ST. PETER APOSTLE
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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, 30th October 2014

Dear Parents

Hello from St. Peter’s school community. The final group of Gr. 3’s are to receive their sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time tonight. The children have been well prepared for the sacrament by Mrs. Bonew (R.E.C) and our Gr. 3 teachers. Many thanks to all involved parents, teachers and of course the children.

By all accounts the P&F “Bunnings”, B.B.Q was very successful. We had sufficient numbers of volunteers on hand to help out which is encouraging to hear. We had so many orders, we had to buy more supplies. At this stage it appears we made approximately $2000, which is a great result. More details after our next meeting on Wednesday, 5th November.

SCHOOL POLICIES: Homework Policy ... Our Homework policy for those interested may be found on our website. I do however wish to mention one aspect of the policy, which states that where a child is on a family holiday during the school term, will not be given any formal homework. We do however wish to encourage children to read as much as practicable. Your co-operation in this matter would be appreciated.

PLEASE note there will not be a newsletter next Thursday 6th November.

Kind Regards

Michael McGrath
Principal

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

There's only one corner of the universe you can be certain of improving, and that's your own self.
- Aldous Huxley
REMINDERS
Thursday 30 October  First Reconciliation at 7.00pm Grade 3A
Monday 3 November  School closure day (NO SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN)
Tuesday 4 November  Melbourne Cup Public Holiday (NO SCHOOL FOR CHILDREN)
Wednesday 5 November  Parents & Friends Meeting 6.30pm – Discovery Centre
Friday 7 November  2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ open from 8.15am - 9.30am
Tuesday 11 November  Outside School Hours Care (OSHc) Enrolment evening
Friday 14 November  Prep Orientation 9.15am – 10.45am
Tuesday 18 November  Community Mass at 8.30am Grade 5A
Friday 21 November  2nd Hand Uniform ‘Shoppe’ open from 8.15am - 9.30am
Tuesday 25 November  Community Mass at 8.30am Grade 5B
Tuesday 2 December  Community Mass at 8.30am Grade 5C
Thursday 4 December  Christmas Carol Family Night at 7.00pm
Wednesday 10 December  Prep Students meet their new 2015 teacher
Thursday 11 December  Whole School Orientation
                     Grade 6 Mass of Thanksgiving at 7.00pm
Friday 12 December  Grade 6 “Fun Day”
Monday 15 December  Whole School End of Year Mass at 10.00am
                     Final Dismissal of Grades Prep – 4 at 3.15pm
Tuesday 16 December  Maths Testing Day Grades Prep – 4/Grade 5 Leadership Workshops
                     Final Dismissal for Grade 5 children at 3.15pm
Thursday 29 January  School begins for Grades 1 - 6
Friday 30 January  Prep children attend school from 8.45am – 12 noon

OCTOBER RECOGNITION AWARDS
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CONGRATULATIONS

THIS WEEK’S WINNERS – ‘SHOWING KINDNESS’

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TERM DATES FOR 2015
Term 1 – Thursday 29 January – Friday 27 March
     (Easter 3-6 April)
Term 2 – Monday 13 April – Friday 26 June
Term 3 – Monday 13 July – Friday 18 September
Term 4 – Monday 5 October – Friday 18 December

SCHOOL FEES
Our School Fee Policy states – “All parents of children currently at school will be required to make a
payment of $150- per family in November. This enrolment deposit will be deducted from your following
year’s school fees”. The enrolment deposit for each family is due by Tuesday, 11th November 2014.
FEES 2015
Fee Payment Plan Consent Forms along with Fee Payment options for 2015 were sent home on Thursday, 23rd October. Parents are requested to please fill in the Consent forms and return it to the school office by Friday 31st October.

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EDUCATION MAINTENANCE ALLOWANCE (EMA)
As of January 1st in 2015 the present arrangements regarding EMA payments directly to parents will cease. Instead, the most needy schools will receive additional funding. Not all schools will be receiving funding in 2015. This change to how the money is distributed was required by the funding agreement with Commonwealth Government to make sure Victorian schools receive increased funding, that will benefit all students and in particular, those schools with concentrated disadvantage.

2015 NEWSLETTERS
In 2015 our Newsletters will be on-line ONLY. This initiative is consistent with our endeavours to transform our administration into a paperless school. If you have any concerns regarding this initiative please contact the office and/or if you have not forwarded your preferred E-Mail address please do so asap.

2nd HAND UNIFORM “SHOPPE”
The 2nd Hand Uniform Shoppe will be open on Friday 7th, 21st November from 8.15am till 9.30am.
Due to the change over to the “New Uniform” in 2015 for Preps, we are unable to accept sizes 4-6 and 8. There are still some small sizes in stock, to carry over if needed for the transition. We have plenty of the larger sizes in stock – to help you get through the change. 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.

CHILDREN NOT RETURNING TO ST. PETER’S NEXT YEAR (OTHER THAN GRADE 6 CHILDREN)
To assist us with our planning it is most important that you advise us if your child/children will not be returning to St. Peter’s next year by Friday 7th November 2014.

SURNAME: __________________________

NAME OF CHILDREN: __________________________ Grade _____
                     __________________________ Grade _____
                     __________________________ Grade _____

School they will be attending __________________________

REMINDER
MONDAY, 3RD NOVEMBER & TUESDAY, 4TH NOVEMBER ARE PUPIL FREE DAYS - NO SCHOOL FOR THE CHILDREN
COMMUNITY NEWS