

Newsletter

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Hello kamilies,

Rain damage

On Friday evening we had some damage from the rain that hit Bendigo. We have some new rules for the students when moving through the school as a result, and ask that if you visit school you are cautious when entering the building. The Mur Murra classroom will be in the Knuldoorong this week.

Marong Cup

Last week we had the pleasure of receiving a cheque for \$4500 from Chris Ring who is our representative on the Marong Cup Committee. Thank you to all those who helped out on the day which makes this donation possible. And a huge thanks to Chris for all he does in this space! Next year's Marong Cup will be on Saturday the 17th of February - we are already looking for volunteers to help out - and to run the race!! Please let us know if you are able to help.



3/4 Scooter Bike Ed Sessions

The 3/4 students are reminded to bring along their scooters and helmets for the Scooter Ed excursion this Thursday with Mrs White. Please ensure permission has been given via the SiMON Everywhere App.

3/4 Fun Day

The 3/4 Fun Day was a brilliant day! The kids had so much fun! We thank the teachers for organising the brilliant activities - they obviously know the kids well!

School Closure Day

Thanks for your support of our planning day on Friday - we had a great tour of Kalianna and then had time planning in our teams. We finished the afternoon learning about the skills and interests of each other. It was a great day!

Big Question

This week, the big question is: How can I be hopeful? This week we will focus on how we can be hopeful in the Christian sense - that is Christian hope is trusting that God wants the best for us. It is developing positive relationships with others and striving for excellence for all - because God wants the best for us and others. We will focus on being our best and wishing the best for those around us. We are all hoping to live Life to the Full. Please chat with your children about how we can all be hopeful.

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Learning Expo

Our classes will be showing off their amazing work again at the end of this term. The Learning Expo will be open to families on Friday the 8th of December immediately before our Final Assembly - where we give out awards and draw the Christmas Raffle. The Expo will be open at 12.15pm and the Assembly will be at 1.20pm

Christmas Raffle

Once again we are running our Christmas Raffle throughout the school. Families are invited to donate a gift for the raffle hampers - donations may be nonperishable food, small Christmas gifts, decorations, books - anything that matches the Christmas theme! The raffle will be drawn at the final assembly on Friday the 8th of December at 1.20pm. (After the Learning Expo)

End of Year Important Dates:

St Peter's Orientation Day - Tuesday the 5th of December - 12pm - 1.50pm Catholic Secondary Schools Orientation Day - Tuesday the 5th of December - all day Government Secondary Schools Orientation Day - Tuesday 12th of December Learning Expo, Final Assembly & Raffle Draw - Friday the 8th of December at 12pm. End of Year Mass and Dinner on the Oval - Tuesday the 12th of December at 6pm. Students Last Day for 2023 - The last day of the year for students will be Friday the 15th of December. The students will finish at 2.15pm on this day.

A moment in Prayer

Yesterday we celebrated the Feast of Christ the King. This is a time when the church reminds us about the importance of God in our lives, to be faithful and spread the messages of Jesus.

Dear God.

Help us to remember you in all our actions and words, help us to be your messengers in our lives and let your love and mercy into our hearts.

Go in peace,

Amen

God Bless, Jen & Jeremy

| 27 NOV, MON | | |
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| 30 NOV, THU | All day | 3/4 Unit Scooter Excursion |
| 5 DEC, TUE | All dayAll day | Catholic Secondary Schools Orientation Day St Peters Orientation Day 12pm-1:50pm |
| 8 dec, fri | 12:15 - 1:15pm 1:20 - 3pm | Learning Expo- Families welcome Final Assembly and Christmas Raffle Draw |
| 11 DEC, MON | All day | 5/6 Fun Day |
| 12 DEC, TUE | All dayAll day | End of Year Mass and Dinner on the Oval 6pm Government Secondary Schools Orientation Day |
| 15 DEC, FRI | All day | Last Day of Term 4- 2:15pm Finish |

Letter to the community

Principal Summative Appraisal

I am pleased to inform you that Jenny Roberts, Co-Principal has successfully completed a rigorous Summative Appraisal process.

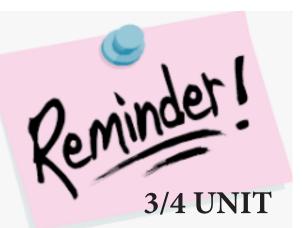
Under Jen's leadership, it was identified that St Peter's Primary School has achieved many successes -

- deliberate focus on relationships as the basis for effective learning
- ensuring a safe and engaging environment
- upholding the dignity of each member of the community
- moving to a culture of data informed growth and improvement
- providing strong support for professional learning opportunities for all staff
- promoting the learning experience for all students
- improving the support services for students and families

As part of the Summative Appraisal, Jen has also identified and set professional learning goals focussed on her leadership.

I congratulate Jen on her recent appraisal and thank her for all that she is and all that she gives to St Peter's Primary School, North Bendigo.

Brenda Keenan Principal Consultant – Western Deanery.



~ DON'T FORGET YOUR SCOOTERS AND HELMETS

THURSDAY 30TH OF NOVEMBER



This week's big question

'How can I be hopeful?'

"Hope for me is having faith that there is something better and brighter coming!"

What is Christian hope?

Christian hope is hope in God, Jesus Christ. It is the confident affirmation that God is faithful, that He will complete what He has begun. It is also, therefore, that confident expectation which waits patiently and ardently for God's purposes to be fulfilled.

So, Christian 'hope' is not simply wishing for something to come or be different. Hope is trusting in, waiting for, looking for, and desiring Jesus. Eternal life with Him is the "something beneficial in the future" which we expect. We need not look anywhere other than the Word of God for help in teaching our children about this kind of hope.

Christian hope is trusting that God wants the best for you. It is developing positive relationships with others and striving for excellence for all.



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Christmas Food Pantry

Over our period where our regular operation is closed we will be closed. Bendigo Foodshare will be working with the Rotary clubs in Bendigo to help run the Christmas Food Pantry. If anybody is in need of food relief during this time share the following information.

Wednesday December 27th - St Pauls Myers St Thursday December 28th - Eaglehawk Rotary Club Rooms Friday December 29th - Kangaroo Flat Rotary Club Rooms Wednesday January 3rd - St Pauls Myers St Thursday January 4th - Eaglehawk Club Rooms Friday January 5th - Kangaroo Flat Rotary Club Rooms

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Ecological STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



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



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Christ the King Sunday

Something to Think About

God encourages me today to love. How can I be more giving? How can I be more welcoming? How can I be more accommodating? How I can I help?

The Story Each group goes to the place it has chosen. Those whose lives were oriented to love and mercy come to the love and mercy of God. Those who excluded people in need from their lives have excluded themselves from God's kingdom where there is only acceptance and love. The king mentions conditions that occur in all places and times: hungry and thirsty people, immigrants and people without clothing, sick and prisoners. The story does not use fancy words about justice and solidarity, but speaks of food, clothing, something to drink, protection from elements. It doesn't recommend "love", but specific actions like giving, welcoming, visiting, taking care of. What matter is not a theoretical love but compassion that helps the person in need.

The Scriptures ~ Matthew 25: 31-46

" Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left.

'Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I

tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." 'Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me."

'And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'





REMINDER: HAVE YOU REGISTERED?

NAB AFL Auskick is a community run program that relies on the honesty, involvement and support of all people involved. A key part of your participation at Auskick is to ensure you are registered on our registration platform.

It is important you are registered for the following reasons:



This ensures your Auskick Coordinator knows who you are and knows how many kids to plan for and equipment to provide at each session



Registrations have the following key benefits

Insurance for any injuries sustained during play

b. Awesome goodies in your AFL Club colours as well as the essentials such as a footy, pump and footy cords

c. The option to become a Junior Member at your favourite AFL Club completely free of charge and attend selected Toyota AFL Premiership Series AFL Games and NAB AFLW Games

d. Exclusive offers from AFL partners



Lastly your Auskick Centre receives equipment funding and other support based on each individual registration

> Register via the QR code below or visit play.afl/auskick



EAGLEHAWK UFS Christmas Carols Sunday 10 December CANTERBURY GARDENS

6pm – 7pm free BBQ 7pm - 9pm Carols 8.30pm Santa

Eaglehawk Citizens Brass Band lead by Ken Wellard

joined by Primary School choirs from Eaglehawk, Eaglehawk North, California Gully, St Liborius and The Minstrels from St Peters' Church











