



ST. PETER'S
Anglican Primary School

NEWSLETTER

Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of His household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the Chief Cornerstone.

Ephesians 2:19-20

10 MAY 2019 – TERM 2 WEEKS 1 & 2

St Peter's Taking On the World

by Brendan Gorman

Earlier this week, I was contacted by the International Baccalaureate (IBO) to advise that our application for authorisation had been approved. St Peter's is now officially an IB World School and the only school in the South West to offer this framework (the PYP) for learning that focuses on engaging students and delivering an authentic transdisciplinary, inquiry based approach to learning.

After a significant trial period as a candidate school, it is encouraging to receive confirmation that the visiting team, who were in our school in February, have submitted evidence of our readiness to be considered an IB World School.

I must congratulate firstly our teaching staff who have shown an inspiring commitment to personal growth, learning and inquiry to facilitate the successful roll out. Our school is stronger due to the exemplary staff we have and I commend their efforts and dedication. I also commend Mrs Richardson who has led the process of becoming an IB World School over several years. Her commitment to excellence and ensuring that students are benefiting and being challenged in their learning is obvious.

I also congratulate our student body who have embraced change, learnt the lingo and continue to amaze us with their natural curiosity, questioning and desire to do something with their learning.

For a small school in Campbelltown, to be recognised as a one of a growing number of schools across the world offering the PYP is affirming. Our focus remains on students and learning, and rightly so.

Congratulations St Peter's!

Greetings from Mr Gorman

Over the past few months, I have had the privilege of taking some leave to continue to reflect on and consider how education is changing and how we can best offer this to our students. I have attended conferences, a study tour and begun to forge connections with schools and educators across the world. I've been thinking about how we can continue to improve in all facets of our school. Community Engagement, Parent Education, Personal Growth and Achievement, Technology Integration, Preparation for 'beyond St Peter's' and much more. A school should never ignore opportunity and I'm excited about the potential for our school and inquiring into those possibilities. I remain on leave and will return on Tuesday, 4 June. I thank Mrs McDonnell and the team for their leadership in my absence.

Learning is something that should never cease. I encourage my staff to be life-long learners and having the opportunity (and the time) to continue to learn myself has been amazing.

The highlight thus far was completing a Study Tour of Reggio Emilia in Northern Italy. Our Prep programme is inspired by the Reggio Philosophy and gaining further insight from where this approach started, and the research behind it, has been inspiring. I received a grant from IPSHA NSW to facilitate my attendance on this tour.

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Sir Ken Robinson cautions educators and parents not to lose the natural curiosity that exists in children. From a very young age, children are curious. The age old 'but why' that sometimes drives parents a little crazy, must be encouraged, not squashed. We want our students to want to learn and I'm very thankful for the excellent work our staff do to encourage curiosity in our students.

I'm thankful for the support of our Schools' Council for providing the opportunity for this study leave. I'm looking forward to getting back and catching up with you all. Thanks for your ongoing support of St Peter's.

Happy Mother's Day

Happy Mother's Day, to all the Mother's in our community, Mother's to be, those missing your Mother's and all the Mother figures!

Today we celebrated with our wonderful mums and we were blessed with a beautiful morning for our annual Mother's Day Breakfast. It was a delight to see mums, grandmothers and children enjoy this special time together in our beautiful Whitehouse grounds before school. Happy Mother's Day!

Friends of St Peter's

Our Friends of St Peter's will meet **Tuesday, 14 May 2019 at 7.00 pm** in the Year 6 Classrooms.

Senior Constable Thompson will address parents on cyber safety.

No Chapel – 17 May 2019

Please note that Chapel will not take place on **Friday, 17 May for Years 1 and 2** as they will be involved in a Day Camp at school.

New Students

We would like to welcome the following new students who have joined our school:

Prep
Vivaan
Xavier
Kalev
Year 1
Nikolas
Year 3
Danijela

Staff News

We congratulate Miss Rebecca Carrol who announced that she became engaged to Jason Craig in the holidays. We wish them both every happiness for their future together.

Farewell to Mrs Simmons and Mrs Fernando



Mrs Eliza Simmons will be leaving St Peter's to take up a position at Broughton. We are very sorry to see her go and we wish her all the best for the future. Eliza's last day will be 31 May 2019.



Mrs Stephanie Fernando, St Peter's Strings Conductor and Violin Tutor will be leaving on 31 May 2019. Stephanie has had a wonderful season and truly enjoyed being a part of the culture of excellence in string playing at St Peter's. She developed a special bond with every student and has rejoiced with their achievements. We wish Stephanie all the best for the future, she will be missed.

Positions Vacant

We are currently recruiting for the following positions:

- Prep / Learning Enhancement Assistant - Temporary position
- OSHC Assistants (Casual)

Please refer to our website to apply for these position. www.stpeters.nsw.edu.au

New Violin Tutor

We would like to welcome our new Violin Tutor, Ruedi Holbeck to St Peter's.

As an ex-student of St Peter's Ruedi is very familiar with our school and began his strings learning with us.

Ruedi may be contacted on **0425 155 446** or by email: holbeckrc@bigpond.com

Parent Information Sessions

We would like to invite you to our Term 2 'Parent Information Sessions' on:

Tuesday, 28 May from 2.00 pm to 3.00 pm, and a repeat session from **7.00pm to 8.00pm.**

We will be exploring how you may help your child at home with regards to Literacy development. Further details will be included in the newsletter in Week 4.

Please inform the School Office administration@stpeters.nsw.edu.au if you are interested in attending one of these sessions.

School Website

Please check our School Website for the latest upcoming News and Events.

Art Explosion Day

The St Peter's annual Art Explosion Day took place across the school today. Our classrooms were alive with vibrant colour and creative thinking as students had the opportunity to design, sketch, sculpt, paint, shade, colour, cut, stick and photograph. We believe that learning to create and appreciate visual aesthetics is of great importance in the development of a young mind. What a wonderful way to end the week and for our students to express their creativity.



Homework Arrangements for Term 2

Please be aware that homework will conclude in Week 8 this term, with the Musical taking place in Week 9. Family Week will take place in Week 6, with the encouragement that families find some activities to share together. Students in Years 3 and 5 will also not be issued with homework in Week 3 due to NAPLAN and are encouraged to use this time for rest and relaxation.

We would love to strongly recommend that regardless of these arrangements, routines in regards to reading in your home are maintained.

Parliament and Civics Education Rebate (PACER)

Later this term our Year 6 students will be undertaking an education tour of the National Capital. Students will be given the opportunity to participate in a variety of Educational Programmes with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the National Capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship Education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government is contributing funding of \$20.00 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate Programme towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.



Woolworths Earn & Learn

We are excited to be taking part in the Woolworths Earn and Learn Programme. You can help our school by collecting Woolworths Earn and Learn Stamps when you shop at Woolworths between:



Wednesday, 1 May and Tuesday, 25 June 2019.

We will redeem these for awesome educational resources for our school.

Simply place the Woolworths Earn and Learn Points Sheet into our School Collection Box located in our School Office.

The more we collect, the more we can redeem. There are thousands of products available through the Woolworths Earn and Learn Programme.

Products in the range include resources for Mathematics, English, Science, art and crafts, through to sports gear, library supplies and more. We are grateful for your support and look forward to a successful programme. If you have any questions, please contact our School Office.

Labelling Student's Belongings

Please ensure that your child/ren's belongings are all clearly labelled with their names, especially uniform items, such as blazers and hats.

There are occasions where students misplace their things and labelling their belongings will assist us in returning them to you. Thank you for your cooperation and understanding with this matter.

Library

By Melinda Robinson

A new term has begun in the library with more new books being added to our shelves. If your child is participating in the Premier's Reading Challenge, we have many books from the different challenge levels for your child to borrow. The K to 2 challenge allows books to be read to the child. We will notify you through your child's diary should a title be read at school during library time.

From time to time, students forget to return books. Verbal reminders about non-returned items are given by teachers at borrowing times and students are encouraged to make note of these in their school diaries. If these verbal reminders do not produce a returned item, a reminder note, indicating the item is now one month overdue, will come home with your child. We would ask you to assist your child in locating and returning the item. There are times when this process may be repeated before a letter is sent to parents explaining which item/s are overdue and the cost for replacing the item/s.



Campbelltown Anglican Schools' Council will seek this remuneration on behalf of the school library. It is regretful when this circumstance arises, however, these processes are in place to allow our whole school community the opportunity to enjoy an extensive range of borrowing material.

Redgum Bookclub Term 2 is now available. Students have received catalogues and the online portal is open for ordering until Monday May 20th. Our school benefits greatly from your book club purchases, and so we say thank you for encouraging a love of books and reading.

Sport

By Fiona Hornman

IPSSO Sport

All Winter IPSSO teams have now been selected with games to start next Wednesday. Training will commence at 8.00 am each Wednesday morning from Week 3. Please note that training is compulsory for all students in IPSSO teams.

For any concerns regarding this please contact Mrs Fiona Hornman.

AFL Paul Kelly Cup

After lots of changes to dates and venues, we eventually were able to compete at the Quakers Hill Competition for the Paul Kelly Cup on Thursday, 11 March. The boys were in an extremely tough draw, playing against very experienced AFL teams. Despite making a great effort, they unfortunately lost each of their round matches and did not progress to finals. The girls also came up against stiff competition and were successful in winning both games against Kellyville Ridge 27-0 and 9-0. The competition against Lethbridge Park was much closer with a narrow loss in their first game, 14-12. Lethbridge Park came out hard in their second match up and the girls went down fighting 29-0.

It was a great day overall and all players gave their best and displayed great sportsmanship.



Athletics Carnival

Our Primary Athletics Carnival is fast approaching and will be held on **Thursday, 30 May** at Campbelltown Athletics Stadium.

A reminder to parents attending, that you are not to park in the Tennis Club car park. Parking is available in the commuter carpark (off Airds Road), with access to the stadium via the footbridge. If you are able to help out on the day with the running of the carnival, please contact our School Office. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Tennis Coaching

If you are interested in Tennis coaching for your child, we currently have Wednesday and Thursday lunchtimes and graded classes during class time on Thursdays.

For further information, call Tony on:

0418414780

email admin1@ttourserve.com

Website: <https://tonytennis.com/>

Prayer Points

- Give thanks for our mothers.
- Pray for Mr Gorman while he is on leave.
- Give thanks for the dedication of our staff across the school.

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

Church News

Please find the hyperlinks for Nigel Fortescue's' Newsletter articles for the month of April: -

5/4/2019 "Triumphing at Life" - <http://campbelltownanglican.org/triumphing-at-life/>

12/4/2019 "God Came Down" - <http://campbelltownanglican.org/god-came-down/>

18/4/2019 "Bible vs the World" - Part 1 - <http://campbelltownanglican.org/bible-vs-the-world-part-1/>

26/4/2019 "Bible vs the World" - Part 2 - <http://campbelltownanglican.org/bible-vs-the-world-part-2/>

2/5/2019 "Bible vs the World: Part 3" - <http://campbelltownanglican.org/bible-vs-the-world-part-3/>

The next edition of our Newsletter will be:
Friday, 24 May 2019

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

School 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

Coffee Cart (Pete's Café)

Fridays: 8.30 am – 10.00 am



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.

TERM 2: 29 April – 5 July

Week 3

Tuesday 14/5/19

Naplan

5.00 pm: School Tour for new families

7.00 pm: Friends of St Peter's Meeting

Wednesday 15/5/19

Naplan

11:35 am – 12:20 pm: Junior Rep Sport

1.00 pm – 2.00 pm: Senior Rep Sport

Thursday 16/5/19

Naplan

Friday 17/5/19

Naplan (Makeup day)

7.30 am – 3.30 pm: Year 4 Convict Life Excursion

8.30 am – 9.15 am: Executive Drop In

9.00 am – 4.00 pm: Year 1 and 2 Camp Day

IPSHA Boys Touch Football Trials

Week 4

Monday 20/5/19

6.30 pm: Whole School Service at Campbelltown Catholic Club

Tuesday 21/5/19

Year 1 Community Helpers Day

Friday 24/5/19

9.45 am – 12.15 pm: Year 5, 2020 Scholarship Testing Day

Week 5

Tuesday 28/5/19

2.00 pm – 3.00 pm: Parent Information Session

7.00 pm – 8.00 pm: Parent Information Session

Thursday 30/5/19

9.00 am – 11.00 am: Author Visit Yves Stening

9.00 am – 2.30 pm: Primary Athletics Carnival (Years 3 – 6)

