



29 MARCH 2018 – TERM 1, WEEKS 8 & 9



ST. PETER'S
Anglican Primary School

NEWSLETTER

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:8

We Are Here to Stay!

by Brendan Gorman

Last week, I wrote to parents in our community about the Campbelltown Council's artist impression to revitalise the CBD of Campbelltown. We had received a number of questions from families understandably concerned that the article gave the impression that the school could be forced to close, or relocate to accommodate a range of office towers and development.

The article, which I read as tongue in cheek, was outlining the importance of communication and consultation. The demolition of the one of the oldest churches in Sydney, the Whitehouse, and demolishing a school that has an excellent reputation, and is synonymous with Campbelltown, is simply ridiculous. As I outlined in the letter, the School and the Schools' Council have no intention of going anywhere.

We continue to vigorously oppose the development at 28 Cordeaux Street. I will speak against this development as part of the Land and Environment Court determination later next term. Our school continues to grow and develop and we are seeing the many benefits of the excellent education we provide to our students. The number of positive comments I continue to receive about our school from people outside of our school community, is amazing.

Our school is only 36 years young. With the positive governance of CASC and the determination of the Senior Leadership Team, I'm excited about ensuring St Peter's

continues to be the leading provider of dynamic, innovative and current Christian Education in South Western Sydney.

Jesus is _____. Mission

Last week, our students benefited from the Moore Theological College team who outlined for our students in simple yet powerful ways, who the man Jesus is. We delight in being an authentic Christian school and trust that there have been some positive conversations following this mission. I encourage parents to consider this also and make connections with the staff who would be happy to have a conversation with you about this.

Jesus is – Easter

Tomorrow we stop, not simply for a long weekend, but a long weekend where we consider the ultimate gift of the Lord Jesus. Dying as a punishment for you and for me, He defeated death and rose again, showing His authority and supremacy. I encourage you to reflect on this over the weekend.

St Peter's Church Services include:



8.00 am & 10.00 am:
Good Friday Services
7:30 pm:
Easter Saturday, Christ our Light
8.00 am, 10.00 am, 6.00 pm & 7.00pm:
Easter Sunday Services

Campbelltown Baptist Church Services:

9.30 am & 6.30 pm Easter Sunday

Campbelltown Presbyterian Church Services:

8.30 am & 10.00 am Easter Sunday

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Absence Reminders

A reminder that school commences at 9.00 am each morning and it would be helpful for all students to have arrived by the bell at 8:55 am to allow them time to be prepared for the day ahead. Students arriving from 9.00 am are required to attend the School Office and receive a late pass. Office staff will note their late arrival as a partial absence for the day.

Kindergarten Parents Evening

Last Friday evening, over 80 Kindergarten parents attended our first Wine and Cheese Evening for 2018, a great evening of community and interaction. It was lovely to see parents making connections with other parents in their children's classes and enjoying a child free evening for a short time.

Further opportunities will be available for other year groups later in the year. Check your hard copy calendar for dates which have been set.



Winter Uniform Changeover

Please note, as of Tuesday, 1 May, the first day back for Term 2, students will need to wear their full Winter Uniform. This includes their full Winter Sports Uniform each Wednesday.

Uniform Shop open Wednesday, 18 April from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm only



School Open - Sunday, 1 April

To ensure we meet mandatory requirements, an additional day of School has been declared for Sunday, 1 April 2018.

Students should arrive by 8.55 am in full school uniform. The focus of the day will be the history of April Fool's Day.

Friends of St Peter's

Our Friends of St Peter's will meet again in Term 2 on:

Tuesday, 15 May 2018 at 7.00 pm.

Constable Louise Mitchell will address parents on current issues in the area.

Staffing Update

Welcome to the following new staff members:

Mrs Danielle Sultana commences at the start of Term 2 as our new school Nurse on Thursday's and Friday's. Like Nurse Keats, Nurse Sultana has a wealth of experience in Paediatric Nursing.

Mrs Rebecca Gillies will also be commencing as our Assistant Registrar. Rebecca impressed the panel with her competence in administration, especially in social media and her dedication to St Peter's.

Mrs Stephanie Fernando will be commencing at the start of Term 2 as our new Violin/Strings Tutor/Conductor. Stephanie will be a member of our Music Team conducting our three Strings Orchestras and will provide individual tuition to students in violin. Parents who have previously had strings lessons have been contacted regarding this.

If you would like your child to learn Violin, please contact Mrs Lisa Ryder for further information.

Student of the Month



Natalie is a dedicated, conscientious student who readily applies herself to all learning tasks. She applies herself, with vigour, to all challenges that she is presented with. She sets a high standard for herself.

She is a caring and gentle friend and takes admirable care of her Kindergarten Buddy. Natalie looks after the needs of others before herself and is a pleasure to have in the classroom.

She is a worthy recipient of the Student of the Month.

Congratulations Natalie!

School ANZAC Service

We will be commemorating ANZAC Day with an Assembly in the Prep Playground area on:

Friday, 13 April 2018 at 2.00 pm

We warmly invite any ex-service men and women who are associated with our school families to join us for this service.

After this assembly, we invite those members and their families to join us for afternoon tea on the Hall verandah. For catering purposes, if you would like to be part of this special occasion, please RSVP to the School Office via email at:

events@stpeters.nsw.edu.au

Prep Messy Day

Prep students enjoyed a day of messy play. We have been learning about who we are and investigating our amazing bodies. We used all our senses to explore bubbles, foam and other forms of slime and goop! We used our feet to paint with bubble wrap and our toes to fish balls out of a pool. We made mud pies in the sand pit and tried our hand at spray painting. We used water to wash cars, babies and ourselves. We played with rainbow spaghetti and had a colourful tea party.

It was so much fun!



NAPLAN Online

St Peter's will transition to the online platform for NAPLAN this year. This platform better meets the needs of our students by offering leveled questions based on their previous responses, enabling them to engage deeper with the assessment and providing a clearer picture of their abilities. Please note that Year 3 students will still continue to handwrite their response for the Writing component of the assessment.

Years 3 and 5 students will sit the official assessment as per the dates on the school calendar:

Tuesday, 15 May to Thursday, 17 May.

For further information, please see:

<https://www.nap.edu.au/online-assessment/FAQs>

Year 5 Planetarium Incursion

On Friday, 23 March, Year 5 enjoyed a visit from Starr's Planetarium as a part of our second Unit of Inquiry. We had our minds blown as we explored the earth's place in our solar system and the greater universe. Students were challenged to think about discoveries made by astronomers in the past and look to the future as we went in search of alien life on other planets.



Grandparents' Day

What a beautiful opportunity to showcase our amazing students to our grandparents! It was wonderful to see so many smiles from students and grandparents alike as we shared challenges, achievements and growth in an ever-changing education environment. We trust our grandparents enjoyed their time with their families.

Trivia Night: Friday, 4 May, 2018

You may have seen in the calendar the Trivia Night early in Term 2. We are very much looking forward to a great night of laughs and the air of competition. Start sharpening your trivia skills and organising your tables of 8-10 people! More details will be sent home over the coming days.

Scholarships 2019

St Peter's Anglican Primary School Scholarships for 2019 are available to new entry students and those enrolled in our school in Year 4, 2018. Scholarships are available in three categories:

- Academic
- Music
- All Rounder

Scholarship Information and Application Forms can be located on the School Website or from the School Office. Scholarship applications close:

Friday, 13 April 2018

New Student

We would like to welcome the following new students to who have joined our school:

Prep - David and Sudamya

Coles Sports for Schools

We have registered for the Coles Sports for Schools Programme. You can help our school by shopping at Coles until: **Thursday, 3 April 2018**. The School will collect vouchers until: **Friday, 11 May 2018**.

For every \$10.00 you spend, you can receive a voucher. Just drop the vouchers into the collection box in our School Office.

Every voucher received will add to our tally which we can then redeem for some excellent sporting equipment for our school.

The more we collect, the more we can redeem! We are excited to choose a wide range of sporting equipment from brands such as Kookaburra, Nike, Sherrin, Spalding, Wilson, Steeden and Nyda.

We are grateful for your support and look forward to lots of smiles when our students are playing with our new gear.

Premier's Reading Challenge

by Deborah Nash (PRC Coordinator)

Registered students will be issued with their Reading Record Sheet and password. An additional password sticker will be issued for your child to attach in their school diary to ensure usernames and passwords are not misplaced. If your child has not received their log-in details by: **Friday, 31 March** and you have submitted the online permission form, please contact the School Office so we can check if your child has been registered.

Please log-in as soon as possible after receiving the username and password to check it accesses the Premier's Reading Challenge website correctly. You can go to: <https://online.det.nsw.edu.au/prc/home.html> for more information. If you have difficulties logging on, and you have checked you entered the details exactly as they appear on the Reading Record, please contact Mrs Nash to reset the password.

Thank you for your support of the Premier's Reading Challenge.

Lost Property

There is a significant amount of lost property in our Lost Property box. Please ensure you label all your child's belongings in order to assist us with returning any lost property.

Unlabelled clothing will be donated to sick bay. All plastic ware will be disposed of at the end of term due to health reasons if not claimed.

We would appreciate your assistance and support with this matter.

Whole School Easter Chapel



Year 3 Royal National Park Visit

Year 3 will be visiting the Royal National Park at Wattamolla Beach on:

Friday, 6 April 2018.

In support of their current Unit of Inquiry, they will engage in a variety of activities that explore climates, natural vegetation, erosion and animals native to Australia. They will learn about the ways people value environments and how sustainable practices can be achieved. Year 3 students will wear comfortable clothing for walking this day, including long pants, covered shoulders, enclosed shoes and a hat.



Frozen Friendships

Caring for each other is a very real and significant part of life at St Peters.

From time to time, we all find ourselves in situations beyond our control and not of our choosing where a helping hand can make all the difference. Sickness, unemployment, family breakdown or other tragedy impact the lives of members of all communities, and our school family is not immune.

At times such as these, the supply of a meal or food hamper is much more than a practical provision, it is a gesture of love and care that reminds the receiver that they are worthwhile, valued and remembered. It is also an expression of compassion and community modelled to our children. With this in mind, our meals and hamper ministry, 'Frozen Friendships', will operate again this year.

If you would like to support this vital ministry of care, there are 3 ways you may do so.....

1. Essential non-perishable grocery items, including long-life products and canned and packet goods, may be left at the school office in the hamper basket.

These items will be packaged into hampers.

2. Frozen meals may be left at the office for distribution as required.

3. If you are able to provide a meal at short notice for a family in need you may advise office staff and you will be contacted if a need arises. Please note that you will not be contacted more than once a term.

Please feel free to contact me, via the school office, if you have any questions at all, I would love to talk to you.

It is my sincere hope and prayer that as the 'Frozen Friendships' ministry gains momentum together we will be able to demonstrate practically God's love for us and foster a sense of community amongst our school families.

Thank you once again.

Yours in Christ,

Rochelle Lawless

International Competitions and Assessment for School (ICAS) 2018

Students in Years 3 to 6

The ICAS Assessments are an external opportunity to assess a student's ability beyond expected grade level knowledge and skills. They are formulated using both Australian and International Curriculum



Documents and are classified as a highly academic and rigorous testing platform, where content assessed excels 2 grade levels beyond that of the participating student.

The ICAS assessments will be conducted on the following days:

Science - Tuesday, 29 May (Term 2, Week 5)

English - Tuesday, 31 July (Term 3, Week 1)

Mathematics - Tuesday, 14 August (Term 3, Week 3)

Additional information about ICAS can be found at:

<https://www.eaa.unsw.edu.au/icas/about>

Please note registrations for these competitions have now closed.

Year 6 Bake Sale Fundraiser: For the Victims of the Tathra Bushfires

On Friday, 6 April Year 6 will be holding a bake sale fundraiser as part of their Unit of Inquiry into Natural Disasters. The students wanted to help those affected by the bushfires that recently devastated the area of Tathra on the NSW south coast.

Year 6 students will need to bring in baked goods from home which will be sold during school pickup on this afternoon.

Year 6 parents will receive a note early next week outlining what will be needed to run the store. We ask that parents who come through the pick-up lines that afternoon might be prepared to buy some yummy goods from the students to aid their fundraising efforts.

Library

by Melinda Robinson

The shelves in our library contain many books. Students are bound to find one that's just right for them. Enjoy adventure, a good mystery or something more magical? What about exploring new worlds or finding out more about the world God created for us?

We use a few different systems within the library to aid students in their book selection.

Shelf Labelling - Fiction sections are labelled A-Z and books are shelved according to the author's surname. Some popular Junior Fiction authors, such as Max Lucado, Mem Fox and Jackie French, have their own specific shelf space. Popular authors and series titles for our Primary students, are found in boxed sets in our Series section. The Non-Fiction area is organised according to the Dewey Decimal system, with shelves being labelled with numbers as well as subject terms, such as Cooking, Dinosaurs, Space, Australia and so on.

Genre pictures - demonstrate the type of story found within the covers of particular fiction titles.

Red Dots - denote a K-2 Premier's Reading Challenge title. Most of these titles are found on shelves labelled as such, for ease of location when participating in the Challenge.

Blue dots - signify our beginning chapter books. These titles allow readers to engage with slightly more complicated and elongated storylines as they progress on their reading journey. Series such as 'Ella and Olivia', 'Boy v Beast', 'Aussie Nibbles' and some 'Zac Power' titles will have a blue dot on the spine.

Green dots - symbolise Senior fiction with titles suitable for advanced readers in Years 5 and 6. These titles have sophisticated themes, complex storylines and more mature concepts. Often these titles are labelled by the publishers as Teenage/Young Adult literature. Younger readers are not encouraged to borrow these titles.

Remember, students are encouraged to borrow a fiction and non-fiction title each week. Both books should be returned before new titles are borrowed.

Thank you to the families who visited our first Book Fair for the year today. We hope you found a title worth adding to your own collection. A special thanks to those families who chose to donate a title to our library collection. These books will be accessioned over the next couple of weeks and available for borrowing next term, with the students of these families. We would like to offer families who donated books the chance to be the first to borrow these titles

Sport

by Fiona Hornman

CIS

On Thursday, 22 March, Jaxson S attended CIS Swimming for the 50 m freestyle and backstroke. He made the finals for both events and finished 4th in the backstroke and 5th in the freestyle, narrowly missing a spot at PSSA State Swimming by one place in the backstroke.

Congratulations Jaxson on this amazing achievement. It is fabulous to see the huge improvement in your swimming in the last 12 months. Keep up the good work!



Football Development League

We are looking to once again run the FDL on a Wednesday afternoon for Kindergarten to Year 6 students using an external provider and Mr Alldis. If you would be interested in attending these sessions, please let the School Office know at:

fdl@stpeters.nsw.edu.au

Paul Kelly Cup

On Friday, 16 March, Mr Connell and I accompanied 30 students to the AFL Paul Kelly Cup Gala day at Elizabeth Park, Narellan Vale.

It was a great day with the boys winning their first three round games with convincing margins. The girls lost their first round to a strong Camden South team but came back to win their next two games.

Both teams progressed to the Semi-finals where the boys lost to Camden South and the girls defeated Currans Hill to progress to the Final. They played against Camden South again and it was a very close fought game. The girls were down by three points with a minute to go when they scored a goal and managed to hold off a last minute fight back by Camden South to win 6-3. They will now progress to the Regional Finals in the middle of next term.

Well done to both teams for their sportsmanship, behaviour and team work on the day.



Interested in playing hockey?

Harrington Park Hockey club is recruiting for new junior hockey players ages 4 and up. Season starts early April and all games are played at Narellan.

For more information, phone Sandy on [0408483743](tel:0408483743) or email:

harringtonparkhockey@gmail.com



IPSSO Sport

Week 9 games were against MACC/STG. Results were as follows

Junior Sport

SPORT	RESULT	SPAPS	MACC/STG
Soccer	Win	3	1
Cricket	Win	66	56
Basketball	Lost	22	25
Oz Tag	Lost	8	9

Senior Sport

SPORT	RESULT	SPAPS	MACC/STG
Soccer	Win	5	0
Cricket	Lost	65	81
Basketball	Lost	19	34
Oz Tag	Drew	5	5

Players of the Match:

Junior Soccer: Georgia G

Senior Soccer: Aimee B

Junior Cricket: Cameron C

Senior Cricket: Emmett J

Junior Basketball: Shruthi J

Senior Basketball: Dylan S

Junior Oz Tag: Lachlan R

Senior Oz Tag: Caleb D

For weekly results follow us on:
[twitter @ SPAPSRepSport](https://twitter.com/SPAPSRepSport)

Prayer Points

- Give thanks for the Easter long weekend and the opportunity to consider the lasting gift of the Lord Jesus.
- Give thanks for the appointment of excellent staff to assist our students.
- Give thanks for the excellent learning in Year 5 and 6.
- Give thanks for the work our support staff.

The School Prayer

Jesus, our Master and our Friend. You came to show us the truth and to teach us the way of life; Send your blessing on our School. Guide by your Spirit, the children and their parents, the teachers and staff, and the Schools' Council. As we work together with one another and with you, may St Peter's Anglican Primary School be a place where children learn and where all discover the true meaning of 'Life through Christ'. Amen



St Peter's Anglican Primary School is a ministry of Campbelltown Anglican Churches.

Church at Ten is held in the School Hall on Sunday mornings at 10.00 am.

Please call the Church Office on 4625 1041 or email: cf-office@campbelltownanglican.org.

The next edition of our Newsletter will be:
Friday, 13 April 2018

Uniform Shop – Opening Hours

Monday's:

Morning: 8.00 am – 10.45 am

Afternoon: 1.00 pm – 3.45 pm

Wednesday's:

Morning: 8.00 am – 10.45 am

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Calendar Reminders 2018

TERM 1: 29 January – 13 April

Friday 30/3/2018

Good Friday

Week 10

Monday 2/4/18

Easter Monday

Tuesday 3/4/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 3 & 4

Wednesday 4/4/18

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 5 & 6

IPSHA Girls Hockey Nominations

Thursday 5/4/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Kindergarten & Morning Tea

Friday 6/4/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 1 & 2
8:45 am - 3:15 pm: Royal National Park Excursion - Year 3

Week 11**Monday 9/4/18**

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
1.00 pm – 3.45 pm: School Shop Open
11.30 am – Whole School Assembly

Tuesday 10/4/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 3 & 4

Wednesday 11/4/18

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
8.30 am – 3.00 pm: Year 1 Powerhouse Museum Future Park Excursion

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 5 & 6

Thursday 12/4/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Kindergarten & Morning Tea

Friday 13/4/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 1 & 2
Year 5, 2019 Scholarships Due
2.00 pm – ANZAC Assembly & Afternoon Tea

Last Day of Term 1**School Holidays:****Monday, 16 April to Friday, 27 April**

School Office open 9.00 am to 3.00 pm each day (with the exception of Wednesday, 25 April).

OSHC Centre operating 7.00 am to 6.00 pm each day (with the exception of Wednesday, 25 April). **Bookings Essential.**

Uniform Shop open Wednesday, 18 April from 9.00 am to 3.00 pm only.

TERM 2: 1 May – 6 July**Week 1****Monday 30/4/18**

Staff Professional Development Day – Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 1/5/18

Students Commence Term 2

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 3 & 4

Wednesday 2/5/18

IPSHA Girls Hockey Trials
8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 5 & 6

Thursday 3/5/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Kindergarten & Morning Tea

Friday 4/5/18

8.30 am - 10.00 am: Coffee Cart
9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 1 & 2
9.30 am – 10.30 am: School Tour for New Families

Trivia Night

Week 2**Monday 7/5/18**

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
1.00 pm – 3.45 pm: School Shop Open
NSW Da Vinci Decathlon

11.30 am: Junior Primary Assembly

2.30 pm – 3.10 pm: Primary Assembly

Tuesday 8/5/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 3 & 4

Wednesday 9/5/18

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 5 & 6

Thursday 10/5/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Kindergarten & Morning Tea
9.00 am – 10.00 am: Mother's Day Breakfast
Mother's Day Stall

Friday 11/5/18

8.30 am – 10.00 am: Coffee Cart
9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 1 & 2
9.00 am – 2.45 pm: Primary Athletics Carnival (Years 3 to 6)

Week 3**Monday 14/5/18**

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
1.00 pm – 3.45 pm: School Shop Open
Year 4 Hyde Park Barracks and Living Museum Excursion

Tuesday 15/5/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 3 & 4
NAPLAN
7.00 pm – 8.00 pm: Friends of St Peter's Meeting

Wednesday 16/5/18

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 5 & 6
NAPLAN

Thursday 17/5/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Kindergarten & Morning Tea
NAPLAN

Friday 18/5/18

8.30 am - 10.00 am: Coffee Cart
8.30 am – 9.15 am: Executive Drop in
9.00 am – 5.00 pm: Year 1 & 2 Camp
NAPLAN (Makeup)

Week 4**Monday 21/5/18**

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
1.00 pm – 3.45 pm: School Shop Open
11.30 am: Junior Primary Assembly
2.30 pm – 3.10 pm: Primary Assembly
6.30 pm – 7.30 pm: Whole School Service at Campbelltown Catholic Club

Tuesday 22/5/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 3 & 4

Wednesday 23/5/18

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 5 & 6

Thursday 24/5/18

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Kindergarten & Morning Tea
House Day/Food Day

Friday 25/5/18

8.30 am – 10.00 am: Coffee Cart
9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 1 & 2

Saturday 26/5/18

9.00 am – 10.00 am: School Tour
9.45 am – 10.45 am: Year 5 Scholarship Testing Day

