

Staff Retreat ~ Murray River ~



Good afternoon families

Staff Retreat

Our staff retreat was an amazing experience for all of the staff. We had an incredible two days reflecting on our faith and how God lives in us. We were extremely fortunate to have Sr Anne Cossar leading our two days - she was fun and engaging and full of love for our staff and our school. We were also lucky enough to have Fr Junray join us and celebrate Mass with us. We were at a beautiful spot on the Murray River where we could see God around us in nature everywhere we looked. We were very blessed to have had such an amazing retreat.

Fr Rom Hayes

Many of you will remember Fr Rom who was our Priest at St Kilian's before Fr Junray. Yesterday Fr Rom celebrated his 50th anniversary of becoming a Priest. We congratulate Fr Rom on this amazing achievement!!

Middle Unit Excursion

The Middle Unit enjoyed a fantastic day last Wednesday when they went on their excursion around Bendigo. The students came back full of information about all they had seen and experienced. Thank you to the teachers for the organisation of the day and the students for the way they conducted themselves!! We even had an email from one of the places they visited thanking them for being so well behaved and polite.

Blitz - Care for Others

We are continuing our focus this week on the School Value - Care for Others. Please help us by acknowledging your child when they show Care for Others at home. For example, if a child helps their younger sibling get ready for bed - you might say - "wow that shows great care for others when you help him put his pajamas on". Please ask your child about the ways they have shown Care for Others throughout each day.



Yr 6s to visit CMC

All our Year 6s will visit CMC this Friday from 11.45am - 1.30pm. This is a visit provided by CMC for all Year 6s. CMC will provide a bus and the students will be accompanied by one of their teachers from St Peter's. All the Year 6's received a letter today. Please grant permission via Simon Everywhere.



Dentist Opportunity

Our students have the opportunity to visit the Dentist while the Dental Van is at our school. The van will be at St Peter's from Monday the 7th until Friday the 11th of June. This is a free service to all students!! All students received a form to visit the Dentist - if you require a new one please contact the office or your child's teacher. This service is provided by Vale Dentistry. The parents of any students requiring additional dental work will be contacted directly by the dentist.

School Photos

The School Photos will be taken on Wednesday the 16th of June. Forms will be sent home in the coming days.

Awards

There was no assembly last week as the Middle Unit were on their excursion. Last week's awards will be given out this week.

A moment in Prayer

Lord, help me to live this day - Quietly, Easily;
To lean upon Your great strength - Trustfully, Restfully;
To await the unfolding of Your will - Patiently, Serenely;
To meet others - Joyfully, Peacefully;
To face tomorrow - Courageously, Confidently.
Lord, so help me to live this day. (*St Francis of Assisi*)
Amen

Have a good week, Jen & Mick

UPCOMING



7	JUN, MON	● 10 – 11am	Dental Van visiting - return forms asap
14	JUN, MON	● All day	Queen's Birthday Holiday
16	JUN, WED	● All day	School Photos
25	JUN, FRI	● All day	Last day of Term 2
28	JUN, MON	● All day	School Holidays
12	JUL, MON	● All day	First day of Term 3



Leo's Riddle

What is something that gets bigger the more you take away?
Answer to last weeks riddle: An egg

8th June

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Something to Think About

The work of the Holy Spirit affirms the life and love of Jesus, giving witness to what is true. We, too, can give witness to how we see the Spirit of Jesus to be alive in our lives. What evidence do you see of the Spirit working in your life? Speak to God about it. perhaps you can speak to people you trust too.



The Story

To testify and bear witness to something, I must have personal experience, so that I can say: This is true, and I know it.

Lord, I have not been with you from the beginning. I am one of those who did not see and yet believed. Show me yourself, strengthen your spirit in me, so that my life and my words may testify to you.

The Scriptures

A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John 15:26-27

Jesus said to his disciples, "When the Advocate comes, whom I will send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who comes from the Father, he will testify on my behalf. You also are to testify because you have been with me from the beginning."

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

This term our school is excited to offer the sacrament of Baptism. Baptism is the introduction of a person into the Church community. Through the waters of Baptism the person enters into the life of God - Father, Son and Spirit. He or she is dedicated to God and all that is good.

For anyone interested in Baptism (student, parent, staff member), there will be an information session at the school on

Wednesday June 9 at 3:30pm. If you have any questions you can speak to Miggy Podosky (Mr. P) or the Co-Principals.



This term we will be offering Baptism through the school. Baptism is available for all in our school community. If you are interested could you please fill out this form and return to the office or your classroom teacher. If you have any questions please see Mr Podosky or one of the Co-Principals.

Baptism

Expressions of Interest

Name: _____

Person/s for Baptism: _____

Kristy Dupille

Week 6 ~ Term 2! I hope that you're all well and enjoyed the four days off with the children - the weather was glorious.

We were all very blessed to have the opportunity to have time as staff to reflect and spend time together learning and developing.

In the Peaceful Kids group recently we made Calm Jars and your children may have brought one home or spoke about it - these are definitely a favourite activity as part of this group. These are something that the children find help them to be more mindful. Being mindful is all about learning to pay attention. By focusing our thoughts we can settle our mind. This is particularly important when we are facing strong and difficult emotions. When we are stressed, anxious, sad or angry we can quickly get carried away by our emotions and this can affect our mood and behaviour. However by being mindful we can help focus and settle the mind when we experience difficult emotions. Hence the glitter jar is a great tool for the kids to use.

This week the One Box will be available again on Friday - if you are needing any food support before then please don't hesitate to ask for support.

Take care and as always please don't hesitate to give me a call or email to discuss any concerns you might have about your child and how we can support your child at school

wellbeing@spbendigo.catholic.edu.au



Every day your child can enjoy a delicious free healthy breakfast from 8:30 in the Djak Tjarra (Enviro). We have a range of cereals, toast, fruit, juice and yoghurt. Yummo!!



Thursday at
2nd Break for 5/6s



Human Beings are Social Creatures

Let school help your young person

- flourish
- thrive
- connect
- conquer



The 'Peaceful Kids' program is a Mindfulness and Positive Psychology based program to lessen anxiety and stress and increase resilience in children. This program helps children to build their emotional resilience so they are better equipped to deal with the day to day stresses that life brings them.

The Peaceful Kids program is run by Kristy at St Peter's. If you'd like any information about how you can practice more mindfulness at home please chat to Kristy or visit the Peaceful Kids website. There are some wonderful resources available in the Parent Resources Padlet such as these free guided meditation sessions.

[~ Click here ~](#)

<https://gawler.org/additional-resources-events/meditation-audios/>

St. Peter's Primary School

Ecological

STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



Mrs. Lauren White - Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

"For life to truly thrive on this planet, there must be immense biodiversity. Only when billions of different individual organisms make the most of every resource and opportunity they encounter, and millions of species lead lives that interlock so that they sustain each other, can the planet run efficiently. The greater the biodiversity, the more secure will be all life on Earth, including ourselves." [David Attenborough, A Life On Our Planet, 2020, pg.6]

What is Biodiversity and why is it important?

Biodiversity is the variety of biological beings that exist/live in the world. It includes all species, animals, plants, fungi and microorganisms, and their different characteristics. The more variety that exists with living beings, the more the world is able to adapt to change, stay balanced and support life.

Without biodiversity the world wouldn't be able to sustain itself.



What is 'Human Diversity' and why is it important?

Human diversity is the amount of unique biological and cultural variety of the human species on the planet. It is important to value and celebrate these differences in all humans and to learn from each other, so that we can thrive and the world can live sustainably.

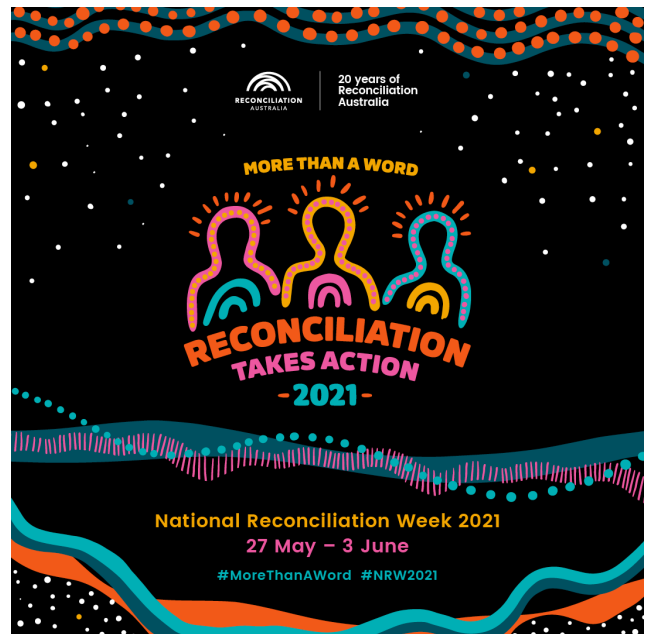
Why do we celebrate 'National Reconciliation Week'?

Australia celebrates Reconciliation Week to remind us all to value Australia's human diversity and recognise Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples, histories, cultures and futures. We want to live in a country where braver and more impactful actions are taken to help build positive relationships and connections between broader Australian communities and First Nations peoples.



The world's population is rapidly increasing but at a cost to the planet's biodiversity and life efficiency.

YEAR	WORLD POPULATION	REMAINING WILDERNESS	CARBON LEVELS IN ATMOSPHERE
1937	2.3 billion people	66%	280 parts per million
1954	2.7 billion people	64%	310 parts per million
1960	3.0 billion people	62%	315 parts per million
1968	3.5 billion people	59%	323 parts per million
1971	3.7 billion people	58%	326 parts per million
1978	4.3 billion people	55%	335 parts per million
1989	5.1 billion people	49%	353 parts per million
1997	5.9 billion people	46%	360 parts per million
2011	7.0 billion people	39%	391 parts per million
2020	7.8 billion people	35%	415 parts per million



UPCOMING EVENTS:

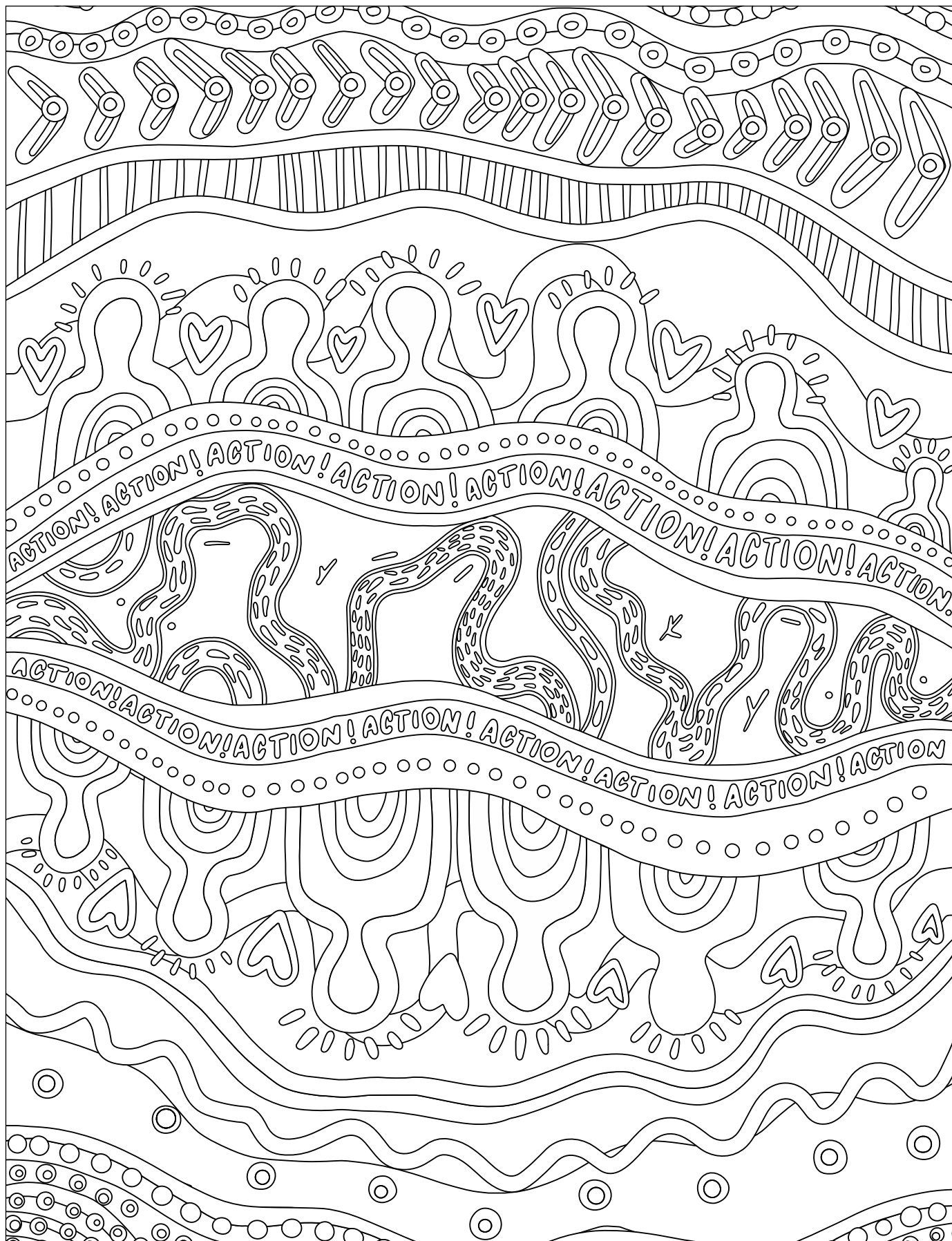
27th May - 3rd June: National Reconciliation Week - "More than A Word. Reconciliation Takes Action." building better communities that value Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture.

Tuesday 8th June: World Oceans Day - "30 x 30" Save 30% of our blue planet by 2030.



Colour for Reconciliation

Action by Jessica Johnson



Action is the story of the land and community sharing the united call for action on reconciliation.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island peoples have been listening to the heart beat of the land and sea for generations. With their rainbow shaped souls the spirits ask for us to join and make reconciliation more than a



after the
BELL
GROWING CURIOUS MINDS

St Peter's OSHC Newsletter

EXCITING PROGRAM AHEAD TERM 2 - WEEK 7

Monday - Crab Soccer Game and Pool Noodle Ball Game Challenge

Tuesday - Ping Pong Cup Team Challenge

Wednesday - Musical Chairs and Bobs and Statues

Thursday - Roll the Die Activity Challenge

Friday - Let's get active and play our favourite sport games



COOKING CLUB:

Apple Pancake

JOKE OF THE WEEK

WHAT CAN YOU SERVE BUT NEVER EAT
A TENNIS BALL.

JUNIOR LEADER

Logan W. is this weeks Junior Leader for stepping up into leadership roll and organising a team to help make the Chocolate Balls. Working well with the team to complete the task.
Well Done!

HIGHLIGHTS

JOIN THE FUN OF OSHC

Registration is FREE all you need to do is visit our website at
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Please feel free to contact our head office as we are happy to help you out with the process.

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