

Newsletter

11 November 2024

ISSUE #34

"Behold, I make all things new"

Revelations 21:5

Good afternoon everyone.

Swimming Program Completion

Our two-week swimming program has wrapped up, and we'd like to congratulate all our students for their dedication and positive attitude throughout! It was wonderful to see everyone putting in their best effort, and we're proud of each student's achievements. Certificates were handed out to recognise the successful completion of their swimming programs – well done to all!

Prep 2025 Transition

Our second Prep 2025 Transition session will take place tomorrow from 9:30 to 10:30 am. We're excited to welcome our future Preps back to explore and engage in our learning environment as they take steps toward joining us next year!

School Carpark Reminder

To help our carpark run smoothly, we ask everyone to follow a few simple guidelines. If you're not planning to get out of your car, please use the Kiss and Drop lane for a quick and easy drop-off. For those wishing to park, there are designated spaces immediately to your right as you enter the driveway close to the trees and front of our school.

For those using the Kiss and Drop, we're starting to experience a bottleneck near the first gate. To keep things flowing, please drive through to the available spots up near the second gate and further to ensure continuous movement and quick access for others. Thank you for helping make our mornings safe and efficient!

Afternoon Pick-Up Reminder

In the afternoons, we're seeing a line of cars starting to back out onto the road as they wait to enter the carpark. To keep things moving and safe, please drive all the way through to the available spots in the Kiss and Drop area,

rather than stopping early. By keeping the line moving, we can ensure a smoother, safer pick-up for everyone—keeping our community happy and safe! Thank you for your cooperation and courtesy.

Big Question: 'How Can I Stay Positive When Things Are Different?'

Last week, we started exploring our Big Question: 'How can I stay positive when things are different?' It's a question that helps us think about resilience and finding joy even when life changes or feels uncertain. This week, we'll continue unpacking this together in class, sharing ideas and ways we can support each other to stay hopeful, focused, and positive, no matter what comes our way.

Jump Rope for Heart – Jump Off Day

This Friday, 15th November, we're excited to hold our Jump Rope for Heart "Jump Off Day"! From 2:30 pm to 3:15 pm, students will come together to celebrate their efforts, get active, and show off their skipping skills in a range of fun activities. Please note that we won't be holding assembly on this day so all our focus can go towards supporting heart health and enjoying our Jump Off Day. Looking forward to seeing everyone's fantastic skipping!

Important Dates

- Tuesday the 12th of November - 2025 Prep Transition Session – 9.30am - 10.30am
- Friday the 22nd of November – School closure day – Staff Professional Learning
- Monday the 25th of November – School closure day – Staff 2025 Planning Day
- Tuesday the 10th of December – State Orientation Day
- Wednesday the 18th of December – Students' last day

More important dates confirmed over the coming weeks.

A moment in Prayer

Prayer for Remembrance Day

Each year on Remembrance Day, we take a moment to pause and honour those who have served and sacrificed in times of war and conflict. At 11 am on the 11th of November, we observe a minute of silence to reflect on the bravery, courage, and dedication of those who helped protect our freedoms. By remembering them, we show gratitude and respect, ensuring their sacrifices are never forgotten.

Dear God,

Today we remember those who have served and sacrificed. Help us to be kind, respectful, and grateful for the peace we have.

Amen.

*God Bless,
Jen & Jeremy*



Upcoming Dates

Wednesday 6th to Wednesday 13th November

Book Fair

Friday 22nd November

School Closure - Professional Practice Day

Monday 25th November

School Closure - 2025 Planning Day

Tuesday 10th December

Orientation Day

End of Year Mass & Graduation Ceremony

Wednesday 18th December

Last Day Term

AWARDS

CO-PRINCIPAL AWARD



The Co-Principal Award went to Edith in Year 2 for consistently always showing all 4 School Values – especially Care for Others and Learning.

2025 Foundation (Prep) Transition Days

29th October 9:30am - 10:30am

12th November 9:30am - 10:30am

26th November 9:30am - 11:00am

10th December 12pm - 1:30pm

FRESH FRUIT FRIDAY

Benefiting the health and wellbeing of our Bendigo school children

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32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Story

In this passage, Jesus is teaching his followers to be aware of people who only want attention and praise, like the teachers of the law who wear fancy clothes and try to look important. Jesus points out a poor widow who gives two small coins in the temple offering. Even though it's a small amount, Jesus says she gave more than the rich people because she gave everything she had, while others gave only what they could spare. Jesus teaches us that generosity is about giving with our hearts, not about the amount.

The Scriptures - Mark 12:38-44

In his teaching Jesus said, 'Beware of the scribes who like to walk about in long robes, to be greeted obsequiously in the market squares, to take the front seats in the synagogues and the places of honour at banquets; these are the men who swallow the property of widows, while making a show of lengthy prayers. The more severe will be the sentence they receive.'

He sat down opposite the treasury and watched the people putting money into the treasury, and many of the rich put in a great deal. A poor widow came and put in two small coins, the equivalent of a penny. Then he called his disciples and said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, this poor widow has put more in than all who have contributed to the treasury; for they have all put in money they had over, but she from the little she had has put in everything she possessed, all she had to live on.'

Something to Think About

This passage reminds us that true generosity isn't about how much we give, but about giving from our hearts. Jesus praises the widow for giving all she has, showing us that sometimes the smallest acts of kindness are the most meaningful. When we treat others, it's important to remember not to judge them by what they have or how much they can give. Instead, we should value their intentions and kindness. Like Jesus, we can learn to look beyond appearances and appreciate the goodness in others' actions, no matter how small. Treating others with respect and kindness, without judgment, helps us create a community where everyone feels valued and understood.

- What is one small act of kindness or generosity you can do today for someone else, even if it's something simple?
- How can you practice being more understanding and less judgmental towards others over time? What habits can you build to remind yourself to see the good in everyone?

St. Peter's
PRIMARY SCHOOL
Life is Full

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

BIKE ED



3/4 Yulawil can bring their bikes/helmets on Thursday 14th November.

Keep an eye out for PERMISSION NOTES for our EXCURSIONS!!



St. Peter's Primary School Ecological STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



Mrs. Lauren White - Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

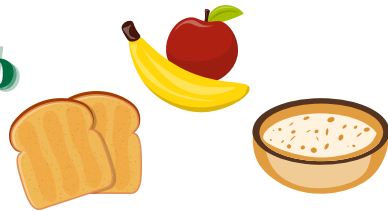
This week at Djak-tjarra we have:

Tuesday = 5/6 Guwak
Wednesday = 1/2 Mur Murra
Thursday = 3/4 Yulawil

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 9.15am

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

Grade 6 T-shirt orders due Monday 11th November.

Please return order forms and payment to the office by this date.

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




Families are invited to our Jump Off Day this Friday 15th November. Students will have fun doing lots of skipping activities and receiving their certificates. The event will finish at the end of the day.

St Peter's has currently raised \$236 (our target is \$300) for the Heart Foundation and our Heart Heroes have been skipping everyday at school.

This is your final week to log onto your portal page or collect your cash donations as we celebrate our Jump Off Day this Friday 15th at 2:30pm.

www.jumprope.org.au/parents

Please return all sponsorship sheets and money to school by this Friday 15th November and see Mrs White if you have any questions.



8:30am **walk, ride or scoot to school**

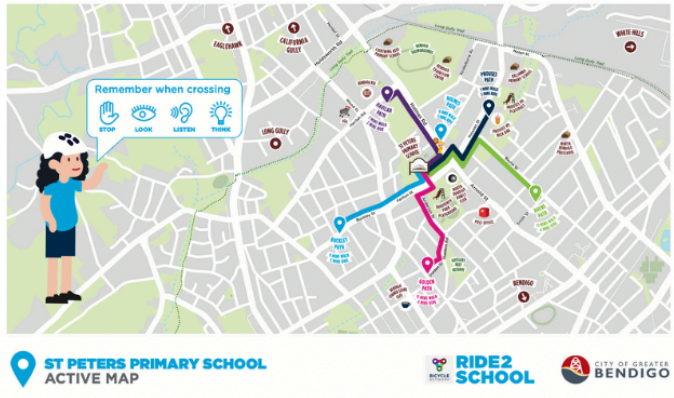
Friday 15th November: Havilah Path. Meet at the RSL Carpark.

Friday 22nd November: School Closure Day - No Walk to school

Friday 29th November: Golden Path. Meet at the Corner Store Cafe.

Friday 6th December: Buckley Path. Meet at the Corner of Buckley and Bray Street.

Friday 13th December: Prouses Path. Meet at the Prouses road Milk Bar.



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 non-perishable food, small Christmas gifts, decorations, books - anything that matches the Christmas theme!

The raffle will be drawn at the end of term.



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...

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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



NOW OPEN!

APPOINTMENTS CURRENTLY AVAILABLE!

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Bendigo, Vic

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PUPIL FREE DAY

YMCA Outside School Hours Care joining up and running a full day service for **St Kilian's, St Peter's and St Monica's** upcoming pupil free day!

Book a session at St Kilian's and enjoy this exciting activity with us! Come join us for a fun day of many learning experiences and plenty of fun!

On the day we will be providing a sausage sizzle and homemade icy poles. We will also have face painting, water play, sensory play and science experiments. **Wear clothes that can get dirty, closed shoes and don't forget a hat!**

Date: 22.11.24

Time: 6am to 6pm

Location: St Kilian's

Activity highlights: origami, play dough and clay, bracelet making, cricket and tennis!



Scan the QR code to access enrolment and booking instructions.



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ST KILIANS ANNUAL EASTER COMMUNITY ETHICAL MARKET 2025 - ADVANCE NOTICE.



This market will be held on Saturday 22nd March 2025 from 10am -1pm in the church grounds. We are hoping more parishioners will join in holding stalls this time. Proceeds are for the continued development of our beautiful community garden and outdoor areas. Let's make this a parish celebration. So ... crafters start planning. More information regarding registration will be available in November.



TERM FOUR 2024



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 3rd 9.30am on line and 1pm face to face Autism what is it and how do I help?

Oct 10th 9.30am on line and 1pm face to face Tech troubles

Oct 17th 9.30am on line and 1pm face to face Anxiety in kids

Oct 24th 9.30am on line and 1pm face to face Managing big feelings

Oct 31st 9.30am and 1pm ADHD What is it and how do I help?

Nov 14th 9.30am and 1pm Building social skills

Nov 21st 9.30am and 1pm Anger in kids

Nov 28th 9.30am and 1pm Setting limits and family rules

Dec 5th 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 icfhlocals@bchs.com.au



Zoom link for 10am meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84867976569> Meeting ID: 848 6797 6569



In partnership with Bendigo Health, Bendigo and District Aboriginal Cooperative, Niamnda Aboriginal Corporation, EchUCA Regional Health, North Central LLEN and Maryborough District Health.

The Children's Health and Wellbeing Local is jointly funded by the Victorian Government and the Australian Government through the Head to Health Kids initiative

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positive partnerships
Working together to support autistic school-aged students

Yarning and Sharing Workshop

Bendigo, VIC

Eaglehawk Football Netball Club
2 Simpsons Road, Eaglehawk, VIC 3556

Wednesday 13th November

9.30am -2.30pm AEST

Morning tea and a light lunch will be provided

Parents, carers, grandparents, family and community are invited to join us for a session of yarning and sharing stories.

For further information and to register, contact:

Suzie Briggs
✉ Suzie.briggs@bdac.com.au
☎ 0417 425 841

Courtney Collard
✉ CCollard@bendigohealth.org.au
☎ 0412 341 266

Community Plan Launch



Celebrate Long Gully!

Sunday 24th November
11.00am - 12.30pm

Bennett Street Cafe
79 Bennett Street
Long Gully.

RSVP
Please RSVP by Friday
15th November.

We are launching the
**Long Gully
Community Plan!**

Come along to hear all
about it, connect with
others, and to enjoy some
free pizza and coffee.

**For more info or to
RSVP, please contact:**

Kerry Parry

Long Gully Neighbourhood
Centre

Ph: 5442 1165

E: coordinator@lgnc.org.au

Inform Hub Bendigo

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Rights Information
and Advocacy Centre

Do you need help to:

- » Fill out a form (Centrelink, housing, Government rebate etc.)
- » Write a complaint about a service
- » Link with services such as legal or housing
- » Set up iPads, computers and phones
- » Download and use apps such as:
 - » myGov
 - » Services Australia
 - » My Aged Care
 - » Medicare Express
 - ... and more.



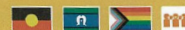
We have templates to help with
NDIS and DSP applications!

Locations and times:

When: Every Tuesday from 10am - 2pm
**Strictly during this time and on the day only.
We will help in order of arrival*

Where: 480 Hargreaves Street, Bendigo

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**FREE
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NOV 17, 2024** **12PM
TO 3PM**

FREE ACTIVITIES:

THE ZONE CHAIR-A-PLANE ACTIVITY ♥ LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
HENNA PAINTING ♥ ART AND CRAFT ♥ JUMPING CASTLE ♥ FACE PAINTING
AIRBRUSH TATTOOS ♥ SPORTING ACTIVITIES ♥ CIRCUS ACTIVITIES
FREE SWIMS AT PETER KRENZ LEISURE CENTRE ♥ FREE GIVEAWAYS!

FOOD/DRINKS:

BBQ (MEAT & VEGETARIAN OPTIONS), DRINKS & PANCAKES - ALL \$2 EACH
FREE FRESH FRUIT ♥ COLIBAN WATER REFILL UNIT (BYO DRINK BOTTLE)

Limited shade - bring
along your hat and chair.

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SIMPSONS ROAD, EAGLEHAWK**

Child safe
event

Alcohol, smoke & vape free event



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NOVEMBER 29
4 - 7 PM
GARDEN FOR THE
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BOSQUET ST
WHITE HILLS**

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- ✓ Food trucks
- ✓ Children's activities
- ✓ Live music & performances



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