St Peter’s Lutheran School
Newsletter - Friday 12th May

Dates to Remember

May 2017
14th - Mothers Day
17th - Open Day
22nd-31st - Bike Ed
31st - School Photos

June 2017
1st-2nd Bike Ed
5th - Warracknabeal Cross Country
9th - Report Writing Day (Student Free)
12th - Queens Birthday Public Holiday
20th - Lightening Premiership
30th - Last Day Term 2

Term Dates 2017
Term 1 30th Jan - 31st March
Term 2 18th April - 30th June
Term 3 17th July - 22nd September
Term 4 9th October - 22nd December

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Max Rohde - Fantastic effort during NAPLAN
Dante Milner - Doing really well in reading

PRINCIPAL’S AWARDS

Jasper Ward - Sharing and tolerating other students when playing in the sand pit

P & F Meeting
The next P & F Meeting will be:-
Tuesday 6th June @ 3.30pm in the Multipurpose

Church Calendar
May 14th - 8.45am Dimboola HC
May 21st - 11 am Dimboola LR
May 28th - 9am Dimboola HC
Hello everyone, well it is the end of week 4 of term 2 and it has been another wonderful week here at St Peters. Several mornings have been foggy and toe numbingly cold but fortunately by recess time the sun has come through and it is quite pleasant. After the excellent rains we had great growth and greening up in all lawn areas and also amongst the native shrubs. Thank you to those helpers that have been working on the front garden recently. It looks great, and we very much appreciate your efforts.

Last week we had a visit from Vicki Gollasch. Vicki is the Victoria, New South Wales and Tasmania Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS) representative. Vicki spent time with both our junior students and the senior class speaking to them about this year’s ALWS theme ‘Walk My Way’.

The aim was to allow students to ‘meet’ others living in developing countries who have a very different life to ours and to ‘walk’ in their shoes for a moment. We thank you Vicki for visiting us and opening our minds and hearts to this very special cause. Vicki was astounded by the generous way in which our school is able to be a part of Australian Lutheran World Service contributing both financially and educationally. If you received a permission note from ALWS asking to use your child’s photo please return it as soon as possible also that Vicki can complete her article on our school visit.

This week we have had another practice evacuation drill. We aim to hold these drills at least once a term. Each year staff are updated within the area of School Emergency procedures. It is essential that we have processes and procedures ready should real situations arise. Our students know that these practices help us all to maintain a safer and prepared school community. If your children ever want to talk about these practice evacuations please encourage them to do so. Children in the early years can occasionally become anxious finding it hard to distinguish between real and practice.

This week we have had the National Assessment Program (NAPLAN). It is compulsory for students in years 3 and 5 to complete assessments in the areas of Language Conventions, Writing, Reading and Numeracy. It is one of many tools that we are able to use when tailoring learning experiences to specific student needs. Thank you to those students that have been completing these assessments this week. Your consistent efforts and concentration throughout these tasks was appreciated.

Don’t forget that our school open day is this term on Wednesday the 17th of May from 9:00am until 11:30 am please feel free to invite any families that may be interested in enrolling their children at our school or would just like to come and have a look.

We have been talking about Jesus Mother Mary during our Christian studies lessons. It has been interesting to hear what the students know about Mary and the role that she played in bringing our beloved saviour into the world. I wish you all a fabulous time together celebrating Mother’s Day this weekend and hope that you are able to spend time with family and friends.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Your’s in Christ,

Tim Reimann
Her children arise up, and call her blessed...
— Proverbs 31:28

Only God Himself fully appreciates the influence of a Christian mother in the molding of character in her children. Someone has said, “Like mother, like children.” Most of the noble characters and fine leaders of history have had good, God-fearing mothers. We are told that George Washington’s mother was pious, and that Sir Walter Scott’s mother was a lover of poetry and music. On the other hand, we are told that Nero’s mother was a murderess and that the dissolute Lord Byron’s mother was a proud and violent woman. The influence of a mother upon the lives of her children cannot be measured. They know and absorb her example and attitudes when it comes to questions of honesty, temperance, kindness, and industry.

Prayer for the day

Thank You, Lord, for mothers who love You. Their influence is felt around the world.
Over the past 3 weeks we have had Jemma Schultz, a prac student, in Mrs Nicholson’s class. Jemma is currently in her 3rd year of University at La Trobe in Ballarat, and was once a student of St Peter’s herself.

All the students of SPLS have enjoyed getting to know Ms Schultz, especially those in the Junior years. As part of her time here, Ms Schultz took some lessons that she had planned, below are a few photos of the children enjoying their learning.

We wish Jemma all the best with her future studies.
Open Day

St Peter’s Open Day

This coming week we will be having our annual Open Day. Please let anyone you think would be interested in viewing our school and meeting wonderful, friendly staff. P&F will be catering for this event. Thank you to those who volunteered to provide a plate to share.

Bike/Scooter Ed

Monday 22nd May - Friday 2nd June

This term our students from all year levels will be participating in a Bike Ed program as part of the school curriculum. Each child will require a bicycle or scooter in safe working order, as well as a safety helmet.

The program consists of cycling/scooting activities done outdoors in the school grounds and on footways. You will be notified before any on-road riding is undertaken. All of these activities will be supervised.
Mothers Day Raffle

Winners

1st Prize - Jenny Down
2nd Prize - Ian Lovett
3rd Prize - Rhianna Paech
4th Prize - Maryanne Paech

Thank you to everyone who sold and bought raffle tickets!