

Newsletter

26 August 2024

"Behold, I make all things new"

Revelations 21:5

Good afternoon everyone.

Fathers Day Breakfast

This Friday morning we will have our traditional bacon and egg rolls for breakfast and a coffee van 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.

Book Week & Blurbs Concert

Last week, we celebrated Book Week with a special visit from the Blurbs on Wednesday. Their performance was both entertaining and inspiring, truly bringing the theme of "Reading is Magic" to life. On Friday, our Dress-Up Day was a huge success, with students showing off their creativity in a variety of wonderful costumes. A big thank you to all the students and their families for the effort and enthusiasm they put into making the week memorable.

The Importance of Reading

Reading is not just about enjoying stories; it's a gateway to a world of knowledge, imagination, and lifelong learning. It helps students develop critical thinking skills, improve their vocabulary, and understand different perspectives. By encouraging regular reading habits, we can help our children build a strong foundation for academic success and personal growth. Let's continue to foster a love of reading at home and in school, making it a joyful and enriching part of our daily lives.

Athletics

On Wednesday, around 27 students represented St. Peter's at the Catholic Athletics event. Despite the challenging weather, with showers on and off throughout the day, our students gave their best and displayed great sportsmanship. We're proud of their perseverance and determination in the face of

less-than-ideal conditions. Kudos to all the students and staff who attended for their hard work and resilience!

Passions & Pathway Excursions

Our Year 5/6 students continue their exciting visits to Luchiano Pizza, where Juliette and her team have generously opened their doors to show the students the behind-the-scenes workings of a small business. The students are learning about daily routines, safety standards, and the importance of teamwork. They are now working on designing their own pizzas, which might just make it onto the Luchiano menu in the near future!

Mental Health Month

We are now in Week 2 of Mental Health Month (and a bit). This week, our community is focusing on "Giving," which ties in perfectly with our Big Question: "How does giving help others and help me?" When we give—whether through sharing, helping someone, or offering kind words—it not only makes others feel valued and cared for but also brings us a sense of happiness and fulfilment. Let's continue to explore the power of giving this week. Check out the 5 Ways to Wellbeing website: <https://www.5waystowellbeing.org.au/>.

A moment in Prayer

Dear Lord,

We thank You for the gift of reading and the doors it opens to knowledge, imagination, and wisdom. May our students find joy and inspiration in the stories they read, and may these stories guide them in their journey of learning. Bless our minds to grow in understanding, and our hearts to be filled with compassion as we explore new ideas and perspectives through the pages we turn. Help us to cherish the gift of reading and to use it to enrich our lives and the lives of others. We ask this prayer through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

*God Bless,
Jen & Jeremy*

AWARDS

Balam-balam

Yulawil

Banya

PE

Enviro

Maddi

Rebel

Zoe, Jeshrun, Harley

Jackson H

Evan J

CO-PRINCIPAL AWARD



Upcoming Dates

Friday 30th August

Father's Day Breakfast, 8:30am

Friday 13th September

Passions and Pathways, Session Two - 5/6 Unit

Friday 20th September

Last Day of Term 3 - Early Finish 2:15pm

Last weeks award went to Amy in Prep. Amy consistently shows all 4 School Values with a warm smile and a caring nature on a daily basis at St. Peter's. Amy is also an incredible learner. Keep up the great work Amy!



As we continue to focus on the 5 Ways to Mental Wellbeing, this week we concentrate on "Giving to others". Did you know that giving to others is good for us too?

When we give to others, whether it's sharing, helping someone with a task, or offering a kind word, it does more than just make them smile—it shows them that they are important and loved. This act of giving can make someone feel valued and supported, especially when they need it most. At the same time, giving helps us too.

When we see that our actions make others happy, it creates a warm, joyful feeling inside us and it triggers feel good chemicals to be released in our brains!

Giving helps us connect with others, builds friendships, makes us feel good about ourselves, and gives us a sense of reward and achievement. It reminds us that we can make a difference, no matter how small, and that by helping others, we're also helping ourselves grow into kind and caring people.

This week have a conversation with your child about the joy of giving, how they feel when they give to others, and try a random act of kindness!



21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Something to Think About

Sometimes, the things Jesus teaches can be hard to understand or might seem difficult to follow. Just like the disciples, we might feel confused or unsure about what to do. But when we have questions or feel like giving up, we can remember Peter's words. Peter chose to stay with Jesus because he believed that Jesus had the words of eternal life.

We can learn from Peter's faith and trust in Jesus, even when things are challenging. It's important to remember that Jesus is always with us, ready to guide and help us. By staying close to Him and listening to His teachings, we can find the strength and courage we need in our lives. So, when we have questions or doubts, let's turn to Jesus, knowing He is always there for us.

The Story

In this Bible passage, Jesus is talking to His disciples about the importance of believing in Him. He tells them that He is the bread of life, and that His words are spirit and life. Some of His followers find His teachings hard to understand and accept, so they decide to leave Him. Jesus then asks the twelve disciples if they also want to leave. Peter responds, saying, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." Peter declares that they believe Jesus is the Holy One of God, showing their faith in Him.

The Scriptures - John 6:60-69

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before? 'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer.

The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life.

'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'This is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him.

Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'





St. Peter's Primary School Physical Education

Mr. Jake Wilkinson - P.E Coordinator



BIKE ED

3/4 Yulawil can bring their bikes/helmets on Thursday 29th August.

SANDHURST ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

On Wednesday 21st August, 27 students represented St Peter's at the Catholic Division Athletics. The students had a fabulous day and tried their best, especially given everyone got completely soaked from the rain! Congratulations to Ethan F who came third in the 80m Hurdles. All the students should be proud of the way they showed sportsmanship and our school values.



FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Benefiting the health and wellbeing of our Bendigo school children

Proudly funded and supported by:

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- Adroit
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- Graves
- red energy arena
- Bendigo Community Health services
- GAM

St. Peter's Primary School
Ecological
STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



Mrs. Lauren White - Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

Breaky Club

Please remind your children to greet their teacher and put their bag away before going to have breakfast (if they haven't eaten at home). If they finish early, then they can go to the playground or back to their classroom to do an activity. If they play first, they won't have time to go and eat. 😊

This week at Djak-tjarra we have:
Tuesday = 5/6 Guwak
Wednesday = 1/2 Balam-balam
Thursday = 3/4 Yulawil

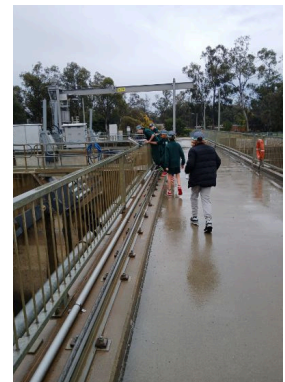
ALL classes run from 12 noon - 1:50pm.

PLEASE DON'T FORGET DRINK BOTTLES!

Keep an eye out on Facebook for 5/6 edible art in the next couple of weeks too!

BOYS TO THE BUSH Week 1

The boys were fantastic and very patient on the way across to Torrumbarry with the weather not allowing us to have a stop to break up the trip. It rained the entire way which was concerning for everyone!!! When we got there the rain had cleared and we did a walk across the Torrumbarry Weir explaining how the gates worked and the concept of the lock which they were interested in how big the structure is and the mechanics of it. We got the fishing going off the rocks. A yellow belly and a carp were caught which made the day. We had a BBQ lunch at the weir.



5 & 6 Unit Update

Rorey Doolan Visiting for Passion & Pathways

On Wednesday 14th August we had Rorey Doolan from the Army Reserves come and chat to the 5/6 students as part of their Passions & Pathways program. Rorey told us about the different areas of service within the Australian Defence Force and why he chose the army. He explained some of the things he does in training and what it means to be in the Reserves. He also spoke about his pathway and what steps he took and training he needed. Rorey brought in some of his army pack for the student to explore and an Army vehicle for the students to sit in. Thank you Rorey!

Roadshow Day for Passions & Pathways (photos attached for this!!)

On Thursday 15th August, the 5/6 team had their Roadshow day for Passions and Pathways. This is a day where we get to head out and explore local Bendigo businesses, chat to their employees and see their pathway into employment. We went to Bunnings Kangaroo Flat, where we got to see the different work zones and have a tour. A highlight of Hoffman Engineering, where heavy duty engineering design and building takes place, was the break room where the kids discovered a wall of 9 microwaves! At ACE Laboratories, the students explored different microbes and bacteria that need to be tested in animals and got to see the laboratory in action. At Safescapes, the students go to see Australian made electronic vehicles which will be sent to work in the mines. We finished off at Lansell homes where students explored the building and construction industry.



Making Pizzas for Luchiano

We had our first visit to Luchiano's to watch the team prepare the food and dough for the night's pizza. Students got to practise working the till and check if they've made any orders from home in the past. The students also got to make 4 pizzas to bring back to school, spreading the tomato base, sprinkling on some ham and cheese and putting them in the box. In the next few weeks, we will be designing our pizza box artwork and presenting our pizza designs to Juliette and the Luchiano team.

Community News

NOW OPEN!

APPOINTMENTS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE!

Indigo Play Therapy

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Bendigo, Vic

VISIT OUR WEBSITE

www.indigoplaytherapy.com.au

join the party

Don't miss the 5-week party full of fun and footy in Term 3! There's a new party on every week to enjoy at your All Girls NAB AFL Auskick Centre!

BENDIGO ALL GIRLS AUSKICK
Tuesday 4:00pm - 5:00pm at Weeroona Oval starting 3rd September.
\$50 for 5 weeks of football fun for girls aged 5 - 7 with the help of the Bendigo Thunder Women's Team!

  play.afl/auskick

ALL REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS GO IN THE DRAW TO WIN A SIGN CARLTON AFLW JUMPER

CHOOSE YOUR FOOTY ADVENTURE

BENDIGO THUNDER ALL GIRLS AUSKICK AND SUPERKICK

STARTING TUESDAY 6TH AUGUST FOR 5 WEEKS

 Women's Football Club Inc

  **4-8 year olds**

Come find your awesome at NAB AFL Auskick. An introductory program to Australian rules football, teaching skills through fun activities and mini games.

  **8-12 year olds**

Level up your footy with skills and modified match play in weekly sessions. NAB AFL Superkick is tackle-free and great for Auskick grads and newbies alike.

VISIT PLAY.AFL

Superkick

FIND YOUR FOOTY

Learn through skills and tackle-free, match-based sessions.

ALL GIRLS SUPERKICK CENTRE
Tuesday 4:00pm - 5:00pm at Weeroona Oval starting 3rd September.
\$50 for 5 weeks of football fun for girls aged 8 - 12 with the help of the Bendigo Thunder Women's Team!

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ALL REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS GO IN THE DRAW TO WIN A SIGN CARLTON AFLW JUMPER

LEARN TO PLAY

Whether you are 2 years old or 70 years old, we have a program for you.

No matter the ability, experience or age!

For more information contact us sports.office@bendigostadium.com.au

BENDIGO BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION



IDDY BIDDY BALL

SUITABLE FOR 2 - 4 YEAR OLDS

Run by our very own Bendigo Braves players, Iddy Biddy Ball is designed to give kids the opportunity to learn fundamental basketball skills and have fun in a social and friendly environment.

MONDAY - FRIDAY IN 2024
(RED ENERGY ARENA)

SEE WEBSITE FOR DAYS & TIMES

SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION

\$15

Pay as you go

45 minute skills session
Coffee (For mum or dad)
Fruit (For the kids)



BENDIGO BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

BIDDY BALL

SUITABLE FOR 4 - 8 YEAR OLDS

Biddy Ball is designed to give kids aged 4 - 8 the opportunity to learn fundamental basketball skills and have fun in a social and friendly environment.

MONDAY / TUESDAY / THURSDAY
(RED ENERGY ARENA)

4:15PM - 5:00PM

SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION

\$50

Per term

45 minute skills session
Optional T-shirt for \$20



BENDIGO BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

FORD AUSSIE HOOPS

SUITABLE FOR 6 - 10 YEAR OLDS

Aussie Hoops is a national program which provides an environment where children of all abilities can achieve on the court and reap the rewards of skill development, enhanced self-esteem, social co-operation and grassroots sports participation.

TUESDAY & THURSDAY
(RED ENERGY ARENA)
4:00PM - 5:00PM

SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION

\$132.50

New participant

or

\$89.50

Returning participant



BENDIGO BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

ACCESS ALL ABILITIES

SUITABLE FOR ALL ABILITIES

The Bendigo Basketball Association in conjunction with Red Energy Arena, runs the Access All Abilities (AAA) program for persons with a disability.

WEDNESDAYS
(RED ENERGY ARENA)
4:00PM - 5:00PM

SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION

\$5

Pay as you go



BENDIGO BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

WALKING BASKETBALL

SUITABLE FOR SENIORS

Walking Basketball is a low impact, social and fun way aimed to get adults and seniors into physical activity. Whether you've played basketball before and are wanting to try something new, everyone is welcome to come and join Walking Basketball.

WEDNESDAYS
(RED ENERGY ARENA)
10:30AM - 11:15AM

SCAN FOR MORE INFORMATION

\$15

Pay as you go

45 minute skills session
Coffee/Tea
Cake/Biscuits



BENDIGO BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION