

St Peter's School News

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Dear Parents,

A big welcome to the 2016 school year for all new and returning families and students. I trust you all had a happy and safe holiday break and are prepared for the year ahead. We look forward to all that the year will bring: the learning opportunities, the challenges, the rewards, the friendships, the growth, the care and support and the enjoyment and fun.

This morning we celebrated the beginning of the school year with our Beginning of Year Mass. Well done and thank you to all children who participated in the Mass whether reading, serving, carrying up the gifts or singing. During the Mass our new School and House Captains were formally inducted into their roles and received their badges.

This Thursday we will holding our Annual Swimming Carnival at the Coly Pool for all children from 9:30am onwards. Children will come to school as usual and then walk to the pool in their respective house groups. Children are reminded to bring along all they will need including swimming gear, pool entry (\$1.50 if no season ticket) drinks, food and plenty of energy. The pool canteen will be open for lunch and children will be allowed to purchase their lunch when indicated by staff.

School hats are an essential part of our school uniform and are compulsory items during Terms 1 and 4. Could you please assist us by ensuring that their school hat is in their bag each day. If children do not have a hat they are directed to play under the COLA.

Many thanks to Mr Smith, Trudy Chant, Ava Rossato and Tom Breed for helping get the school tidied and ready for the arrival of children on Friday morning. Your assistance is as always much appreciated.

If you are sending in food for your child's recess or lunch that requires a fork or spoon please pack a one for them. Also please use a thermos or something similar if you are packing warm food as we will not be heating up lunches for children.

Weekly Prayer

As we begin the new school year, let us pray that all school students may learn to seek God in all people and events.

God of new beginnings, may this year which we dedicate to you, bring us closer to you and each other.

What's on at St Peter's!

Thurs. 4 th Feb	St Peter's Swimming Carnival
Mon. 8 th Feb	School Council Meeting 7:30pm
Wed. 10 th Feb	Ash Wednesday Mass 10am
Fri. 12 th Feb	MIA Deanery Swimming Carnival

PRAYERS PLEASE

We ask you to continue to pray for the sick of the parish and community, especially Kevin (Fred) Mannes, Patsy O'Donoghue, Des Howe, Letitia Connellan & Mrs Viv.



Our newly inducted leaders

CLASSROOM NEWS

☆ Year 5/6 ☆

Welcome Back!

It was lovely to see all the smiling children on Friday morning. I hope everyone enjoyed their holidays and I'm sure all the children are ready for a term of hard work. Many thanks to all those in the school community for their prayers and support for Jacob and our family after Jacob's car accident in January. Your concern was much appreciated.

We are starting the term with a very busy week. Tuesday is our Beginning of the Year Mass at 10.00am. The 5/6 children will be reading and serving at this Mass, and the school leaders will be presented with their badges. On Thursday we will be holding our annual Swimming Carnival at the Coly pool.

In Maths this week we have started our first unit which is 3D objects and in HSIE this term we are studying a unit on Australia's Identity and Values.

Homework begins next week.

Christine Breed and Daniel Tuohey



Welcome to Week 2

A warm welcome is extended to everyone on the commencement of the 2016 school year. Thank you to the students who have returned their covered exercise books. Some students have elected not to cover their books. A few more will be sent home this week. The school celebrated the Beginning of Year Mass this morning. An Ash Wednesday Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday 10th February commencing at 10.00am. The Swimming Carnival will be held on Thursday 4th February commencing at 9.30am. Thank you for the prompt return of nomination forms. Thank you to the parents who have offered their services to help run the carnival. An information letter detailing what is happening in the class will be sent home next week. Homework will commence in the next couple of weeks.

Have a good week.
Craig Smith



I would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone at the beginning of our 2016 school year. The new children are settling in quickly and this is very much due to the attitude and actions of the older children both within the school as a whole and within the classroom. I am excited about the year ahead and looking forward to what we can achieve. Tomorrow is the Kindergarten rest day and they have earned it as they have been very focused and willing to have a go at all the new things Mrs Fraser has asked them to do. Kindergarten children have completed their Best Start so I have their beginning levels in Literacy and Numeracy. The children in Year 1 and 2 will undergo lots of "observations" and tasks on Wednesdays to establish their beginning levels for the year. I am looking forward to the swimming carnival and we have had some "dry" runs doing some of the races and games we will compete in at the carnival. I hope you can make it to see the children. An information sheet will be coming home with more information about happenings in the classroom and how things are organized. Have a great week,
Rina Fraser.

P & F NEWS

TUCKSHOP WORK

Feb. 8 Dee & Rosie McKersie

COOK

Feb. 8 Melissa Painting

Tuckshop will resume next Monday 8th February with the new Menu attached.

Also on the bottom of the newsletter is a helpers note for Term 1, if you are able to help with either working or cooking or both it is really appreciated as our tuckshop is a great service for our children and asset to help raising funds for our school.

P & F MEETING

The next P & F meeting which is the AGM is to be held on Monday 15th February at 7:00pm in the school staffroom.

STICKYBEAK Lunch bags are available from the school office. Colours available are green, red, yellow and purple and the cost is \$10 each.

P&F FACEBOOK PAGE

Parents can now join the St Peters Coly P&F Facebook page for timely information from the P&F.

SCHOOL JUMPERS

School Jumpers are available from the school office for \$52.00 each. Sizes range from 6 to 16.

SPORTING NEWS

St Peter's Swimming Carnival will be held on Thursday 4th February at the Coleambally Pool commencing at 9.30am. Children are allowed to wear their house colours or sport uniform. Children are asked to bring swimmers, footwear, towel, food and drinks, special sunscreen(if needed),hat, pool entry fee of \$1.50 (if child does not hold a current season ticket) and spending money for canteen(optional)

SCHOOL COUNCIL NEWS

THANKS

Many thanks to Vin and Deb Whelan and staff for their watering and mowing of the school grounds over the holidays and for having the school grounds looking great for the start of the school year.

MOWING & GROUNDS ROSTER 2016

January 2016	Vin & Deb Whelan
February	Mr Tuohey/Mr Smith

A new Mowing and Grounds Roster will be set up following the School Council meeting next week.

Best wishes
Daniel Tuohey

COMMUNITY NEWS

Milo & Junior Cricket

Milo and junior cricket will recommence on Saturday the 6th February.

COLY SQUASH COMP STARTS SOON

Night Comp and Thursday morning comp
All ages and Levels most welcome.

Don't know how to play?

Plenty of seasoned players are ready to help you learn Racquets and shoes available for purchase at wholesale prices

Great exercise all year round

INTERESTED?

Call or text President: Perry Hardy 0427546728

Secretary: Amanda Simpson 0419375304

Morning comp Sandy Scott: 0428695814

The Darlington Point Riverina Classic Fishing Competition will this year be held from Friday the 12th – Sunday the 14th February.
Entry Costs are \$50 adults, \$20 kids & \$120 family.
See the website www.riverinaclassic.com for more details.

Raffle tickets to win a \$10 000 holiday voucher are also available from selected Coleambally & Darlington Point Businesses.

River Camp 2016

WHEN: Fri 19th Feb - Sun 21st Feb 2016

WHERE: "Kooba" Darlington Point

WHO FOR: High school kids 7 - 12 yrs

HOW MUCH: From \$45

WHY: River camp is a non denominational church event that attracts over 150 young people from all over the Riverina. Activities include swimming, games, bush walking, canoeing, flying fox, camping, low ropes, evening activities, worship times, small group discussion and much more.

Please call Austin Evans on 0427277906 for more info or pick up a rego form at CCS Canteen.

COLEAMBALLY TENNIS CLUB

AUTUMN COMPETITION 2016

Commencing this February - May

Social night tennis for anyone who would like to play.

Kids over ten are welcome as long as they can serve from the baseline and know the rules.

Every Tuesday night for ten weeks (except school holidays).

Coleambally Tennis courts.

Contact Demi on

0447685575 ausdem@tpg.com.au or

Rae Collier on 0419984310 or raecol41@gmail.com

To put your names down before Fri 12th Feb 2013.

TUCKSHOP NOTE – TERM 1 2016

I can help with Tuckshop by:

Both working and cooking /_/_/

Working only /_/_/

Cooking only /_/_/

I am unable to help but would like to donate

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Signed