

Hello families,

Learning Conversations

This term we have Learning Conversations as part of our reporting schedule for all students. (There are no PSGs until Term 4). This is an opportunity for you to discuss your child's progress and achievements with their teacher. Your child is expected to attend the conversation with you if possible. The Learning Conversations will be held on Wednesday the 9th of August and Tuesday the 15th of August. Please book your appointment through Simon Everywhere or your child's teacher or the office.

Jets Gym

The students in Year Prep - Yr 4 will continue to participate in the Jets Gym program for the next 3 weeks. This week is the last week for the Year 5/6 students. By all accounts last week's sessions were very successful.

Assembly

Just a reminder that this is the last week Assembly will be in the morning. Once the Yr 5/6s have finished their shortened program Assemblies will return to Friday afternoons.

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day - Casual clothes fundraiser

National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day is Friday the 4th of August. We invite all students to wear casual clothes for a gold coin donation and \$1 jelly cups will be for sale on this day as we are raising funds for the Opening the Doors Foundation. This Foundation help provide assistance to cover the costs of schooling for young children in our community.

Book Week - Saturday 19th of August to Friday the 25th of August

This year we will once again celebrate Book Week here at St Peter's. We will have our Book Week colouring competition - a highlight for many of our students. We will also have a concert by the BLURBS on Wednesday the 23rd of August at 2pm. Our annual dress up as a book character day will be Friday the 25th of August - so it's time to start planning those costumes!

Big Question

This week's Big Question is: "How do I get myself ready for school?"

Remember to have a chat with your child about what they've been discussing in their class.

CAMHS & Loddon Child Family Health & Wellbeing Local Bendigo Community Health Services in formal partnerships with Bendigo Health Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) are introducing The Loddon Child and Family Health and Wellbeing Local. This program aims to improve services to support the health and wellbeing of all children and their families including mental health assessments, therapeutic interventions, and Group Parenting Programs.

Programs include: Bringing up great kids, sessions on anxiety in kids and coping skills, Big Feelings (Co-regulation parenting group and Fussy eating group). If you would like to access these services please contact Alex Love-Linay for a referral

AWARDS

Term 3 Week 2 ★

Duan	Ashton
Mur Murra	Nikiri & Harley
Balam-balam	Evan, Kasey & George
Barrangal	Kacee
Yulawil	Justice
Wirrap	Nicholas
Guwak	Yarran
Banya	Emily, Skyla & Nathaniel
Ngana-nganity	Mason & Imogen
PE	Jacky L & Harley A
Enviro	Barangal
Literacy	Claire
Music	Maddy L, Charlotte S, Rebel & Tori

Co-Principal Award

Last week's Co-Principal award went to Kaylee from Mur Murra. Kaylee always shows all 4 School Values - but in particular we have noticed how much Care for Others she shows both in the yard and in the classroom. Kaylee also shows excellent Care for Learning by always doing her very best work. Thanks Kaylee!



A moment in Prayer

We pray that St Peter's is a school of great discovery, friendship and creativity. May it continue to be a place where we love to learn and where we learn to love, A place where everyone is respected and all are deeply valued. Amen

God Bless, Jen & Jeremy

UPCOMING

You can always find this calendar on the home page of our website

25	JUL, TUE	● All day	Division Boys/Mixed Football
28	JUL, FRI	● All day ● All day	Jets Gym- All grades Jets Gym- Foundation, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4
4	AUG, FRI	● All day ● All day	Jets Gym- Foundation, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4 National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Children's Day- Casual Clothes Fundraiser
9	AUG, WED	● 3:30 – 5:30pm	Learning Conversations
11	AUG, FRI	● All day	Jets Gym- Foundation, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3 and Year 4
15	AUG, TUE	● 3:30 – 5:30pm	Learning Conversations
23	AUG, WED	● 2 – 3pm	Book Week- Blurbs Concert
25	AUG, FRI	● All day	Book Week- Dress up Day
31	AUG, THU	● All day	Division Basketball Tournament
7	SEP, THU	● All day	The Festival of The Sacred concert
11	SEP, MON	● All day	Division Athletics - Bendigo
15	SEP, FRI	● All day	Last Day of Term 3





Something to Think About

Today we celebrate the feast of Saint Martha, whom the Gospel describes as a friend of Jesus, who loved to welcome him into her home and who felt free enough to complain that Jesus was not there when her brother died. I look at my relationship with Jesus and, through her intercession, ask for a greater familiarity and personal love for him.

The Story

Like the slaves of the parable, we are often shocked and baffled at the weeds around us. I too ask myself, 'Did I not sow good seed in my field': in my family, in my place of work, in my religious community. I ask for humility, for patient trust in God's presence in the world that guarantees that, in spite of appearances, the final outcome will be a positive one.

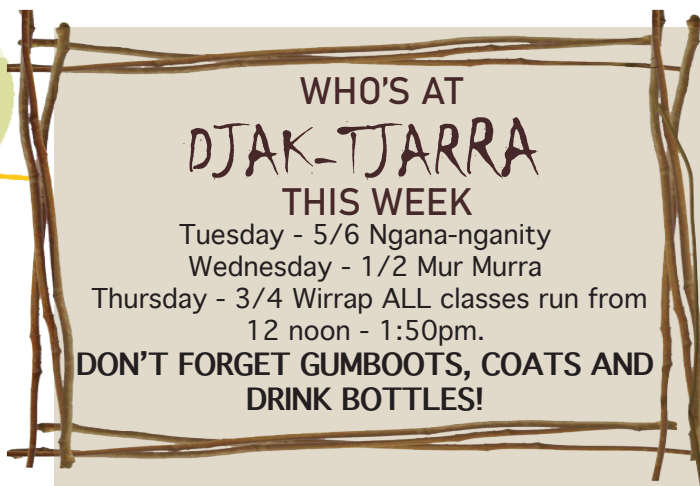
The Scriptures ~ Matthew 13:24-30

He put before them another parable: 'The kingdom of heaven may be compared to someone who sowed good seed in his field; but while everybody was asleep, an enemy came and sowed weeds among the wheat, and then went away. So when the plants came up and bore grain, then the weeds appeared as well. And the slaves of the householder came and said to him, "Master, did you not sow good seed in your field? Where, then, did these weeds come from?" He answered, "An enemy has done this." The slaves said to him, "Then do you want us to go and gather them?" But he replied, "No; for in gathering the weeds you would uproot the wheat along with them. Let both of them grow together until the harvest; and at harvest time I will tell the reapers, Collect the weeds first and bind them in bundles to be burned, but gather the wheat into my barn." '

Ecological STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



Last week students were busy cooking Filipino food at Djak-tjarra. 3/4s made Pancit (fried noodle and pork recipe from the Philippines)

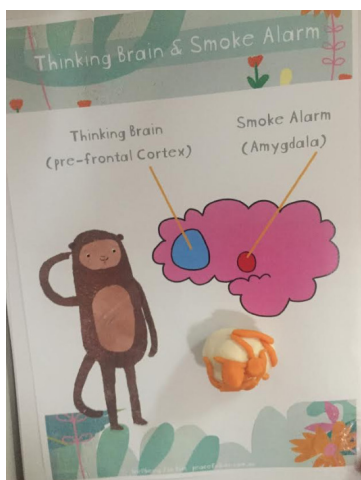


Don't forget to drop off your
Bread Bags
to the office or Djak-tjarra.

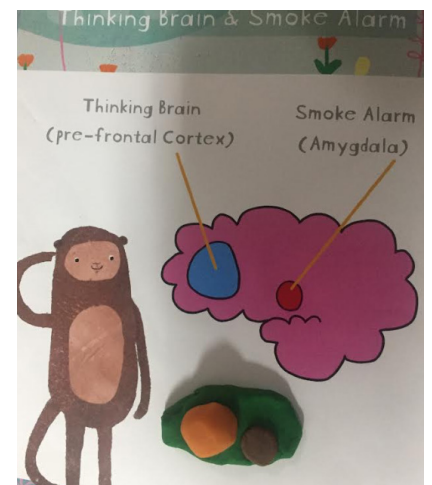


How fabulous is it to have our One Box Food Boxes back on a Friday! After the loss of funding for One Box in the middle of Term 2, 5 schools across Bendigo banded together to source funding for it to continue for the rest of this year. The Fosterville Mining Company were incredible in responding to our call and has sponsored these schools for the remainder of the year. We are currently in the process trying to source ongoing funding for next year. For those that receive the food box you would of found a short survey in the boxes on Friday. We would love to hear your voice on what the boxes mean for your family - this will help us to source funding for funding for years to come. If you could fill these out and return to school asap that would be much appreciated. As always if you would like to receive a box please let Kristy or Sheree know.

PEACEFUL KIDS



These photos are the playdough brains we made in Peaceful Kids to help learn about the different parts of the brain. There are currently two Peaceful Kids groups running by Kristy and Karli each week and this week with Grade 3/4 students. This week is Week 6 of the program. So far we have learnt about worries, how our body responds to worries, how our brain reacts to worries and feelings and practicing mindfulness and meditation. Last week we made Worry Boxes which the children really enjoyed. Journalling or getting our worries down on paper is a great way to "let them go" or "put them aside to talk about at a later time". If you would like more information about the Peaceful Kids program or think that Peaceful Kids sounds like something you would like your child to be involved in please reach out to the Wellbeing team.





Attendance Matters

Attending the Early Years = Greater chance of success

- establishes positive habits
- builds positive relationships
- maximises opportunities to learn
- supports problem solving skills






BREAKFAST CLUB

Every morning
from 8:30am
in the Djak-tjarra

Our big question

How can I get myself ready for school?



CARE FOR SELF

Did you know...

Being away from school for one day a fortnight equals missing 1.5 years over 13 years of school

Not only does your child miss learning, but we miss your child when they are away!

Remember that every day counts

There is no safe number of days for missing school. Missing school means your child misses social and learning opportunities.

How can you help?

You can help your child by talking positively about school and the importance of attending every day

Try not to make non urgent appointments during the school day, or planning family holidays during the term

We want to work with you. If you are worried about your child's attendance please speak with us

These next two weeks at school we are discussing

"How can I get myself ready for school?"

In our classes we will be discussing the things we can do to help get ready for school, not just in the morning but also the night before. Attendance is important for us all to focus on