

Newsletter

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Good afternoon families,

Welcome back

We are very excited to announce that parents and families are now allowed back into school! You are all welcome to come in and see your child's classroom. If you are staying longer than 15 minutes you must check in at the office and all adults are expected to maintain social distancing.

5/6 Fun Day

This Wednesday is the 5/6 Fun Day. The teachers have organised an amazing day full of fun activities. All families need to have given permission on the PAM app. Please see Miggy and Jake if you have any questions.

P/1/2 Fun Day

The Preps & 1/2s will have their Fun Day on Friday permission forms don't need to be completed as they are staying on the school grounds. A letter will be sent home with further information.

End of Year Reports

The reports will again look slightly different due to the impact of remote learning. The staff have been revising the English and Maths progression - dots - The Achievement Standards - Some students' results have been marked down to the current accurate assessment.

End of Year details

There has been some lifting of restrictions in schools so we are very pleased to announce:

Orientation Day - Tuesday the 8th of December from 11.30am - 1.30 pm. Students will all spend some time with their 2021 teachers and class groups.

Reports (and PLPs) will go home on Friday Dec 11th. Final Assembly and Award Presentation will be on Monday the 14th at 9.30am - all are welcome to attend Whole school End of Year & Graduation Mass - St Kilian's Church 6pm, Tuesday the 15th of December All families are now welcome back to St Peter's to enjoy a

'take away' dinner together. End of the Year - the students finish on WEDNESDAY the

16th of December at 2.15pm.

Please register to attend the End of Year Mass via the PAM app or return form that was sent home today ASAP. We must have names and numbers attending.

2021 St Peter's Car Park Changes

As you are all aware, the car park at the front of the school can be quite tricky to navigate and each year we have a couple of small collisions between cars. Over the summer holidays we are having the car park re-developed. There will be a "Kiss and Drop" lane on the side closest to the school with parking limited to a maximum of 2 minutes. Parents will stay in their cars and children will enter and exit on the left of the vehicle. The other side will have parking for longer periods for when parents and families wish to leave their vehicle and enter the school. There will be a fence in between both lanes. The crossing will still be used to cross the car park.

Term 4 Week 9

Mummumburra Oliver Harrington **Balam Balam** Leo Cronin

Ethan Miller & Charlotte Wilson Mur Murra

Duan Eric Verma

Sam Dee & Nargis Bastakoti Barrangal

Yulawil Thando Patterson Wirrap Janet Hakim

Lily Goudge and River Farrow Guwak

Njana Nganity Violet Gittins Charlotte Stringer Music

Co- Principal Award

Last week's Co-Principal award went to Sam Goudie- Kennedy. Sam has been showing excellent care for self by holding eye-contact when talking to others. He has been showing care for learnning by focusing on arrays in 3/4 Barrangal. Well done Sam!



A moment in Prayer

The Candles of the Advent Wreath:

Advent is seen as a time to prepare for the celebration of Christ's arrival. Each candle represents one aspect of the waiting and is lit to signify Jesus bringing light into people's

1st week = Hope

2nd week = Love

3rd week = Joy

4th week = Peace

This week's Gospel reminds us to prepare for the coming of Jesus.

"Prepare ye the way, Prepare ye the way of the Lord."

St Kilian - Pray for us. St Peter - Pray for us. Amen

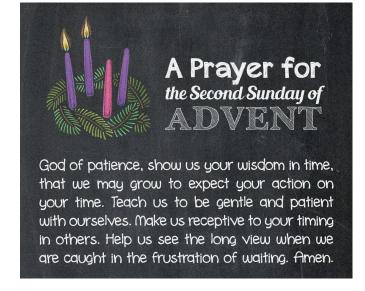
God bless, Jen & Mick



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9 DEC, WED	All day	5/6 Fun Day
11 DEC, FRI	All dayAll day	P/1/2 Fun Day Reports going home
14 DEC, MON	9:30 – 10:30am	Final Assembly and Award Presentation - All Welcome
15 DEC, TUE	6 - 7:30pm7 - 8pm	Whole School Graduation Mass St Kilian's Catholic Church Bendigo After Mass Take Away Dinner on the Oval Saint Peter's Primary School
16 DEC, WED	All day	Last Day of Term - Finish 2:15pm
29 JAN, FRI	All day	Term 1 Begins

School Holidays	Starts	Finishes
First Day of School	29 Jan 2021 (Fri)	
Term 1 Holidays (Autumn)	2 Apr 2021 (Fri)	18 Apr 2021 (Sun)
Term 2 Holidays (Winter)	26 Jun 2021 (Sat)	11 Jul 2021 (Sun)
Term 3 Holidays (Spring)	18 Sep 2021 (Sat)	3 Oct 2021 (Sun)
Term 4 Holidays (Summer)	18 Dec 2021 (Sat)	30 Jan 2022 (Sun)





Wirrap sending off thier letters to Santa

Mr. Miggy Podosky. - Catholic Identity Coordinator

2nd Sunday in Advent Year B - 29 November 2020

Something to Think About

Today we celebrate the beginning of the Church's liturgical year.

Advent is a season of joy and expectation. It is a time of preparing and getting ready for the birth of Jesus that we celebrate at Christmas.

The Story

In the Gospel today, we hear about John the Baptist. John the Baptist was someone who was so special to the people of his time. When people heard him talking about the coming of Jesus, they were so excited because this person, who was so admired, was talking about someone greater than him.

Because everyone was so excited they all prepared for his coming.

Today we still celebrate and prepare that Jesus is coming this Christmas. How can you help to prepare yourself for the joy of Christmas?

The Scriptures

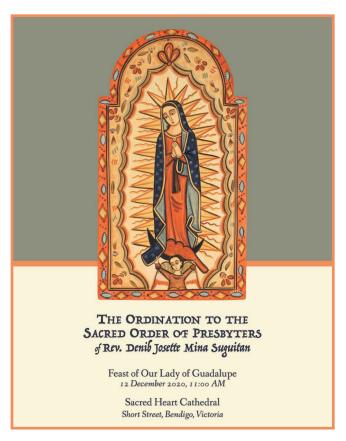
A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark 1:1-8
The beginning of the Good News about Jesus Christ, the Son of God. It is written in the book of the prophet Isaiah:
Look, I am going to send my messenger before you;
he will prepare your way.

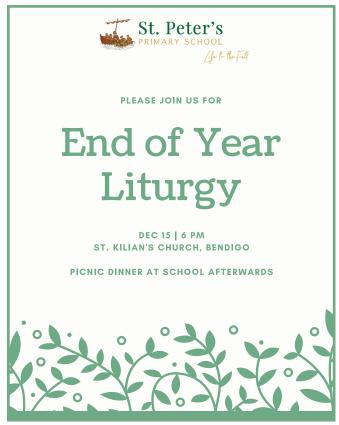
A voice cries in the wilderness:

Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight. and so it was that John the Baptist appeared in the wilderness, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. All Judaea and all the people of Jerusalem made their way to him, and as they were baptised by him in the river Jordan they confessed their sins. John wore a garment of camel-skin, and he lived on locusts and wild honey. In the course of his preaching he said, 'Someone is following me, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to kneel down and undo the strap of his sandals. I have baptised you with water, but he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

"A voice cries in the wilderness: prepare a way for the Lord"





St. Peter's Primary School

Ecological STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



Mrs. Lauren White - Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

"Creation is a gift, it is a wonderful gift that God has given us, so that we care for it and use it for the benefit of all, always with great respect and gratitude." Pope Francis' Audience, 21 May 2014.



- **1.7 Ainf Fairtrade & Local** shop locally to reduce emissions and use your green bags.
- **2. Un Wrap** Pop gifts in reusable boxes/bags or use recyclable paper.
- 3. Don't Waste Food- Plan ahead and only buy what you actually need.

4. Recycle- this seems obvious but with the extra paper, plastic & bottles it is more important than ever! Other things can be recycled at various spots too, like electricals & soft plastics.

- **5. Be Smart with Batteries** either use rechargeable batteries (which have 32 times less environmental impact than disposable batteries) or recycle them at places like Battery World. Australians throw out over 8000 tonnes of used batteries every year!!
- **6. Donate it, Don't Dump it** donate unwanted gifts, clothes and toys to charities in need.
- **7. Switch Off & Switch Down** using a timer and energy-efficient choices for lights will reduce both your energy usage and cost. Remember to turn electricals off at the source when you leave the house for a few days or more.
 - **8. Give Generously** try swapping physical gifts for experiences or gifts through a charity.
 - **9. Be Smart with Cards**-send your family, friends and colleagues a personal e-card or use cards from a charity made with recycled paper.
 - 10. **Travel Responsibly**-offset emissions when flying and share lifts to reduce the number of cars on the road.

RESOURCES: http://www.australianethical.com.au







Wellbein

I spent time in Yulawil and Barrangal last week and we made some christmas kindness promises, I was so proud of the students as they wrote down special ways that they can spread joy and kindness.

Stacey Frost & Kristy Dupille - Social Workers

I hope that all your Christmas trees are up, I have heard that there are some cheeky elves around!!! Try to remember to slow down a bit and take it day by day. It is such a busy time with so much fun to be had. I think it is extra important to have lots of down time for you and your children. I know there are lots of super tired kids (and adults!) that can benefit from an early night, an extra cuddle and drinking lots of water.

Take extra special care of yourselves and your kids. Merry Christmas! Stacey.



- 1. Be a light in the darkness.
- 2. We all fall over sometimes.
- 3. You can never wear too much glitter.
- 4. Bring joy to others.
- 5. Sparkle and twinkle as much as possible.
- 6. It is okay to be a little tilted.









Stacey and Miss Robinson started some christmas activities and also finished off our bookmarks. We were very pleased to have Logan bring his seeds back to school and report that he had planted new seeds and they were growing rapidly!! Great job Logan!





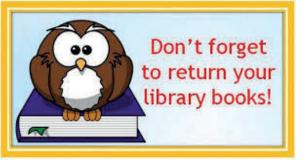
It's the final week of Kristy's Peaceful Kids

helping

This group has been an absolute treat for the girls to meet together each week and Kristy is so proud of each and every girl in the group.



Library News



Please have a really good look at home for any library books you may have and return them to the library before the holidays. Some sneaky places you might need to look for those ones that are really hiding:

- In the shelves/cupboards
- Under carseats
- In the boot of the car
- Under beds/couch

If you need a reminder of the names of the books you have on loan please come and see me and I can write them down for you.

Read a book that has been made into a MOVIE	SWAP a book with a FRIEND	Read a GRAPHIC NOVEL or COMIC BOOK	Read a book with a ONE WORD TITLE	Read a NON-FICTION book
Title:	Title:	Title:	Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:
READ ALOUD to someone else	Read a book that makes you LAUGH	Read in BED	Read a book by your FAVORITE AUTHOR	Listen to an AUDIO STORY
Title:	Title:	Title:	Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:
Read a book based on a TRUE STORY	DRAW a PICTURE about what you read today	Read a book PUBLISHED this YEAR	Read IN or UNDER a TREE	Read an ADVENTURE story
Title:	Title:	Title:	Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:
Read a book about a HISTORIC event	Read your BEST FRIEND'S favorite book	Read a book with an ANIMAL on the cover	RECORD an AUDIO STORY of you reading	Read a book about something SCIENTIFIC
Title:	Title:	Title:	Title:	Title:
Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:	Date:
Read a book with a NUMBER in the TITLE	Read a MAGAZINE about a topic of interest	Read a book while EATING a SNACK	DRAW a picture of your ALL-TIME favorite character	Read a book by a NEW-TO-YOU author
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Wow! Thank you to everyone who supported our 2020 Scholastic Book Fair, even though it looked a bit different this year we are so appreciative of everyone who browsed and shopped virtually. We made just over \$2000 in sales and were able to purchase 58 new books for our library!!



Click here or check out the scholastic website for some great summer holiday reading activities.