



Followers of Christ

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

DATES TO REMEMBER

April

15th Term 1 finishes

May

2nd Term 2 commences

9th Parent Camp Meeting - 5.30 pm

11th Michael Mangan Concert

NSW COMPETITIONS

If you are intending on entering your child in the NSW Competitions, can entries and money please be in to the school office by 3.00 pm tomorrow (Thursday). **Please note that as registrations are sent to Australia, no late entries will be accepted.**

UNIFORM CHANGEOVER

From the start of Term 2 winter uniform may be worn, with it becoming compulsory after Queen's Birthday Weekend. Please note that students may not wear a combination of both summer and winter uniform.



The Uniform Shop is open every Thursday morning term time only) from 8.30-9.30 am.

WAX WRAP- THE FUN LUNCHBOX WRAP

WaxWraps are a fun lunchbox wrap made from 100% cotton and beeswax. They keep food fresh and can be used for sandwiches, filled rolls, wraps, sushi rolls etc. They are reusable, can be used for months and only require a quick wipe down with a cold damp cloth after every use.



WaxWraps are handmade in Te Pahu. There will be a display set up in the foyer with an order sheet. WaxWraps are \$8.50. From every wrap sold \$1 donation will be made to school.

Also available are WaxWraps without the button device. Prices are:

18cm x 18 cm - \$5 (cover small bowls etc)

27cm x 27cm - \$7.50 (cover medium dishes/ bowls) 33cm x 33cm - \$10 (cover salad bowls, larger dishes)

33cm x 40cm - \$12.00 (fits 1Kg block of cheese)

LUNCH ORDERS

Lunches are available for purchase on a Thursday only. Please write your child's name on an envelope, ensure that the correct change is included and hand in to the School office BEFORE 9.00 am. No cheques please. Lunches will be available for the child to collect at 12.30 pm in the office foyer. A lunch menu is on the school website.



Principal's Reflection

As we approach the end of Term One ongoing reflection reinforces the high quality of our education. The year started with a hiss and a roar as teachers quickly settled classes into school expectations and class routines. Our overall inquiry theme for the year is: "Thinking like a scientist". The teachers are prioritising our science development and linking literacy and numeracy where possible into our Inquiry theme. Our Boys Literacy focus has linked beautifully into our science theme and continues to have special focus within all class programmes.

These were some of the activities our students were involved in this term:

- A Meet the Teacher and PTFA Pool Party was held to welcome new families to our school.
- Kapahaka for Years 5-8 each week
- Room 4 Assembly
- Be Bright Eat Right magic show promoted a positive attitude toward eating a healthy balanced diet
- Year 4-8 school swimming sports held
- Year 1-3 school swimming sports held
- Room 2 Assembly
- Our first Parish School mass was held on 6th March
- Learning Conversations were held in Week 5
- Catholic Interschool swimming held Year 7-8
- Internet Health and Safety session taken with Years 5-8 students and a staff session after school
- REMAX Waipa Fun Run held raising over \$14,000 for school
- Year 7-8 students begin working with year 13 students at Cambridge High to enhance their writing
- Performing Arts group Years 5-8 underway
- St Patrick's Feast Day celebrated with Dress Up and a parade
- Waikato Interschool swimming held Year 7-8 reps
- Room 5 assembly
- Easter Liturgy celebrated with the whole school and parents
- ART Road show at school for two days to allow each class two sessions
- The Saints Before/After school care running out of our school hall (Previously Big Backyard)
- Year 7-8 Work Day held
- Science Road Show attended by our Years 5-8 students
- Room 6 assembly
- Room 7 sharing their writing with residents of St Kilda
- Whole school teddy bears picnic organised by our senior leaders



In addition to the learning experiences the school environment has been enhanced by new bark chip spread over all our school gardens and new school entrance signage installed. The Catholic School's Office and the Board of Trustees are currently working on a ten year directional plan for building development in the school. Our expectation is that parents will begin to see some activity in our Outdoor Learning Environment development this year.



I would like to thank the parents for your support this term and wish you a restful holiday break.

NEXT PARISH/SCHOOL SUNDAY MASS

Our next whole school/parish Mass is early next term - Sunday, 8th May at 8.30 am which is Mothers' Day. Come and celebrate Mass and Mothers, together as a parish/school community.



Our students will be doing many of the jobs at Mass on this day. Please bring a plate to share for morning tea.

FRUITS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT



FOCUS: LOVE

This week's Gospel reading tells about a meal that Jesus shared with his friends. The meal was shared after Jesus' Resurrection. The Eucharist is the meal in which Jesus feeds us with his Body and Blood. When we eat the Body and Blood of Christ, we become one with Jesus. Jesus helps us grow in body, in soul, and in love.

SUNDAY MASS TIMES:

Saturday - 5.30 pm Sunday - 8.30 am

"Caught Being Caring"

Tom Fromont, Valentina Di Maio, James Knowles, Ruby Finan, Robert Powers, Phoebe Jones, Ryan Vanderyl, Layla Morgan & Josh Bam



SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

Preparation for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation will commence in the Second Term of the School Year.

Several children have already registered. Children must be 8 years old on or before the 30th April 2016. If you have not registered your child as yet, please contact the Parish Office - there will be no late registrations.



St Peter's Catholic School BOARD OF TRUSTEES' ELECTION

Nominations are invited for the election of four parent representatives to the board of trustees.

A nomination form and a notice calling for nominations will be posted to all eligible voters.

You can nominate another person to stand as a candidate, or you can nominate yourself (make sure you sign both parts of the form). Additional nomination forms can be obtained from the school office.

Nominations close at noon on FRIDAY, 20 MAY 2016 and may be accompanied by signed candidates' statements.

The voting roll is open for inspection at the school and can be viewed during normal school hours. There will also be a list of candidates' names, as they come to hand, for inspection at the school.

Voting closes at noon on FRIDAY, 3 JUNE 2016.

Diana Carter
Returning Officer

Phone **827 6623** for absentees

ROOM 7 VISIT BUBA ST KILDA'S RESTIREMENT VILLAGE

On Wednesday the 6th of April Room 7 were invited by Countdown to visit St. Kilda's rest home to launch the new Disney movie cards and to share their own stories. We took a bus to St. Kilda's rest home. Spangle the Storyteller entertained us by telling the story of Aladdin, one of the Disney movies. Then we read our personal memoir stories we had been writing to the old people.



They loved listening to our stories. We had made our stories into little books and we left them at the rest home so the old people could read them again and again.

Reported by Esme MacGillivray

CLASS AWARDS

- ROOM 1:** Logan Boss - for being a kind and caring friend showing the 'Fruit of Love' to others.
Sophie Sinclair - for very neat handwriting and taking care to write 'the best she can'.
Nico van Veldhoven - for being very independent with his writing and trying hard words.
- ROOM 2:** Jake Millen - for always putting in a huge effort when doing maths basic facts homework.
Yulia Turcu - for always putting in a huge effort when doing maths basic facts homework.
Connor Sparrow - for developing independent work skills and growing into a wonderful self-manager.
- ROOM 3:** Willem Groenendijk - for pushing himself to get work finished in a set time.
Grace Hodgson - for reading with fantastic expression and totally getting into character.
Stephane Shen - for always being happy to help others and super work in reading.
- ROOM 4:** Regan Hounsell - for being a kind and helpful class mate who shares her talents with others.
Angus MacGillivray - for being a whizz in mathematics and enjoying his new challenges.
Emilia Balsom - for being a thoughtful member of Room 4 who cares for everyone.
- ROOM 5:** Jamie Owlsey - for making excellent progress with basic facts knowledge.
Fletcher Kerr - for making excellent progress with basic facts in maths.
Hee Dutron - for working really hard with basic facts knowledge.
- ROOM 6:** Patrick Fisher - for putting extra effort into writing with excellent results.
Hailee Banner - for being a focussed learner, particularly in maths.
Eli Cody - for displaying the 'Fruits of the Holy Spirit' and being a focussed learner.
Charmaine Bourner - for her detailed description of a monarch caterpillar.
Josh Bam - for being helpful to others by offering to assist them with computer issues.
- ROOM 7:** Lachlan Kerr - for writing an impressive memoir about his 'caving' adventure.
Kyle Finan - for showing the gift of patience when reading to the residents at St Kilda's.
Elsa Jolley - for being a thoughtful and considerate member of Room 7.
Ben Deason - for being determined to master maths strategies and knowledge.

SCIENCE ROAD SHOW

There are still a number of children in Rooms 5-8 that haven't yet paid for attending the Science Road Show. The cost per child was \$8.00. Payments may be made at the school office by cash or EFTPOS or can be deposited into the school bank account Westpac 03 1568 0009985 00 Reference "Science". Thank you.

Debra A White, **PRINCIPAL**



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KiwiSport **Cycling**
waikato

Holiday Programme

Introduction to Road Cycling

-Have some fun these holidays learning how to ride on the road safely through fun games and activities!

Holiday Programme

DATE: 19-21 April

TIME: 9am-12pm

AGE: 10-12 Years

COST: \$10

Contact Taryn Mayall for more information or to register.

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