

*Hello families,*

## Book Week

Thank you to everyone who made Book Week so special last week - especially our Dress Up Day on Friday - what a tremendous range of characters we had! The Book Fair will continue until Thursday morning at 9am - so remember to get your orders in!

## Father's Day Breakfast

This Friday morning we will have our traditional bacon and egg rolls for breakfast and a coffee from Mother Bean for all the Dads and special men in our lives. All are welcome to join us from 8.30am. We pray that all the fathers and special men in our community enjoy a restful day on Sunday and get a little bit spoilt by their families. Happy Father's Day.

## Season of Creation Mass

The members of our sustainability group Dehlkunya Djaa will attend the Sandhurst mass with Bishop Shane on Friday morning. St Peter's will have our own Creation Mass on Wednesday next week at 2.20pm. We will also have a "Breakfast and Drawing to celebrate Creation" Thursday the 7th at 8.30am (Mother Bean will be back again!) Everyone is welcome.

## Andy Griffiths "Just Live" Junior Unit Excursion

The Junior Unit will be heading off to the live show of Andy Griffiths' play "Just Live" this Friday morning as well. It will be a whole lot of fun - a great experience for all!! Please ensure you have given permission on the SiMON Everywhere App.

## Special Fire Carrier Celebration

The aim of the FIRE (Friends Igniting Reconciliation through Education) Carrier Project is to promote respect, fairness and inclusion for Aboriginal people. The FIRE Carrier Project promotes enculturation and reconciliation in Sandhurst schools. Friday afternoon will see our newest group of Fire Carriers commissioned with a special celebration at 2.30pm. All families are invited to attend - the celebration will start with a school BBQ at 1.30pm. At 2.30pm we will have members from Catholic Education Sandhurst here to commission a group of students and staff.

## Basketball

Friday is also the day of the division basketball competition - several of our students will represent St Peter's on this day. Please give permission via the SiMON Everywhere App if your child is attending.

## Dental Van visiting

This term we are very lucky once again to have the dental van back at St Peter's! This is a free service offering check ups on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday this week - 29th, 30th & 31st of August - please see the attached flyer to register your child/ren.

**During our Mental Health Month we have a Big Focus instead of a Big Question...**

This week's Mental Health Focus:

*How we can "Take Notice" of the world around us.*

Evidence tells us that taking notice of the world around us can help us stay calm, ground ourselves and give us the space to appreciate the positives. Remember to have a chat with your child about what they've been discussing in their class.

## AWARDS

Term 3 Week 7 ★

Mumumburra	Sarah, Lea, Dash & Sophia Ht
Duan	Theresa
Mur Murra	Harley & Pheobe
Balam-balam	Tai
Barrangal	Tanasha
Yulawil	Nicholas M
Wirrap	Chris M
Guwak	Jacques
Banya	Emily
Ngana-nganity	Giselle
PE	Jason
Enviro	DJ
Music	Isaiah

## Co-Principal Award

The Co-Principal Award went to Justice in Year 4. Justice has been noticed showing all 4 School Values - especially Care for Self and Care for Learning. Justice has become a great role model for making positive choices - choices that have benefited her learning and the type of friend she is. Great job Justice!



## *A moment in Prayer*

Dear God,

As we enter the Season of Creation,

Help us to look after our beautiful environment at St Peter's,

Help us to protect the animals and plants around us.

Help us to reduce, reuse and recycle both at home and at our school.

Amen

*God Bless, Jen & Jeremy*

# UPCOMING

29	AUG, TUE	● All day	Dental Van
30	AUG, WED	● All day	Dental Van
31	AUG, THU	● All day ● All day	Book Fair Orders close 9am Dental Van
1	SEP, FRI	● All day ● 8:30 – 9am ● 10am – 12pm ● 10:30am – 2pm ● 1:30 – 2:15pm	Division Basketball Tournament Father's Day Breakfast Andy Griffiths "Just Live" Junior Unit Excursion Sandhurst Season of Creation Launch FIRE carrier Commissioning Ceremony & Assembly
6	SEP, WED	● 2:30 – 3:30pm	Season of Creation Mass
7	SEP, THU	● All day ● 8:30 – 9am	The Festival of The Sacred concert Seasons of Creation Breakfast and Drawings
8	SEP, FRI	● All day	Student Learning Expo
11	SEP, MON	● All day	Division Athletics - Bendigo
15	SEP, FRI	● All day	Last Day of Term 3

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

Catholic Education Sandhurst Limited  
*presents*



**Thursday 7 September 2023, 1pm**  
St Francis of the Fields PS Strathfieldsaye – The Shed  
*Featuring Grade 5 and 6 students from*  
St Kilian's Primary School Bendigo  
St Therese's Primary School Kennington  
Marist College Bendigo  
St Peter's Primary School Bendigo  
Holy Rosary Primary School White Hills  
**Secondary performance from Marist College Bendigo**

This is a **FREE** event for all families and friends of our school communities  
**Bookings essential:** [forms.gle/RkM2X4vmKzPepdkM7](https://forms.gle/RkM2X4vmKzPepdkM7)




**St. Peter's**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

*Life to the Full*

YOU'RE INVITED TO JOIN US FOR THE  
*Commissioning Ceremony*  
OF OUR  
**FIRE CARRIERS**

**FRIDAY 1ST SEPTEMBER**

2.30pm (followed by assembly)

FIRE (Friends Igniting Reconciliation through Education) Carriers lead and promote Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander voices in our community. They lead by example, giving opportunities for others to learn and experience Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture, celebrations, stories and events. We teach and advocate for the true history of Australia.



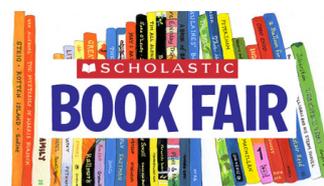
*"Walk the journey, carry the fire"*



**FRIDAY 1st of SEPTEMBER**

**8:30am**

Join us for a coffee and an egg and bacon roll



23rd of August -  
31st of August  
Orders close 9am Thursday  
31st of August





### Something to Think About

How can you give back to God today? What can you do this week that will show God your thanks?

### The Story

Peter's faith, like ours, is a gift. His belief in Jesus has been revealed from above. Faith in God is the rock on which the rest of Jesus' community will stand, and this rock is what our faith stands on. Peter, and now the church, opens the door of the revelation of God to God's people and to the world. During our lives, our faith can grow, develop or get stuck. Many people seem to try to live from a faith that has not grown since their schooldays. Some continue to pray in a way that is too simple for the complexities of life, or live with an image of a fearful and punishing God. Instead of growing in faith, there are many who have given up faith in a false God, false ways of prayer, and simplistic answers to big questions. Faith is a gift that needs nourishing. The God of Jesus Christ is the living God and the God who loves all that lives, the One we meet in prayer.

### The Scriptures ~ Matthew 14:21-28

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that the Son of Man is?" And they said, "Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets." He said to them, "But who do you say that I am?" Simon Peter answered, "You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God." And Jesus answered him, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven." Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah

WHO'S AT  
**DJAK-TJARRA**  
THIS WEEK  
Tuesday - 5/6 Guwak  
Wednesday - Foundation 1Duan  
Thursday - 3/4 Barrangal  
ALL classes run from 12 noon - 1:50pm.  
**DON'T FORGET GUMBOOTS, COATS AND  
DRINK BOTTLES!**

## Ecological STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



**We are collecting bread tags.  
Please drop them to the  
office or Djak-tjarra.**

This month students have been enjoying Indian flavours at Djak-tjarra. F/1s are making Corn Pakora, 1/2s made Indian Cheesy Mash balls, 3/4s made Butter Chicken, and 5/6s made Lamb Korma... delicious!



# Big Focus....

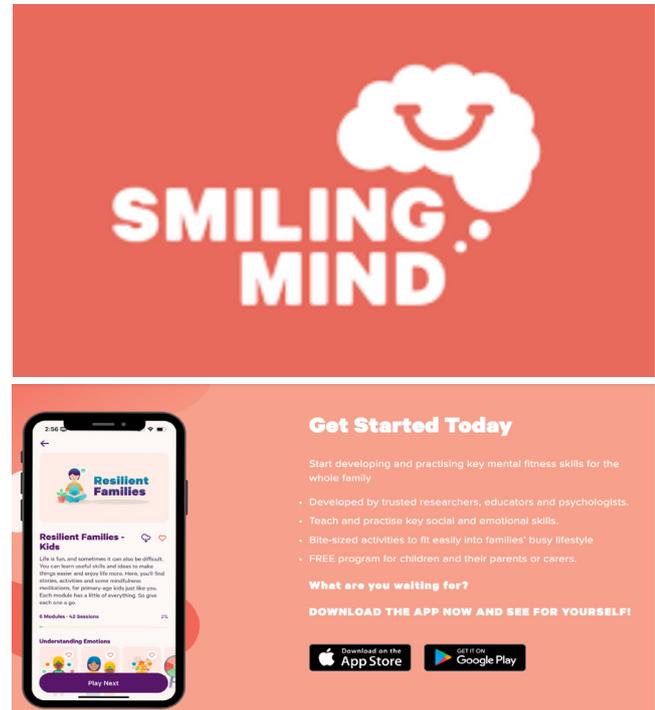
This week our mental health focus is 'Taking notice' and appreciating. 'Taking Notice' is about paying attention (on purpose) to what is going on around you and how you feel, in the present moment.

It is sometimes hard to see how just 'Taking Notice' can help us feel happier and healthier, but taking time to focus on the here and now can help us:

- Enjoy life and appreciate what we have
- Understand ourselves better
- Stay calm
- Cope with stress and worries

It can be difficult to 'Take Notice' when your brain is busy, or we are distracted with worries. Practicing mindfulness can help us improve this skill, which is why we use the Smiling Mind programs and curriculum at St Peters'.

Did you know Smiling Mind can also support you, and your child at home? Smiling Mind's psychologists have developed a program called Resilient Families through extensive consultation with children and their parents. It's led by evidence and created to fit into everyday family life. It has a range of modules, each with bite-sized activities. It is designed to help kids develop key social and emotional skills and support parents and carers with the tools to support them to build their mental fitness. Smiling Mind also has programs for adults, kids, young people and even more! Download the Smiling Mind app and explore.



**SMILING MIND**

**Get Started Today**

Start developing and practising key mental fitness skills for the whole family

- Developed by trusted researchers, educators and psychologists.
- Teach and practise key social and emotional skills.
- Bite-sized activities to fit easily into families' busy lifestyle
- FREE program for children and their parents or carers.

**What are you waiting for?**  
**DOWNLOAD THE APP NOW AND SEE FOR YOURSELF!**

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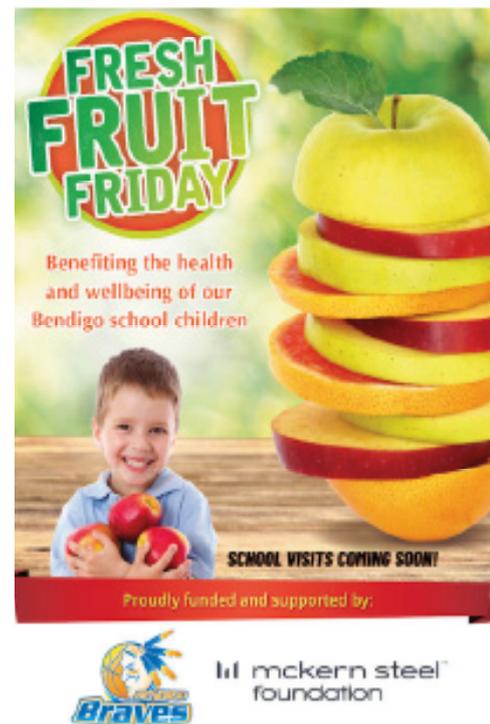


**Talk to school if:**

- Your child is not wanting to attend school
- You need support getting your child to school



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



**FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY**

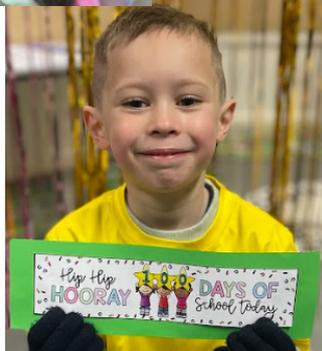
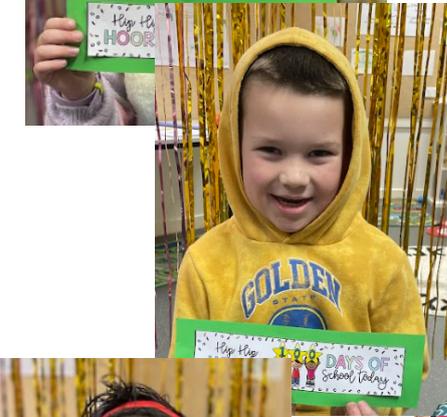
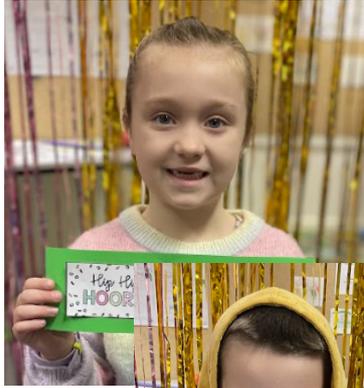
Benefiting the health and wellbeing of our Bendigo school children

SCHOOL VISITS COMING SOON!

Proudly funded and supported by:







## School Visits - Dental Van

Dear Parent / Guardian,

The Martin Vale Dentistry's mobile van will be conducting dental visits to your school/preschool/kinder. Treatment may be BULK BILLED through Medicare Child Dental Benefits Schedule (CDBS) for eligible students. Students that are not eligible for CDBS funding have the option to receive treatment as a private patient.

The following explains the steps involved.

1

### Our First Visit

**Students Eligible** for CDBS receive an examination, X-rays, clean, fluoride & fissure sealants

Parents contacted by phone soon after to discuss a treatment plan using the available CDBS funding.

**Students not eligible** receive dental screening

Parents contacted by phone soon after to discuss if a private appointment is recommended.

2

### Follow up visit

We will schedule a date to return to your school/preschool/kinder to go ahead with the treatment plan we have discussed with you and gained your consent for.

Parents are welcome to attend the dental van while their child has their treatment.

3

### Choose your location

- a) Our dental van is fully quipped to do fillings, fissure sealants, scaling and cleaning, extractions and fluoride application.
- b) If you prefer, you also have to option to have your child's treatment done at our private practice at 116 Queen Street, Bendigo.

Please complete the consent form over page if you would like your child/children to participate.

Dr Luke Vale and the team at  
Martin Vale Dentistry



# Consent Form

## Child's Details

Full Name: \_\_\_\_\_

D.O.B: \_\_\_\_\_ Grade/Class: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Concerns with your child's teeth? \_\_\_\_\_

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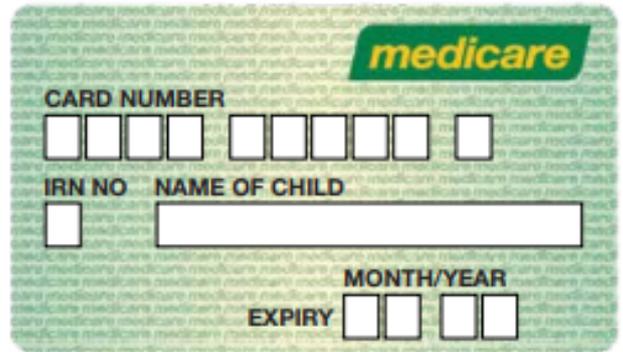
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**Australian Government**  
**Department of Health**

## CHILD DENTAL BENEFITS SCHEDULE BULK BILLING PATIENT FORM

I, the patient / legal guardian, certify that I have been informed:

- of the treatment that has been or will be provided from this date under the Child Dental Benefits Schedule;
- of the likely cost of this treatment; and
- that I will be bulk billed for services under the Child Dental Benefits Schedule and I will not pay out-of-pocket costs for these services, subject to sufficient funds being available under the benefit cap.

*I understand that I/the patient will only have access to dental benefits of up to the benefit cap;*

*I understand that benefits for some services may have restrictions and that Child Dental Benefits Schedule covers a limited range of services. I understand I will need to personally meet the costs of any services not covered by the Child Dental Benefits Schedule.*

*I understand that the cost of services will reduce the available benefit cap and that I will need to personally meet the costs of any additional services once benefits are exhausted.*

I, Parent/Guardian \_\_\_\_\_ give consent for Martin Vale Dentistry to undertake a dental examination, clean, fluoride, fissure sealants and X-rays if required and I am happy for my child's dental records to be safely read and kept by Martin Vale Dentistry staff for administration purposes.

I have read and understand the steps outlined and the CDBS BULK BILLING process. I agree to the costs being BULK BILLED from my \$1,052 CDBS for ages 2-17 years old.

Full Name of person signing (if not the patient) \_\_\_\_\_

Patient/Legal Guardian Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent/Legal Guardian Mobile \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Date / /

This form is valid up to 31 December of the calendar year which it is signed. A new form per calendar year is required.