



ST. PETER'S
Anglican Primary School

NEWSLETTER

I look to the hills! Where will I find help?
It will come from the LORD, who created
the heavens and the earth.

Psalms 121: 1 & 2

21 SEPTEMBER 2018 – TERM 3 WEEKS 7 & 8

We Cause Learning

by Brendan Gorman

As I write this week's newsletter, I've returned from the IPSHA (Independent Primary School Heads Association) National Conference in Brisbane. One of the things I love about this conference, is the opportunity to connect with other leaders and glean ideas and suggestions for ongoing improvement of our school. One of the key take-aways for me, is the reminder that we as a school, cause learning. This isn't a warning, like what you'd see on medication, rather it's something that we should be excited about. After all, schools are primarily about learning.

For St Peter's, whilst learning is central and comes first, we're also about pastoral wellbeing, providing extensive co-curricular opportunities and doing it all through the lens of the Bible.

We look to provide significant support for our students to achieve their best. We maintain a growth mindset in our students and teachers, which encourages reflection in all we do. Causing learning is something we're proud of and look forward to continuing to do.

As part of the conference, I had the opportunity of visiting another Christian school offering the PYP. It was excellent to see a school that has been doing what we do, a little longer than us, and to discuss the many benefits that this school has seen. I'm frequently reminded of the good things happening at St Peter's. Thank you for entrusting your children to us.

2019

Already, much planning and consideration has been given to the shape of 2019 at St Peter's.

We have been reviewing our Camping Programme, Excursions and Incursions, Events, Programmes and our Strategic Plan. With this in mind, I encourage parents with suggestions to email:

feedback@stpeters.nsw.edu.au

Our calendar for 2019 is in the final stages of proofing. The calendar provides families with an extensive overview of dates and times for all events at the school. We are also aware of the growing busyness of family life and do not want to place unnecessary burden on our families. We look forward to any suggestions you may wish to make.

Reminder of Terms of Enrolment

A reminder that the final day to advise the Headmaster in writing if you won't be attending St Peter's in 2019, is next **Friday, 28 September**. Any advice after this date, will carry fees in lieu of notice, as per the terms of enrolment agreed to. Of course, we hope not to lose any families from the school, although understand that life circumstances sometime change.

As a school, we are currently preparing our budgets for 2019 and having a clear indication of the number of students at the school is essential. If you need to chat further about this, please do not hesitate to contact our Registrar or one of the Senior Executive.

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Term Break

I trust all families are looking forward to the term break. The School Office will continue to open from 9.00 am - 3.00 pm each day if we can be of assistance. We pray the term break provides much needed rest and relaxation, for all families.

Come Pray with Us

Each Wednesday morning, a small group of parents and staff meet to pray for the school, staff, students and families. Why not join us, come once, come weekly? **Wednesday's 8:30 am** in the Board Room.

Option to pay 2019 Fees in Advance

Families have the option to pay the Annual Fees (Tuition, Service and Capital Works) for 2019 at current years' rates if paid in full by **Wednesday, 31 October 2018**.

Please email casc@casc.org.au or call 4628 0110 for further details or to register your interest.

Changes to our School Calendar

Please note the following changes to our School Calendar have occurred:

Whole School Assembly will be held on **Monday, 24 September 2018 at 11.30 am**

The Assemblies for Monday, 29 October 2018 will be held:

11.30 am: Junior Primary Assembly
2.30 pm: Primary Assembly

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Spring Fair

Thanks again for the huge turnout, amazing volunteer support and contributions to making our Spring Fair a huge success.

The day raised close to \$12,000 which will be used for improving our offerings in the Library and iHub.

This is an excellent achievement. A survey asking for feedback on the day will be sent out shortly.

Science Day

On **Wednesday, 26 September**, Kindergarten to Year 6 students will participate in a Science Day where they will participate in a variety of science and technology activities in their grade. An exciting day where Science will come alive through interactive science demonstrations and inquiries, to increase the students' knowledge and understanding of scientific principles and their passion for learning.

Sport will take place as usual.



ICAS English Competition Results

We would like to commend the efforts of the 134 students who participated in the UNSW ICAS English Competition for 2018. Of the participating students, we achieved the following, commendable results:

- 20 Merits
- 41 Credits
- 12 Distinctions

It is important as a School Community to recognise these excellent achievements in such a highly academic and rigorous testing platform, where content assessed excels 2 grade levels beyond that of the participating student.

Our Transdisciplinary approach to learning still allows significant growth and achievement in individual disciplines such as English.

Year 3

Merit

Kieren C, Kaelan M, Sarah S,

Credit

Saskia W, Saanvi S, Alexander C, Amity-Rose C, Kiranan K, Ahanna K, Calvin K, Caitlyn M, Alyssa M, Lily O

Distinction

Lucy S, Jesse S

Year 4

Merit

Bella G, Timothy G, Zanaida I, Ethan L, Anahita M, Payton P, Lachlan R, Tehlia S, Willem V, Aaron Z

Credit

Oliver A, Jared B, Aidan B, Brooke D, Thomas H, Tanya M, Dexter M, Evelyn R, Deacon W

Distinction

Alexander S, Surjin S, Jacob K, Shruthi R, Sarrinah C

Year 5

Merit

Samantha B, Brianna C, Kobe C, Shreya M, Raphaella O, Yashica S

Credit

William C, Jacob D, Lucas D, Louise F, Aleksandar G, Harley G, Eleanor H, Tashvi K, Jason L, Madeleine M, Jesse N, Erin N, Jacob P

Distinction

Rohan J, Patrick G

Year 6

Merit

Peter M

Credit

Nidhi C, Taylor D, Stephanie E, Alyssa H, Archana K, Samadhi K, Kathie L, Zohara S, Natalie W

Distinction

Siena W, Felicity B

Student of the Month



Tyson is an enthusiastic learner who continuously strives to do his very best. He comes to school every day with a smile and is always happy to learn something new.

Tyson has a helpful and thoughtful nature, and uses his quiet sense of humour to bring joy to our classroom. His courteous and polite manners, together with his strong sense of responsibility and respect, make him an exceptional role model to his peers.

Tyson is a worthy recipient of 'Student of the Month'.

Congratulations Tyson!

School Banking

Please be aware that there will be no banking next week **Thursday, 27 September**.

Banking will re-commence next term.

Sport

by Fiona Hornman

IPSSO Sport

In week 7, we played games against WAC.

Junior Sport: Wednesday, 12 September

SPORT	RESULT	SPAPS	WAC
Soccer	Won	2	1
Netball	Won	14	7
AFL	Lost	13	29
Newcombeball	Won	2	0

Senior Sport: Wednesday, 12 September

SPORT	RESULT	SPAPS	WAC
Soccer	Drew	0	0
Netball	Lost	1	11
AFL	Won	38	6
Volleyball	Drew	1	1

Players of the Match:

Junior Soccer: Cohen S

Senior Soccer: Oscar A

Junior Netball: Maddison T

Senior Netball: Blessing D

Junior AFL: Tristan C

Senior AFL: Tamika- Bree H

Junior Newcombeball: Tanya M

Senior Volleyball: Peter M

IPSSO Finals

This week, Junior Newcombeball along with the Junior and Senior AFL teams attended the Finals for the IPSSO Winter Competition. The Newcombeball team won their semi-final 2-0 against Georges River Grammar, progressing to the final against Oran Park. They had played Oran Park in two close games throughout the season but were unfortunately beaten 2-0 finishing 2nd overall.

The Junior AFL team played their best game of the season against WCCS but lost in a close battle fought all the way to the end. They then played THAC in the play-off for third place and were successful with a 34-15 win. The Senior AFL team have been undefeated all season and the finals continued this way. They won their semi in a close match against THAC 48-41 to progress to the final. They were convincing winners in the Grand Final with a huge 65-12 win over WAC.

We are so proud of the effort made by all the students coached throughout the winter season and the sportsmanship they displayed.

**CIS Athletics**

On Thursday, 13 September, Jayden, Mackenzie, Rishant, Isaac and Miraneta attended the NSW CIS Athletics Championships at Homebush.

All students performed well on the day with the top performance coming from Miraneta finishing 4th in the High Jump.

Isaac and Mackenzie also both competed in the High Jump finishing 8th and 12th respectively. Rishant finished 11th in the discus and Jayden improved on his 2017 result by finishing 14th in the 100.

Well done to all students.

**St Peter's Cup Football Gala Day**

2018 saw the third annual St Peter's Cup Gala Day. We were out to maintain possession of the St Peter's Cup in the Boys' Competition and chased our first win in the Girls' Competition. The boys played so well against strong competition but unfortunately did not progress to the finals. The girls won two games, drew two games and lost one of their round matches, finishing in 2nd position in the pool and progressing to the semi-final.

They played against St Paul's, Camden, who they had previously drawn with in the pool round, so it was going to be a close contest.

The girls scored within the first minute of the game and held off the fight back from St Paul's, winning 1-0. They met TIGS in the Grand-final, and despite playing their best, they lost 1-0 to TIGS who took out the competition for the third year running.

**Library**

by Melinda Robinson

Term 3 has certainly been a busy one in the Library; Book Week, Short-lists, Competitions, Author's visit, Year 5 Lunchtime Librarians, not to mention the more than 6000 books borrowed. I wonder if we can read even more next term? Perhaps you'll pick up a new book for your enjoyment. We've added over 300 books to the catalogue this term, so keep your eyes open for something new. Thank you to those who are suggesting titles for our collection, it's great to know about the types of books you enjoy reading.

A reminder about school library books and holidays - they much prefer a home holiday rather than an exciting plane trip. So please read but keep your library books safe at home and ready to return to school next term.

The State Library of NSW has lots going on these holidays, from workshops to free tours. Check out their website www.sl.nsw.gov.au to see if something might be great for you and your children.

The Children's Bookshop, Beecroft, also have workshops with Authors and Illustrators these holidays. Their Authors in Residence programme sees some of our favourites launching new books and conducting writing and illustrating workshops; Frances Watts, David Legge, Jacqueline Harvey, Sue Whiting and James Foley. Email them staff@thechildrensbookshop.com.au for details.

A recent report from Scholastic sheds light on some interesting thoughts which Australian children have about reading. A statistic that particularly caught my eye states that the majority of children, no matter age or gender, prefer to read print books even when ebooks are available. A trip to the local Library could be a good use of time these holidays, and it's a free activity. Both Campbelltown and Camden Council Libraries have school holiday events, so why not take look?

Prayer Points

- Pray for those families in the school who are struggling with unemployment at this time.
- Pray for regular and lasting rain, where it is needed most.
- Give thanks for our Year 6 students as they head into their final term of Primary Education.



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: office@campbelltownanglican.org.



Chapel Roster

Tuesdays:

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 3 & 4

Wednesdays:

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 5 & 6

Thursdays:

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Kindergarten & Morning Tea

Fridays:

9.00 am – 9.30 am: Chapel Years 1 & 2

Uniform Shop – Opening Hours (During Term Time)

Mondays:

Morning: 8.00 am – 10.45 am

Afternoon: 1.00 pm – 3.45 pm

Wednesdays:

Morning: 8.00 am – 10.45 am

Pete's Coffee Cart

Fridays: 8.30 am – 10.00 am



Calendar Reminders 2018

TERM 3: 30 July – 28 September 2018

Week 9

Monday 24/9/18

11.30 am: Whole School Assembly

Tuesday 25/9/18

Wednesday 26/9/18

IPSSO Finals (Back up)

Science Day

3.20 pm – 4.20 pm Football Development League

Thursday 27/9/18

PE Day for 5R, 5M, 6S & 6G

Friday 28/9/18

Last Day for Term 3

PE Day for 5A & 6J

9.00 am – 1.00 pm: Prep – Year 2 Junior Primary Athletics Carnival

School Holidays

Monday, 1 October to Friday, 12 October 2018

School Office open: 9.00 am to 3.00 pm each day (with the exception of Monday, 1 October 2018 which is Labour Day/ Public Holiday).

OSHC Centre operating 7.00 am to 6.00 pm each day (with the exception of Monday, 1 October 2018 which is Labour Day/ Public Holiday). Bookings Essential.

Uniform Shop – Opening Hours (During School Holidays)

Friday, 12 October 2018:

9.00 am – 3.00 pm

The next edition of our Newsletter will be:
Friday, 26 October 2018

Calendar Reminders 2018

TERM 4: 15 October – 4 December 2018

Week 1

Monday 15/10/18

Students Commence Term 4

Tuesday 16/10/18

Wednesday 17/10/18

Year 4 Camp

Year 1 & 2 Swim Programme

Thursday 18/10/18

Year 4 Camp

Friday 19/10/18

Year 4 Camp

10.00 am – 11.00 am: Prep Story & Play

Week 2

Monday 22/10/18

9.15 am – 10.45 am – Kindergarten Orientation

Tuesday 23/10/18

9.00 am – 1.00 pm: IPSHA Debating Gala Day

9.00 am – 1.45 pm: Teddy Bears Picnic - Prep Koalas and Prep Kangaroos

Wednesday 24/10/18

Year 1 & 2 Swim Programme

Thursday 25/10/18

9.15 am – 10.45 am – Kindergarten Orientation

7.00 am – 3.30 pm: IPSHA Gymnastics

Friday 26/10/18

9.00 am – 1.45 pm: Teddy Bears Picnic - Prep Echidnas and Prep Wombats

