



St Peter Apostle Catholic Primary School

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Term 2- Week 4B

15th June 2023

Dear Families

Next week the school will be celebrating its 50 year Golden Jubilee. During this week we will be having a special exhibition in the parish hall. This exhibition will highlight the last fifty years of the school and I encourage you to come along to visit with your children. The hours that the hall will be open are included in this newsletter.

St Peter's Day will be celebrated by the school on Friday the 23rd June. This day will include a Subway lunch for those students who return their note and a school disco. Please note that take away food from other venues will NOT be allowed during the event. If your child does not wish to participate, you are welcome to send a packed lunch with your child as usual. Any dietary requirements will be catered for as much as possible. Students are encouraged to wear disco, or casual clothes for this day. The school day will finish at 1.00.

This week our Grade 6 students have left for camp at Ace High Ranch which is on the Mornington Peninsula. Early reports from the Grade 6 teachers indicate that the children are having a great time and that they have a number of activities planned. We look forward to seeing them all return on Friday and hearing of their adventures.

Just a reminder that when using the drop off/pick up lane, parents are requested to move right to the end of the lane for students to get out of the car. This is to make sure that we have enough room for many cars at one time and it also ensures that students are not getting out of the car in the wrong location. Please do not ask your child to exit the car in front of the statue or earlier. There is no supervision in this spot and the children are walking too close to moving cars. For safety reasons, we ask students to walk along the fence line where bollards are. On the odd occasion that we need students to get out earlier, we will have staff standing there to direct. Thank you for your support with this.

Lastly, the P&F will be hosting the Bunnings BBQ in Hoppers Crossing this Saturday. Please pop in with your family and purchase a drink and sausage to help support the school. A big thank you to all of the parents who are helping on the day.

Regards

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LEARN



RELATE



LIVE

Dates to Remember

Dates are subject to change



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| 01st June | Thursday | Term 2 Fees are now over due School Tour 3:40pm— New Families |
| 2nd June | Friday | School Closure Day - NO SCHOOL FOR STUDENTS |
| 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 | School Closed - Kings Birthday |
| 12th June | Tuesday | Opening of 1998 Time Capsule - Students and staff only |
| 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 | Golden Jubilee Exhibition - St Peter Apostle Hall Opening hours Saturday 17 June: 5.00pm - 6.00pm Sunday 18 June: 9.30am - 10.30am - 4.00pm - 5.00pm 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 | 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. |
| 22nd June | Thursday | 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. |
| 23rd June | Friday | Last Day of Term 2— 1:00pm Finish |
| 10th July | Monday | Term 3 commences |



ST PETER APOSTLE
PRIMARY SCHOOL
WE FOLLOW HIS WAY

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



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: 5.00pm - 6.00pm

Sunday 18 June: 9.30am - 10.30am

4.00pm - 5.00pm

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

CANTEEN HELP NEEDED

The canteen is urgently looking for volunteers to work of Fridays 9am to 12pm (noon) starting Term 3. To keep the canteen open we need new people to be placed on a roster.

If you can help us please call Lorinda on 0432 201 990 or come see any of the us at the canteen on Thursday or Friday morning.

You must have a working with children check or be willing to obtain one.

Thank you Lorinda Canteen Manager



**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



**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.](#)

2nd Hand Uniform Shop Dates Term 2 & 3

Located in the meeting room between school office and church
8:15am to 9:30am
June 16th



July 21st

August 4th & 18th

September 1st & 15th



Year 7 2025 Enrolments Are Open

www.thomascarr.vic.edu.au



Please scan the QR code for more information or contact the College on 8734 2444 or by email: registrar@thomascarr.vic.edu.au

**Applications close
Friday 18 August, 2023**

They will shine



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.

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Resources for Young People and Families

Resources for Early Years

Online Programs & Resources

While face to face playgroups may be on hold, you can find a wide range of videos and online resources through our website to encourage your child's love of stories, early language, literacy and numeracy skills through songs, rhyme, and stories. Check out our Early Years Events and Activities pages for some fun with familiar faces from the library.

Online programs and videos include:

- Baby Time
- Rhyme Time
- Story Time
- Songs and Rhymes
- Children's craft activities
- 1000 Books Before School

You can also explore the Early Years eLibrary for a range of free resources to enjoy online, including eBooks, interactive educational games, movie streaming.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/early-years

Sleep & Settling Program

Wyndham's Child Family Health and Well-being Team are now offering a free Sleep and Settling Program during Terms 3 and 4. Learn about how your baby's sleep changes over time and tips and strategies on how to settle your baby, as they grow and change. Sessions are available online and bookings are essential.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/childrens-services/maternal-child-health/sleep-and-settling-program

Phone: MCH Booking line on 9742 8148

Resources for Children

Online Programs for kids

Wyndham Libraries have a range of free online programs, activities and videos for children. Free online programs and activities include:

- Code Club Online (ages 8-12)
- Junior Chess Club Online (ages 8-12)
- Whizz Kids Online (ages 8+)
- Kids Club Online (ages 5+)
- Read with Me at Home (for prep-grade 6)
- Plus regular online competitions such as Design a Bookmark, and Coding Champs

You can find more information about these fun programs and videos, and register to attend through our website

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/libraries

Resources for Young People

Online Youth Programs

Wyndham City's Youth Services suite of regular programs for ages 12 – 25 years is available online! The free programs feature different platforms to provide a safe online space for young people in Wyndham to socialise and have fun together with the support of Youth Services staff. Free online programs include:

- Girls Nights and Guys Nights
- Gamers Den
- Urban Arts
- Kick Back Fridays
- Homework Club
- Variety of training workshops
- Q Group (Supporting the LGBTIQ young people)
- 1825 Program (for ages 18-25)
- One-off online events and school holiday program
- Young mother's group, Baby Bump and Beyond

Registrations are essential. For more info, go to www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/youth-services

Email: youthinwyndham@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Online Resume Help & Finding work

Libraries can assist young people looking for work by connecting them with free student services (such as Studiosity) and local organisations providing career assistance. Young people aged 15-25 years can also book into an online session to get help with crafting a resume, applying for jobs and answering interview questions.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/libraries/youth/finding-work

Youth Services Foodbank

Wyndham City Youth Services Food Bank service is available for young people aged 12-25 and their families who are struggling and need assistance. (For all ages food relief, refer to the Community Connector below)

Arrange a pick-up: Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm
Youth Resource Centre, 86 Derrimut Road, Hoppers Crossing.
Phone: Youth Resource Centre on 8734 1355

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Resources for Families

Accessing the Library online

Access Wyndham Libraries at home, online 24/7 with e-Books, e-Audiobooks and videos of school texts and recreational reading, access to Encyclopaedia Britannica and online learning platforms. Its free to sign up as a Library e-member and you can do it online at

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/libraries

On Demand Content

You can find a range of content available on demand through the Wyndham City website, including many activities, videos, green living tips, recipes, and things to do on a rainy day – there's a huge range of activities to explore.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/whats-on

Healthy Mind Tips

Youth Services have a range of Healthy Mind videos with practical tips and skills to help you with a little self-care.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/youth-services/services-programs/healthy-mind-mondays

Healthy & Active at Home

On the new Active Wyndham Calendar you'll find free and low-cost physical activity sessions available online and in your local area. Sessions include a variety of sport, fitness and wellbeing activities that are tailored for most fitness levels.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/activewyndhamcalendar

Council Service Updates

To limit the spread and impacts of Covid-19, Council has made a number of changes to the way in which our services are delivered. For the latest information on services, visit our website, send us an email or give us a call. Customer Service is available seven days a week. If you need an interpreter, call TIS National on 13 14 50.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/covid19

Email: COVID-19enquiries@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Phone: Customer Service on 1300 023 411

Support

Children & Family Counselling

Youth Services Counselling for children aged 8-11 and young people aged 12-25 is available by phone and online video. To chat with a counsellor, fill in the online form or give us a call.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/youthcounselling

Email: youthcounselling@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Phone: Youth Resource Centre on 8734 1355

Support for Parents

As your child transitions into their teenage years, support for parents is available through the Tuning Into Teens series provided by Youth Services. The series provides parents with a greater understanding of their young person's emotional experiences while teaching specific skills that can assist in being supportive, empathic and staying connected. You can join a program or read through the information online.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/youth-services/services-programs/tuning-teens

Email: tuningintoteens@wyndham.vic.gov.au

Food Relief & Community Support Networks

You can find list of local emergency relief, foodbanks and material aid services that can provide assistance across all ages on the Wyndham City Support Services page located at:

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/services/community-support/community-support-services/wyndham-city-support-services

Community Connector

Wyndham City's Community Connector is able to provide support, referrals and information to any community member. Community Connector can help you to access food and material relief, mental health support and counselling, family violence support, and provide support for families during COVID lockdowns.

www.wyndham.vic.gov.au/communityconnector

Phone: Community Connector on 8734 4514

Email: communityconnector@wyndham.vic.gov.au



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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
Inform & Empower



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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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Catholic Schools



PARENT RESOURCES

Click on any image below for more information.

STUDENT ABSENCE



TERM DATES



CANTEEN / LUNCH ORDERS

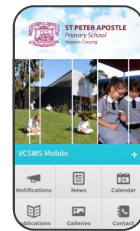


MOBILE PHONES



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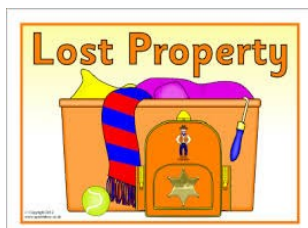
SCHOOL UNIFORM



STUDENT HEALTH



LOST PROPERTY



2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOPPE



OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC)

