

## Good afternoon families

### Welcome Back

Today marks the return of all students to normal classes. We are most grateful to families as you supported us in the past 2 weeks as we worked our way through our first positive Covid 19 case. At this point we are only aware of the one positive case. It is fantastic that families were able to follow the guidelines and ensure the continued safety of our community. We are also very appreciative of the way the staff have supported each other and all of the students during this time.

### All School Visitors to be Fully Vaccinated.

As most people would be aware the Victorian Government has now made it mandatory for all adults visiting St Peter's to provide evidence of being fully vaccinated. If you need to come into the school building you will be asked to provide evidence of your vaccination status. You will need to do this only once as the evidence will be stored in our sign in system. If you like you can email this evidence in advance to [admin@spbendigo.catholic.edu.au](mailto:admin@spbendigo.catholic.edu.au). If you are unable to provide this evidence we ask that you remain in your vehicle and call the office so we can assist you. We encourage all families to take up the offer of having children vaccinated once they become eligible.

### School Closure Days

**Thursday 25th of November**

2022 Planning Day - Pupil Free Day

**Friday 26th of November**

Report Writing Day - Pupil Free Day

### Junior Unit Swimming Program

Last week all students in the Junior Unit (Prep, Yr 1 & Yr 2) started our annual swimming lessons. This week is the final 3 days of swimming Monday, Tuesday and Friday. It was terrific hearing how well the students did in the swimming program last week.

### School Photos

School photos will be tomorrow, Tuesday 2nd of November. Students need to be in school uniform for the photos. After many false starts and postponements we are finally going ahead. If you have placed an order this will still be valid. If you cannot remember if you placed an order or not please call Leading Image to check on 1300 084 586. New orders can be placed by following the instructions below.

INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

To order your school photos you need to log onto  
<https://www.leadingimage.com.au>  
Click on Order your school photos.  
and enter the access key below.



\*Preferred Browser is Google Chrome\*

**Access Key: 9B7HPXDT**

Packages are available to order with this access key.

**Family photographs must be ordered by 4:30pm the night before photo day.**

**IF YOU DO NOT ORDER BEFORE THIS TIME YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO HAVE A FAMILY PHOTO TAKEN.**



### New Enrolments for 2022

We are also able to have visitors on site so we will be commencing the transition process for our Prep enrolments for 2022. It is not too late to enrol so if you know someone looking for a place for prep next year please get them to contact the office as soon as possible.

### Prep 2022 Transition Dates

Our transition dates for this year are:

Tuesday the 9th of November 9.30am - 10.30am

Tuesday the 23rd of November 9.30am - 10.30am

(parent/carer stays for information session)

Tuesday the 7th of December 11.45am - 1.15pm  
(whole school Orientation Day)

### End of Year arrangements

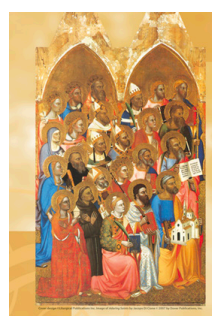
End of Year Mass and oval picnic - Tuesday 14th of December

Last day for students - Wednesday 15th of December

## A moment in Prayer

Today is All Saints Day, one of the significant feasts in our church year. This is an opportunity to give thanks for the wonderful role models in our church history. Those who have devoted themselves to God and helped others find God in their lives. We give thanks for our patron, St Peter who was Jesus' best friend and closest follower. We also give thanks for the positive role models we have in our own lives. Amen

*God bless, Jen & Mick*



**FEAST  
OF  
ALL  
SAINTS**

## Friday the 5th of November

students, parents and teachers are invited to walk, ride or scoot to school. The day is a national event when all primary school children are encouraged to walk and commute safely to school. It is a community event seeking to promote road safety and healthy lifestyles.

We will meet at the  
**Bendigo RSL carpark on Havilah Rd**  
(the one opposite the RSL) at **8:20am**  
and walk, ride or scoot to school.

Students, parents and teachers are encouraged to finish  
the walk with a healthy breakfast in the Djak Tjarra Centre.  
(Vaccination conditions apply for all visitors)



**Walking, riding or scooting to school  
keeps us healthy, active and connected**







## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Something to Think About

The word love is one of depth, of relationship, and of great importance in life, but its deeper meaning can be glossed over in superficial expressions. St. John tells us that God is love (1 John 4:16), a love that is creative and self-giving, that desires the best for each of us as creatures of God.

Thus, we are called to love God, to love each other and to love ourselves as given life by God. We pray for a deeper appreciation of love, for the freedom to accept it more fully and to live it as Jesus did in a self-giving way.

### The Story

Today we are introduced to a scribe who really seeks to know the truth. Like the Pharisees and the Saducees of the past two days, he asks Jesus a question, but with a very different intention. The others had asked their questions in order to try to catch Jesus out, but this man's question is one which genuinely seeks the truth. And Jesus, recognising this, praises him - "you are not far from the Kingdom of God."

### The Scriptures A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark 12:28-34

One of the scribes came near and heard them disputing with one another, and seeing that he answered them well, he asked him, 'Which commandment is the first of all?' Jesus answered, 'The first is, "Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God, the Lord is one; you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength." The second is this, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." There is no other commandment greater than these.' Then the scribe said to him, 'You are right, Teacher; you have truly said that "he is one, and besides him there is no other"; and "to love him with all the heart, and with all the understanding, and with all the strength", and "to love one's neighbour as oneself", -this is much more important than all whole burnt-offerings and sacrifices.' When Jesus saw that he answered wisely, he said to him, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' After that no one dared to ask him any question.



### Sacramental Program

## Reconciliation

St Kilian's Parish advises, due to current restrictions and a limited time frame, the Sacrament of Reconciliation will be postponed to Term 1, 2022. All current grade 2 students will be able to enrol to complete the lessons and receive the sacrament early next year.



All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1.

The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven.

It should not be confused with All Souls' Day, which is observed on November 2, and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven.



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## MASS TIMES

FOR BOOKINGS: 03 5441 6244  
TUES-FRI (10:00AM-MIDDAY)

TUESDAY-FRIDAY, 12:10PM  
SATURDAY, 8:00AM

SATURDAY, 6:30PM  
SUN 8:00AM & 10:00AM  
MASSES WILL BE LIVE-STREAMED

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St. Peter's Primary School

# Wellbeing

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Welcome to Week 5, Term 4. It is so fabulous to have most of our students back this week and the sun is shining! And with the easing of restrictions some more freedom! Having students back means that our groups can happen this week - a new Peaceful Kids group with 5/6s will start this Thursday and Art Group will be back on during 2nd break on Thursdays - this is a wonderful space for the students to be creative in a quiet and supportive space and allows them to have an informal chat with the wellbeing team if needed. As always please take care and reach out if needed.

*Take care, Kristy & Sheree.*

## Coping with Change. Coronavirus (COVID-19) and Beyond

Evidence-based tips and tools to support children.

"The only thing in life that is permanent is change.

Change is the one constant in life"

(K. J. Fallin, 2013)



Autumn, Winter, Spring, Summer:

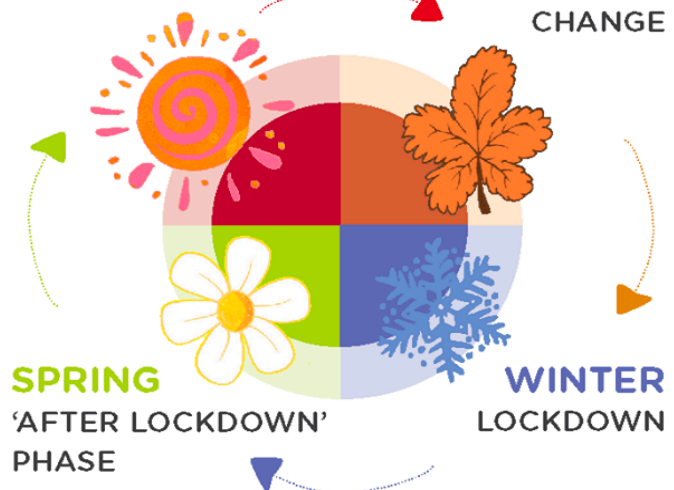


The seasons can help children, as well as us, understand, accept and cope with the ongoing change and uncertainty related to the pandemic. Making links to the seasons can be helpful in explaining that life won't go back to 'normal' for some time to come.

The seasons are also useful for making sense of our individual experiences of change, loss and grief. It can be reassuring to know that each season is unique and important to our growth. Remember, too, that each season has its own story; there are easy days and difficult days.

**SUMMER**  
'NORMAL' LIFE

**AUTUMN**  
ARRIVAL OF  
CHANGE



**SPRING**  
'AFTER LOCKDOWN'  
PHASE

**WINTER**  
LOCKDOWN

**THE CYRA**  
SERVICE

Centre for Children  
and Young People

Southern Cross  
University

goodgrief

MoodKlep  
Family  
Services



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!!



THE ONE BOX  
Fresh Food Project

Food boxes are available on Fridays, please reach out if you would like one.



Every  
minute matters

Start of Day Matters

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



after the  
**BELL**  
GROWING CURIOUS MINDS

# St Peter's OSHC Newsletter

## EXCITING PROGRAM AHEAD TERM 4 WEEK 6

**Monday-** Let's make a race track to race our cars on

**Tuesday-** What can you pick up with the magnetics?

**Wednesday-** Rubber band power challenge

**Thursday-** Can you build a kite or paper plane to fly?

**Friday-** How does a parachute work and can you make one?



### **COOKING CLUB:**

**Cheese and Vegemite Scrolls**

## JOKE OF THE WEEK

**Why do fish like worms?**

They get hooked on them!

## JOIN THE FUN OF OSHC

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

[www.afterthebell.com.au](http://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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## PARENT INFORMATION

Please contact  
[bookings@afterthebell.com.au](mailto:bookings@afterthebell.com.au) if  
you would like to place a booking  
for your child/ren in our  
Afterschool Care Program

## HIGHLIGHTS

