Dear Parents,

Hello once again from St. Peter’s school community. The weekly Meditation/Prayer sessions throughout the season of Lent proved to be most successful. It is for this reason we will continue our Meditation session for the remainder of the Term and hopefully in this way the children will continue to appreciate the value of prayer.

Next week the P&F will be conducting our Annual Mother’s Day stall on Tuesday, 7th and Wednesday, 8th May. We ask that you support this wonderful cause and encourage you to peruse the gifts up for sale displayed in the window at the entrance of the Performing Arts Theatre. At the same time we ask that you return the “Mother’s Day” Morning Tea form as soon as possible in order that our catering arrangements can be organised.

Finally we ask that you consider the invitation to nominate for one of the two vacancies that have been vacated for the School Board. The election (if required) for the two positions will be conducted on Tuesday, 14th May at the Annual General Meeting (A.G.M) ….. please consider.

P.S. Please keep Friday, 10th May (next week) free in your diary. We are celebrating Family Week with a 10.00am mass.

Warm Regards

Michael McGrath
Principal

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
I have a lot of things to prove to myself. One is that I can live my life fearlessly.
- Oprah Winfrey

FEE STATEMENTS
Fee statements for Term 2 have been sent home. Fees are due by Friday, 17 May 2013.
REMINDEERS
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 & Mother’s Day Morning Tea
Friday 10 May  2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ opened from 8.15am - 9.30am
               Gold coin donation for CatholicCare, children to wear free dress
Thursday 16 May  Fr. Elio Capra will speak about the Sacrament of the Eucharist
                 at 7.00pm in the school theatre.
Saturday 18 May  First communion mass @ 6.00pm
Friday 24 May  2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ opened from 8.15am - 9.30am
Saturday 25 May  First communion mass @ 6.00pm
Sunday 26 May  First communion mass @ 10.30am
Sunday 2 June  First communion mass @ 10.30am
Friday 7 June  2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ opened from 8.15am - 9.30am
Sunday 9 June  First communion mass @ 10.30am
Saturday 10 August  Confirmations @ 11.00am and 2.00pm

THIS WEEK’S WINNERS FOR ‘MAKING GOOD CHOICES’

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS
Next week is CatholicCare Family Week. CatholicCare is an organisation which supports families in need with pastoral, care, counselling and family and community services, both in Australia and in a number of places around the world. The theme for this year is “It takes a village to raise a child”. A whole school Mass ‘Celebrating Families’ will be held at 10.00am on Friday, 10th May. You are all invited to come along to this celebration. We will also have a free dress day on Friday May 10th and ask the children to give a gold coin donation, in support of the great work CatholicCare undertakes in our community. If you wish to know more about CatholicCare and the services it provides, please go to www.ccam.org.

The second in our series of Sacramental evenings with Fr. Elio Capra will be held on Thursday May 16th at 7.00pm. You are all welcome to come along. The focus this time is on the Eucharist and will be of particular interest to the parents of Year 3 children, who will be preparing to receive the sacrament of Eucharist next year and 4 children, who will be receiving First Communion in the coming weeks. We can promise you a very entertaining and informative evening and hope to see you there.

BREAKFAST CLUB - CAN YOU HELP?
Breakfast Club runs every Tuesday and Thursday morning providing breakfast for between 20 and 30 students each day and we often provide lunch for students who have no lunch. We are grateful to Paul’s Bakery near the Station in Hoppers Crossing for donating bread. A few years ago we asked for donations to help run Breakfast Club and these have now been exhausted. We would really appreciate donations of a few dollars, strawberry jam, vegemite or margarine so that we can continue such a valuable service. Thankyou, Wellbeing Team

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. 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!

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN PROGRAM
We are very excited to be taking part in the Woolworths Earn & Learn program once again. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn & Learn Points. Just collect Woolworths Earn & Learn Points when you shop at Woolworths between Monday 8 April and Sunday 9 June 2013. We will redeem these for awesome Science resources to assist our children and staff in their learning and teaching experiences. For every $10 spent at Woolworths you will receive a Woolworths Earn & Learn Point. Pop them onto a Woolworths Earn & Learn Points Sheet and once it’s completed, just bring it back to the school and hand it in to your child’s classroom teacher. Alternatively completed sheets can be dropped into the Collection Box in the church hall. We are grateful for your ongoing support and look forward to another successful program. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Skinner. Thank you!

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
Woodville Basketball Club invites boys and girls of the following age groups to play basketball in 2013!
REGISTER AT www.woodvillebc.com.au/registration.html CONTACT Mark 0433 977034 Troy 0401 057097, Janice 0425 759714. EMAIL info@woodvillebc.com.au

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 Brongk on (03) 9733 0997 or email vicbookings@wwme.org.au

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.