Dear Parents,

Greetings from St. Peter’s school community. Our “Celebration of Learning” EXPO last Friday proved to be a great success. The children were delighted to visit other classrooms and see the wonderful displays of their fellow students around the school. It was a great way to celebrate the learning culture that has evolved over time and we thank our hard working children and staff for their efforts....Well Done! The “St. Peter’s” play was a highlight and the children involved did a fantastic job of portraying the “Life and mission” of our St. Peter. Many thanks to the actors/Gr. 6 students and especially Mrs. Ramsay for her guidance and stage direction.

The Parent/Teacher Interviews last Wednesday were also successful and very well attended. The general feedback was that parents were given a clear snapshot of their child’s progress and what was needed to improve over the last semester. Many thanks once again to our teaching staff who wrote the half-year reports and conducted the interviews. For those of you who may have missed the opportunity to have a Parent/Teacher Interview PLEASE make an attempt to touch base with your child’s teacher by early next term. Whilst mentioning next term please note the staff will be involved in a school professional development day on Monday 15th July. Our first official school day therefore for Term 3 will be Tuesday 16th July.

Finally on behalf of the school community of St. Peter’s have a marvellous two-week break and let us pray everyone returns to St. Peter’s safe and sound.

Warm Regards

Michael McGrath
Principal

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
Each player must accept the cards life deals him. But once they are in hand, he alone must decide how to play the cards in order to win the game.
- Voltaire

P.S. The Parents & Friends Committee would like to have a chat with anyone who has CONTACT with an egg farm. (It may have to do with our FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST on Tuesday 27th August). Please contact the office as soon as possible.
Celebrating St. Peter’s Feast Day on Friday 28th June (Casual Clothes Day)

Our last day of school timetable as follows:

9.00am – 9.45am Normal Classes
10.00am – 10.45am Feast of St. Peter/End of Term Mass
11.00am - 11.30am LUNCH BREAK/SUBWAY meal
11.30am – 12.15pm Grade Prep, One and Two DISCO
12.15PM – 1.00pm Grade Three, Four, Five and Six DISCO
1.00PM END OF TERM TWO/DISMISSAL

REMINDERS
Friday 28 June Parents & Friends Subway “Fun Lunch”
Friday 28 June END OF TERM - SCHOOL FINISHES AT 1.00PM (CASUAL CLOTHES DAY)

Monday 15 July Pupil Free Day (No School for children on this day)
Tuesday 16 July TERM 3 commences, School begins at 8.45am
Saturday 10 August Confirmations @ 11.00am and 2.00pm
Tuesday 27 August Father’s Day Breakfast (More details early next term)
Wednesday 28 August Father’s Day Stall
Thursday 29 August Father’s Day Stall
Friday 30 August Tony Bones/Book Week Incursion
Saturday 31 August 40th Anniversary Celebration (More details next term)
Friday 6 September Pupil Free Day (No School for children on this day)

THIS WEEK’S WINNERS FOR ‘BEING RESILIENT’

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ST. PETER’S PARISH FEAST DAY MASS

All families are warmly invited to attend the Parish Feast Day Mass which will be celebrated on Sunday, 30th June at 10.30am. After mass light refreshments will be served. We kindly request that every family bring a plate of either sweet or savoury finger food to share. Food can be left on the trestle tables in the hall before Mass. Thank you!
We look forward to sharing this special day with you.

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A big Thank you for your generous donations and support to the St. Vincent De Paul Society.

SCHOOL WEBSITE
Please visit the school website to print any notes sent home from the school, as well as viewing photos of recent events.

EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA) – 2ND INSTALMENT

Parents with continuing eligibility, who were paid the first instalment of 2013 through the school, are not required to complete a new application for the second instalment.
To be eligible for EMA 2nd instalment, your card must be current as at 15 July 2013. If you have a new card or there are any changes to your card please ensure the office has an updated copy.
Applications for the 2nd instalment of EMA close on 2nd AUGUST 2013. Please note LATE APPLICATIONS CANNOT BE PROCESSED.
CANTEEN UPDATE
The Canteen wishes to advise all users of the following changes:
- The codes of food products change regularly, and as a healthy eating canteen we must follow these codes (Red / Green / Amber)
- Some Salt & Vinegar products have changed to a Red Code and can no longer be sold.
- Grainwaves, pretzels and mossie icy poles have now changed to AMBER (Wed-Fri ONLY from 3rd Term)
- Gingerbreads are now made by the canteen staff as all commercially sold advertise "may contain nuts".
- New "Green" all week product: Skins Potato Chips will be available from 3rd Term.
- An online Menu will be available from 3rd Term
- The Canteen is open EVERYDAY until the end of term (Friday 28th June)
- A charge of 10c per spoon/fork will be in place from the commencement of Term 3
Thank you Canteen Management

LIBRARY NEWS
The Premiers Reading Challenge will be concluding at the end of August. Please have your child’s consent form and the required amount of books handed into me by then. (30 in total Prep to Gr 2 and 15 in total Gr 3 to 6).
Book Fair: The Book Fair will be in August and will take the place of the two Book Club issues that would normally run in term three. More news about the dates next term.
Book Club has help me purchase many items for the school during the year, it is much appreciated and I thank everyone for their orders.
There are still a number of library and take home reader books outstanding, please look around at home during the school holidays, to see if you may have some
Thanks Mrs B Brown

SCHOOL BANKING
School Banking will resume from Monday, 22nd July next term.

COMMUNITY NEWS
POSITIVE PARENTING WORKSHOP for parents of primary school-aged children
Discover: how to connect with your child in positive ways, how to feel more confident as a parent, how to help your child unlock their learning potential
Date: Thursday 25 July
Choose your session: Morning 10am - 12pm OR Evening 7pm - 9pm
Location: 235 Derrimut Road, Hoppers Crossing
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Register at 0403 413 056.

Growing Good Men
A weekend for dads and their teenage sons (13-17 years). ‘Growing Good Men’ is a unique opportunity for dads and their teenage sons to embark on a quest of discovery.
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Enquiries: mail@menalive.org.au or Call Michael Bohan on 0439 172 465, email michael.bohan@menalive.org.au or Robert Falzon 0412 745 734 or Peter Shakhovskoy on 0409 479 373.
Register now, spaces limited.

REMINDER
SCHOOL WILL FINISH AT 1.00 P.M.
ON FRIDAY 28TH JUNE - END OF TERM
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 Bronk on (03) 9733 0997 or email vicbookings@wwme.org.au

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