



St Peter's Lutheran School

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From the Principal

Hello everyone, we have had some lovely sunny days this week, our grounds are looking lovely after some rain and with so many of our gardens springing to life.

We would like to extend our warm wishes and congratulations to Ms Kathryn Dwan and partner Mark Gallagher who are getting married on Sunday. We wish them all the best for their big day and look forward to seeing the new Mrs Gallagher on Tuesday.

Please remind your children that as it is now term 4, that means we all need to be wearing our hats when outside. St Peters is a Sun Smart school and this means that during terms 1 and 4, we all follow the rule of 'No hat no play' stay in the shade today.

A reminder that Monday 1st November is a Student Free Day, staff will be planning that day, but no student supervision will be available. No buses will run. Tuesday 2nd November is the Melbourne Cup Public Holiday so there will be no school.

Friday the 12th of November will be a 'Dress Up Day' Students may come to school dressed as their favourite super hero/Book character/Who they want to be when they grow up/Movie star/Casual clothes. We look forward to seeing everyone dressed up.

I will be on leave until the end of October. If you have any questions or need anything, please contact the office on 03 5389 1626, Mrs Walters will be extending her hours to stay until 3.20pm each day. If she is busy and can't answer, please leave a message.

Have a safe and Blessed weekend,

Tim Reimann



Devotional Thoughts

Childlike humility

by Carolyn Ehrlich

But they kept quiet because on the way they had argued about who was the greatest (Mark 9:34).

[Read Mark 9:30–37](#)

Jesus and his disciples were travelling from place to place. Jesus had already predicted his death (Mark 8:31–33), and he had taught that being a disciple meant denying self and following him (Mark 8:34).

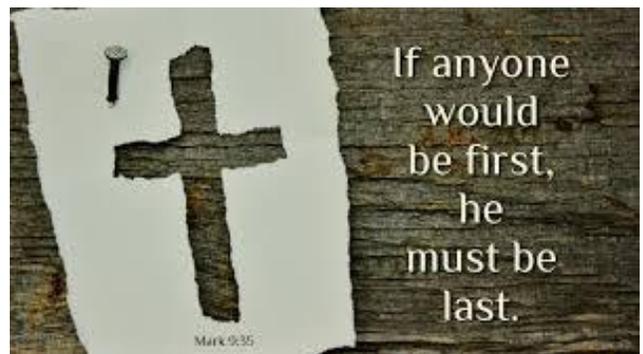
Peter, James and John had witnessed Jesus' transfiguration, and still, the disciples argued among themselves about who was the greatest. How often do we (you, me) do this? How often do we experience that Jesus has something profound to say to us about who he is, about what is happening, about something supernatural, something that we do not understand? How often has Jesus spoken to us, given us his direction and asked us to do something, and still, we are concerned about our own greatness?

We gloss over what is supremely important in our walk with God, and we focus on ourselves. We justify, saying, 'I am okay, better, smarter, stronger, prettier, more important, greater than ...' Where is the humility and servitude in our approach?

Further along in this passage, we are instructed to welcome children. Yes, we are to take this literally, but we are also to embrace the childlike qualities of simplicity, innocence and humility. Instead of focusing on ourselves, on our own sense of self-importance and greatness, we are directed to welcome little children – because when we do, we welcome Jesus.

In Jesus' time, welcoming implied service. A host serves their guest. Selfless serving is the hallmark of Christianity. So, we are to selflessly serve everybody, including children. How will you humble yourself and simply and innocently welcome God, our Father, today?

Father God, you are an amazing, gracious and wonderful God. Instead of welcoming you, I so often argue with others in ways that reflect my sense of self-importance and self-reported greatness. I do this privately and publicly. Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts. See if there is any offensive way in me and lead me in the way everlasting. In Jesus' awesome name, I pray, Amen.



Awards



Lachlan Elliott - For continually listening to instructions, completing his work in a timely manner & putting in 100% effort.

Oliver Walters - Working diligently & supporting his group during Words Their Way.



Tiarnah Durmush - For showing huge improvements in her confidence & reading abilities.

Notices

Important Dates

All the below dates are to the best of our knowledge and may change at short notice depending on COVID-19 restrictions.

October 2021

November 2021

1st - Student Free Day
2nd - Melbourne Cup Public Holiday Student Free
9th - Year 7 Transition DMSC
12th - Dress Up Day
16th - Kinder Transition Day
18th - Year 7 Transition DMSC
23rd - Kinder Transition Day
30th - Kinder Transition Day

December 2021

7th - State Wide Transition Day
10th - Last Day Term 4 (normal finish time)

No Hat No Play

Our No Hat No Play policy is back for Term 4 and Term 1. All students must have a broad brimmed hat to wear at recess and lunch. We have sunscreen for students to apply as well, however if you would like to provide your own, please send it with your child clearly labelled with your child's name.

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HALLOWEEN 2021

*REGISTER YOUR HOUSE FOR VISITORS VIA FACEBOOK
MESSENGER VIA KERRIE CLARKE

*A GHOST MAP OF TOWN WILL BE PUT TOGETHER TO FOLLOW

*PARTICIPANTS SHOULD WRAP THEIR LETTER BOXES IN TOILET
PAPER AND LEAVE THE LIGHT ON

*YOU CAN LEAVE LOLLIES OUT THE FRONT AND LOOK THROUGH
THE WINDOW AT THE ZOMBIES, GHOSTS, CLOWNS AND OTHER
CREATURES OF THE NIGHT OR HAND OUT LOLLIES WITH A FACE
MASK & GLOVES MAINTAINING THE 1.5 RULE

*WALK, DRIVE OR CYCLE AROUND DIMBOOLA WITH ADULT
SUPERVISION

Notices

Supporting your child to start school in 2022

You are invited to a **free information session** to support parents and carers to understand what is involved in a positive transition to school and how this can be supported at home, as well as through strong links with children's kindergarten and school.

Presented by: Early childhood experts Louise Dorrat and Heather Barnes

When: Thursday 28 October, 7pm – 8pm

Register: <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/supporting-your-child-to-start-school-in-2022-wimmera-south-west-tickets-185378721747>



Around Our School

