

## Good afternoon families,

### Learning Conversations

Learning Conversations are for ALL students this term - even if you usually have a PSG. All families are asked to book in for a Learning Conversation and the time allowed will be extended to 20 minutes. If individual students require a formal PSG in addition to their Learning Conversation you will be given an opportunity to book one through the office (the class teacher will help you decide if one is needed). The Learning Conversations can be booked through the office, your child's teacher or on the SIMON Everywhere App - if you need help with the App please come in and see Kate in the office from Monday to Thursday. The next afternoon of Learning Conversations is this Thursday 18/8/22 from 3.30pm - 5.40pm.

### Last Week's Excursions

Last Thursday the Junior Unit had a tremendous excursion to the Discovery Centre and the Senior Unit had a brilliant Roadshow Day visiting businesses as part of their Passions and Pathways Unit.

### Book Week - 22nd - 26th of August

Book Week is coming up next week - starting with the Blurbs concert on Tuesday afternoon in the Knuldoorong! We will also have the Book Fair in the Library from Wednesday the 24th until Tuesday the 30th of August. Students will go in class groups to have a look and write down their "wish list". Michelle will be available each afternoon for orders. Dress Up Day will be Friday the 26th of August - the theme this year is : Dreaming with Your Eyes Open. Prep/1s are invited to choose between a Book Week Dress Up or a 100 Days of Learning Dress Up. Please see details later in the Newsletter.

### 2023

Please let the office know as soon as possible if your child is not returning to St Peter's in 2023. Also if you, or anyone you know, have a Prep child who has not yet enrolled for 2023 - please ask them to contact us as soon as possible.

### Rapid Anitgen Testing

Free RATs are available through schools for all students and staff in Term 3 and 4. Please ask the office if you need more tests. RATs are required when students are household contacts to attend school (5 negative tests over a 7 day period) or who have symptoms. Families must continue to notify the Department of Health and the school if their child returns a positive RAT result. You should also inform us if any of your children are household contacts. If you or your child have had Covid over 4 weeks ago and develop symptoms you will need to commence Rapid testing again.

Information from [www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au](http://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au).

## AWARDS

### Term 3 Week 5

Balam Balam	Oliver Ring
Mur Murra	Kasey Pickett
Duan	George Trimble
Mummumburra	Whole class
Barrangal	Lochlan Gittins & Tiah-Lani Farrant
Yulawil	Ellè Pusa
Wirrap	Tori Marshall- Harper
Guwak	Jacques John
Banya	Thando Patterson and Zephyr Farrow
Njana Nganity	Sam Goudie-Kennedy
PE	5/6 Njana Nganity
Enviro	3/4 Barrangal
Music	Nicolas Males
Literacy	Seth Arthur
& Grade1 for fantastic completion of Reading Eggs	



### Co-Principal Award

Last week's Co-Principal Award went to Chris Muir. Chris has been displaying all 4 School Values especially Care for Learning. Chris always gives tasks a go and puts his best effort into all his work. Thanks Chris!



## A moment in Prayer

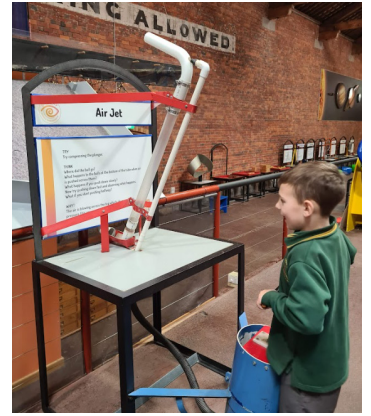
Today we celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of Mary, Mother of God.

This feast commemorates the death of Mary and her assumption, body and soul, into Heaven. We ask God to bless us as we remember Mary, the impact she had on Jesus and the influence she continues to have in our lives.

Hail Mary, Full of Grace  
The Lord is with you,  
Blessed are you among women,  
and blessed if the fruit of your womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
Pray for us sinners now,  
and at the hour of our death  
Amen

*God Bless, Jen & Mick*





On Thursday the 11th of August, the Junior Unit went on an excursion to the Discovery Centre. It was a great tuning - in experience to begin their new inquiry unit 'How Things Move'.

During the excursion the students participated in a workshop that explored how marble runs work and in small groups created, tested and timed their own marble runs. Students also ventured into outer space with a visit to the planetarium and they tried out a variety of hands-on exhibits in the centre that explored movement. Many students popped on a pair of overalls and climbed to the top of the 7 meter tall vertical slide, some were even brave enough to take the very quick trip down the slide.





# UPCOMING

17	AUG, WED	● All day	Catholic Athletics Sports Kennington Primary School
18	AUG, THU	● 3:40 – 6pm	Learning Conversations
23	AUG, TUE	● 2 – 3pm	Blurbs Concert
24	AUG, WED	● All day	Book Fair 24th - 30th Aug
26	AUG, FRI	● All day	100 Days of School for Preps
		● All day	Book Week Dress Up Day
1	SEP, THU	● All day	Division Basketball Red Energy Arena
2	SEP, FRI	● 8:15 – 9am	Father's Day Breakfast
6	SEP, TUE	● 9:30am – 2:30pm	Sandhurst Arts on Show for Choir Students Marian Theatre at CMC
16	SEP, FRI	● All day	End of Term 3



Duan and Mummumburra students  
are celebrating 100 Days of Learning on

**Friday the 26th of August**

This also happens to be our Book Week dress  
up day. Students will be given the option  
to dress up as a 100 year old or their  
favourite book character.

On the day both classes will celebrate all things  
100 with a range of exciting activities.  
More details to come.

## Keepsake Tea Towel

Tea towels with current students and staff  
self portraits are available for sale  
at the office for

**\$10**

If you would like  
one please return  
this slip with cash  
in an envelope or  
pop into the office  
if you would like  
to purchase with  
EFTPOS.



Name \_\_\_\_\_

Class: \_\_\_\_\_



# Library News

## BOOK WEEK IS COMING!!

The Book Fair will run from 24th of August until 30th August.

Children will bring home a wish list after their class has visited the fair.

Payment for books can be made online, cash or eftpos at the office. Information about payment online is on the back of the wish list.



Blurbs Concert at 2pm on Tuesday the 23rd of August and our dress up day is Friday 26th of August. Come dressed up as a character from a favourite book.







## The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

### Something to Think About

Imagine being an invisible presence in the house as these two women meet and chat. Try to imagine the joys and anxieties they might have shared. They both held the space of Divine promise within the ordinariness of everyday life. Is there anything the Lord may be trying to teach you at this time? Is there anything new within you that he is trying to bring to birth?

### The Story

This is a feast of rejoicing and hope for us too.

Mary, one of us, is in heaven with body and soul, and at the end of time we will be there too, for that is our destiny. With her, with the Holy Trinity and with our loved ones. With our bodies too: those same bodies that can be the source of so much worry and trouble will be glorified for ever with God. I thank God for creating me in his image, and for the great gift of my body which makes it possible for me to share my life with others, to communicate, to enjoy life and help others enjoy life too.

### The Scriptures Luke 1:39-56

In those days Mary set out and went with haste to a Judean town in the hill country, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the child leapt in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and exclaimed with a loud cry, 'Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb. And why has this happened to me, that the mother of my Lord comes to me? For as soon as I heard the sound of your greeting, the child in my womb leapt for joy. And blessed is she who believed that there would be a fulfilment of what was spoken to her by the Lord.'

And Mary said,

'My soul magnifies the Lord,  
and my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour,  
for he has looked with favour on the lowliness of his servant.

Surely, from now on all generations will call me blessed;  
for the Mighty One has done great things for me,  
and holy is his name.

His mercy is for those who fear him  
from generation to generation.

He has shown strength with his arm;  
he has scattered the proud in the thoughts of their hearts.

He has brought down the powerful from their thrones,  
and lifted up the lowly;

he has filled the hungry with good things,  
and sent the rich away empty.

He has helped his servant Israel,  
in remembrance of his mercy,  
according to the promise he made to our ancestors,  
to Abraham and to his descendants for ever.'

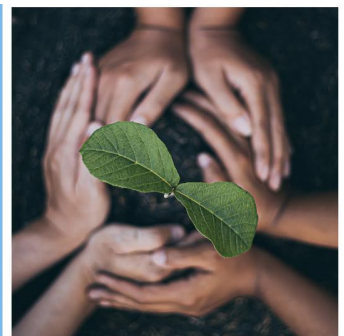
And Mary remained with her for about three months and then returned to her home.



### St. Kilian's Church Upcoming Events

SEASON OF CREATION  
**walk &  
clean-up day**

Lake Weeroona to  
Botanical Gardens  
17 September 2022



St. Peter's Primary School

# Ecological

STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



Mrs. Lauren White - Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

**"Nothing in this world is indifferent to us." (Pope Francis, *Laudato Si'*, 2015)**

It is often forgotten that there are experts on living in harmony with the environment right here in Australia. They have been connected to the land for longer than we can imagine, with a wealth of knowledge and a sustainable relationship to the environment like no other. Who are these experts you ask? They are Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

## HOW DID ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLES SUSTAIN THE ENVIRONMENT?



Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples used the plants and animals around them for what they needed, but used only what they needed. They were also nomadic, moving from one place to another without overusing resources or damaging the places they had been. They learned about the uses of plants and animals from a young age, developing a respectful understanding of all living things. They appreciated the importance of all living things, including themselves. The landscape and biodiversity of plants and animals remained largely the same. Small fires were used but they did not change things much and were used to help support biodiversity.



## HOW IS THIS DIFFERENT TO MODERN PRACTICES?

Since the Europeans arrived in Australia, the landscape and biodiversity of plants and animals has changed drastically. Due to land clearing and deforestation, most of the fertile coastal land has been stripped of native vegetation to make way for farming, roads, towns and cities. The introduction of non-native animals and plants have caused some species to become extinct and many more are endangered. Today, many Australians buy what they need and want from shops all over the world. We live in towns and cities, so focus on school, jobs, making money and what we want to buy instead of learning about animals, plants and the importance of all living things.

## WHAT COULD WE LEARN FROM THE PAST?

We need to develop a deeper understanding and appreciation of the interconnectedness of all living things. We also need to respect the natural environment that we live in so we can help conserve it. Learning more and teaching future generations about the better ways to sustain our environment is a great way to have a positive impact into the future.

**\*RESOURCE:** <https://www.coolaustralia.org/take-action/indigenous-connections/>

**DJAK TJARRA**

Tuesday - 5/6 Banya  
Wednesday - 1/2 Mur-murra  
Thursday - 3/4 Yulawil

*Don't forget to bring in your bread bags and tags*

Wonder Recycling Rewards for schools

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Platypus Month** (1-31 August)

**National Science Week** (13-21 August)

**Keep Australia Beautiful Week**  
(15-21 August)



Friday 19 August



St. Peter's Primary School

# Wellbeing

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Altruistic August 2022



MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY

1 Set an intention to be kind to others (and yourself) this month

2 Send an uplifting message to someone you can't be with

3 Be kind and supportive to everyone you interact with

4 Ask someone how they feel and really listen to their reply

5 Spend time wishing for other people to be happy and well

6 Smile and be friendly to the people you see today

7 Give time to help a project or cause you care about

8 Make some tasty food for someone who will appreciate it

9 Thank someone you're grateful to and tell them why

10 Check in with someone who may be lonely or feeling anxious

11 Share an encouraging news story to inspire others

12 Contact a friend to let them know you're thinking of them

13 No plans day! Be kind to yourself so you can be kind to others too

14 Take an action to be kind to nature and care for our planet

15 If someone annoys you, be kind. Imagine how they may be feeling

16 Make a thoughtful gift as a surprise for someone

17 Be kind online. Share positive and supportive comments

18 Today do something to make life easier for someone else

19 Be thankful for your food and the people who made it possible

20 Look for the good in everyone you meet today

21 Donate unused items, clothes or food to help a local charity

22 Give people the gift of your full attention

23 Share an article, book or podcast you found helpful

24 Forgive someone who hurt you in the past

25 Give your time, energy or attention to help someone in need

26 Find a way to 'pay it forward' or support a good cause

27 Notice when someone is down and try to brighten their day

28 Have a friendly chat with someone you don't know very well

29 Do something kind to help in your local community

30 Give away something to help those who don't have as much as you

31 Share Action for Happiness with other people today



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Delivering the NDIS in your community

St Peter's Supporting Students with DIFFERENT abilities

Intereach is an Early Childhood Partner delivering The Early Childhood Approach (formerly Early Childhood Early Intervention) to assist children younger than 7 who may have a developmental delay or disability, and their families/carers. The approach supports children and their families in developing the skills they need to participate in daily activities and achieve the best possible outcomes throughout their lives.

For the latest information about the NDIS, please visit [ndis.gov.au](https://www.ndis.gov.au)  
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**BELL**  
GROWING CURIOUS MINDS

# St Peter's OSHC Newsletter

## EXCITING PROGRAM AHEAD TERM 3 - WEEK 22ND AUGUST

Monday - Pipe Cleaner Creepy Crawlers

Tuesday - Colourful Snail Shells

Wednesday - Pom Pom Spiders

Thursday - Popsicle Stick Flying Insects

Friday - Colourful Caterpillars



## JOKE OF THE WEEK

What do you call a dog magician?  
**A labracadabrador.**

## 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

Enrol your child now

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