



# Newsletter

21 October 2024

ISSUE #30

"Behold, I make all things new"

Revelations 21:5

*Good afternoon everyone.*

## Big Question

This week's Big Question is: "How can I prepare for change?" In classrooms each week, students are exploring different ways to handle and embrace change in their lives. This is a great opportunity for families to join the conversation at home. Ask your child what they've been learning and share your own experiences about preparing for change together.

## Dental Van

The dental van will be at school this week – Monday 21st of October to Friday the 25th of October. This is an incredible free service offered to our students!! The van stays at school for the week, and all children who have forms completed are invited to attend for a check-up. There are still spots available, so please return your form if you haven't already! Parents will be contacted by the dentists if any procedures are required. The dental staff are friendly and help students feel relaxed and comfortable. St. Peter's staff or parents are able to come along and support students if needed.

## Swimming

Our whole school Swimming Program will be held next week in Week 4 and Week 5 of this term.

Week 4: Monday 28th, Tuesday 29th, Thursday 31st & Friday 1st Nov

Week 5: Monday 4th, Tuesday 5th, Thursday 7th & Friday 8th

(Wednesday is a rest day, no swimming)

Students will travel by bus to Peter Krenz Leisure Centre in Eaglehawk. The permission forms will be on the SIMON Everywhere App, or you can request a hard copy.

Lesson times:

Foundation: 12.10pm

Grade 1&2: 12.50pm

Grade 3&4: 1.30pm

Grade 5&6: 2.10pm

## Prep 2025

We are excited to announce that the first of our Prep 2025 Transition sessions will be held next Tuesday morning, 29th October, from 9.30am to 10.30am. This is a wonderful opportunity for our future Preps to get a feel for school life and start their journey with us at St. Peter's.

Parents and carers, please come to the office upon arrival, and you will be guided to the Knuldorrong area where the session will take place. We can't wait to meet all our new students and families and begin this exciting transition together!

## Important Dates this Term:

- Wednesday 30th of October – Bendigo Cup Public Holiday (Next Week)
- Friday the 22nd of November – School closure day – Staff Professional Learning
- Monday the 25th of November – School closure day – Staff 2025 Planning Day
- Wednesday the 18th of December – Students' last day

There will be other important dates confirmed over the coming weeks.

## *A moment in Prayer*

The Catholic Church dedicates the month of October to the Holy Rosary. Please join us in praying this beautiful prayer to our Our Lady:

O Mary, gentle and pure,  
Guide us with your loving care.  
Intercede for us in times of need,  
And wrap us in your mantle of grace.

Mother of Mercy, Queen of Peace,  
Lead us always closer to your Son.

Amen

*God Bless,  
Jen & Jeremy*

# Upcoming Dates

<b>Monday 21st to Friday 25th October</b>
Dental Van Visit
<b>Wednesday 30th October</b>
School Closure - Bendigo Cup Day Holiday
<b>Thursday 31st October</b>
Choir Visit to Bethlehem Nursing Home
<b>Monday 28th October</b>
Swimming Program Commences
<b>Wednesday 6th November</b>
Book Fair
<b>Friday 22nd November</b>
School Closure - Professional Practice Day
<b>Monday 25th November</b>
School Closure - 2025 Planning Day
<b>Tuesday 10th December</b>
Orientation Day
End of Year Mass & Graduation Ceremony
<b>Wednesday 18th December</b>
Last Day Term

## Year 6 Graduation News

We are starting to get activities finalised for the Grade 6 Graduation which is happening at the End of Year Mass on Tuesday 10th December at 5:30pm. Students who are in Grade 6 in 2024 need to give a copy of their Prep photo to their classroom teacher as soon as possible. If you don't have a Prep photo, the youngest photo of your child at school or a photo of your child around the ages of 5/6 years old will be okay. Please speak to your child's teacher if you have any questions.

# AWARDS

Mumumburra	Geona
Duan	Beau and Elodie
Balam-balam	Mia
Yulawil	Zion
Wirrap	Mady
Guwak	Justice
Banya	Neha & David
Ngana-nganity	Lochlan
Enviro	Banya
Music	Oliver R
PE	Jeshrun

## CO-PRINCIPAL AWARD



The Co-Principal Award went to Jason in Year 6 for showing all 4 School Values - especially Care for Self by working really hard and engaging in new activities. Well done!



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## 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### The Story

In Mark 10:42-45, Jesus explains that greatness isn't about being the boss or having control, but about serving others with love and humility. He tells His disciples that, unlike leaders in the world who use their power to control people, those who follow Him must lead by serving. Jesus Himself is the greatest example of this, as He came not to be served, but to serve others and even give His life for them.

### The Scriptures - Mark 10:42-45

Jesus called the Twelve to him and said to them, 'You know that among the pagans their so-called rulers lord it over them, and their great men make their authority felt. This is not to happen among you. No; anyone who wants to become great among you must be your servant, and anyone who wants to be first among you must be slave to all. For the Son of Man himself did not come to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.'

### Something to Think About

- Think about leadership: How do you usually see leaders? Are they people who tell others what to do or are they people who help and care for those they lead? How does Jesus' idea of leadership—serving others—compare to what you see in your life, like in school or sports teams?
- Serving others: Jesus teaches that to be great, we should help others without expecting anything in return. When have you put someone else's needs before your own? How did it feel to help them? What does this kind of serving look like in your everyday life?
- Being like Jesus: Jesus' love and willingness to serve is a powerful example. How can you follow Jesus' example at school, at home, or with your friends? How can you show kindness and help others even when it's difficult?
- Challenge yourself: Jesus' message might feel challenging because serving others can sometimes be hard, especially when we feel like we deserve more attention or praise. What are some ways you can practice being a servant leader? How can you encourage others to serve too?



## St. Peter's End of Year Mass & Graduation Ceremony

We warmly invite you to join us as we give thanks for our school year and celebrate our graduating Year 6s and departing families.

- 📅 December 10, 2024
- 🕒 5:30pm - 6:30pm
- 📍 St. Kilian's Church

Please join us at school afterwards for a picnic dinner. BYO dinner. (Alcohol free event)





## St. Peter's Primary School Physical Education

Mr. Jake Wilkinson - P.E Coordinator



3/4Yulawil can bring their bikes/helmets on Thursday 24th October.

### **DON'T FORGET ABOUT JUMP ROPE FOR HEART!**

Please see Mrs White if you have any questions or need help with registering online.

[www.jump rope.org.au/parents](http://www.jump rope.org.au/parents)



You can send us photos of your child/ren skipping at home or on social media using

**#JumpRopeForHeart**

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## St. Peter's Primary School Ecological STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



Mrs. Lauren White - Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

This week at Djak-tjarra we have:

Tuesday = 5/6 Guwak

Wednesday = F Mumumburra

Thursday = 3/4Yulawil

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

**PLEASE DON'T FORGET DRINK BOTTLES!**

## 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. 😊



## Uniform Shop

### Uniform Shop Hours

Monday 8.30 to 9.15am

Thursday 8.30 to 9.15 and 2.45 to 3.15pm

Orders can be emailed or dropped off at the office anytime ready to be prepared during shop hours on Monday and Thursday.

Hats are in stock.

Name embroidery can be arranged for an additional cost.



## Library News



St Peter's

# Book Fair

6th - 13th November

2024



Children will come and look at the Book Fair with their class and bring home a wish list.

If families wish to buy any of the books/items on the wish list, you send the wish list back to school with the cash or you can pay online. Details of how to pay online are on the back of the list wish.

Please leave you orders at the office. The orders will then be filled and given to the child to take home. Any questions please ask Michelle.

# Community News



**Lightning Reef Primary YMCA Outside School Hours Care**  
Discover OSHC programs at Lightning Reef Primary School. We offer high quality Before and After...  
ymca.org.au:443

## PERMANENT AND CASUAL BOOKINGS

To support busy families, we have two booking options across our Outside School Hours Care services, both permanent and casual. You're able to have both permanent on-going bookings and casual bookings to suit your needs.

### Permanent on-going bookings

These bookings are for families with a regular schedule. By booking recurring visits in advance, you can secure a spot at a lower fee. Permanent bookings always guarantee your child has an on-going spot (subject to availability) on your chosen days.

Features include:

- Price effective
- Ease of mind with bookings secured ahead of time
- If your child is absent, you only pay the gap fee\*
- One week cancellation notice applies to cancel your recurring spot

### Casual bookings

These bookings offer more flexibility, allowing families to book any session as needed. Casual bookings do incur a higher fee compared to permanent bookings. Booking in advance will give you the best chance of guaranteeing a spot.

Features include:

- Flexible ad hoc bookings, book only when you need
- If your child is absent, you only pay the gap fee\*
- One week cancellation notice applies to cancel your spot

\*You are required to pay the full session fee for all booking options that finish with an absence



Head to our website for more information or please speak with your team onsite.



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to register visit  
<https://www.playhq.com/cricket-australia/register/e323c6>  
or

**The Bendigo Cricket Club** scan the QR code below  
welcome all returning and new players to register interest in joining our club for season 2024/25 via the QR code image on this flyer.

We invite all youngsters to join our club, where opportunities abound.

Bendigo CC players hail from varied & diverse backgrounds, & regardless of your experience or skill level, you will have a place with us.

Having difficulty registering your interest or want further info? Email us at [bendigocricketclub1894@gmail.com](mailto:bendigocricketclub1894@gmail.com)

Round up your mates and get on board with the Goers!

# NOW OPEN!

APPOINTMENTS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE!

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## 0-11 YEARS PARENT SUPPORT AND EDUCATION AND SESSIONS

The Loddon Children's Health & Wellbeing Local will be offering weekly education session related to mental health and wellbeing for parents of children 0-11. These are available both on line and in person.

**Sessions are open to any family with children 0-11.**

### Why join in?

- Meet and mix with other parents.
- Talk to mental health staff about your child.
- Ask any practical questions you have about parenting at the moment.
- Gain support for yourself as a parent.

**Where:** Loddon Children's Health and Wellbeing Local  
Bendigo Community Health Services  
19 Helm St Kangaroo Flat

**Dates and topics:** Thursdays 9.30 am On Line session: 1pm Face to face at the local

**Oct 3<sup>rd</sup> 9.30am** on line and **1pm** face to face Autism what is it and how do I help?

**Oct 10<sup>th</sup> 9.30am** on line and **1pm** face to face Tech troubles

**Oct 17<sup>th</sup> 9.30am** on line and **1pm** face to face Anxiety in kids

**Oct 24<sup>th</sup> 9.30am** on line and **1pm** face to face Managing big feelings

**Oct 31<sup>st</sup> 9.30am** and **1pm** ADHD What is it and how do I help?

**Nov 14<sup>th</sup> 9.30am** and **1pm** Building social skills

**Nov 21<sup>st</sup> 9.30am** and **1pm** Anger in kids

**Nov 28<sup>th</sup> 9.30am** and **1pm** Setting limits and family rules

**Dec 5<sup>th</sup> 9.30am** on line and **1pm** face to face Parent Wellbeing

**If you have any questions, please contact** Annette Clemments on 1800 433 977.

**Book in here :** using the QR code or email [jcfhwlocals@bchs.com.au](mailto:jcfhwlocals@bchs.com.au)



Zoom link for 10am meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84867976569> Meeting ID: 848 6797 6569