Come and hear what we are thinking

by Brendan Gorman

A Vision for Learning
On Wednesday, 25 May, senior staff will be presenting a vision for the future here at St Peter's. Sessions will be held in the school hall and will last for 60 minutes. Session times are 9:30 am, 2:30 pm and 6:00 pm. I encourage parents to avail themselves for one of these sessions, to hear what we are planning and ask questions throughout. A video inviting parents to the sessions has been sent to all parents. Care will be available for the evening session in the library by School Staff.

Christians in Teaching Conference
A number of our teachers had the privilege of attending the first Christians in Teaching Conference over the weekend. The conference was organised by Anglican EdComm and included a number of high profile speakers and presenters. It is wonderful to be able to consider collectively this approach to teaching as one of the distinct and unique attributes of our school.

Athletics Success
What a wonderful day of competition. Well done to all who competed and our parent volunteers who assisted throughout the day. Congratulations to Cook – the winning house.

Professor John Shortt
On Tuesday afternoon staff had the pleasure of hearing John Shortt, a Senior Advisor to the European Educator’s Christian Association present on the uniqueness of a relational pedagogy. We were indeed privileged to have John present here as one of only two schools during his Australian visit.

Promotional materials permissions
On Tuesday, an email was sent to all parents reminding them of the media release arrangements for students being used in a variety of promotional materials for the school. After reading this email, any parents wishing their child/ren not to be identified, or the focus of such materials, should write to the Head of School advising this. In the creation of videos and the like, we are unable to guarantee that specific children will not be included, although will seek specific permission for anyone who is the focus or is identified in such material.

House Colour Day
On Thursday, 26 May (Week 5) we will be having a House Colour Day. On this day, there will be some inter-house competitions for students to enjoy. Students will wear their house colour T-shirt with their sports tracksuit. To assist families to purchase our fabulous new house polo T-shirts, the uniform shop will be selling these for a reduced price of $20.00 beginning next Monday, 9 May.

House polo T-shirts will be a compulsory uniform item as of 2017.

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Learning Enhancement

by Heather Gillespie

It was an early start for some of our Year 5 and 6 students on Monday, accompanied by Mrs Heather Gillespie and Miss Victoria Tranby, as we headed off to Mt Annan Christian School. The Da Vinci Decathlon hosted students ranging from Years 5 to 8, from a total of eleven schools, from as far afield as Penrith. Students had their thinking stretched while working through 10 challenges.

The Da Vinci Decathlon is an inter school academic gala day conducted in the spirit of an Olympic Decathlon. Tasks emphasised was higher order thinking skills – assisting students to develop their abilities in analysis, synthesis and creativity.

Mount Annan Christian College runs the challenge in partnership with Knox Grammar School’s Da Vinci program. This is the first year we have had teams from St Peter’s participating in the challenge.

Our teams participated well, achieving three firsts out of a possible ten challenges. Special mention must go to Aden M. and Ashleigh B. whose performance in the Creative Producers Challenge scored St Peter’s a first. The students worked well together in their teams to meet the challenges of the day. Many of the Year 5 students are already keenly looking forward to next year when they may have the chance to participate again in this thought provoking day.

Congratulations to the following Year 5 and 6 students who participated on the day:

Year 6
- Aden Mc.
- Lucas B.
- Marc M.
- Olivia D.
- Ashleigh B.
- Manoj W.
- Ethan M.
- Dylansher K
- Julian M.

Year 5
- Jonathan S.
- Keira B.
- Benjamin C.
- Noah G.
- Morgan R.
- Nethulima W.
- Chloe M.

Amazing Me – Booking Link

St Peter’s Anglican Primary School will be holding the AMAZING ME education seminars on Tuesday, 17 May. The program aims to provide information to children in the important area of personal development. Whilst not compulsory, it is recommended that parents take this opportunity to encourage discussion with their child(ren) about this sensitive topic.

Our AMAZING ME educator will be Rowena Thomas. Rowena is a teacher and a Christian who has had over 20 years’ experience in this area. Rowena’s talks are lively, informative and engaging.

The first talk, for Years 3 & 4, will focus on the difference between girls and boys bodies, reproduction and birth. This will run from 6.00 – 7.00 pm.

The second talk, for Years 5 & 6, will focus on the difference between girls and boys bodies and puberty. This will run from 7.15 – 8.15 pm.

Family tickets:  
- 1 session = $21.50
- 2 sessions = $26.50

Bookings can be made through ‘trybooking’ at: https://trybooking.com/LJYH or https://trybooking.com/200051

Jollybops Science Show

On Tuesday, 17 May the Jollybops Science Show is coming to present science shows for all students in Years K to 6 as part of our first ever ‘Science Day’.

Each show aims to bring science alive through exciting, stimulating and interactive science demonstrations. The show will increase the children’s knowledge and understanding of scientific principles and understanding. They are presented in a fun way, by the shows characters of Rusty the Robot, the Jolly Professor and the Jolly Wizard.

During the performances a variety of experiments will be performed under controlled circumstances, and may contain the use of a smoke/fog machine and loud sounds. A variety of safety measures are in place for these activities; however, please let your child’s teacher know if your child may become worried.

Library

by Sandra Busutel

Book Club

Just a reminder that Book Club is now “CASHLESS”. Book Club LOOP is the online ordering system.

You can access the online ordering system by typing: scholastic.com.au/LOOP and follow the instructions on the back page of the brochure the students have brought home. LOOP closes on 27 May at 3.00 pm.

Premier’s reading Challenge

If you have students in Year 1 you may mark off the following books as we enjoyed them last term.

- All books by Pamela Allen
- The Bear’s lunch
- Inside Mary Elizabeth’s House
- Herbert & Harry
- Grandpa and Thomas (Kinder parents can mark this off as well)

Book Corner

Ages: 8+

Empire of the waves: Voyage of the moon child. Book 1 by C. Richardson

Pel Narine is on the edge of war, and Anni Tidechild’s world is on the brink of change. Uncertain about her past and fearful of the future, Anni lives a life of evasion. When she meets Duck Knifetooth, the new friends are thrown into unforeseen danger: pirates, the last giant, a mysterious ship and ancient creatures of the deep.

The first book in a thrilling series - an epic sea faring quest for truth and freedom.
**Travelling Art Show**

by Kiera Parata and Samantha Oberle

The Travelling Art Show is an exhibition of artworks that are displayed around a number of schools over the year. We would like to congratulate the following students for their artistic achievements this year and for their selection into the Travelling Art Show:

- Noah P. (Kindergarten)
- Shruthi J. (Year 2)
- Sophia I. (Kindergarten)
- Amath A. (Year 5)
- Aaron H. (Year 3)
- Adele R. (Year 3)
- Timothy G. (Year 2)
- Caitlyn M. (Year 1)
- Sarrinah C. (Year 2)
- Anahita M. (Year 2)

St Peter’s will be exhibiting the artworks of students across a number of schools from Monday, 30 May until Friday, 10 June. We would love for you to have a look at the displays!

**Interschool’s Snowsports**

The Interschool’s Snowsports competition is coming up next school holidays. It is held at Thredbo Ski Resort and is open to all students who ski or snowboard in Kindergarten to Year 6. It would be great to have some students represent St Peter’s at this competition.

If you are interested or would like to find out more information, please contact me through the School Office on 4627 2990 or via email on: administration@stpeters.nsw.edu.au.

**Community Auskick**

St Peter’s will once again be running the AFL Community Auskick program commencing Wednesday, 25 May (Week 5).

This program runs over 4 weeks from 3.30 - 4.30 pm in the school grounds. The AFL will be coming to run sessions with K-2 and some 3-6 classes during sport next week where further information will be provided.

**St Peter’s Athletics Carnival**

What a beautiful day we were blessed with for the Athletics Carnival. The sun was shining and the students were very enthusiastic. It was an extremely tight competition with just a few points separating a few of the houses. The winning House was Cook, followed closely by Durham and Roxburgh.

The age results were as follows:

- **Junior Girls:**
  - 1st Stevie F.
  - 2nd Ashleigh Y.
  - 3rd Sonja M.
- **Junior Boys:**
  - 1st Isaac G.
  - 2nd Jonathan S.
  - 3rd Phoenix M.
- **11 years Girls:**
  - 1st Brooklyn S.
  - 2nd Amala A.
  - 3rd Emily C.
- **11 years Boys:**
  - 1st Lachlan S.
  - 2nd Kyle L.
  - 3rd Dan P.
- **12 years Girls:**
  - 1st Sasha G.
  - 2nd Jasmine P.
  - 3rd Reijeli R.
- **12 years Boys:**
  - 1st Blake W.
  - 2nd Marvin R.
  - 3rd Thomas G.

The students who have qualified for IPSHA Athletics will be notified shortly. IPSHA will be held at Homebush on Monday, 29 August.

Last week Bridie L. in Year 6 attended the CIS Hockey trial as a member of the IPSHA hockey team. She was successful in being selected into the CIS team and will now represent CIS at the NSW PSSA Carnival in June at Albury.

This is a great achievement and we congratulate Bridie.
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 School’s 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

Prayer Points

1. Give thanks for a highly successful Athletics Carnival.
2. Pray for all who are sick at this time.
3. Give thanks for the ministry of Campbelltown Anglican Churches, and their ministry to our students through Chapel.

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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.

Calendar Reminders

TERM 2: 25 April – 1 July

Week 3

Monday 9/5/16
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
School Shop: 1.00 – 3.45 pm

Tuesday 10/5/16
NAPLAN
Twilight School Tour: 4.30 pm

Wednesday 11/5/16
NAPLAN
Junior Rep Sport: 12.00 pm
Senior Rep Sport: 1.05 pm
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
AFL Community Auskick School Visit

Week 3 Cont’d

Thursday 12/5/16
K-6 FDL: 7.30 am
NAPLAN

Friday 13/5/16
NAPLAN Make Up Day
GRIP Leadership Conference

Week 4

Monday 16/5/16
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
School Shop: 1.00 – 3.45 pm
Junior Primary Assembly: 11.30 am
Primary Assembly: 2.30 pm

Tuesday 17/5/16
Science Day: Jollybops Science Show
Amazing Me: 6.00 pm Session 1
Amazing Me: 7.15 pm Session 2

Wednesday 18/5/16
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
Junior Rep Sport: 12.00 pm
Senior Rep Sport: 1.40 pm

Thursday 19/5/16
K-6 FDL: 7.30 am
Year 6 Overnight Canberra Excursion

Friday 20/5/16
Year 6 Overnight Canberra Excursion

Saturday 21/5/16
2017 Scholarship Testing Day

Week 5

Monday 23/5/16
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
School Shop: 1.00 – 3.45 pm

Wednesday 25/5/16
Parent Information Sessions: 9.30 am, 2.30 pm & 6.00 pm
Junior Rep Sport: 11.35 am
Senior Rep Sport: 1.00 pm
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
AFL Community Auskick: 3.30 -4.30 pm
P&F Meeting: 7.00 pm

Thursday 26/5/16
K-6 FDL: 7.30 am
House Colour Day

Friday 27/5/16
Morning School Tour: 9.30 am

Week 6

Monday 30/5/16
Travelling Art Show Exhibition
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
School Shop: 1.00 – 3.45 pm
Junior Primary Assembly: 11.30 am
Primary Assembly: 2.30 pm

Tuesday 31/5/16
Travelling Art Show Exhibition
ICAS Science

Week 6 Cont’d

Wednesday 1/6/16
Travelling Art Show Exhibition
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
Junior Rep Sport: 12.05 pm
Senior Rep Sport: 1.20 pm
AFL Community Auskick: 3.30 -4.30 pm

Thursday 2/6/16
Travelling Art Show Exhibition
K-6 FDL: 7.30 am
Paul Kelly Cup Gala Day

Friday 3/6/16
Travelling Art Show Exhibition

Week 7

Monday 6/6/16
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
School Shop: 1.00 – 3.45 pm
Travelling Art Show Exhibition

Tuesday 7/6/16
Travelling Art Show Exhibition
K-2 Responsible Pet Education
Twilight School Tour: 4.30 pm

Wednesday 8/6/16
Travelling Art Show Exhibition
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
Junior Rep Sport: 12.00 pm
Senior Rep Sport: 1.40 pm
AFL Community Auskick: 3.30 -4.30 pm

Thursday 9/6/16
Travelling Art Show Exhibition
K-6 FDL: 7.30 am

Friday 10/6/16
Travelling Art Show Exhibition

Week 8

Monday 13/6/16
Queen’s Birthday: Public Holiday

Wednesday 15/6/16
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
Junior Rep Sport: 12.05 pm
Senior Rep Sport: 1.40 pm
AFL Community Auskick: 3.30 -4.30 pm

Week 9

Monday 20/6/16
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
School Shop: 1.00 – 3.45 pm

Wednesday 22/6/16
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
Junior Rep Sport: 11.35 am
Senior Rep Sport: 12.50 pm
P&F Meeting: 7.30 pm