



St Peter's Lutheran School

Newsletter - Friday 15th February 2019

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Dates to Remember

February 2019

20th - School Swimming
21st - School Swimming
22nd - School Swimming
22nd - P&F Welcome BBQ
27th - School Swimming
28th - School Swimming

March 2019

1st - School Swimming
5th - Shrove Tuesday
5th - P&F AGM
6th - School Swimming Carnival
11th - Labour Day Public Holiday
21st - School Photos
28th-29th - Parent/Teacher Interviews

April 2019

3rd - Athletics Carnival
4th - Last day of Term 1
5th - Student Free Day

Term Dates 2019

Term 1 29th January - 4th April
Term 2 29th April - 28th June
Term 3 15th July - 20th September
Term 4 8th October - 13th December



Church Calendar

17th - Feb - 11am LR
24th Feb - 11am HC
3rd March - 10am Parish Service @ Natimuk

Awards

STUDENTS OF THE WEEK



Dane Paech - Achieving excellent results in spelling.

Victoria Ward - Showing kindness & empathy towards others.

Charlotte Paech - Sharing her wonderfully positive attitude each day during class.

Jaxon Bourke-Finn - Doing an excellent job at remembering his sight words.

Kylie Clarke - Creating excellent sight words with her playdough & trying hard to remember her sounds.

PRINCIPALS AWARD



Isaac Mahfoud - Listening carefully & following instructions during class activities.

Bridgette King - Working independently during Maths activities & always applying consistent effort.

From the Principal

Hi everyone, I hope that you have all had a wonderful week. The weather has kept us cool and fresh this week but it's looking as though for our swimming carnival in 2 weeks' time we will have higher temps which will be perfect. Don't forget that you are able to put a lunch order with your child's order for the carnival on Wednesday the 6th March and the lunches will be brought down to the pool for you.

Mrs. Dent, Ms. Dwan, Mrs. Whittaker, Mrs. Schubert and I have all been very happy with the manner in which our students have all settled back into the school routine this week. They have all been very positive and extremely well mannered. Our student leaders have settled into their roles and are all contributing to the smooth running of each day.

Last Thursday the 7th February at 6:30pm we had our parent information night. This evening was for all parents and caregivers of children at St Peters. The evening was for parents to meet staff and also to find out about policies, procedures and class routines. It was an excellent opportunity for parents to ask their child's teacher any questions they may have and to also meet other parents. If you were unable to attend this evening all important rosters and notes have been sent home with your child.

This week our Swimming program started, all of the students are super excited and really looking forward to these lessons. All staff are involved in teaching these lessons each day, so our school will be locked up when we head down to the pool each afternoon. Just a reminder that for all days that swimming lessons are on bus students are picked up from the pool by their bus and parents pick up students also from the pool each afternoon at 3:20pm. Please come and see your child's teacher for any further information that you may require.

At the start of each year there are always several notes that you are required to fill out and return for our records. If you are unsure of what to fill in on these notes or have questions about their content, please come into the office between 8:30-2:30 and Mrs. Walters will be able to assist you. Please make every effort to return all these forms as soon as possible.

Our P&F welcome BBQ is on Friday the 22nd February from 5:30pm at the 'Pines' down on the bank of our beautiful Wimmera River. All food will be provided free of charge, BYO chairs and drinks. Thank you again to the P&F members that are organising the food for this get together.

Have a wonderful weekend,
Yours in Christ,

Tim Reimann



Devotional Thoughts

More than birds

'This is why I tell you: do not be worried about the food and drink you need in order to stay alive, or about clothes for your body. After all, isn't life worth more than food? And isn't the body worth more than clothes? Look at the birds: they do not plant seeds, gather a harvest and put it in barns, yet your Father in heaven takes care of them! Aren't you worth much more than birds?' (verses 25,26)

Read [Matthew 6:25-34](#)

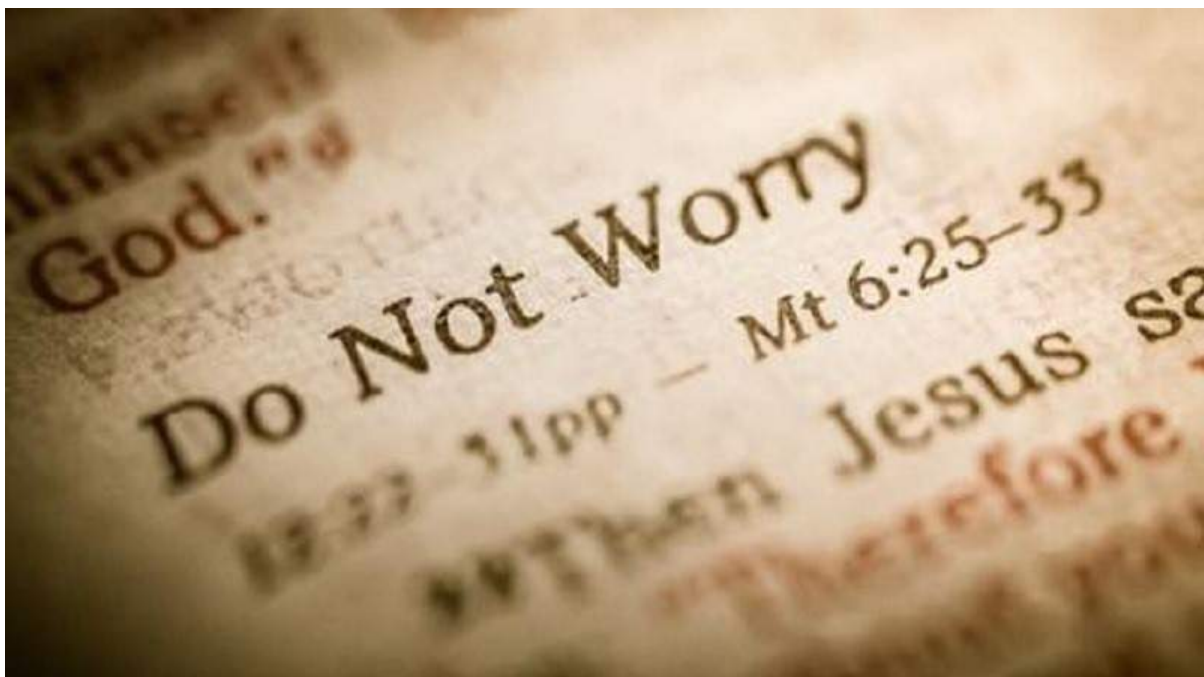
'Aren't you worth more than birds?' There can come times in your life when you don't feel worth more than birds. When you feel you're the smallest, weakest, most insignificant person alive. When you wonder if anyone would notice if you weren't there anymore.

People still say hello, smile, even spend time with you. But when you're buried in those dark times, you cry out for someone who will know every bit of you, and love you – and like you – no matter what. You can't put these kinds of feelings into words. They're too deep, too heavy, and it's easier to brush off any expressions of concern with an 'I'm fine. It's OK.' Inside, your soul is screaming. Outside, your smile is weak and unconvincing.

'Aren't you worth more than birds?' You wish you were a bird. No work responsibilities, no mortgage to worry about, no relationships to repair, hearts to heal, tears to weep. As a bird, you could disappear into the sky, look down on the world, all your problems far away. You'd be free, floating in the clouds, sailing wherever the wind would take you.

Ask, 'Am I worth more than birds?' Then, listen. 'Yes. You are my child.'

Lord, I give you these words as sighs from my soul, tears from my heart. Amen.



Notices

P&F Catering Helpers

P&F are seeking helpers for a catering job they have on Saturday 6th April 2019. If you can assist in anyway please contact Rhianna Paech on 0418994234

Start of Year Forms

Please make sure you return all your start of year forms ASAP. If you need a new set, please contact the office.

Parent Helpers

We are looking for parents who can assist us with the following;

Swimming Carnival - Wednesday 6th March
Athletics Carnival - Wednesday 3rd April

Roles we need assistance with are varied and able to be shared with other parents so you still have time to watch your child/children.

If you are in a position to be able to assist please let the office know.

P&F AGM Meeting

P&F AGM will be held on Tuesday 5th March 2019 @ 3.30pm in the Multi Purpose Room

All Positions are vacant

REMINDER

The next school holidays are longer than normal. School holidays will run from Friday 5th April 2019 - Monday 29th April 2019

P&F Welcome BBQ

REMINDER the P&F Welcome BBQ for all families will be held on Friday 22nd February 2019 at The Pines.

A basic BBQ tea is provided, please BYO chair/picnic rug and drinks.

Children and adults are welcome to swim, but you MUST supervise your own children.

Please make sure you RSVP as soon as possible for catering purposes.



Kids Camp 2019

Tandara Lutheran Camp

When April 9-12

Who Ages 9-12

Cost \$210



Theme Tips and tricks to read the Bible like a Pro!

To register: <http://www.tandara.org.au/app/register/form/1>

Registrations close 1st of April 2019

Notices

Is your young child experiencing
worry, anxiety or fear?

Then register for...

The Brave Program

for parents and caregivers of young children

A FREE online program that provides parents and caregivers of young children aged **3 to 7** with information and skills to help their child overcome fears and anxiety.



<https://brave4you.psy.uq.edu.au>



fb.me/braveparents

To keep this program free for all Australian families, anonymous data is collected at registration and during the program use, to help us track the success of the program. Some of this data may be used for research purposes.



The
Brave
Program.



Four **FREE**
online self-help
sessions



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House Captains

Congratulations to our House Captains.

GOLD Charlotte Paech & Declan Paech

BLUE Ryan Skurrie & Victoria Ward



Around Our School



Who says learning our words has to be boring?