St Peter’s Lutheran School
Newsletter - Friday 11th August , 2017

Dates to Remember

August 2017
14th - Kinder Visit
15th - Sea Turtle incursion
16th - Science Week @ DMSC
18th - Student Free Day
21st - River Detectives excursion to the river Years 3-6
30th - WWSSA inter-school sport at Warracknabeal

September 2017
5th - Nature Park Excursion Little Dessert National Park
21st - School Concert
22nd - Student Free Day

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 - 15th December

Awards

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK

Adelle Bourke-Finn - your positive attitude and persistence in all tasks

PRINCIPALS’ AWARDS

Elayna Ward - for her great listening and focus during music lessons
Tamarra Killackey - for displaying focus and effort during science and music lessons

Church Calendar
Aug 13th - 9am Dimboola HC
Aug 20th - 11am Dimboola HC
August 27th - 9am Dimboola LR

P&F Meeting
The next P&F Meeting will be held on Tuesday September 5th @ 3.30pm
In the multipurpose room. All are welcome.
Hello everyone, our fourth week of term 3 has seen the first glimmer of some warmer sunny weather. On Wednesday and Thursday we were all able to enjoy getting outside after the sensational rain we have had recently. The school grounds have almost dried out enough to get the mower out at last.

We will be walking down to the Kinder on Monday to sing to the children as well as to read in small groups and play together. It is wonderful to watch the interactions between these younger boys and girls. There is so much encouragement and praise from the older students and then also the positive effects of modelled play.

Next Tuesday as a part of National science week the students will be having an incursion at school. Brendan Slade, who is the presenter, recently completed a Scientific Internship that involved monitoring, researching and protecting endangered sea turtles at Gnaraloo Station on the Ningaloo Coast in Western Australia as part of their independent conservation program. The presentation covers sea turtles, marine conservation, everyday actions to preserve our beaches for present and future generations, an overview of the program conducted by Gnaraloo and opportunities for people to become involved.

On Wednesday also as a part of National Science week we have been invited up to DMSC to participate in some science week activities. Our students always thoroughly enjoy these opportunities to work with DMSC staff and students.

This term as a part of our science focus we have begun the River Detectives program. River Detectives is a program to support educators in exploring local waterways with students. River Detectives is a sustainability program which inspires schools and youth groups to understand, appreciate and care for their local waterway through a variety of engaging, practical, multi-age cross-curricular activities. We are collecting regular water samples from the Wimmera River near the boat ramp and recording the data online within the River Detectives website. River Detectives is an initiative funded by the Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning.

Have a wonderful weekend,

Yours in Christ,

Tim Reimann
The power of a dad simply cannot be overstated. Many forces cause the moral and spiritual fractures of our culture, but one of them is the lack of godly fathers. Counsellor and communicator Paul Tripp encourages fathers in their vital role.

It is important for fathers to see their roles as deeper than just providing skills to their children. There are two lessons, according to Tripp, that are essential for fathers to teach their children.

First is to help his child be enthralled with the wonderful glory and grace of God. This can be done by constantly connecting what you are doing with your children to something that God has done or said. Whether it’s looking at the grain within wood, nailing nails, or observing different species of fish, a father can provide a vision for God’s constant beauty and creativity. As you are watching a sunset speak of the God who rules the day and the night. God does not have to be a mysterious being, he wants our children to see him in the everyday surrounds.

Second, is to teach the love of others. Human relationships are hard, and loving others can be very difficult. But please remember, the difficulty in loving others is primarily caused by what is in our own hearts. Our hearts are filled with judgment, criticism, competition, greed, and envy, all of which are fundamentally anti-social behaviours. We need more dads who are willing to say to their children that the greatest challenge to building relationships with others is often times our own selves. The more our children face those forces within them, the more they will live a life of love, and the more they live a life of love, the more blessing they will experience.

The greatest gift I ever had
Came from God;
I call him Dad!

Author unknown
@ThankYouDiva.com
Scholastic Book Club

The new Scholastic Book Club Catalogue has been sent home, if you would like to place an order, please have it back to the front office by the Tuesday the 15th August.

Woolworths Earn and Learn

Woolworths has begun their “Earn and Learn’ program for 2017. Our school has registered for this program, so please remember to collect your stickers when shopping. St Peter’s benefits greatly from this program with the opportunity to buy new resources. The front office has 2 collection bins to place your stickers into.

Get your family and friends to collect them for us too, the more the merrier!!

Head Lice

We have had a few students sent home this week with eggs in their hair.

We ask that you all remain vigilant and check your child’s hair on a regular basis.

We will endeavour to check hair regularly at school.
You’re invited to ‘Loop the Greens’ special event in 2017.

WWHS are welcoming Team entries along with best costume.

Due to the resounding success of the addition of the Mudarama obstacle course to the event last year this will again be part of the day with more obstacles, more water, more colour and more MUD!!

There will be a large range of children’s activities on the day, face painting, lucky dips, mini golf, jumping castle along with food, drinks, stalls and more.

Come along for a fun filled day for all the family to enjoy and help us to raise funds to see the vision of our new Rehabilitation Centre, Hydrotherapy Pool and Community Gymnasium become a reality.

Fathers Day Donations

P&F will be holding a Fathers Day Raffle, if you have anything that you would like to donate, please send them in to the front office.
Someone is watching you

New sport called footbasket ball. You have to kick a footy in a basketball hoop.
St Peter’s Lutheran School P&F
Meeting Minutes
Tuesday 1st August, 2017 at 3.30pm

Present – Zoe Krahe, Pam Jorgensen, Rhianna Paech, Sam Clarke, Tim Reimann, Anne Rogers & Kate Ward
Apologies - Jo Barry

Welcome – Kate opened meeting at 3.35pm

Any items added to the agenda

Adoption of Minutes of Previous Meeting

It was moved by Pam and Zoe that the minutes of the previous meeting be accepted as a true and correct record. Carried

Business arising from the minutes (to be discussed in General Business)
Open Day report, Fathers’ Day Raffle, Wood Raffle, Christmas tree display, Hot food update, Gazebo for sport, 60 Years of St Peters Lutheran School, Catering Opportunity (Pam J).

Correspondence Inwards
Nil

Correspondence Outwards
Nil

Reports
Principal – Term 3 is going well. Anne is teaching Y 3 – 6 Fridays and Kathryn is teaching Wednesdays & Thursdays. Our school is Registered to be in the tidy town this Month. Andrea Cross from Natimuk/Vectis rang and was excited to have a School in our Parish and is willing to help us out in anyway and is interested in coming along to any P & F meetings etc.

Treasurer – Report tabled

- BB acc. $8,672.94
- LLL acc. $ 6,426.53

Our income this month was only Uniform and Hot Food
Nil expenses

Reports moved by Anne and Zoe
General Business

Open day report for months ago – We have a family enrolled for next year.
P & F will be looking for donations for Father’s Day raffle. If you are willing to Donate Please leave donations in the School office.
It was decided to leave the option of a microwave for grade 6’s at this time. It was approved that P&F could purchase and it could be used as long as a parent came to monitor it’s use (for OH&S reasons).
It was decided to not do a wood raffle this year.
Sport Gazebo with logo is still being looked into.
Flyers will be out in September for the Christmas Tree Display. Please keep an eye out for this. More information will follow in the coming months
Sensory Garden – Tim will be looking at some more fruit trees, sleepers etc. Also looking into Magnetic fish with rods for the river bed
Fundraising for Pam is now not going ahead as Pam has now have enough helpers. All proceeds will go back to Caner Council
P&F are looking to purchase an Upright/Chest freezer so we can freeze left over meat ect for catering purposes. Anne will look into this.
Book week will be held on the 23rd October this year with Grandparents/special person Day to be held on the Friday 27th October. Thank you to Sam Clarke who is willing to learn and take over from Pam. A Huge Thankyou to Pam for all of your time over the years and organising such a wonderful and fun week for the students, staff, Grandparents etc.
A committee needs to be formed to organise the 60th school celebration for next year. A note will be put in the newsletter asking for volunteers. Need to also ask further than just our parents and friends, maybe deciding on people to approach personally rather than a newspaper ad.

Discussions for next meeting

Christmas tree displays
Father Day Raffle

Meeting closed at 4.12pm Next meeting 5th September, 2017
Next year St Peter’s will be celebrating 60 years since it’s opening. We are after some volunteers to join the committee that will be organising an event for reaching this fantastic milestone.

If you think you have the time and some ideas, please cut off the bottom section and return the form to the school, or contact Kate Ward on 0409528958.

Name: ________________________________

Yes I would like to help organise the 60th Celebration of St Peter’s Lutheran School.