

*Good afternoon families,*

## P/1/2 & 5/6 Swimming

From the 7th of November the Prep, Yr 1 & Yr 2 classes and the Yr 5/6 classes will all have some swimming lessons. The Junior Unit usually have their swimming in Term 4. However, the Yr 5/6 students missed out on half of their program in Term 1 due to covid - so they will have some catch up lessons. Mr Wilkinson will put permission notes on the SIMON Everywhere App.

## 2023 Prep Transition

Our first Prep Transition session was great! We met many of our new students and their families. The children started to make new friends and familiarise themselves with our space. The dates below are for the next sessions coming up:  
Tuesday November 8th: 9.30am - 10.30am  
Tuesday November 22nd: 9.15am - 10.45am (We ask that an adult from each family stays for this whole session)  
Tuesday December 6th: 11.45am - 1.15pm (Whole school Orientation Session)

## Year 6 - Transitioning to Secondary School

This morning the Year 6 students participated in a session on transitioning to high school presented by Kids Helpline. It was very informative and gave the students great strategies for coping with all sorts of situations they may come across. Thank you to Ms Robinson for organising this for our students.

## Term 4 PSGs

The office have prepared the SIMON Everywhere App so families can make appointment times for PSGs (Program Support Group Meeting). These can be either in person or over the phone. Please check with your classroom teacher if you are unsure if your child requires a PSG. The appointments will be over Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday in weeks 6 and 7.

## Second Hand Uniforms needed

We are running very low on second hand uniforms at the moment. If anyone has any uniforms they are willing to donate we would appreciate it.

## Morning Drop Off

The yard is supervised from 8.30am onwards. Teachers are not required to be here before 8.30am. Any children here before 8.30am are asked to wait either on the steps or in the office.

## Walk to School

Starting this Friday 4th November we will once again be having our focus on walking to school. This is where we meet as a group in different locations nearby and walk to school together with some teachers (weather permitting). We will share the locations in the newsletter each Monday. This Friday we will meet at the Bendigo RSL at 8.20am.

## Christmas Hamper Donations

Each year we ask families for donations to go towards our Christmas Hampers - the hampers are distributed at the end of the year to families in our community. The baskets will be in classrooms as of today - so your donations can start coming in. Donations can be of small gifts, non-perishable food, decorations, snacks - anything to do with Christmas!

## UPCOMING events

2	NOV, WED	6:30 – 7:30pm	Reconciliation Parent Info Night
4	NOV, FRI	8:20 – 8:45am	Walk to School Bendigo District RSL, 75 Havilah Rd
7	NOV, MON	11:45am – 1:15pm 12:30 – 2pm	Prep/1/2 Swimming 5/6 Swimming
8	NOV, TUE	All day 9:30 – 10:30am 11:45am – 1:15pm 12:30 – 2pm 6:30 – 7:30pm	PSG Meetings (selected students) Prep 2023 Transition Morning Prep/1/2 Swimming 5/6 Swimming Reconciliation - Session 1
9	NOV, WED	All day	PSG Meetings (selected students)
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15	NOV, TUE	6:30 – 7:30pm	Reconciliation - Session 2
18	NOV, FRI	8:20 – 8:45am	Walk to School
21	NOV, MON	11:45am – 1:15pm	Prep/1/2 Swimming
22	NOV, TUE	9:15 – 10:45am 11:45am – 1:15pm 6:30 – 7:30pm	Prep 2023 Transition & Parent Info Session Prep/1/2 Swimming Reconciliation Liturgy
24	NOV, THU	All day	School Closure Day - 2023 Planning
25	NOV, FRI	All day	School Closure Day - Report Writing
6	DEC, TUE	11:30am – 1:30pm	Orientation Day - Whole School
13	DEC, TUE	6 – 7pm	End of Year Mass & Grade 6 Graduation St Kilians
14	DEC, WED	All day	Students Last day for 2022 - Finish 2.15pm

## A moment in Prayer

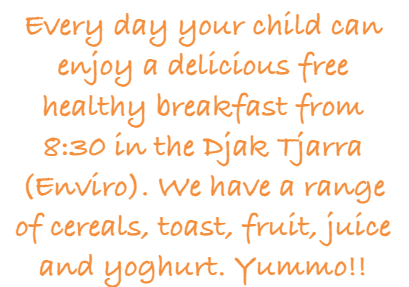
As we celebrate All Saints Day and All Souls Day this week in the church, we ask God to bless all our loved ones who have died. Help us to keep them in our hearts.

*God bless, Jen & Mick*





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In Australia it is estimated that 45% of people will experience a mental health condition in their lifetime. However, most will not seek support. This donation will help Beyond Blue to continue to increase awareness and provide support and services around mental health.



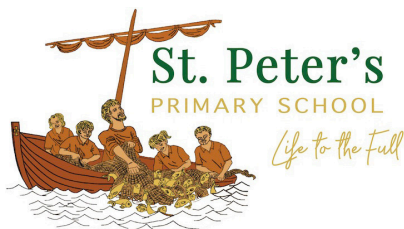
Provided on Friday afternoons after school. Please get in touch with the wellbeing team if this is something that would help your family



- higher paying jobs
- improved overall health
- improved relationships and support networks



ROBERTS FAMILY  
FOUNDATION



Students, parents and teachers are invited to walk, ride or scoot to school. This 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.

**FRIDAY THE 4TH OF NOVEMBER**

We will meet at the

**BENDIGO RSL CARPARK**

**AT 8:20AM**

and walk, ride or scoot to school.



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





## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Something to Think About

Lord, like Zacchaeus, I hear you calling me by name and I gladly welcome you to my house today.  
Help me become more aware that I am, at all times and in all places, in your loving presence.  
Help me to realise that the divine is in me and in every person that I meet, and this includes those whom I may find difficult.

### The Story

Prayer helps us to strike up a deep relationship with Jesus and he calls us by name. Life is never the same again after Jesus enters your 'house' and builds up a friendship which is far more valuable than you could ever ask or imagine.

### The Scriptures

#### A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 19:1-10

Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through it. A man was there named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector and was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but on account of the crowd he could not, because he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree to see him, because he was going to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he hurried down and was happy to welcome him. All who saw it began to grumble and said, "He has gone to be the guest of one who is a sinner." Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I will pay back four times as much." Then Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek out and to save the lost."



**Nov 1 -  
All Saints' Day**

**Nov 2 -  
All Souls' Day**

Let us not forget  
to remember and  
pray for our  
dearly departed  
loved ones



During November the Church remembers those who have passed away. We are invited to pray for them during this time. On November 2 the Church celebrates All Souls Day. All Souls' Day is a holiday in the Roman Catholic calendar that falls on November 2. The Roman Catholic church sets aside All Souls' Day to remember members of the faith who have died.

# St. Peter's Primary School Ecological STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



Mrs. Lauren White - Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

"We forget that the water cycle and the  
life cycle are one."

(Jacques Yves Cousteau, French naval officer,  
oceanographer, filmmaker and author)



## WHAT IS NATIONAL WATER WEEK?

National Water Week aims to remind us all that we must use water wisely and to highlight all of the wonderful things happening around a sustainable water future in Australia. It is held by the Australian Water Association (AWA) to inspire people and groups around Australia to work together and help make a splash with water issues and fixes. This year's theme was 'Our Water Story' because we all have a story to tell about water. My water story is the joy it brings in the summer.

## WHY DO WE NEED WATER?

"Water covers  $\frac{3}{4}$  of our planet and makes up  $\frac{2}{3}$  of our bodies. We thirst for it and bathe in it. We use it for survival, industry and cultural access; it's an essential resource wherever you live."

## HOW DOES ST PETER'S HELP SAVE WATER?

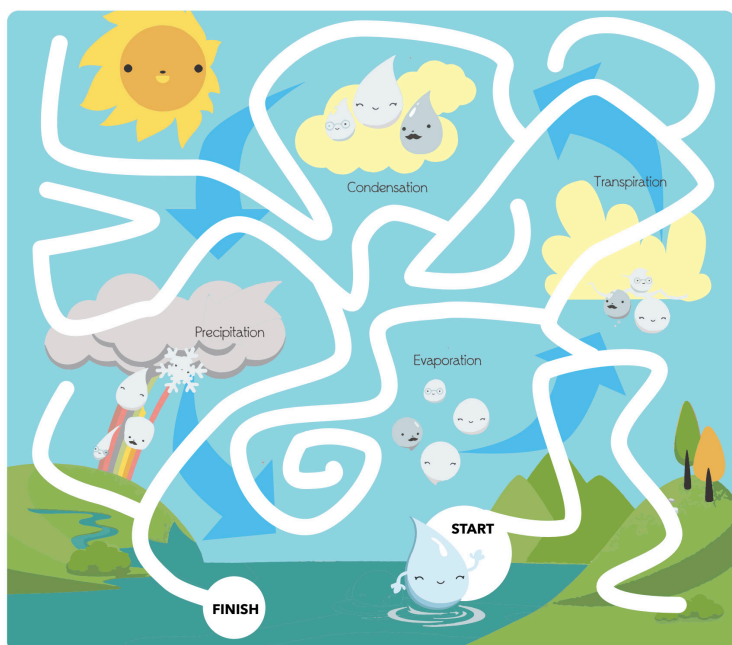
St Peter's is happy to say that it tries to use and save water in a sustainable and environmentally friendly way as we always encourage 'Care for Environment' at school and at home. With the help of our Delkunya Djaa team we have signs up reminding people to turn taps off and not waste water, we regularly monitor our taps/water equipment for drips or leaks and get them

fixed, use watering systems seasonally, use tap water, encourage everyone to use refillable water drinkers instead of the bubble taps, recycle water onto the gardens when possible and have planted more native and drought tolerant plants.

## WHAT CAN YOU DO TO HELP?

At home you can do these simple things to help save water and money: Take short showers; Recycle water onto the garden or lawn; Turn the tap off while brushing your teeth and cleaning food; Always fill up your dishwasher before turning it on; Use the  $\frac{1}{2}$  flush option on the toilet if you can; Wash your clothes in cold water; Use local native and drought tolerant plants in your garden; Make sure your home is leak/drip free; Use water efficient devices and appliances; and Have a rainwater tank if possible.

\*RESOURCE: <https://www.nationalwaterweek.org/>



## UPCOMING EVENTS:

One Health Day (November 3)  
World Tsunami Awareness Day (November 5)  
National Recycling Week (7-13 November)  
World Science Day for Peace and Development (November 10)  
Pollinator Week (12-20 November)



# St Peter's OSHC News



after the  
**BELL**  
GROWING CURIOUS MINDS

## Exciting Activities Week's Ahead



Week Beginning 31st October 2022

Come join the Halloween fun week.

Week Beginning 7th November 2022

Remembrance Week- Let us celebrate all the soldiers who made sacrifices and heroism displayed through war.



### Cooking Club

10th November 2022  
in After School Care

Making yummy  
Lemon sugar  
poppy biscuits.



### Joke of the week

Q-Why did the soccer player  
take so long to eat dinner?

A-He thought he  
couldn't use his  
hands!



## 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  
Enrolment. Please feel free to contact our  
Head Office as we are happy to  
help you out with the process.

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