



Year 5

08 SEPTEMBER 2017 – TERM 3 WEEK 7



ST. PETER'S
Anglican Primary School

NEWSLETTER

For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.

Luke 19:10

What is a Provocation?

by Brendan Gorman

On Tuesday, our Year 6 students engaged in a provocation as they commenced their fifth Unit of Inquiry. Their transdisciplinary theme "Sharing the Planet" was introduced through a provocation involving water scenarios. The Central Idea of the unit, *Water is the difference between life and death*, encouraged students to think through the responsibilities of water usage, availability, waste and access.

A provocation, is usually used as a way of introducing the unit and allowing students to begin to think through the issues and concepts being explored. The provocation that Year 6 participated in allowed our students to explore and begin to understand the complexities of water as a resource and the difficulties, in a fun and challenging manner, through a number of scenarios.

Year 6 enjoyed being provoked to think and I look forward to seeing what comes of this exciting Unit of Inquiry. I am particularly enjoying seeing and hearing how engaged our students are as they commence each new Unit of Inquiry. I commend all of our teaching staff for their commitment to establishing such rigorous and enjoyable units of inquiry.

New PYP Newsletter

I trust you have enjoyed seeing the new PYP Newsletter, sent out earlier this week. Following feedback from some parents, Mrs Richardson will prepare this overview of each Unit of Inquiry for your information.



Spring Fair

I am looking forward to our annual Spring Fair tomorrow in the grounds of the school from 10.00 am – 4.00 pm. Our Spring Fair is run by a team of dedicated volunteers each year and I express my gratitude to each parent who has volunteered, donated, prepared or worked behind the scenes. I hope to see the school community out in force tomorrow to support the work of our P&F, in supporting the school.

Mr Gorman away

I will be attending the biennial APPA (Australian Primary Principal's Association) Conference in Brisbane next week. There is much on the political scene in education at present, including Teacher Accreditation and Registration, Funding Models, Disability Funding and much more. APPA is an opportunity for Principals/Headmasters from all sectors across the country to unite for our common goals. I look forward to

joining colleagues from IPSHA (Independent Primary School Heads of Australia), of which I am a member, AGPPA (Australian Government Primary Principal's Association) and ACPPA (Australian Catholic Primary Principal's Association) for this conference.

As one of only a few Independent Primary Schools in the country, indeed in our state, it is important to hear first-hand up to date information, and to have a voice into decision making.

Mrs McDonnell will be Acting Head of School next week in my absence.

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New Readers

Thank you to the many parents who volunteered to cover our new readers, donated through the work of the P&F in 2016. There are a few readers that we are still awaiting their return. If you have some at home, please arrange for these to be returned, so that the last of our books can make their way to classrooms for our students to enjoy.

Stories and Play @SPAPS

One of the great challenges for Primary Schools is welcoming our Prep students into the routine and structure that is St Peter's. We welcome a cohort of over 80 Prep students, some with daycare or pre-school experience, some without. We see some students clinging to their parents, and some who are happy to leave their parents at the gate. Whilst we have an extensive orientation and preparation programme, the school is seeking to provide some further opportunities for our newest students to become more familiar with school.

During the initial weeks of Term 4 and leading up to our formal orientation programme, we will be holding a series of 'Story & Play' sessions where students will meet with other new students, read a story with staff at the school and play together. Not only beneficial for the students, but also beneficial for the parents, grandparents and carers who can come along and get to know one another a little better over a tea or coffee.

More details will be provided soon to those enrolled in Prep for 2018. Another great initiative to help students and their families connect and belong.

Prep Teddy Bears Picnic

The Prep children will be enjoying a Teddy Bears Picnic next week. Prep Koalas and Prep Kangaroos are encouraged to bring their Teddy Bears on Tuesday, 12 September and Prep Wombats and Prep Echidnas can bring theirs on Friday, 15 September. The children will be doing activities throughout the morning associated with Teddy Bears and then be given a sausage sandwich to enjoy for lunch. Children who do not want a sausage sandwich will need to bring lunch with them as normal. It should be a very furry and cuddly day!

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.

These services happen twice per year.

Our second Whole School Service for 2017 will be held at The Cube on Monday, 23 October from 6:30 pm – 7:30 pm. Peter Tong will be speaking on this occasion. He is currently the Senior Assistant Minister at St Andrew's Anglican Church, Wahroonga and also lectures at Moore Theological College.

Carpark Safety

Our "drop off" and "pick up" zone in the School carpark provides parents and carers with a safe environment to drop off and collect their children from school. For the safety of our students, parents, carers and visitors, it is important that parents do not leave their car to go and collect or drop off their child/ren whilst they are in the drop off/pick up line.

We have been advised of occasions where parents and carers are getting out of their car and leaving their car door open.

If you wish to leave your car, please park in one of the carparks located near the School.

We thank you for your understanding in this matter.

Library

by Sandra Busutel

"Getting wet can be a pain so protect me from the drink and rain"

Please ensure that your child does not have any form of liquid when they are reading their book/s. Please show your child how to tightly close their drink bottles as this is often the cause of books becoming wet in school bags.

Book Nook

Bring it on! By Jo Stanley

Ages: 10+

Bring it on! introduces Sarah Langdon who has just started at a new school away from her friends and the beach. Moving is never easy, but when you can no longer surf and your new classmates are mad about footy, it's a whole new ball game. How are you supposed to fit in when you can't even manage a handball? This is a story of friendship, family and football.

Sport

by Fiona Hornman

IPSSO Sport

The finals were held this week for the Winter IPSSO competition. The Junior and Senior AFL teams as well as the Senior Soccer team all made it to the finals. Unfortunately, both

AFL teams lost their semi-finals to tough competitors from the Northern Pool with Thomas Hassall and Georges River both progressing through to the final. This year saw the introduction of a play off for third and fourth to give an extra game to the teams that lost the semi-final. The juniors played Wollondilly and the seniors played Macarthur, both teams we have previously beaten. Unfortunately, both teams were beaten which resulted in them finishing 4th in the Winter Competition. The Senior Soccer team was successful in beating Georges River Grammar in the semi and progressed to the final against Thomas Hassall. They fought hard and played well but went down 3-1. Well done to all teams for their valiant efforts both in the finals and throughout the season.



Maths Cup School Competition

On Thursday, 7th September, nine students in Year 6 attended the Maths Cup School Competition at Amity College. It was a highly challenging and riveting day, with a variety of Mathematics activities for the students to take part in. The competition involved hands on puzzles, problem solving and team work. Every student was challenged to further their mathematical understandings and were able to celebrate successes with some very difficult problems! It was a great day. Well done to Nathan, Amath, Lorenzo, Morgan, William, Dan, Rupali, Noah and Mithula for fantastic effort and enthusiasm throughout the competition!



Junior Primary Athletics Carnival

The Junior Primary Athletics Carnival will take place on Friday, 22 September. Students will remain outdoors for the duration of this event and will rotate around a variety of activities ranging from running races, fun relays and using the play equipment. All activities will take place in the main playground, the School Hall and the Hall playground. Heats and finals will be run throughout the day and the event will conclude at 1.00 pm at which time the Junior School and attending parents will enjoy a BBQ lunch. An order form for your child will be sent home Monday. Parents may stay and purchase a sausage sandwich on the day if desired.

Tennis Holiday Clinic

We had a lot of students attend the last holiday tennis clinic and therefore we will run it again in the Term 3 holidays.

Location: School Tennis Court and undercover Basketball court area

Dates: Tuesday, 3 October to Friday, 6 October

Times: 9.00 am – 3.00 pm

Cost - \$129 for four days or \$35 per day

Enrol online through the following link: <https://sprout.readysetbook.me/go/First-Serve-Booking> or call Tony Podesta on : 0418 414 780.

Tiger Shield Gala Day – Expression of Interest

We are gauging interest and availability of students, who participate in our IPSSO Soccer Teams, to attend a Gala Day on Saturday, 14 October 2017.

The Gala Day will be hosted by Camden Tigers.

Please note this is NOT a firm commitment and school issued notes will be provided for formal permission should the day proceed.

Date: Saturday, 14 October 2017

Where: Camden Tigers Soccer Club, Ron Dine Memorial Reserve, McCrae Dr, Camden South NSW 2570

Could you kindly reply indicating your availability via the below google form.

[Expression of Interest - Advice](#)

Fiona Hornman
Sport Coordinator & PE Specialist

Lost Property

There is a significant amount of lost property in the School Office. Office Staff endeavor to return all items labelled to the children, but unfortunately there are a large amount of clothing, uniform items and lunchboxes without names. Please ensure you label everything your child brings to school to assist us in returning such items. Please note, all lost property will be recycled or given to charity at the end of the term.

OSHC – Phone problems

Please be advised that our OSHC Team have been experiencing phone difficulties over the past couple of weeks. We apologise for any inconvenience this has caused our School Community. Telstra has been informed and are currently working to fix the problem. In the meantime, anyone wishing to contact our OSHC Team are welcome to call the School Office and we will pass on your message, or alternatively, you may wish to email them directly:

oshc@stpeters.nsw.edu.au

Thank you for your patience.

Prayer Points

1. Praise God for the provision of staff who give so much to the development of our students.
2. Give thanks for the provision of staff for 2018.
3. Pray for the success of our Spring Fair, tomorrow.
4. Pray for the work of our Schools' Council as they govern our school.
5. Give thanks for the improvement and for caring for Rochelle.

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.au.



Calendar Reminders

TERM 3: 24 July – 22 September

Saturday 9/09/17

10.00 am – 4.00 pm: Spring Fair

Week 8

Monday 11/09/17

NAPLAN Readiness Test for Years 3 & 5
9.00 am: St Peter's Cup Gala Day
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: Primary Assembly

Tuesday 12/09/17

NAPLAN Readiness Test for Years 3 & 5
Prep Koalas and Prep Kangaroos Teddy Bears Picnic Day
9.00 am: Chapel Years 3 & 4

Wednesday 13/09/17

NAPLAN Readiness Test for Years 3 & 5
8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
8.30 am: Parent Prayer Group
8.30 am: Year 2 Zoo Excursion
9.00 am: Chapel Years 5 & 6
CIS Athletics

Thursday 14/09/17

NAPLAN Readiness Test for Years 3 & 5
9.00 am: Chapel Kindergarten & Morning Tea

Friday 15/09/17

NAPLAN Readiness Test for Years 3 & 5
Echidnas and Prep Wombats Teddy Bears Picnic Day
8.30 am – 10.00 am: Coffee Cart
9.00 am: Chapel Years 1 & 2
2.15 pm – 3.00 pm: Year 3 Open Classrooms

Week 9

Monday 18/09/17

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
1.00 pm – 3.45 pm: School Shop Open
11.30 am – 12.30 pm: Whole School Assembly

Tuesday 19/09/17

9.00 am: Chapel Years 3 & 4
5.00 pm: School tour for new families
7.00 pm: P&F Meeting

Wednesday 20/09/17

8.00 am – 10.45 am: School Shop Open
IPSSO Finals Back Up Day
8.30 am: Parent Prayer Group
9.00 am: Chapel Years 5 & 6

Thursday 21/09/17

9.00 am: Chapel Kindergarten & Morning Tea

Friday 22/09/17

8.30 am – 10.00 am: Coffee Cart
9.00 am – 1.00 pm: P-2 Junior Primary Sports Carnival
Last Day of Term 3 for Students

