

Good afternoon families

Orientation Day and final Prep 2022 Transition Dates

Tomorrow - Tuesday the 7th of December we have the Orientation Day for 2022. During the middle block on this day all students will go up into their classroom for 2022 and have a session with their new teacher. This includes our new Prep students. The session goes from 11.45am - 1.15pm for everyone. The students will come home with a note telling you which room they are in and who their teacher will be.

2022 Classroom Teachers:

Prep/1 Mummumburra	Mel Bradley & Olivia Keating
Prep/1 Duan	Cindy Purdon
1/2 Mur Murra	Jo Pangrazio
1/2 Balam Balam	Miggy Podosky
3/4 Yulawil	Jacqui Willis
3/4 Barrangal	Deb Jones
3/4 Wirrap	Jake Wilkinson
5/6 Guwak	Paris Robinson
5/6 Banya	Emma Smith
5/6 Njana Ngany	Nathan Starr

Farewell Donna Widdicombe

This Wednesday morning from 11.30am to 12pm all families are invited to attend a special morning tea to formally farewell Donna Widdicombe. Donna has been part of St Peter's for many years. Donna took some time off and travelled north to be with some of her family. Donna has now returned to Bendigo, however will not be returning to work at St Peter's. We wish Donna all the very best for an amazing future and look forward to seeing her around Bendigo. While we all miss Donna very much - especially our Indigenous families - Tyler, Donna's son, is doing an incredible job as our Koorie Ed worker now - doing his mum very proud!

All welcome - but please be mindful you will need to check in and show vaccination status to attend.

End of Year Assembly and Christmas Raffle

The last assembly for the year will be held on this Wednesday the 8th of December at 2.30pm. At this assembly we will give out the Murtagh Family Awards and draw the Christmas raffle. Families are invited to attend - but you must have double-vaccination certificate.

Feel free to email your certificate in advance to avoid the rush on the day admin@spbendigo.catholic.edu.au.

End of Year arrangements:

End of Year Mass is on Tuesday the 14th of December at 6pm at St Kilian's church. This is a Mass for our whole school community and we formally acknowledge our Yr 6 Graduating class.

Dinner on the Oval after Mass - from 7.15pm all families are invited to purchase some take-away food and join us all on the oval for dinner. This is a lovely celebration of the end of year for all families.

Please note: All attendees will need to check in and show vaccination certificates at both venues.

Last day for students - all students finish on Wednesday the 15th of December at 2:15pm.

5/6 Fun Day

The 5/6 classes will be celebrating the end of year with a Fun Day on the last day of the year - Wednesday the 15th of December. Please see details and give permission via the SIMON Everywhere App.

AWARDS

Term 4 Week 9

Balam Balam
Mur Murra
Duan
Mummumburra
Guwak
Njana Ngany
P.E
Enviro

Kacey Boserio
Penny Pah Eh & Aryan Sharma
Kasey Pickett
Mummumburra
Anthony Gibson & Sodena Sopheak
Thando Patterson & Shakira Mulcahy
Olivia Parker
Elle Pusa

Co-Principals Award

Logan Sloan received our award for week 9 for always showing the 4 School Values. Thank you for being a great role model across the whole school. Well Done Logan!



A moment in Prayer

God be with us during this season of Advent. Help us to live with you in our hearts. Bring us the Hope, Faith, Joy and Peace we pray for during Advent. Amen.

God bless,

Jen & Mick



UPCOMING events

7	DEC, TUE	Whole School Orientation Day	11:45am - 1:15pm
8	DEC, WED	Christmas Hamper Raffle drawn at Assembly	2:30 - 3:15pm
14	DEC, TUE	End of Year Mass - All welcome St Kilian's Catholic Church 6 - 7pm Picnic on the Oval after Mass	7:15 - 8:15pm
15	DEC, WED	Last Day of Term - Finish 2.15pm	All day



2nd Sunday in of Advent



The Story

The Gospel positions John the Baptist in the history of his time, sign-posting the date of God's intervention in human history. It was not a one-off intervention; it continues through every one who works to prepare the way of the Lord.

John began his mission in the wilderness, as Jesus was to do. We each have a wilderness inside us, a place of testing, where the power of false gods is broken. It is a place of encounter with ourselves, with our inner demons and with God. We should not be afraid of going into this wilderness, since it is there that the word of God will come to us.

Something to Think About

We are always invited to open ourselves to further conversion, to an ever deeper change of heart, to a deeper listening to what Jesus is asking of us, "Lord, what do you want me to do, to be?"

The Scriptures A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke 3:1-6

In the fifteenth year of the reign of Emperor Tiberius, when Pontius Pilate was governor of Judea, and Herod was ruler of Galilee, and his brother Philip ruler of the region of Ituraea and Trachonitis, and Lysanias ruler of Abilene, during the high priesthood of Annas and Caiaphas, the word of God came to John son of Zechariah in the wilderness. He went into all the region around the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins, as it is written in the book of the words of the prophet Isaiah, "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: 'Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill shall be made low, and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough ways made smooth; and all flesh shall see the salvation of God.'"

Advent 2021 CALENDAR

Daily At-Home Advent Activities for Families

DECEMBER

SUN 5

Sing Christmas hymns together. Light the second purple Advent candle. Pray to God to be faithful even when it is difficult.

MON 6

Feast of Saint Nicholas

Listen to a story about the legendary gift giver. Make or buy a small, thoughtful gift for someone you know.

TUE 7

During Advent, we prepare to celebrate the birth of Jesus. Donate baby supplies to a local charity.

WED 8

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Honor Mary, Mother of God by praying the Hail Mary today. Mary is Jesus' mother. Take special care of your mother or a mother figure in your life today.

THUR 9

Feast of Saint Juan Diego

Juan Diego lived in Mexico, and Mary appeared to him. Read the story of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Eat a Mexican meal today and pray the Hail Mary before your meal in honor of Saint Juan Diego's devotion to Mary.

FRI 10

Choose family prayer partners. Print each family member's name on an index card; decorate it; fold it in half and place in a basket. Pass the basket around and have each family member pick a name. Pray for that person during Advent.

SAT 11

Together, compose and pray a family Advent prayer.



St. Peter's Primary School

Ecological

STEWARDSHIP PROJECT



Mrs. Lauren White - Eco-Stewardship Coordinator

"The LORD God then took the man and settled him in the garden of Eden, to cultivate and care for it"
(Genesis 2:15)



DJAK TJARRA NEWS



Cooking, gardening,
healthy foods, new stuff and lots of fun!

YEAR 6 FAVOURITE MEMORIES...

James - The time Mrs White forced me to try food and then
I tried everything after that

Zoe - Making schnitzels

Robert - Cooking all of the food

Shakira - Meeting and working with the staff at Djak Tjarra

Richshell - Making the Christmas Stained Glass Cookies

Bailey - My first enviro session because I'd never done it before

Yamika - When we all sat on the cow before we got told to get off

Imogen - Playing hide and seek

Emilee - Playing hide and seek

River - Making brownies

Abrianna - I loved cooking

Anastasia - Playing hide and seek

Kartik - The chooks and playing hide and seek

Liam - Patting the chooks and playing hide and seek

Dave - Cooking Christmas cookies

DJAK TJARRA

Tuesday - Orientation Day

Wednesday - 1/2 Mur-murra

Thursday - 3/4 Barrangal

Don't forget HATS and

DRINK BOTTLES!



St. Peter's Primary School

Wellbeing

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Our last Art group for the year will be this Thursday 9th december. We have some very creative students! We look forward to welcoming the new grade 5's to join us for Art group next year.



This Thursday the 9th December will be our last session of Peaceful Kids for the year. We have really enjoyed these sessions with the students and look forward to a more settled and consistent year next year where we can keep getting the most out of these sessions.



The last food box delivery for the year is this Friday 10th December.

CHRISTMAS KINDNESS ADVENT CALENDAR

RANDOM ACTS OF KINDNESS TO STRANGERS, LOVED ONES AND OURSELVES

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
	1 Get up 10 minutes early and sit outside and enjoy the peacefulness	2 Tell someone a silly joke to make them laugh	3 Buy a coffee for a teacher / colleague / stranger	4 Call a friend or relative you haven't spoken to for a while to say hello	5 Offer your services as a sober driver for a Christmas function	6 Make a card for an elderly person in your community
7 Connect and say thank you to someone who has helped you in your life	8 Find 10 minutes to listen to your favourite music	9 Pay a parent a compliment about their children	10 Leave a bowl of water outside for the local birds	11 Leave a kind note for someone to find	12 Donate some tinned food to charity	13 Plant a tree, some flowers or herbs
14 Place candy canes in your neighbours letterboxes	15 Smile at everyone you meet today	16 Do a chore for someone in your family/house	17 Positive social media day - only make and read positive posts and comments	18 Pay it forward - leave some change for parking or a vending machine	19 Clean out one cupboard that annoys you	20 Take a baked Christmas treat to a neighbour you don't know and introduce yourself
21 Donate a book or flowers to a local hospital or aged care facility	22 Take 20 minutes to go for a walk or sit in a park or local beach	23 Pay for a strangers coffee or smoothie	24 Write down 10 things you are grateful for			



after the
BELL
GROWING CURIOUS MINDS

St Peter's OSHC Newsletter

EXCITING PROGRAM AHEAD TERM 4 WEEK 11

Monday- Come and make Christmas cards

Tuesday- Letter's to Santa

Wednesday- Santa creation activity

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year:
Looking forward to seeing you all in Term 1 2022



COOKING CLUB:

Pizza

JOKE OF THE WEEK

What do you get when you cross
Santa with a duck?

A Christmas Quacker

PARENT INFORMATION

Please contact
bookings@afterthebell.com.au if
you would like to place a booking
for your child/ren in our
Afterschool Care Program

JOIN THE FUN OF OSHC

Registration is FREE all you need to do is visit our
website at

www.afterthebell.com.au

and complete the online Registration Form.

Please feel free to contact our head office as we
are happy to help you out with the process.

CONTACT US

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Program Leader- Codie

HIGHLIGHTS:



Bendigo YMCA School Holiday Program

Looking for fun activities for your child during the holidays? YMCA School Holiday Programs are full of adventure!

Bookings are now open for our **Summer School Holiday Program** which runs between **Term 4 2021** and **Term 1 2022**.

Our **Bendigo Lighting Reef YMCA School Holiday Program** will run between **Tuesday 04 January 2022** to **Friday 28 January 2022**. The program will not operate on public holidays.

We've prepared an exciting range of daily activities including incursions and excursions that take advantage of the warm summer weather.

Current families can [sign into My Family Lounge](#) to make a booking.

New to our programs? Follow the steps outline on our [School Holiday Program Bookings page](#).

Date	Activity details
Monday 20 - Friday 24 December	
Friday 24 December	Closed The program is not running on Friday 24 December in recognition of Christmas Eve festivities.
Monday 3 - Friday 7 January	
Monday 3 January	Closed The program is not running on Monday 3 January in recognition of the New Year's Day Public Holiday.
Tuesday 4 January	Team Trivia Today we're working your brain muscles as you join your team and try our different trivia games. Discover things you didn't even know you knew! Category: In house Cost: \$88.60
Wednesday 5 January	Discovery Centre Students get hands on to create a path for a marble to travel through, experimenting with friction, gravity, angles and momentum along the way. Put your creativity and resilience to the test. Category: Incursion provided by Discovery Centre Bendigo Cost: \$88.60 Time: Arrive by 10:00am for start of the incursion.
Thursday 6 January	Movies Lights, camera, action! Sit back and relax watching the latest new release film at the local Cinema. Category: Excursion to Bendigo Cinema Cost: \$88.60 Time: Arrive by 9:00am for start of the excursion.
Friday 7 January	Pyjama Party Simply roll-out of bed and head over to the holiday program in your PJ's! We're bringing Brunch back, with pancakes, toasties, scrambled eggs and more. Plus we'll get crafty and cosy up with some popcorn and a movie. Category: In house Cost: \$88.60 Note: Children are encouraged to wear themed clothing or dress ups.
Monday 10 - Friday 14 January	
Monday 10 January	Welcome to Japan Travel to the land of the rising sun to experience food, art and games as we explore all things Japanese. Category: In house Cost: \$88.60 Note: Please advise us of any dietary requirements.
Tuesday 11 January	Wildlife Adventure We get to meet some of our Australian wildlife with a live display at the program. Hold a lizard or pat a furry animal when they come to visit us today. Category: Incursion provided by Wild Action Zoo Cost: \$88.60 Time: Arrive by 10:00am for start of the incursion.
Wednesday 12 January	Exploring the Senses Dive in and try activities that stimulate all your senses. We'll be exploring sight, sound, smell, taste and touch with a variety of interactive experiences. Category: In house Cost: \$88.60
Thursday 13 January	Amazing Race Ready, Set, GO!!! Get into teams and work out the clues to get to the end of the race. There will be plenty of tricks and roadblocks on the way so keep your wits about you. Category: In house Cost: \$88.60
Friday 14 January	Bowling Back by popular demand we're testing our skills at the bowling alley – have you got what it takes to beat the educators? Category: Excursion to Bendigo Bowling Centre Cost: \$88.60 Time: Arrive by 09:00am for start of the excursion.

Date	Activity details
Monday 17 - Friday 21 January	
Monday 17 January	Back to Nature Calling all green thumbs! We're decorating pots and then getting our hands dirty when we put a plant in them for you to take home. Category: In house Cost: \$88.60
Tuesday 18 January	KidsTown Shepparton Come with us for a special day of play! KidsTown features fully-fenced play spaces, giant slides, train rides, mazes and more! Category: Excursion to Kids Town Shepparton Cost: \$88.60 Time: Arrive by 08:30am for start of the excursion.
Wednesday 19 January	Tie Dying Workshop Let's get tie dying and create one of a kind colourful items to take home. Various materials will be supplied. You can even bring in some plain coloured clothes from home to tie dye. Category: In house Cost: \$88.60
Thursday 20 January	Splash it Day We're spending the day getting wet and playing water games. Beat the heat and come prepared to get wet! Category: In house Cost: \$88.60 Note: Children are encouraged to bring clothes that can get wet, plus a towel and change of dry clothes.
Friday 21 January	Breakdancing Workshop Let's break some cool dance moves as the highly acclaimed Karl Jacobs take us through an exciting breakdancing workshop. Category: Incursion provided by SickStep Studios Cost: \$88.60 Time: Arrive by 09:30am for start of the excursion.
Monday 24 - Friday 28 January	
Monday 24 January	A Trip Into Space Join us as we travel to outer space for some fun discovery and adventure activities that are out-of-this-world. Category: In house Cost: \$88.60
Tuesday 25 January	Indigenous Day Explore Australia's indigenous history and culture and learn how to respect our land using Dreamtime storytelling, indigenous music making and unique indigenous craft activities. Category: In house Cost: \$88.60
Wednesday 26 January	Closed The program is not running on Wednesday 26 January in recognition of the Australia Day Public Holiday.
Thursday 27 January	Bike and Scooter Day Everyone's favourite activity is back. Bring your bike, scooter, skateboard or rollerblades and have an awesome day of activities on wheels. Don't forget your safety gear! Category: In house Cost: \$88.60 Note: Children are encouraged to bring a bike or scooter. Bikes helmets must be worn.
Friday 28 January	Pizza Party There's no better way to finish our holidays than with pizza and party games. Come and join us to celebrate the end of the holidays! Category: In house Cost: \$88.60