Dear Parents,

Hello once again from St. Peter’s school community. Over the next four weeks the Grade Four children will be making their First Holy Communion. The children have been well prepared by their teachers and on your behalf I would like to thank Miss Clarke, Miss Jeffree and Mrs. Slarko for their efforts. I would also like to thank our Grade Four parents and the children as they travel along the next phase of their faith journey. A big THANK-YOU to Mrs. Bonew, Religious Education Co-ordinator (R.E.C) for organizing the Eucharist program for the Grade Four level. We congratulate the children who received First Holy Communion last weekend they were Nash C, Leejay D, Dylan E, Rachael H, Adelle H, Ria J, Khia M, Tayla P, Stephanie R, Georgia R, Bryce R, Astrid S, Shantel S, Camryn T and Lauren Z.

We look forward to our school Performing Arts Incursion tomorrow which features the “Oz Opera” presentation of “The Barber of Seville”. I am positive the program will run very smoothly and have no doubt the opera will have a lasting effect upon the children. Many thanks to Mrs. Skinner for organising the Incursion which as you know is paid for from the school fees. (We have four incursions throughout the year which are covered by your school fees).

Next week Fr. Pius and I will deliberate upon the Prep 2014 enrolment. Hopefully our first round offers can then be forwarded to confirm our enrolment list. If you are aware of any family that may wish to enroll their child at St. Peter’s for next year PLEASE ask them to contact the office asap.

Warm Regards

Michael McGrath
Principal

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
The happiness of life is made up of minute fractions.
The little soon forgotten charities of a kiss or smile, a
kind look, a heartfelt compliment – countless
infinitesimals of pleasurable and genial feelings.
-Samuel Taylor Coleridge

PS. Have enclosed a flyer regarding our “Celebration of Learning Expo".
REMINDERS
Saturday 18 May  First communion mass @ 6.00pm
Saturday 25 May  First communion mass @ 6.00pm
Sunday 26 May  First communion mass @ 10.30am
Friday 31 May  2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ opened from 8.15am - 9.30am
Sunday 2 June  First communion mass @ 10.30am
Monday 3 June  Parent Transition Evening @ 7.00pm
Friday 7 June  2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ opened from 8.15am - 9.30am
Sunday 9 June  First communion mass @ 10.30am
Friday 21 June  “Celebration of Learning Expo”
Tuesday 25 June  Parents & Friends Meeting @ 6.30pm
Saturday 10 August  Confirmations @ 11.00am and 2.00pm

FEES STATEMENTS
Fees for the second semester are now overdue and payable at the earliest.

THIS WEEK’S WINNERS FOR ‘BEING RESPONSIBLE’

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CANTEEN
Special every Wednesday – Meatball Sub $5.00

PERFORMING ARTS NEWS- Whole School Incursion
We are very excited to announce that Opera Australia’s Oz Opera will present Rossini’s The Barber of Seville on Friday 24th May in the hall.
As the touring arm of Australia’s national opera company, Oz Opera presents opera performances of the highest calibre to the widest possible audience. For over 20 years, the Oz Opera Schools Company has maintained a strong commitment to bringing opera into schools; and the Company has developed a reputation for one of the finest arts education programs in Australia. Music and drama can play an inspiring role in the education of children. Oz Opera introduces a love of the performing arts to children, developing and engaging them through its combination of music, singing, drama and design. Opera engages its audience visually, aurally, imaginatively and emotionally. We are looking forward to the performance!

PARENT TRANSITION INFORMATION EVENING
Parents of Grade 4, 5 and 6 students are invited to a Parent Transition Information Evening on Monday June 3rd from 7-8.30 in the Discovery Centre. Transition to Secondary School can be an anxious time for students and parents and transition can impact students academically and emotionally unless it is managed positively. This evening is run in conjunction with Thomas Carr College and will include discussion time with other parents, information about the transition process and a session where parents can ask our Transition Panel questions. It will be a useful night for all parents - not just those intending to send their children to Thomas Carr College. If you have any questions please contact Pattie McCusker.
FRIDAY 24th MAY IS WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY
Walk Safely to School Day asks that we all consider our transport habits and try to incorporate more walking as part of a healthy, active way to get around. And although walking all the way to school isn't realistic for many of us, it's quite easy to figure out how you can build a walk into your family's daily routine. You can teach your child the healthy habit of walking more by:
- Walking with them the whole way to school
- If they get the bus or train, walk past your usual stop and get on at the next stop
- If you have to drive, park the car a few blocks away from the school and walk the rest of the way.

Regular exercise like walking with your child not only helps them (and you!) beat chronic problems like obesity, heart disease, behavioural and mental health issues and diabetes. It also gives you a great opportunity to teach your child safe ways to behave around roads and traffic. Remember, Active Kids are Healthy Kids so get planning your own Walk Safely to School Day journey for Friday 24 May 2013!

FRIENDSHIP CLUB
One of the activities that is offered at Friendship Club at lunchtimes on Tuesdays is Scrapbooking. Mrs Paula Farrugia very kindly offers her time and materials each week. She would appreciate the donation of used greeting cards that students could cut up and use for scrapbooking. Card donations would be gratefully accepted and could be sent to the Wellbeing Room. Thankyou.

40TH ANNIVERSARY TEA TOWELS
Just a reminder that orders for 40th Anniversary Tea Towels close on Thursday, 30th May. Please send your order form and money in a sealed envelope clearly marked to your child’s classroom teacher. NO ORDERS WILL BE ACCEPTED AFTER THIS DATE.

PARENTS & FRIENDS
Mother’s Day Morning Tea – Breast Cancer Donation
Thank you again to all the wonderful ladies who attended the Mother’s Day Morning Tea and donated to the Breast Cancer Foundation. We are happily forwarding on $301.80 – Well done!

Workshop
The Parents & Friends are holding a workshop on Friday 14th June after morning drop off in the Drama Room. We would really like to see some new faces come along to lend a hand. Whatever time you can offer is appreciated. (Note: Working with Children’s Check required)

Next Meeting
Our next meeting is Tuesday 25th June at 6.30pm in the staff room (Admin Building). Please come and join us and help us with our school events and fundraising.

WOOLWORTHS EARN & LEARN PROGRAM
Please remember to collect your stickers from Woolworths between Monday 8 April and Sunday 9 June 2013. 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.
COMMUNITY NEWS

Seasons is a peer support program developed to help children and young people cope with the grief and feelings of loss resulting from separation, divorce or death. It provides the opportunity for children to share their story and support each other in a safe environment, facilitated by a trained counsellor. It is a 10 week program and will be offered at St James for primary school age children over terms 2 and 3. Sessions will be held from 3.30pm-4.15pm on the following Thursdays; 16/5, 23/5, 30/5, 6/6, 20/6, 27/6, 18/7, 25/7, 1/8 and 8/8. If you believe your child could benefit from participating in the Seasons peer support program, please contact Karen George, Counsellor with Catholic Care on 0417 274 249. She will be happy to tell you more about the program.

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

Feast of St. Anthony

The Feast of St. Anthony is a day for all children to celebrate and we would be very excited if we could gather children from all over Werribee to celebrate his life and his many works. It is also a very good opportunity for children to take part in the procession for St. Anthony (with his statue). This will take place on Sunday, 16th June 2013 at St. Andrew’s Church, 105 Greaves St. Nth., Werribee. For more information ring Vilma on 9741 6815 or the Parish Office on 9741 4144.

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