Dear Parents,

Greetings from St. Peter's school community. Our Prep 2014 Information Night last Thursday was a wonderful success. The meeting was well attended and the level of interest in our school programs and special features was fantastic.

Many thanks to our Prep Teachers and School Leadership Team for their efforts. If you know of any parents wishing to enrol their child at St. Peter's please encourage them to contact the office as soon as possible.

At our School Board Meeting last night a number of important issues including building projects for 2013 was discussed. Our building projects for this year will include the following:

1. Refurbished Office Area
2. Signage for front of the School/Parish
3. New Netball court/synthetic surface area
4. School/Parish Sound System upgrade

Also the School Board policy focus for this year will be "School Community Relations"; more information regarding this important policy area will be forthcoming throughout the year.

Finally the Annual General Meeting (A.G.M) for the School Education Board will be at 6.00pm on Tuesday, 14th May. Please refer to the accompanying flyer regarding the School Board.

Warm Regards

Michael McGrath
Principal

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Fear is a question.
What are you afraid of and why? Our fears are a treasure house of self-knowledge if we explore them.
- Marilyn French
REMINDERS
Monday 6 May  School Assembly @ 2pm Entertainment provided by 6B, 6C, 1C
Tuesday 7 May  Mother’s Day Stall
Thursday 9 May  Mother’s Day Raffle Drawn
Thursday 16 May  Mother’s Day Morning Tea
Saturday 18 May  Fr. Elio Capra will speak about the Sacrament of the Eucharist at 7.00pm in the school theatre.
Saturday 25 May  First communion mass @ 6.00pm
Sunday 26 May  First communion mass @ 10.30am
Sunday 2 June  First communion mass @ 10.30am
Sunday 9 June  First communion mass @ 10.30am
Saturday 10 August  Confirmations @ 11.00am and 2.00pm

SCHOOL UNIFORM TERM 2
Typically in term 2 there is a change over from summer uniform to winter uniform. We recognise that warm weather may still be with us at the start of term 2 and therefore the children may continue to wear summer uniform, including hats for the first two weeks of the term. However if the weather is cool, we expect parents to make a sensible decision and send their children to school in winter uniform. This transition time from summer uniform to winter uniform is for the first two weeks of the term and it is expected that all children will be in FULL WINTER UNIFORM by April 29th.

THIS WEEK’S WINNERS FOR ‘BEING ORGANISED’

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Prep A</th>
<th>Alana T</th>
<th>PB</th>
<th>Lukia G</th>
<th>PC</th>
<th>Michael T</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1A</td>
<td>Serafina Z</td>
<td>1B</td>
<td>Justin H</td>
<td>1C</td>
<td>Collin B</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2A</td>
<td>Rachel V</td>
<td>2B</td>
<td>Alexis N</td>
<td>2C</td>
<td>Zak W</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3A</td>
<td>Jake T</td>
<td>3B</td>
<td>Sophia T</td>
<td>3C</td>
<td>Sadara M</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4A</td>
<td>Tayla P</td>
<td>4B</td>
<td>Stephanie R</td>
<td>4C</td>
<td>Daniella F</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5A</td>
<td>Sinit B</td>
<td>5B</td>
<td>Mariya M</td>
<td>5C</td>
<td>Rebekah S</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6A</td>
<td>Dar Men L</td>
<td>6B</td>
<td>Jasmine W</td>
<td>6C</td>
<td>Paige A</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Literacy Helpers - Prep - 2
Thank you to everyone that has volunteered to assist in our classrooms this year. We greatly appreciate your time and effort in supporting the learning of our students. We do however, have a few classrooms still requiring assistance. If you have participated in a Literacy Helper session, have a Working With Children Check and have an hour to spare on a regular basis, we would greatly appreciate your assistance. Please contact your child’s class teacher or Mrs Rita Dubowik if you are able to assist. Your child does not need to be in Grade Prep - 2.
Thanking you once again for your continued support!

Sacramental Evening-The Eucharist
Sacraments are an invitation to discover life’s meaning, they offer us a new moment of grace and an appreciation of presence of our loving God and the presence of the Holy Spirit within us. The second in our series of Sacramental evenings with Fr. Elio Capra will be held on Thursday, May 16th at 7.00pm. in St. Peter’s School theatre. The specific focus of this presentation will be on the Eucharist. Fr. Elio Capra, who has taught units in Sacramental Theology at Australian Catholic University (ACU), has a wonderfully down to earth, real life approach to the teaching of the sacraments for adults. His presentation on Baptism earlier in the year was informative and entertaining and those who attended were away feeling enlivened and encouraged in their faith. Come along and join us as Fr. Elio shares his wonderful insights and wisdom around the Sacrament of the Eucharist. All Welcome.
SCHOOL BANKING
The School Banking day for Catholic Development Fund (CDF) accounts is Monday and the Dollarmite Banking day is Wednesday.

PARENTS & FRIENDS – MOTHER’S DAY NEWS
This term we will be holding our Mother’s Day Stall (Tuesday 7th & Wednesday 8th May) and Raffle. We welcome the return of the popular Mother’s Day Morning Tea (Thursday 9th May). The children always walk away excited about the purchases they’ve made for the special women in their lives at the stall and we enjoy helping them pick their gifts. So mark these dates on your calendar!

PARENTS & FRIENDS – MOTHER’S DAY RAFFLE
Raffle Tickets for the Mother’s Day Raffle have been sent home with your child/ren today. There are some fabulous prizes for the Mum’s. Tickets are still only 50c each! Please ensure you put your Name, contact phone number or child’s grade on the ticket stubs before you return them with the money. Tickets must be returned to the classroom teacher by Friday 3rd May to go into the draw.
Good Luck!

PARISH NEWS
FAMILY FUN NIGHT – 18 MAY 2013
All are invited to the Parish Family Fun Night on Saturday 18 May will go from approx. 7:00pm to 10:30pm. Music for all ages will be provided. Cost of tickets is: $40 for a family, $15 per adult, $10 Concession, $5 for children 12 to 18 years. BYO food, nibbles and soft drinks. NO ALCOHOL. We look forward to seeing you on the night to help make this event a successful one and hope that this will also be an opportunity for you to get to know parish and school families. Tickets will be on sale after masses this weekend or contact parish office. Thank you.

COMMUNITY NEWS
St. Patrick’s Cathedral Choral Scholarships – 2014
Scholarships are available for boys entering Year 5 in 2014. Applications close Friday, May 17 2013, Auditions at St. Patrick’s Cathedral on Saturday, May 25, 2013. Applications available online: www.stkevins.vic.edu.au

Marriage Encounter Weekend
Married couples, we encourage you to prioritise your relationship. It underpins your family life. Please join us for a Marriage Encounter weekend. Our weekend helps you to remember why you married and gives you skills to maintain your love for each other.
Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around catholic values but you don’t need to be catholic to attend. There is no group sharing. Our next weekends in 2013 are on: 14-16 June and 9-11 August in Melbourne. For further information and bookings contact Marianne and Marcel Van den Bronk on (03) 9733 0997 or email vicbookings@wwme.org.au

The University High School is holding its Open Day on May 1st 2013. They are running two Open Day sessions. Session 1: 2pm-3pm and Session 2: 7pm - 8pm. Please attend only one session. There is no need to book for either session 1 or 2. For more information please visit university.hs@edumail.vic.gov.au or call 9347 2222.

Werribee Basketball Association is holding the “McGrath Foundation-Pink Night” on Saturday, 4th May at the Werribee Sports and Fitness Centre, 35 Ballan Road, Werribee. The next event is a Sportsman’s Night held on Saturday, 1st June at Werribee Racecourse. Tickets and further details are located on the Werribee Basketball website. For more information please contact John Remy on 0430 454481.

Wyndham City Council is holding the Wyndham Pet Expo 2013 on Sunday 28 April from 10.00am to 3.00pm For more information go to the Council’s website www.experiencewyndham.com.au/petexpo or call Wyndham Major Events team on 9742 0824.