Community!

by Brendan Gorman

Throughout what has been an incredibly challenging week, we have seen something that is frequently shared about our school, the community at St Peter’s. As we move from an incredibly busy week in the life of our school which culminated in an amazing Winter Festival last Friday, the sense of community is clearly evident.

The opportunity at the Winter Festival to connect with other parents, to see our student’s excitement and delight in the activities and to share together, is becoming a highlight of our year. We look forward to continuing to build upon and improve the festival each year.

Our community has banded together and this afternoon we farewell Angelina Spartalis who passed away after her battle with Leukaemia on Sunday morning. Angelina was a delight. Her smile and laughter were infectious. Her love of life and of God’s world were clear for all to see.

We mourn as a School community and pray for Lucas and Claudia as they say goodbye to their only child. May our community show them Christ’s love today and throughout the coming weeks.

Our students have been terrific this week looking after each other. There have been tears, sadness and smiles as memories were recalled. A loss of anyone is difficult, yet the loss of someone so young has us reminded of God’s experience in giving up his Son for us, that we might be reconciled to him. Our offer of pastoral support for anyone in our community who needs it remains. May God continue to strengthen us all in the celebrations and challenges within our community.

Funeral Service for Angelina:
3.00 pm today at St Peter’s Anglican Church.

School Photo Day - Monday
Monday, 22 August: Staff, Whole School, Co-Curricular, Music Groups, 4E, 2L, Koalas & Kangaroos Prep Classes and 1H (class photo only).
- Full winter uniform is to be worn.
- Girls are to wear long socks (not stockings).
- Junior Primary boys are to wear short trousers. Senior Boys are to wear long trousers.
- Musical Instruments are to be brought to school for Band and Orchestra photographs.

There are no sibling photos this year as there will be a Whole School photo taken.

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Enlighten • Engage • Enrich
New Student
We would like to welcome the following new student to our school:
Justin P. (1N)

Years 3–6 Camp Information: Afternoon and Evening
Information sessions regarding the upcoming Years 3–6 Camping Programme will be held next Wednesday, 24 August. Two sessions will be held: 3:10 - 4:00 pm and 6:00 - 7:00 pm. Parents and students are welcome to come and hear about the types of activities children will undertake later this year. Camp dates for 2016 are as follows:
Year 3: Friday, 21 October to 8.00 am Saturday, 22 October.
Year 4: Wednesday, 23 November to Friday, 25 November.
Year 5: Tuesday, 11 October to Friday, 14 October.
Year 6: Tuesday, 11 October to Friday, 14 October.

Whole School Service (Advance Notice)
An expectation of all families attending St Peter’s is the compulsory attendance at our Whole School Services throughout the year. Due to venue difficulties, these have not occurred for the past few years; however, we are delighted to be reintroducing them, twice per year.

Please note that our Whole School Service for 2016 will be held at The Cube, 20-22 Camden Road, Campbelltown on Monday, 17 October from 6:30 – 7:30 pm. Ben Pakula, Children’s Minister at Harrington Park Anglican Church will be our guest speaker for the evening.

More details will be provided closer to the date, however please note this expectation in your own calendars.

Library
by Sandra Busutel

Book Week Parade
It’s nearly here! Are you ready? Our Book Parade is this Thursday, 25 August at 9.15 am in the Hall playground, followed by the Year 6 café. Try some yummy food with tea or coffee and help raise funds for the Year 6 farewell.

Parents are most welcome to stand outside the marked area for teachers and students on the other 2 sides of the soccer field, i.e. equipment sides.

IPSHA Performing Arts Festival
On Monday evening, our Senior Choir, Vocal Ensemble, members of our Senior Band and Strings Orchestra had the wonderful opportunity to perform at The Sydney Town Hall. Our students performed alongside schools such as Gib Gate, Lakes Anglican Grammar, Amity College, All Saints College, Abbotsleigh, International Grammar School and The Hills Grammar School. With no disrespect to my colleagues in these schools, St Peter’s were sensational. We looked the part, we sounded beautiful and our community is incredibly proud of each of our students who shone on Monday evening.

Not just to our students but to our incredibly talented and hard-working music staff. To Miss Flack, Mrs Richardson, Mrs Pollett and Mrs Ha, we thank you for the work you do with our students and your desire to bring out the best in them. It was wonderful to again be on the stage at the Town Hall.

Well done to all of our students.

Vietnam Veterans Day
Originally known as Long Tan Day, Vietnam Veterans Day is commemorated on 18 August every year. This year marked the 50th anniversary of the Battle of Long Tan.

Our prefect body attended the commemorative service held at Mawson Park where Abbey D. and Thomas G. laid a wreath in memory of the fallen and those who continue to live with the effects of war.

Sport
by Fiona Hornman

IPSSO Sport
This week St Peter’s competed against Oran Park Anglican College, results were as follows:

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Players of the Match:
Junior Newcombeball: Lincoln M. and Mackenzie H.
Senior Volleyball: Mya F.
Junior Netball: Miraneta L.
Senior Netball: Samantha M.
Junior Soccer: Charlie L.
Senior Soccer: Noah G. and John M.

Next week:
Next week SPAPS play against Broughton Anglican College. Junior games begin at 12.00 noon and Senior games at 1.05 pm. All games will take place at Broughton Anglican College, Menangle Road, Menangle.

Parent Prayer Group
Come and join Miss Leanne Burns, Senior Assistant Minister from St Peter’s Anglican Church, for a Parent Prayer session each fortnight on a Wednesday from 8.30 - 9.00 am. This is an opportunity for parents to pray for our students, St Peter’s Anglican Primary School and our school community.

Groups are held in the Boardroom on the following dates:-
Wednesday, 24 August
Wednesday, 7 September
Wednesday, 21 September
P&F

P&F Meeting
The next scheduled P&F Meeting will take place next Wednesday, 24 August at 7.00 pm.

Spring Fair
Volunteers Needed for:
- BBQ
- Groceries
- Baskets
- Recycle and Reuse

Please contact Cath on 0431 497 416 or Kylie on 0426 262 695 if you can volunteer.

Armbands: Ride Armbands can be purchased through the School Office with EFTPOS or the trybooking link:
www.trybooking.com/MFXK
www.trybooking.com/214900

Father’s Day Stall
P&F Father’s Day Stall will be held on Wednesday, 31 August. Children can bring in $5.00 on the day to purchase a present for Dad. Volunteers are needed. If you could help, please contact Mrs Tracy Braithwaite on 0423 481 106.

Prayer Points
1. Give thanks for the life of Angelina and pray for strength for her family, friends and our School Community.
2. Pray for our Year 5 students as they continue their amazing thirst for learning.
3. Pray for ongoing wisdom for our Schools’ Council as they plan for the future.

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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

Week 6 Cont’d
Thursday  1/9/16
Parent Information Session: 9.00 am
Spring Fair Basket Stall Donations Drop-Off Day
Spring Fair Recycle and Reuse Drop-Off Day
Life Education Visit: 1A, Prep Echidnas and Prep Wombats
FDL: 7.30 am
Parent Information Session: 9.00 am and 6.30 pm
Friday  2/9/16
Life Education Visit: 6A, 1N and 3F

Week 7
Intumbane Week: Bongi Visit!
Monday  5/9/16
Life Education Visit: 3E, Prep Koalas and 2B
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
School Shop: 1.00 – 3.45 pm
Tuesday  6/9/16
Life Education Visit: 4Q, Prep Kangaroos and KL
World of Maths Day: 3C, 4E, 3F, 3G, 5V and 6P
Wednesday  7/9/16
Debating Workshop: 8.00 am
Parent Prayer Group: 8.30 am
Life Education Visit: 3C, 1M and KT
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am
Thursday  8/9/16
FDL: 7.30 am
Literacy Day
Life Education Visit: 2H, 4M and 2R
Junior Primary Author Visit
Spring Fair Recycle and Reuse Drop-Off Day (Final)
Friday  9/9/16
Life Education Visit: 6M
Spring Fair Plant and Cake Drop-Off Day (Whole School)
Saturday  10/9/16
St Peter’s Spring Fair

Week 8
Monday  12/9/16
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  13/9/16
World of Maths Day: 4O, 4M, 5G, 5M, 6A and 6M
Twilight School Tour: 4.30 pm
Senior Primary at St Peter’s session: 6.30 pm
Wednesday  14/9/16
Debating Workshop: 8.00 am
School Shop: 8.00 – 10.45 am