

## Newsletter

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#### Feast Day & Baptism Celebrations

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Feast Day Celebrations on the last Friday of Term. It was an amazing celebration of both St Peter's Feast Day and the Baptism Celebration for Tahli, Faith, Ethan, Hunter, Sam D, Sam GK, Mady and Kaylee. We are so honoured to have been part of this celebration!! Congratulations and thank you for sharing this celebration with our whole school community.



Catholic Education Sandhurst Newsletter "Communication Matters" featured a lovely recap of our special occassion.

St Peter's students baptised It is a joyous occasion to witness the baptism of one child, but on the final day of Term 2, the St Peter's School community welcomed eight children into the Church family. The entire school community gathered at St Kilian's along with the families and Godparents of the children who were to be baptised. Fr Junray presided at the Mass which also celebrated the feast day of St Peter, the patron saint of the school.

Co-Principal of St Peter's Primary School, Ms Jenny Roberts said preparations for the baptism had taken place with Father Junray and several staff members leading up to the sacraments.



"It was a very special occasion for our school community and an amazing way to celebrate our Feast Day," she said. "We are grateful to the families of each of the students for allowing us to all be a part of their special day and I acknowledge our staff who were so supportive of the children and their families," said Jenny. During the Mass Father Junray gathered the children at the front of the church where he spoke to them

about the symbols used in baptism. Sitting amongst them, he talked about why baptism takes place and the children listened respectfully as he explained each ritual to them. The oil of Baptism is used as a symbol of providing strength, water cleanses and purifies, while the candle signifies new life and the light of Christ.

Each child was called forth to receive baptism as Father Junray poured water over their heads from the baptismal font. Seven students were baptised along with a younger sibling. Following the baptism they were presented with a ceremonial stole and a candle. Throughout the Mass and baptisms, St Peter's students took part in the Feast Day Service by singing and providing readings. At the conclusion of the Mass they participated enthusiastically in the Recessional Song, 'My Lighthouse' with dance and actions. It was a wonderful and uplifting way to end the service. Co-Principals of St Peter's, Michael Chalkley and Jenny Roberts acknowledged teacher and Religious Education

Coordinator, Miggy Podosky for his organisation of the St Peter's Feast Day Mass and thanked Executive Director of Catholic Education Sandhurst, Mr Paul Desmond for being present, along with staff, students, families and Godparents. Adding to the celebrations, the child of St Peter's Part-time Admin assistant was also baptised the following weekend, taking the total of baptisms associated with the school community to 9!



#### Jetts Gym

The students from Prep to Yr 4 will again be participating in the Jetts Gym program on Fridays for the first 5 weeks of this term - starting this Friday:

Foundation: Bus pick up 11:10 return to school 12:40 Grade 1-2: Bus pick up 12:00 return to school 1:30 Grade 3-4: Bus Pick up 12:50 return to school 2:20.

#### School Photos & Dental Van Rescheduling

The School Photos have been rescheduled for Tuesday 27th of July. The Dental Van will now visit during Week 3 of Term 3 - starting Monday the 26th of July. Please make sure you have your permission forms filled in and returned to the school. Don't miss this amazing opportunity for free dental check ups and dental work!

#### Learning conversations

The Learning Conversations will take place over two nights - Tuesday the 20th and Thursday the 29th of July. Please make a time to see your child's teacher via the SiMON Everywhere app (available from tomorrow) or call the office.

## A moment in Prayer

Loving God,

**Balam Balam** 

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Enviro

bless this journey of a new Term that we undertake today. Refresh our souls and renew our spirits We welcome anyone new to this community Lord, make our hearts strong and may You guide our students to return with open hearts and minds eager to learn.

We ask this in Your holy name, Amen

## **AWARDS**

Term 2 Week 10

Katrina Hakim Anna John Madison Hanks

Mummumburra Paitynn Bergman
Barrangal Lucas Parker & Kaylan Pickett

Yulawil Bella Gittins

Wirrap Giselle Kennedy-Morgan

Guwak Literacy - Kartik Sharma & Addi Keller Njana Nganity Zoe Hodgskids & Bailey Thomson

Faith Douglas

Tadym Boserio

#### Co-Principals Award

Yamika - showing all 4 School Values - especially Care for Others. Yamika is consistently kind to others and showed tremendous encouragetment to others during the school athletics.



River -

showing all 4
School Values - especially Caref or Others
and Care for Learning. River consistently
does his best work regardless of the task
and he shows great respect towards all
others all the time!

Vamika Patterson

Congratulations and Thank you to both River and Yamika - what great role models you both are!!

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#### 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mr. Miggy Podosky. - Catholic Identity Coordinator

#### Something to Think About

A sense of gratitude and appreciation for friends and families is a blessing; I take time to reflect on the blessing I am to them and ask for the strength I need to let God work fully in me; I ask for wisdom to know when to speak and how best to witness in their presence.

#### The Story

The words of Jesus will be a scandal, a stumbling block, to us if we try to understand them on their own. As we keep our eyes on Jesus and see the fullness of his sacred heart, his personality and vision, we understand how he is inviting us to take good care. Help me now, Jesus, to receive your word that saves me and not focus on what might trip me up.

### The Scriptures A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 10:34-11

Jesus said, 'Do not think that I have come to bring peace to the earth; I have not come to bring peace, but a sword. For I have come to set a man against his father, and a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law; and one's foes will be members of one's own household.

Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up the cross and follow me is not worthy of me. Those who find their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it.

'Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. Whoever welcomes a prophet in the name of a prophet will receive a prophet's reward; and whoever welcomes a righteous person in the name of a righteous person will receive the reward of the righteous; and whoever gives even a cup of cold water to one of these little ones in the name of a disciple—truly I tell you, none of these will lose their reward.'

Now when Jesus had finished instructing his twelve disciples, he went on from there to teach and proclaim his message in their cities.





"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it is the only thing that ever has." [Margaret Mead]

Mrs. Lauren White - Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

## St Peter's Student Sustainability Group

#### What is it?

St Peter's has a group of students who meet once a week to discuss and take action on the school's sustainability needs. These students learn about, implement and lead the school in being a more environmentally friendly and sustainable place in our community.

#### Who is in it?

The group is made up of 14 students, two from each of the Year 1-6 classes.

#### What are we called?

The group was recently granted permission to use a new Indigenous name and will be now proudly known as

## 'DHELKUNYA DJAA'

Dhelkunya Djaa means 'healing country' which fits perfectly with the group's purpose as well as this year's NAIDOC week theme.

#### What does the group do?

The students have been busy learning about the school's sustainability practices, cleaning up the yard, preparing the garden beds in the gathering space to become a bush tucker garden, and monitoring energy use, water use and waste management. The students are working on and learning about ways we can improve the school's sustainability and raise awareness with the school community on these issues.



#### **Kristy Dupille**

Welcome back everyone! Hello Term 3! I hope that you all had a great school holidays. I enjoyed time spent with my kids and time to recharge - a highlight was the Awaken Light Festival at Rosiland Park - what an amazing free activity to check out in Bendigo! It's great to see all the kids back at school today - for some they will be excited to be back, some will be nervous, some will struggle with getting back into a routine - just remember try to aim for early nights so that they can get back into that routine of being back at school. As always please don't hesitate to give me a call at the school or send an email to wellbeing@spbendigo.catholic.edu.au Take care, Kristy.



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



A new group of students from the 5/6 classes will commence Peaceful Kids program this term.



#### Every minute matters

Start of Day Matters

 aim to be at school by 8.45 am for a 9.00 am start

# MONDAY ump Back Up July 2021 Get the basics right: eat well, exercise and go to bed on time

Write your worries down and save them for a specific worry time

Catch yourself over-reacting and take a deep breath

WEDNESDAY



Pause, breathe and feel your feet firmly on the ground

**TUESDAY** 

Challenge negative thoughts. Find interpretation

When things go wrong, pause and be kind to vourself

Get outside and move to help clear your head

helped you get through a tough time in your life

Think about what you can learn from a recent problem THURSDAY FRIDAY

small step to a problem

Avoid saying "must" or "should" to ourself today

Find 3 things

you feel hopeful

about and write

them down

Be a realistic

optimist. Focus

on what could

go right

in perspective by seeing the bigger picture

Adopt a

growth mindset

Change

"I can't" into

"I can't...yet"

Find fun ways to distract yourself from unhelpful thoughts

Choose to see something good about what has gone wrong

Reach out to a friend. family member or colleague for support

**SUNDA** SATURDAY

Reach out

to someone you

trust and share

your feelings

with them

Use one of

challenge today

something to look forward to today

Find

Let go of the small stuff and focus on the things that matter

you are feeling



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# St Peter's OSHC. Newsletter

## EXCITING PROGRAM AHEAD TERM 3 - WEEK 1 AND 2

Monday - T.Shirt Indigenous Art Work

Tuesday - Leaf paintings - Let's get Creative

Wednesday - Dot Painting on Coasters or Rocks

Thursday - Lemon Myrtle Cookies - Cooking Club

Friday - Scratch Art Boomerangs

Monday - Mosaic light bottles Artwork

Tuesday - Marble painting creations

Wednesday - Pine one creations, slime and Cooking Club

Thursday - Salt Dough Modelling
Friday - Let's get our coloured clay out
today



## **COOKING CLUB:**

Week 1: Lemon Myrtle Cookies
Week 2: Cheese and Vegemite Scrolls

## **JOKE OF THE WEEK**

Q: WHAT DID THE COOKIE SAY TO THE ANNOYING COOKIE CRUMB ON!

A: THE VACUUM CLEANERI

## **JOIN THE FUN OF OSHC**

Registration is FREE all you need to do is visit our website at

www.afterthebell.com.au

and complete the online Registration Form.

Please feel free to contact our head office as we are happy to help you out with the process.

**CONTACT US** 

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## **JUNIOR LEADER**

Kaylee is this weeks Junior
Leader, Kaylee participates in all
activities and always has a smile
on her face.
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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

