

## Hello families,

### Healthy Schools Award

On Friday 23rd of February, St. Peter's was represented at the Bendigo Sports Awards and won the Fosterville Gold Mine's Healthiest School Award for 2023. This is the first time the school has won the award, after being runner up once before, and recognises the amazing efforts we place on health and wellbeing in our school. Providing a safe and happy education experience is our priority and everyone connected with our community should be proud of this incredible achievement. A massive shout out to the sponsor - Agnico Eagle Fosterville.



### Clean Up Australia Day

On Friday, March 1, the 3/4 classes along with the Dhelkunya Djaa group, cleaned up the front of the school and then went across to Shadforth Park to do our part cleaning up the community. The amount of rubbish they collected was astounding and they did it all with a smile on their faces, perhaps the visit to the playground across the road was great motivation to achieve all that they did. Clean Up Australia Day occurs on the first Sunday in March and on behalf of the school, thank you to the 3/4's students and staff led by Mrs Lauren White.

### Official Opening of the newly refurbished area of the school

We have mentioned a few times now but it is finally here, this Friday, March 8 at 10 am, all families are invited to attend the Official Opening of the refurbished area of the school. The Bishop, Shane MacKinlay, our CES Director, Kate Fogarty and Ms Lisa Chesters MP will come to St Peter's for a blessing and opening. We hope to see many families attend and there will be a special morning tea after.

### Head Lice

As the weather continues to be warm, head lice can become very active. We have had several cases of lice at the school over the last week. As per the Victorian government instructions we ask all families to check the hair of each student. If your child has head lice they must be sent home and be treated. You must put the treatment through their hair and comb out any nits and eggs. Students may return to school once treated as long as there are no live nits left remaining. Students will be sent home again if live nits are still present.

### Learning Conversations - Wednesday 13 March

Our first Learning Conversations this year will be held next week on Wednesday 13th of March. We ask all families to book a learning conversation with each of their children's teachers. Bookings can be made via the PAM App, with the office or with your child's teacher which will open up shortly. This year our conversations are going to happen on the one day and our school day will end 1 hour earlier at 2:15 pm on Wednesday 13 March. If students aren't able to be picked up, we will have areas across the school where they can be supervised until the normal finish time of 3:15 pm.

### Reminder about Smart watches and Phones

Students at St Peter's are NOT to have either phones or smart watches with them at school. If your child has a phone or smart watch - they are asked to leave it at home or place it in the office for the duration of the school day. The item will be handed back at the end of each day. Devices will be taken from students if they are seen at school and returned at the end of the school day.

## A moment in Prayer

Dear Lord,  
We thank you for our new building which will be blessed this week. Thankyou for all those who worked hard to refurbish our space. We are very blessed to have the new space.  
Amen.

*God Bless,  
Jen & Jeremy*

## AWARDS

### Term 1 Week 5

Mumumburra	Jax.H, Amelia, Max
Duan	Olivia D
Djulin	Ashton
Balam balam	Sophia Ha
Barrangal	Phoebe H
Wirrap	Kasey P
Ngana-nganity	Ma'kiah
Banya	Anna, Harley A
Enviro	Tazanna
PE	3/4 Barrangal



### Co-Principal Award

Last week's Co-Principal award went to Max for raising the alarm that there was no crossing supervisor from the council at the busy intersection on Holmes Road. The council staff people for this and this is unfortunately the second time we haven't had someone there this year. This action alone showed all 4 school values and was an action that potentially saved lives by allowing us to get a staff member to get there to supervise it for several other students. Keep up the great work Max!

# UPCOMING

4 MAR, MON

8 MAR, FRI All day Opening of the Building Refurbishment

11 MAR, MON All day Labour Day Public Holiday- No School

12 MAR, TUE All day School Photo Day

13 MAR, WED All day Learning Conversations. School Finishes 2:15pm

27 MAR, WED All day Bush Dance

28 MAR, THU All day Last Day of Term- School Finishes 2:15pm

29 MAR, FRI All day Good Friday Public Holiday

## SCHOOL PHOTOS 2024 - Important Registration Information



*School Photographs will be taken at*

**St. Peter's Primary School**

**Tuesday 12th March 2024**

**There is no need to return any forms or payment to school before photo day**

**Flyers with Unique Image Codes will be issued to all students on or after photo day**

**When you receive your child's 2024 image code**

**Follow these 3 simple steps -**

**1** Go to [order.arphotos.com.au](https://order.arphotos.com.au) and enter your child's 2024 image code

**2** Tap on 'Add another child' to enter the image codes of any siblings

**3** Fill in your contact details & review before confirming your registration\*



\*This information will only be used for distribution of personal image codes and ordering details.

**That's it!**

**It's important to register each year to link your child's NEW images to your contact details. When 2024 images are ready to view in our secure webshop you'll be notified by email and SMS**

**• Create photo packages with any layout & YOUR choice of images • Multiple Image Downloads  
• Order on any mobile device • Share the images with family & friends for FREE**

**\*\* Please wait to receive notifications that new images are online BEFORE ordering for 2024\*\***

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**St Peter's Primary School, North Bendigo**

**NEWLY RENOVATED SPACE  
OPENING CEREMONY**

**MARCH 8TH 2024**

**Opening Ceremony at St Peter's  
Primary School at 10am followed by a  
tour of the newly renovated space.**

*Morning tea provided.  
Enquiries: 544-39319*

**St. Peter's  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
*Life to the Full*



## Something to Think About

The glory of God here is Jesus fully alive to the exploitation of the poor, the mistreatment of the house of God, and fully alive to the faith that was beginning to grow in his disciples. How can I help those who suffer and endangered to the commitment of justice and faith??

## The Story

Jesus signed his death warrant when he cast commerce out of the temple. He stood up for the truth about God and about religion and the poor, as the business people of the temple were exploiting the poor with high prices. Lent gives us new insights into how Jesus lived his life, always within the shadow of his death. Even this scene at the start of the gospel has us remembering that this would lead him to death and to glory.

## The Scriptures ~ John 2:13-25

But it was almost time for the Jewish Passover Feast. So Jesus went to Jerusalem. In the Temple he found men selling cattle, sheep, and doves. He saw others sitting at tables, exchanging money. Jesus made a whip out of cords. Then he forced all these men, with the sheep and cattle, to leave the Temple. He turned over the tables and scattered the money of the men who were exchanging it. Then he said to those who were selling pigeons, "Take these things out of here! Don't make my Father's house a place for buying and selling!"

When this happened the followers remembered what was written in the Scriptures: "My strong love for your Temple completely controls me." The Jews said to Jesus, "Show us a miracle for a sign. Prove that you have the right to do these things." Jesus answered, "Destroy this temple, and I will build it again in three days."

## Ecological STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



## 1/2M Easter Cookies





# NAPLAN 2024

## Information for parents and carers

### Why do students do NAPLAN?

The National Assessment Program - Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) is a literacy and numeracy assessment that students in Year 3, 5, 7 and 9 sit each year.

NAPLAN is a test that checks how well students are learning the essential skills of reading, writing and numeracy.

It allows parents/carers to see how their child is progressing against national standards.

NAPLAN is just one aspect of a school's assessment and reporting process. It does not replace the ongoing assessments made by teachers about student performance and can provide teachers with additional information about students' educational progress.

### Your child will do the NAPLAN tests online

Online NAPLAN tests are designed to provide precise results and are engaging for students. The tests present questions that may be more or less difficult depending on the student's response. All Year 3 students will complete the writing assessment on paper.

Year 3 and 5 students will have the opportunity to complete the following tests;

Writing

Reading

Conventions of language (grammar, punctuation & spelling) and

Numeracy

### Participation in NAPLAN

Adjustments are available for students with disability who have diverse functional abilities and needs and should reflect the support normally provided for classroom assessments.

If you are concerned or wish to discuss the tests, please see your child's teacher or come and see one of the Co-Principals.

To find out more about NAPLAN, visit [nap.edu.au](http://nap.edu.au)



# NAPLAN

Information for parents and carers of Year 3 & 5 students

March 13-25 2024



## NAPLAN tests are online

Year 3 and 5 students will have the opportunity to complete the following tests;

- ★ **Writing** (Year 3 students will complete the writing assessment on paper.)
- ★ **Reading**
- ★ **Conventions of language** (grammar, punctuation & spelling) and
- ★ **Numeracy**

## 2024 NAPLAN schedule

Week 7:

Wednesday 13th March	Thursday 14th March	Friday 15th March
Writing		Conventions of Language
Reading		

Week 8:

Tuesday 19th March
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Numeracy

Catch up sessions will be conducted during Week 7 & 8

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To find out more about NAPLAN or to view practice tests, visit <https://nap.edu.au/naplan/public-demonstration-site>

# Lightning Reef Primary School

## YMCA Outside School Hours Care

### What have we been up to in OSHC?

This term, our OSHC children have been having lots of fun participating in a range of child-led and planned experiences at our OSHC program! We have a fruit platter and yummy snacks every afternoon like fried rice, pikelets and cheese and crackers. We explore different areas of play including sensory, craft, physical and creative play.

Check out some of our recent activity highlights:



### What is upcoming in OSHC?

See below some very exciting activities we have planned over the upcoming weeks that has been chosen by some of our OSHC children.

#### After School Care Program

Week Starting Date: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> of March 2024

<b>Lego Challenge:</b> Can you match the design provided? Who will be the first to make it?	<b>Scratch Lanterns:</b> Design your own pattern on your very own lantern to take home.	<b>Indoor Ball Games:</b> Join in to play some indoor ball games like golden child and kings and queens.	<b>Felt OSHC World:</b> Add your own touch to our felt world and see what we can create together!	<b>DIY Kites:</b> Design your own kite that we will fly outside. You even get to take it home!
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It's not too late to book in! Head over to our website [www.childrensprogramms.ymca.org.au](http://www.childrensprogramms.ymca.org.au) to register and make a booking.

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