soccer.



**ENROLMENT SPECIAL \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**TERM FEE \$** \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL \$** \_\_\_\_\_

Please Tick: Yes  No

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

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Grades 4 - 6 Primary Schools  
**YEAR 7 INFORMATION NIGHT**  
TUESDAY, 31 MAY  
**BOOK NOW ONLINE**  
[www.stmonicas-epping.com/2024](http://www.stmonicas-epping.com/2024)

Tours Commencing 5:30pm  
Information Session 6:00pm



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