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St. Peter’s … Educating the whole person to be a competent and faith-filled citizen who actively engages in their community.

Thursday, 13th February 2014

Dear Parents,

Hello once again from St. Peter’s school community. The Grade 3 to 6 swimming program will conclude tomorrow and it appears to have been a very successful event once again. Many thanks to our parent helpers, class-room teachers and Mrs. L Stafford who has organized the program.

Last Tuesday night was our first School Education Board meeting for the year. A number of issues were discussed including the latest draft of our “School Community Relations Policy”. An outline of this year’s building projects commencing with our new school office was also presented (More details soon). The next School Education Board meeting will be our Annual General Meeting (A.G.M) on Tuesday 11th March and if you wish to nominate for the Board, PLEASE read the accompanying flyer. We have two (2) vacancies for this year.

At the recent Parents and Friends meeting it was decided to create a “Parents Register” to assist with the great work of the Parent and Friends and school. The register simply will record your name along with your “time and talents”, for example if you are in a position to donate/sponsor a raffle prize.

At the same time, if for example you’re involved in the “Health” industry you may wish to donate your time to the school by talking to the children about Health issues. The register therefore will prove to be an invaluable resource for our teachers as well as our Parents and Friends. Could you PLEASE fill out the Register slip and return to the class teacher as soon as possible.

Kind Regards

Michael McGrath
Principal

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK
Value is what you get,
Price is what you pay.
REMINDERS
Mon 10th – Fri 14th
Wednesday 12 February
Friday 14 February
Mon 17th – Fri 21st
Wednesday 19 February
Thursday 20 February
Mon 24th – Fri 28th
Tuesday 25th February
Wednesday 26 February
Friday 28 February
Mon 3rd – Fri 7th
Tuesday 4 March
Friday 7 March
Tuesday 11 March
Friday 14 March
Monday 17 March
Friday 28 March
WEEK B: Specialists Classes for Prep / Gr 2 / Gr 5
Grades Prep and One (No school on this day)
Parents Code of Conduct form due back
2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ opened from 8.15am to 9.30am
WEEK A: Specialists Classes for Gr 1 / Gr 3 / Gr 4 / Gr 6
Grades Prep and One (No school on this day)
Parent Teacher Interviews, School Finishes at 12 Noon
P&F Meeting in Staff Room @ 6.30pm
WEEK B: Specialists Classes for Prep / Gr 2 / Gr 5
Grades Prep and One (No school on this day)
2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ opened from 8.15am to 9.30am
WEEK A: Specialists Classes for Gr 1 / Gr 3 / Gr 4 / Gr 6
Pancake/Family Night
Fees due for Term 1
Annual General Meeting of School Board at 6.00pm
2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ opened from 8.15am to 9.30am
Assembly at 2.00pm, Entertainment by 5A, 5B, 5C
2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ opened from 8.15am to 9.30am

FEES 2014
Term Payments  Monthly Payments  Fortnightly Payments
1 Child      $1,710.00  $570.00  $190.00  $95.00
2 Children   $2,325.00  $775.00  $259.00  $130.00
3 Children   $2,925.00  $975.00  $325.00  $162.50

If you wish to change your preferred method of payment please contact the office.

FEE STATEMENTS
Fee Statements have been sent home today. Fees for Term 1 are payable by Friday, 7th March.

TERM DATES FOR 2014
Term 1 – Thursday 30 January – Friday 4 April (Easter 18-21 April)
Term 2 – Tuesday 22 April – Friday 27 June
Term 3 - Monday 14 July – Friday 19 September
Term 4 – Monday 6 October – Thursday 18 December

LAST WEEK’S WINNERS - ‘MAKING GOOD CHOICES’

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EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE – 2014 - 1st INSTALMENT
Application forms are now available from the office. To be eligible for EMA in 2014 your Health Care Card / Pension Card must be valid as at 28th January 2014. Application forms must be lodged at the school by 28th February 2014.

EARLY AND LATE PASSES
If your child/children are late for school (after 9.00am) they must report to the office for a late pass. If you need to collect your child/children early for an appointment etc. you must report first to the office to sign out your child. Please avoid collecting your child/children during the first break (11.00am to 11.45am) and second break (1.45pm to 2.15pm) hours.
Canteen Policy during Extreme Weather

At the beginning of the school year it is timely to remind parents of the school’s policy regarding the use of the canteen during extreme weather conditions.

**Extreme Weather**

Extreme Weather may occur on days where weather conditions are very hot (36 degrees or above), stormy, windy or wet. The Principal/Deputy Principal in consultation with other staff members, will decide when ‘Extreme Weather’ is called. During this time the students remain in their classroom and are supervised by their class teachers.

**Canteen**

Please note that on days of Extreme Weather Program the canteen will be open at 1st break but not at 2nd break. Therefore it is important to remember that when packing your child’s lunch for the day that you don’t solely rely on the canteen for your child’s afternoon snack. Please include a second break snack in your child’s lunchbox each day. Finally just a reminder that there is a limit of $4.00, which can be spent at the canteen in any one day. Children are encouraged to spend no more than $2.00 at the first break and second break.

**MEDICATION**

It is the policy at St Peter’s that staff members are unable to administer any medication to a child without the parent’s written authorisation. No child is to have medication on them, unless it is for Asthma. If a child is to be given any medication, parents must report to the office to complete a medical management consent form prior to commencement of administering medication. All medication is administered at 12 noon.

**DOES YOUR CHILD HAVE AN ASTHMA ACTION PLAN?**

An Asthma Action Plan has been sent home. If your child has recently been diagnosed with Asthma and you have not informed the school, please contact the office for a copy. Please ensure that all forms are returned signed by your doctor by 28th February 2014. If you wish to find out more information on Asthma contact The Victorian Asthma Foundation on 1800 645130 or www.asthma.or.au

**Canteen**

Due to Health and Safety Regulations the canteen is not able to microwave home cooked meals.

**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Mackillop College:** Open Day on Tuesday 25 February 2014 from 2.00pm – 6.00pm. All welcome to attend and tour the College. Closing date for applications is 28 February 2014. For further information regarding the College please visit the College website: [www.mackillop.vic.edu.au](http://www.mackillop.vic.edu.au)

**Thomas Carr College** are accepting enrolment to Year 7 for 2015. Closing date for applications is 28 February 2014. Applications forms must be completed and copies of documents are required along with a deposit to be submitted. Thomas Carr College are holding an Open Day on 12 February from 2.00pm to 6.00pm. Please visit the website for more information.

**Mount Saint Joseph’s Girls College** are accepting enrolments to Year 7 for 2015. Closing date for applications is 28 February 2014. Applications forms must be completed and copies of documents are required along with a deposit to be submitted. MSJ are holding an Information Night on 19 February at 7.00pm. Please visit the website for more information.

**Government High Schools** viz. Hoppers Crossing Secondary, The Grange, Werribee Secondary

Applications open mid March and close end of May.

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2nd HAND UNIFORM “SHOPPE”
The 2nd Hand Uniform Shoppe will be open on Friday 14th and 28th February and Friday 14th and 28th March from 8.15am till 9.30am. If you have any uniforms to sell, please send them along to the office. Uniforms must be clean and in good condition. Please attach an envelope to each item clearly marked thus:
When sold, you will be notified via a note to your child as to when the Monies can be collected. 20% commission is charged for this service.

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