



Brigade Kids Promotion

24 MARCH 2017 – TERM 1 WEEK 9



ST. PETER'S
Anglican Primary School

NEWSLETTER

The Son of Man came to look for and to save people who are lost.

Luke 19:10

Skills for Learning #3

by Brendan Gorman

Within their learning throughout the PYP, students acquire and apply a set of transdisciplinary skills, or approaches to learning. The skills that are identified and focused upon both in units of inquiry and within the general classroom learning, are crucial for the development of the whole child. Being able to effectively think and utilise a range of skills to consider a range of ideas and perspectives, makes learning authentic and meaningful. In the third of five reports into skills needed for learning, we outline the various thinking skills which are identified throughout the Programme.

Thinking Skills

Acquisition of knowledge

Gaining specific facts, ideas, vocabulary, remembering in a similar form.

Comprehension

Grasping meaning from material learned, communicating and interpreting learning.

Application

Making use of previously acquired knowledge in practical or new ways.

Analysis

Taking knowledge or ideas apart; separating into component parts; seeing relationships; finding unique characteristics.

Synthesis

Combining parts to create wholes; creating, designing, developing and innovating.

Evaluation

Making judgements or decisions based on chosen criteria' standards and conditions.

Dialectical thought

Thinking about two or more different points of view at the same time; understanding those points of view; being able to construct an argument for each point of view based on knowledge of the other(s); realising that other people can also take one's own point of view.

Metacognition

Analysing one's own and other's thought processes; thinking about how one thinks and how one learns.

Grandparents Day

Don't forget that Grandparents Day will be held next Friday, 31 March throughout the School. There are smaller sessions on Tuesday and Thursday next week for the relevant Prep classes. This is one day of the year where we ask parents to stay away. This is a day for students to enjoy some time with their grandparents. Thanks for your understanding in this regard. If grandparents have not RSVP'd, please do so ASAP. We look forward to a great day with them.



**School Tour for new families on
Tuesday, 28 March 2017 at
5.00 pm.**

We don't want siblings or friends of current families to miss out on a place at St Peter's. If you know of someone interested in enrolment at the School, please have them contact the School Office for a Prospectus pack and Application form.

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Harmony Day

On Tuesday, the school community joined for a day of celebrating the diversity that exists in our School. I commented to the students at our Assembly that we enjoy a community where our different backgrounds are just part of who we are. We have much to be thankful for that we are part of a community where people are not treated differently because of the colour of their skin, their background, the way they look, sound or anything else. We have much to be thankful for and as we witnessed the rich and vibrant diversity in our school community, we gave thanks for all this does to enrich our lives, asking that this continues in not only our School, but in our wider community.

Your Help is Needed

In regular daily interactions with students, we at times have students responding to requests in ways that indicate that their parents have said they do not need to comply. The partnership that is expected and celebrated in our School requires the School to know we have the support of our parents in dealing with the many and varied complex situations that exist in a school community. You can help in the following ways.

1. Ensuring your children know that teachers care for them and want what is best for them.
2. Encouraging your children to always be honest and truthful when teachers need to speak with them about various situations.
3. Reinforcing appropriate behaviour, respect and expectations with your children.
4. Ensuring your children leave for school equipped with correct uniform and equipment for the day ahead.

We appreciate your support in these matters.

Training Band

Applications to join the Band Programme are now being considered for students in Years 3 to 6. Application forms have been given to all Year 3 students, however, students in Years 4-6 will be able to collect these from the School Office along with our new Band brochure which outlines further details about our School Band Programme. Applications are to be given directly to Mrs Pollett, who will later provide further information about the process and options available. Please understand that we have a limited number of instruments and spaces available so not all applications will be

successful. Positions in the Band programme will be based on instrument availability and the order of when applications are received by Mrs Pollett.

Available instruments include: Flute, Trumpet, Clarinet, Saxophone, Percussion, Bass Guitar, Baritone, Euphonium, Trombone, French Horn and Tenor Horn. If your child already owns a band instrument that they can use, and do not wish to hire, please state this on the application form. Applications must be received by Monday, 29 March and given directly to Mrs Pollett.

Prep Messy Days

The Prep children will be holding their Messy Days on Monday, 3 April (Prep Kangaroos and Prep Koalas) and Friday, 7 April (Prep Wombats and Prep Echidnas) and will enjoy many sensory and creative activities. Children need to come to school dressed in old mufti clothes and covered in shoes. Parents, please pack a spare change of clothes in your child's bag.

'Alice in Wonderland' (Whole Day Rehearsal)

On Thursday, 6 April, the Musical cast will be involved in a whole day rehearsal to consolidate their learning of the entire Musical. Rehearsals will be dedicated towards ensuring learned Choreography is precise, and that transitions between songs and scenes are smooth. Children are required to bring their scripts/lyrics books, a pencil, drink bottle, recess and lunch as per a normal school day. Children are to wear Mufti. (Appropriate casual clothing with enclosed footwear, covered shoulders and appropriate length shorts). Please note the following performance dates in your diaries, as all students will be required to attend both the day and evening performances:

Wednesday, 21 June (7.30pm);

Thursday, 22 June (12.30pm & 7.30pm);

Friday, 23 June (12.30pm & 7.30pm).

Tickets on sale soon.

Kindergarten Parents Evening

The School will be hosting an evening for Kindergarten parents to get to know one another better. Please look out for the personal invitation in due course and plan to come along. This evening will be held on Friday, 5 May. Book a babysitter and enjoy the chance to connect with fellow Kindergarten parents.

Winter Uniform Changeover: School Shop Opening Hours

As of Wednesday, 26 April, students will be required to wear their Full Winter Uniform. For parents wishing to purchase items for the coming season, the School Shop will be open on the following days for your convenience:

Friday, 21 April from

9.00 am – 3.00 pm.

Monday, 24 April (Pupil Free Day)

from 9.00 am – 3.00 pm.

Please note, the first day back, students will need to wear their full Winter Sport Uniform.

Responsible Pet Education Programme

The Responsible Pet Education Programme "Child Safety with Dogs" will be held on Tuesday, 28 March (Week 10). The talks have been designed for children from Kindergarten - Year 2. The Programme has been presented at our School for the past few years and is very informative and enjoyable. If your child has any allergies or is particularly afraid of dogs, could you please let your child's class teacher know.

Library

by Sandra Busutel

Some general hints about looking after our library books:

- Please encourage your child to keep his/her library book/s away from siblings, especially younger ones and pets;
- Library books and colouring pencils, crayons and textas don't mix;
- Reading while eating and drinking is not recommended;

Sport

by Fiona Hornman

IPSSO Sport

Unfortunately, IPSSO was cancelled again due to the rain. Next week, games will be played at Bradbury Park with Juniors at 12.00 pm and Seniors at 1.15 pm.

IPSHA Cross Country

IPSHA Cross Country notes were sent home via email. Please ensure you have returned your note as they were due back today.



P&F Update: Guest Presenter – Dietician Sally Juan

We are excited to announce that at our next P&F Meeting on Tuesday, 28 March at 7.00 pm we will be hosting a renowned guest presenter and dietician, Sally Juan. Sally has volunteered her time and is the Principal Dietician at Wellness HQ, a division of the HQ Group based here in Macarthur and an active member of our school community with parent and owner Erica Parcio-Cooke. Sally works with a variety of patients and her clinical focus includes diabetics, obesity (bariatrics), athletes and children. She is a very passionate, bright and caring clinician and will give insights to parents on a variety of topics such as children's nutrition, ideas for lunch boxes, 'Why diet is important for growing children' and 'Positive means of educating children about the importance of diet and good choices for food'. There will be an opportunity to ask questions to Sally on further topics such as the supply chain of food, weight management and sleep needs. For further information, please visit <http://www.rehabhq.net.au/wellnesshq/>

Our P&F Committee have been active of late; coordinating the Food day, continuing our School Banking programme for students each week and making a beautiful and elegant representation at the recent Prep Information Evening where the hot topic of the evening was the delicious homemade scones. Come along to our next meeting to also receive an update on the exciting activities planned for our St Peter's Spring Fair by our incredible Spring Fair Coordinators. Have a wonderful weekend and drive safe with the wet weather expected to continue.

Peter Buckley - 2017 P&F President



P&F Food Day
Parent
Volunteers

Gail McMullan, Melanie Noble-Murray, Vera Simenowicz, Paulina Wladdimiro, Stephanie Foran, Sunny Gao, Katie Huang, Bhorothy Kumar, Genevieve & Matt Saliba, Ally Buckley, Adam Williamson, Claudia Davids & Shefali Pall.



2018 Prep Information Evening:
P&F Coordinated Food & Drinks for prospective parents.

Calendar Reminders

TERM 1: 27 January – 7 April

Week 10

Monday 27/03/17
STEPS Eye Sight Screening

Tuesday 28/03/17
Prep Koalas and Kangaroos Grandparents afternoon 2.00 pm – 2.45 pm
Responsible Pet Education: Kindy to Year 2 School Tour 5.00 pm
P&F Meeting 7.00 pm

Wednesday 29/03/17
Junior Rep Sport 12.00 pm
Senior Rep Sport 1.15 pm

Thursday 30/03/17
STEPS Eye Sight Screening
Prep Echidnas and Wombats Grandparents afternoon 2.00 pm – 2.45 pm

Friday 31/03/17
Kindergarten – Year 6 Grandparents' Day

Saturday 1/04/17
IPSHA Cross Country

Week 11

Monday 3/04/17
Whole School Assembly: 11.30 am
Prep Kangaroos and Koalas Messy Day

Tuesday 4/04/17
Whole School Easter Chapel 9.30 am

Wednesday 5/04/17
Junior Rep Sport 11.45 am
Senior Rep Sport 1.35 pm

Thursday 6/04/17
Alice in Wonderland - Whole Day Rehearsal

Friday 7/04/17
Year 3 Royal National Park Excursion
2018 Scholarship Applications Close
Prep Wombats and Echidnas Messy Day
Last Day of Term 1

Holidays

OSHC Holiday Care Operating – Bookings Essential forms are now available: Monday, 10 to Thursday, 13 April, Tuesday, 18 to Friday, 21 April and Monday, 24 April

School Office Open 9.00 am – 3.00 pm:
Monday, 10 to Thursday, 13 April and
Tuesday, 18 to Friday, 21 April:

TERM 2: 24 April – 30 June

Week 1

Monday 24/04/17
Staff Professional Development Day
Pupil Free Day

Tuesday 25/04/17
ANZAC Day Public Holiday

Wednesday 26/04/17
Student Commence Term 2

Thursday 27/04/17
Anzac Day Ceremony 2.00 pm

Friday 28/04/17
School Tour 9.30 am

Week 2

Monday 1/05/17
Junior Primary Assembly: 11.30 am
Primary Assembly: 2.30 pm

Thursday 4/05/17
St Peter's Open Day

Friday 5/05/17
Primary Athletics Carnival
Kindergarten Parents Evening

Prayer Points

1. Pray for the many 3 and 4-year-old children undertaking Enrolment interviews for 2018.
2. Give thanks for the parent community and their support and encouragement of the School.
3. Give thanks for our International Day/Harmony Day and the great diversity that exists in the School and the respect of one another's differences.

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

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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.

