



St Peter's Lutheran School

Newsletter - Friday 24th July 2020

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Upcoming Important Dates

August 2020

4th - P&F Meeting @ 3.45pm
14th - Staff Development Day
Student Free Day

September 2020

6th - Father's Day
9th - School Photos

Term Dates 2020

Term 1 - 28th January - 27th March
Term 2 - 14th April - 26th June
Term 3 - 13th July - 18th September
Term 4 - 5th October - 11th
December (students finish)

Awards



Mercedes Paech - Having the courage to share her classwork with her peers even when unsure of the answers.

Jasper Ward - Developing a story of high quality about the 'real' version of Hansel & Gretel.

Principal Award



Mercedes Paech - Displaying real patience & kindness when working with classmates.



From the Principal

Hello everyone, it has been a fabulous week here at St Peters. Yes it is week 3 of term 3 and we are all travelling very well. The staff have many engaging and challenging activities planned for students. We may not have any major excursions or incursions happening currently but never the less staff and students are staying positive, busy and focussed on what we can control.

On Tuesday the 4th August there is a P&F meeting after school. New parents and friends are always welcome, so please come along.

Another reminder that on **Wednesday September the 9th** is now when Andrew from Creations Photography will be coming out to St Peters. We certainly have plenty of warning so please ensure that your children will be well presented and dressed appropriately on the day.

New enrolments for 2021 and for the following year 2022 are being taken. It is encouraging to see that we already have several prep students enrolling for next year and also the year after. Please come in and see Mrs Walters in the front office if you require further information or documents. Pre- enrolling at this time is a way to ensure that your child/children and their needs can be considered prior to the New Year. Teaching staff are able to organise class groups, order resources and plan ahead more efficiently when we know student numbers well in advance.

On Friday the 14th August we have a student free day here at St Peters. All St Peters staff will be completing online Professional Development training. Our school campus will be shut on the day and staff will be working from home.

Even though under current restrictions we must maintain many of the same routines and habits as last term. School cleaning will be ongoing every day of the week. Students will be encouraged to maintain good hygiene habits and all staff and students will have their temperature taken every day of the week. If your child has a temperature of 37.5 or above you will be contacted to pick them up as soon as possible. We must be super vigilant in regards to protecting our community during this time. Please encourage your children to make every effort in this area.

Have a safe and Blessed Weekend,
Yours in Christ,

Tim Reimann



Devotional Thoughts

Hopeless!

'Then people go to their eternal home ...' (Ecclesiastes 12:5c).

[Read Ecclesiastes 11:9–12:7](#)

Argh! I can't believe that just happened! This is absolutely hopeless! Have you ever had one of those days where everything you touch, everything you do and everything you say goes wrong? Maybe it went on for longer than a day. Hmm, that sounds a bit like 2020 so far, doesn't it?

It isn't clear how old King Solomon was when he wrote Ecclesiastes, but in this portion of his writing, he shares verse after verse of negativity, despair, death and bold hopelessness. Reading this stuff can be discouraging. Wow, this sense of being completely flattened by something really drains the fuel from your tank. A downward spiral can kick off and seem to accelerate with each moment. Oh no, this is hopeless. So, how do I get out of this?

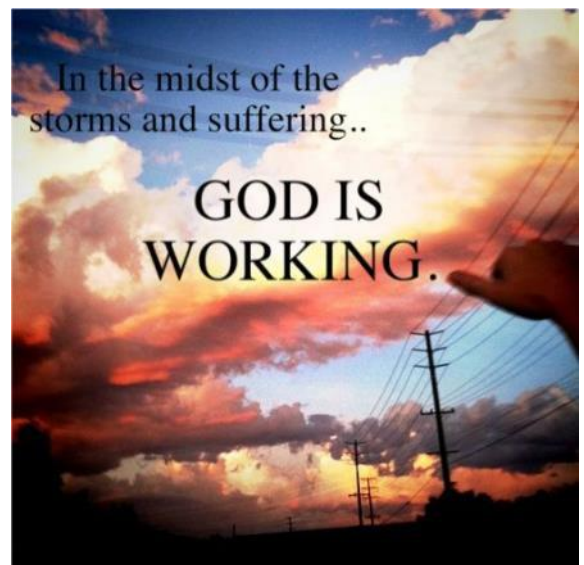
Subtly, Solomon unveils real, lasting hope. Like a small country town on a long road trip, did you miss it? Solomon certainly needed the assurance of unconditional love in his life. Buried deep in his dreary dilemmas, Solomon proclaims two amazing and awe-inspiring positive truths about our ever gracious and loving Lord. The declaration is so small and yet so mighty that it's worth reading the words again. Go back and check them out. See what you find, and then come back and read on.

Did you spot them this time?

Knowing that God is the giver of all life and that people go to their eternal home guarantees that hope is a gift from God that is alive, vibrant and real. How good is it that hope doesn't rely on us or anything we do or can't do, or mess up or try to fix up! It is all God's work. He comes to us in every moment and authentically understands that life on earth isn't shiny. He gets the ugly stuff. When everything seems lost, he sits quietly in the ashes with us, puts his arms around us and loves us.

Hopeless? No way! God's got you. You are bathed in his grace today and every day. Rest in the comfort of his love.

***Lord, I am yours. Thank you for loving me, no matter what.
Your unconditional love fills my tank and gives me hope.
Lord, let's get into the day together. Amen.***



Notices

P&F Meeting

The next P&F meeting will be Tuesday 4th August 2020 at 3.45pm in the Multi Purpose Room. Please make sure you are wearing a mask, social distance and where possible just bring yourself to the meeting.

Chapel Services

With the current COVID-19 restrictions, there will be no Friday Chapel Services until further notice.

Email List

If you would like to receive our school newsletter and/or the P&F Minutes by email, please email admin@spls.vic.edu.au

Staff Development Day

Friday 14th August 2020 will be a Student Free Day. All staff will be off site for Professional Development Day. No supervision will be available for students.

Pie Fundraiser

Pie Fundraiser forms were sent home this week. If you wish to order please make sure all orders and money are returned by Friday 7th August 2020.

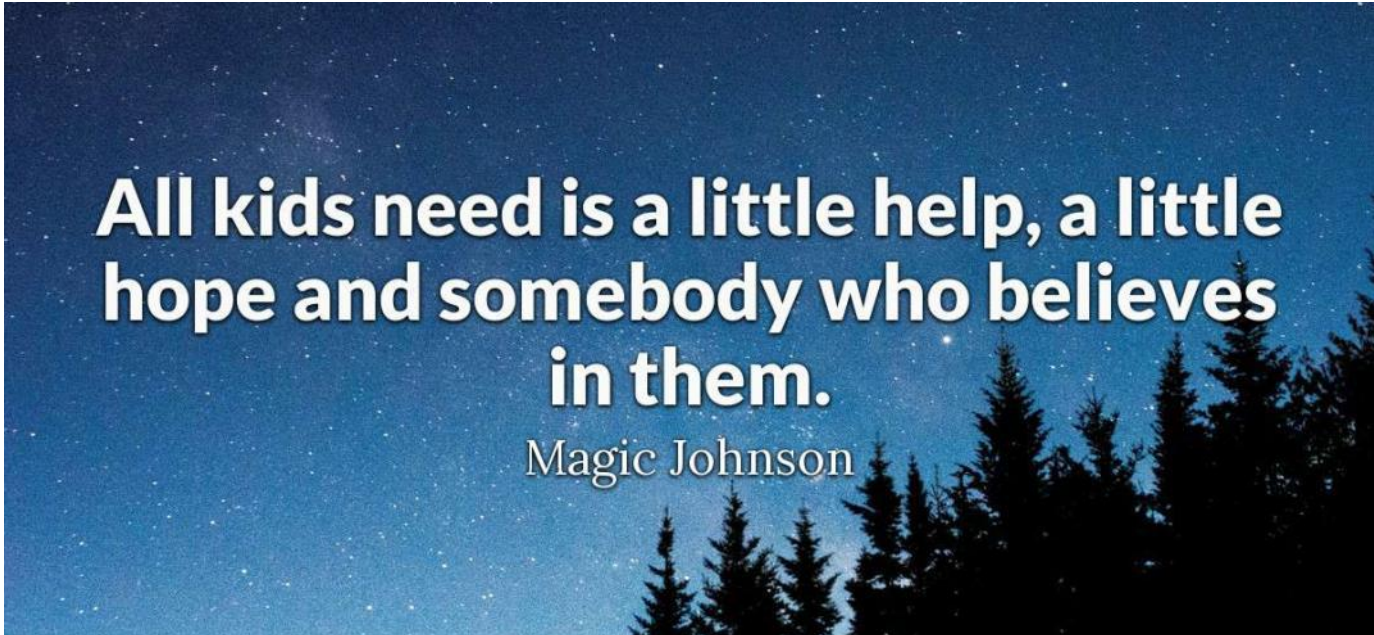
School Uniforms

We have a large selection of Second Hand Uniform available, if you would like to have a look, please pop in during school hours.

If you would like to purchase new uniform items, please contact Kate Ward on 0409 528 958

Uniform

During Term 2 & 3 students are expected to wear full winter school uniform. This includes our school bomber jackets. Access to classrooms is limited before 9am, children need to make sure they have a jacket to wear on these frosty mornings.



All kids need is a little help, a little hope and somebody who believes in them.

Magic Johnson

Notices



By Tessa Leach-Charlotte Revell-Lexi Farmers

Joint Hindmarsh & Yarriambiack Shire Backyard Camping Comp!
Grab your tents, marshmallows and fire pits because the Hindmarsh and Yarriambiack Youth Councils are organising a backyard campout!!

What you need to do to enter:

1. Take a picture, video, Tik Tok or Instagram of your campsite.
2. Upload to Hindmarsh Shire Youth Council and Yarriambiack Youth Action Council Facebook or Instagram page. Make sure to tag us!
3. Welcome participants under 25 years old.

--PRIZES--

-- 1st place: 3 nights camping on a powered site in either the Dimboola Caravan park, Warracknabeal Caravan Park or the Hopetoun caravan park --2nd price: 2 nights on a powered site camping -- 3rd price: 1 night on a powered site camping

**Competition closes on 30 July 2020, 7 p.m.
Winners will be announce on 31 July 2020**

Around Our School

