



# St Peter Apostle Catholic Primary School

Learn, relate and live in the light of the Catholic faith.

Term 2- Week 4B

01st June 2023

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Dear Families

A big thank you to everyone for the fantastic effort with the School Walkathon. The children did a great job in walking for our school and the community showed a tremendous amount of support with the way in which they raised funds. I am pleased to let you know that we raised an impressive \$18,713.40. This money will be put towards funding our new school playground in 2024.

Many of you will have noticed that our building works are progressing well. Everything is still on target to be finished by the end of the year. Over the coming weeks we will see the framing constructed for the second level.

On Saturday the 17th June, the Parents and Friends (P&F) will be hosting the Bunnings BBQ at Hoppers Crossing. This is a big fundraising event for the P&F and helps fund events such as the Father's Day Breakfast. A note will be going home today asking for volunteers to help out on the day. If you can't help out, you can still support the school by heading over to Bunnings on this day and buying a sausage. All of the profits from the day are given to the P&F and school..

Just a reminder that tomorrow is a school closure day. On this day the staff will be engaging with Professional Development around cultural awareness and First Nations perspective in education. We look forward to embedding our learnings in our classrooms.

Please make sure that your children are not playing on the school playground after school. From a safety perspective, this area is not supervised by a teacher and is therefore an OHS issue.

This year St Peter's celebrates 50 years of education. To commemorate this, we will be having a number of activities/events over the final week of school. The week will finish with our St Peter's Day celebrations on Friday the 23rd June. Please see information attached for more details. In this newsletter you will also see our official 50 Year Celebration Poster. This poster was designed by our students and showcases the amazing talent we have within our school.

Regards

*Karen Wilson*

Principal

## Dates to Remember

*Dates are subject to change*



01st June	Thursday	Term 2 Fees are now over due School Tour 3:40pm— New Families
2nd June	Friday	<b>School Closure Day - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS</b>
5th June	Monday	Grade 3 Excursion - Chinese Museum School Tour 3:40pm— New Families
8th June	Thursday	2023 Athletics Carnival (Gr 3-6)
9th June	Friday	Grade 1 Assembly
12th June	Monday	<b>School Closed - Kings Birthday</b>
12th June	Tuesday	Opening of 1998 Time Capsule - <b>Students and staff only</b>
14th June	Wednesday	Grade 6 Camp - The Ranch
15th June	Thursday	Grade 6 Camp - The Ranch
16th June	Friday	Grade 6 Camp - The Ranch 2nd Hand Uniform Shop open - 8:15am - 9:30am
17th June	Saturday	Bunnings BBQ Fundraiser at Hoppers Crossing.
17th to 23rd June	Saturday - Friday	<b>Golden Jubilee Exhibition - St Peter Apostle Hall</b> Opening hours Saturday 17 June: 10am - 4.00pm Sunday 18 June: 10am - 4.00pm Monday 19 June 3pm - 4.30pm Tuesday 20 June: 3pm - 5.30pm Wednesday 21 June: 3pm - 5.30pm Thursday 22 June: 3pm - 4.30pm Friday 23 June 11.30am - 1.30pm (Exhibition closes)
20th June	Tuesday	<b>House Spirit Day</b> Wear a t-shirt in your house colour and your sports shorts and runners to school. Enjoy activities in your house colour.
22nd June	Thursday	<b>St Peter Apostle Community Celebration Day</b> Celebration with school community staff and students bring to school something from their culture to share with their class.
23rd June	Friday	Last Day of Term 2— <b>1:00pm Finish</b>
10th July	Monday	Term 3 commences



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# Celebrating 50 Years of St Peter Apostle Primary School



## GOLDEN JUBILEE EXHIBITION

Saturday 17 to Friday 23 June 2023

Exhibition hours available at [www.stpeterahc.catholic.edu.au](http://www.stpeterahc.catholic.edu.au)



### THANK YOU TO OUR DESIGNERS

Jasmyn and Daniel (Arts Leaders), Bawi Khun Prep, Kanav G1, Mischa G2, Ella G3, Harper G4, Raziya G4, Veronica G4, Grace G5, Kiara G5, Sasandhi G6 and Isabella G6

## **GOLDEN JUBILEE SCHOOL CELEBRATIONS**

**Tuesday 13 June**  
**Opening of 1998 Time Capsule**  
Students and staff only

**Saturday 17th June - Friday 23 June**  
**Golden Jubilee Exhibition - St Peter Apostle Hall**

Opening hours

Saturday 17 June: 10am - 4.00pm

Sunday 18 June: 10am - 4.00pm

Monday 19 June 3pm - 4.30pm

Tuesday 20 June: 3pm - 5.30pm

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**Monday 19 June**  
**Line Up presentation of Golden Jubilee Gifts**  
To Staff and Students celebrating St Peter Apostle  
Golden Jubilee: 1973 - 2023

**Tuesday 20 June**  
**House Spirit Day**  
Wear a t-shirt in your house colour and your sports shorts and runners to school. Enjoy activities in your house colour.

**Wednesday 21 June**  
**Individual Time Capsule**  
Each class to create own Time Capsule

**Thursday 22 June**  
**St Peter Apostle Community Celebration Day**  
Celebration with school community staff and students bring to school something from their culture to share with their class.

**Friday 23 June**  
**St Peter Apostle Feast Day Celebration**  
School Mass, Subway Lunch, Disco and finish at 1pm

## 2nd Hand Uniform Shop Dates Term 2

Located in the meeting room between school office and church —

8:15am to 9:30m

Friday 16th June



**CANTEEN  
SPECIAL**

Fruit toast with butter \$1.20

Hamburger - Homemade beef patty with lettuce, tomato, cheese and tomato sauce on a hamburger bun \$7.00

Hot Chocolate - Full Cup \$1.50  
1/2 Cup \$0.80

## SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2023

### CONFIRMATION

Parent/ Student night - Thursday 7th September  
 Reflection Day students only - Thursday 12th October - 9am - 1.45pm  
 Confirmation - Thursday 12th October - St Peter's - 7pm

## BORROWED CLOTHING/SICK BAY DONATIONS

If your child has had to borrow any items of clothing at school, please ensure that these are washed and returned to the school as soon as possible. We are always grateful for any clothing donations for the school sick bay and office to use as spares for students. It is best to keep a spare set of clothing, including underwear and socks, in your child's bag as we have limited supplies in sickbay.

## SPECIALIST DAYS 2023 - Sports Uniform Required

**PREP - Tuesday 's**  
**Year 1 - Monday / Wednesday**  
**Year 2 - Monday / Wednesday**  
**Year 3 - Tuesday/ Thursday**  
**Year 4 - Tuesday / Thursday**  
**Year 5 - Wednesday / Monday**  
**Year 6 - Wednesday / Monday**



**Have you joined the  
St Peter FaceBook  
Group?**

Make sure you enter the  
details when  
requesting to join



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**St Peter Apostle  
Primary School**  
**Hoppers Crossing**

**CSEF Applications are OPEN.** If you hold one of these cards, please submit your application at the school office, with a copy of your card.

To access the form [Click here](#).

**Applications close Friday, 23rd June 2023.**



Do you have a

**HEALTH CARE CARD,  
PENSIONER CONCESSION CARD OR  
DVA HEALTH CARD?**

**Have you submitted an application for  
CSEF funding?**

## CHANGES TO SCHOOL FEES - 2023

In 2023 the school will be changing the way it structures its Bring Your Own Device (BYOD) Program in response to the changing needs of the students and best practice for the school in moving forward. At the moment, families are asked to purchase devices for their children upfront in Grade 3 so that these can be used at school. Moving forward, the school will be using a leasing model which allows families to pay devices off while the student is at school from Grades 3 to Grade 6. To facilitate this we will be introducing an ICT levy in school fees that will cover the cost of the device over the four years. This levy will cover costs, including a carry case and the student will own the device when they graduate in Grade 6.

If your family is eligible for the Reduced Fees Policy and you have been approved through the formal approval process, then the ICT levy will be included in the discount fees offered.

The benefits of this new program are as follows:

- Every Grade 3 child will have a device to use at school
- The device will be owned by the student
- The device does not need to be fully paid for at the start of Grade 3

The new ICT levy will start in Grade 3 next year only, as higher grades will still be part of the previous BYOD Program. In 2024 the levy will be extended to Grades 3 and 4.

School Fees	Fees		Levies					
	Recurrent	Capital	Curriculum	Swimming	Camp	Excursion	Sacrament	ICT
Family Fee	1,850.00							
Prep			300.00			80.00		
Year 1			300.00			80.00		
Year 2			300.00			80.00		
Year 3			350.00			80.00		212.00
Year 4			350.00			80.00		
Year 5			350.00		250.00	80.00		
Year 6			350.00		250.00	80.00		

### Fees 2023

2023 Fee Payment Consent Form [click Here](#)

2023 Credit Card Direct Debit Payment Form [click here](#)

[A new Credit Card debit payment form needs to be filled every year for monthly/fortnightly payments.](#)



# Community NEWS



## MARIAN COLLEGE

A Kildare Education Ministries Catholic School for Girls in the Brigidine Tradition  
196 Glengala Road, Sunshine West VIC 3020  
03 9363 1711    [mariansw.catholic.edu.au](http://mariansw.catholic.edu.au)



### YEAR 7 2025 INFORMATION EVENING

7pm Tuesday 13 June, 2023



Options to register for the Information Evening are: scan the QR code above or access this Trybooking link: <https://www.trybooking.com/CIHPX> or phone our office on 9363 1711

## APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7 2025 ONWARDS NOW OPEN

Limited places available for 2024

To submit an  
**Online Application Form**,  
please visit the College website  
[www.mariansw.catholic.edu.au](http://www.mariansw.catholic.edu.au)

### MARIAN COLLEGE TOURS

Join us for a College Tour with our Principal. This is an excellent opportunity to view our facilities and get all the information you need to make a decision about your daughters' education.

To register for a tour, please visit the College website [www.mariansw.catholic.edu.au](http://www.mariansw.catholic.edu.au)

*Strong Futures.  
Gentle Hearts.*

### Enrolments to Catholic Secondary Schools 2025

If you intend to send your child to a Catholic Secondary School and have not already enrolled them, we strongly encourage you to contact the secondary school as soon as possible.

# Free must-have app for parents & carers



## beacon

Parents & carers don't have the time to search the internet in order to find current, reliable and relevant sources of information when it comes to their kids online. Beacon is a new, free app created to help take the hard work out of keeping up to date with all things online and digital when it comes to our young people.

Developed in conjunction with the eSafety Commissioner and Common Sense Media, parents can rest assured they are only seeing quality, expert reviewed material as opposed to relying on your social media feed or news reports.

Features we think you'll love about this new app include:

- no need to be tech savvy, it's super simple to navigate
- customised, suggested articles based on the age and interests of your kids
- browse and search by topics including apps & devices, digital parenting, health & wellbeing, privacy and more
- step by step guide to help you and your kids create a family tech agreement. Not a one size fits all approach but customisable based on each individual young person in your home
- Direct links to report cyberbullying, grooming and other inappropriate online content
- Notifications and alerts (not annoying over the top frequency!) when new, relevant content is made available



Marty McGauran  
Cyber Safety Educator  
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## School is better when your child is here

Going to school every day is the most important part of your child's education. There are no safe number of days for missing school – each day a student misses puts them behind and can affect their educational outcomes and their social connectedness. The best thing you can do is support your child to get to school every day.

A positive attitude towards school, healthy habits and routines, and parental involvement can support your child's regular school attendance and prevent chronic absence patterns.



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### 1. Establish positive habits to promote attendance

- Set good bedtime and morning routines to make the process of getting to school smoother for everyone. Try to prepare as much as possible the night before, e.g. school uniform, school bag packed.
- Ensure your child gets enough sleep and exercise to support their physical and mental health.
- Talk positively about the importance of school attendance with your child. Explain that it is an important part of growing up, a legal obligation and that you expect them to attend every day.
- Show an interest in your child's school and become involved where possible. Keep notes, newsletters, etc. in a place where they are visible reminders of school news for the whole family. Talk about school activities in a positive manner.
- Discuss any changes to usual routines in advance with your child, such as alternative drop-off and pick-up arrangements, to ensure clarity and minimise anxiety.

### 2. Changes in your child's attitude towards school

We all have those days when it is just too hard to get up and feel motivated to go to work or school, but if this occurs regularly, it may be a sign that your child needs support. Early intervention is vital to address physical, emotional or social reasons for school avoidance before it progresses to chronic absence problems and on to school refusal.

#### Signs of school avoidance to look out for

- feeling sick before school, e.g. waking up with a headache, stomach-ache or sore throat
- tearfulness, clinginess and dawdling before school – struggling to get out of bed, leave the house or get out of the car
- complaints about attending school and reluctance to talk about school
- missing classes and being late for class.

#### What is happening at school?

Early signs of school avoidance may be identified at school through observations and insights by your child's teachers. Work in partnership with the school to support your child's attendance and wellbeing.

### Further Resources

[Anxiety about going to school!](#) – Victorian Government

[Attendance and missing school](#) – Victorian Government

[How can I get my teenager to school?](#) – Victorian Government

[Early Signs of School Avoidance/Refusal](#) – Travancore School

[Tips for Promoting School Attendance](#) – Travancore School

[Understanding School Avoidance and School Refusal](#) – Travancore School

[School refusal: children and teenagers](#) – Raising Children Network

[Understanding school refusal](#) – Headspace

[School refusal](#) – Be You

[Everything you need to know about school refusal](#) – ReachOut

### 3. What can you do when you see the signs?

- Work with your child to understand what is happening and so that they feel supported and empowered. Listen with compassion but be consistent in expectations.
- Speak with your child's teacher(s) about your concerns.
- Consider taking your child to the GP to rule out or address any physical or emotional health problems.
- Request and attend school meetings with your child and their teacher to develop strategies to support increased attendance.



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# PARENT RESOURCES

Click on any image below for more information.

## STUDENT ABSENCE



## TERM DATES



## CANTEEN / LUNCH ORDERS



## MOBILE PHONES



## SCHOOL APP



## AUTHORITY TO ADMINISTER MEDICA-



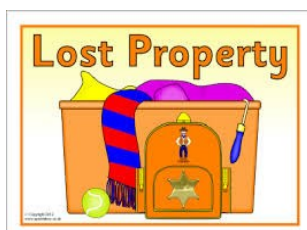
## SCHOOL UNIFORM



## STUDENT HEALTH



## LOST PROPERTY



## 2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOPPE



## OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC)

