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St. Peter's Newsletter Term 2 Week 3 2024

## **NEWS FROM MICHAEL HANNEY**



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MOTHER'S DAY AT ST PETER'S



On Wednesday, 8th May, we will be celebrating Mother's Day at St Peter's for the mothers/special friends in our community, with thanks to our Parents & Friends.

## **BREAKFAST**

Please go to the following link to book for the breakfast: link to the booking website. There will be two sittings for breakfast to ensure everyone has the opportunity to attend. Please note: If a family attends the earlier sitting which finishes at 7:45am, their child/children will be supervised by school staff until the school day begins.

**VOLUNTEERS TO ASSIST** 

We require lots of dads/male mentors to assist with the setting up, cooking, serving of food and cleaning up to ensure our mums/special friends can enjoy this time with their child/children. Please use the sign up link to volunteer your time.

#### PHOTO SLIDESHOW

A special part of this breakfast will be a slideshow featuring photos of our students and their mums/special friends. Not only will this be displayed during the breakfast, but we will put it in the Newsletter. If you would like to be featured in this please email community@spbentleigheast.catholic.edu.au with no more than 3 photos of our students with their mums/special friends.

If you have any questions about any of these activities, please contact Michelle Gibson, mgibson@spbentleigheast.catholic.edu.au

#### HAPPY EASTER

We wish all our families of Orthodox faith a happy Easter for this coming weekend.

## LAND UPDATE

Plans are moving forward on the demolition of the properties on Centre Rd. Thanks to Najla Sarkis, (Joseph 6BG and Luca 2PG) and her company NCS Project solutions we continue to progress with the project.

We have now appointed a company to demolish the three properties on Centre Road. Demolition is planned to be completed by the end of May. This may be slightly delayed due to an objection we received after advertising the project but we are hoping for a quick resolution of the objection and the issue of demolition permits.

We are also in the process of finalising the engagement of Civil engineers. Upon the completion of the Civil design we will move to engaging companies for

- Fencing and
- Civil Works and Landscaping

I will continue to keep you updated in future newsletters.

#### **UNIFORM CHANGE OVER**

The expectation is that all students are in Winter Uniform starting this week. School Hats are still required whether in summer or winter uniform until the end of April.

## PUPIL FREE DAY THIS TERM

Our Pupil Free day this term will be on Friday, 7th June. There will be no school for students on this day as staff undertake professional learning. OSHClub will be operating for the full day.

#### MARIA IERINO - SUPPORTING MOTHER'S DAY CLASSIC

Maria Ierino, mother of Ella-Rose 4MH and Lucas 3MS, will be participating in the Mother's Day Classic fundraiser which raises funds and awareness to fight breast and ovarian cancers. If you would like to support Maria you can donate via this link.

https://www.mothersdayclassic.com.au/fundraisers/mariaierino/mothers-day-classic-melbourne

#### FAREWELL GEMMA MARCHESE

We wish Gemma Marchese, Learning Support Officer in Year Three, all the best as she commences parental leave at the end of next week. This is a very exciting time and we look forward to sharing the good news when the little one arrives.

#### WELCOME MEGAN TSAI

Megan completed her Bachelor of Fitness in 2022 and has been working in the fitness industry including working with children in small and class groups as part of a school program. Megan will be working full days from Monday to Friday. Megan will start at St Peter's on the 6th of May and will replace Gemma in Year Three.

## ANZAC DAY CEREMONY



On Anzac Day, 5 students from 6SH, Declan, Katelynn, Denver, Thomas and Henry met Mr Hanney at the park behind the Bentleigh RSL to attend the Anzac Day service. During the service, we all went up and laid a wreath at the Cenotaph on behalf of St. Peter's. There were many other schools that laid wreaths at the service as well.

As we were standing at the service we all felt honoured to be able to represent our school and to commemorate the soldiers that died for us.



## **FOUNDATION ENROLMENTS 2025**

Enrolments for foundation 2025 are now open. If you are a current family at St Peter's with younger children starting school in 2025 then you can pick up an enrolment form from our school office or contact Trish tticca@spbentleigheast.catholic.edu.au and she will send one home for you.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

## WEEK 3

Tuesday, 30th April - Year 2 Excursion to CERES

Thursday, 2nd May - 4MK Visiting Warrawee - 1.50pm - 3.15pm / FEDPAS - 4.00pm - 6.00pm

Friday, 3rd May - Walk/Ride to School Day

## WEEK 4

Monday, 6th May - 3ES & 3GJ Attending Mass - 10.00am

Tuesday, 7th May - Kelly Sports - 3.30pm - 4.45pm (For Students Enrolled in the Program) / Confirmation Family Workshop - 6.30pm - 7.30pm (Year 6 Confirmation Candidates)

Wednesday, 8th May - Mother's Day Breakfast - 2 Sittings - 7.15am - 7.45am or 8.00am - 8.30am

Thursday, 9th May - 4MK Visiting Warrawee - 1.50pm - 3.15pm / FEDPAS - 4.00pm - 6.00pm (For Students Enrolled in the Program)

Friday, 10th May - P & F Mother's Day Stall / 1BG & 1RE Attending Mass - 10.00am

Sunday, 12th May - MOTHER'S DAY

#### WEEK 5

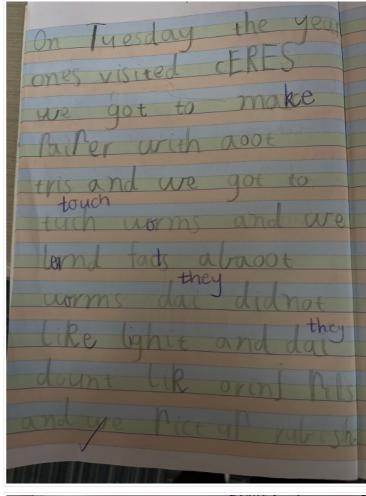
Monday, 13th May - NEWSLETTER / 3AM & 3MS Attending Mass - 10.00am

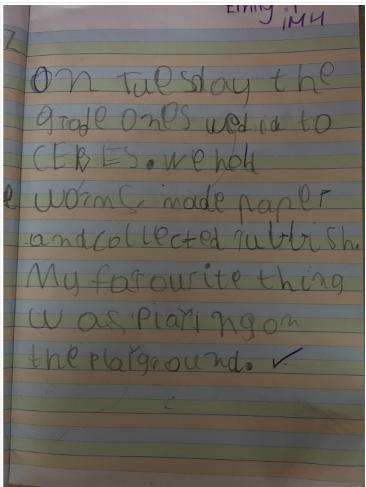
Tuesday, 14th May - Year 4 Wildlife Exposure In School Activity / Kelly Sports - 3.30pm - 4.45pm (For Students Enrolled in the Program)

Thursday, 16th May - 4MK Visiting Warrawee - 1.50pm - 3.15pm / FEDPAS - 4.00pm - 6.00pm (For Students Enrolled in the Program)

Friday, 17th May - 2RN & 2PG Attending Mass - 10.00am / P & F Foundation to Year 2 Disco - 5.00pm - 6.00pm / P & F Year 3 & Year 4 Disco - 6.30pm - 7.20pm

## YEAR 1 EXCURSION TO CERES



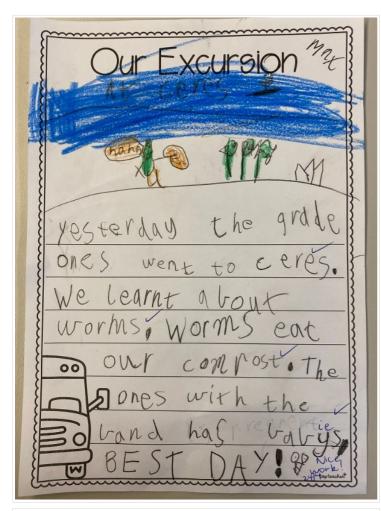


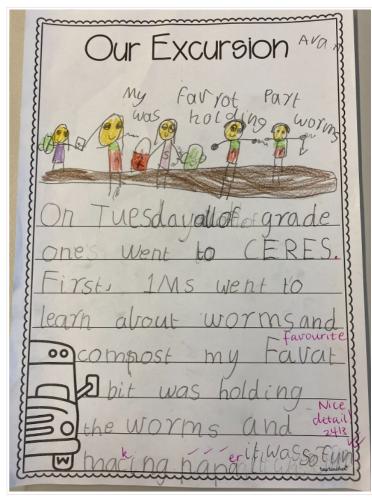


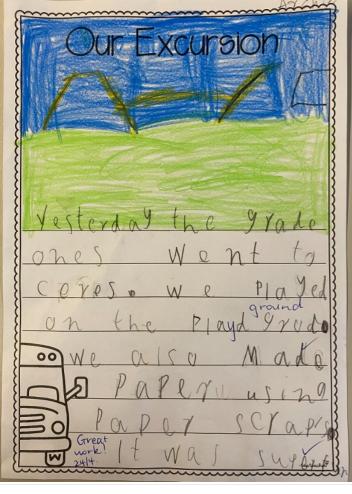


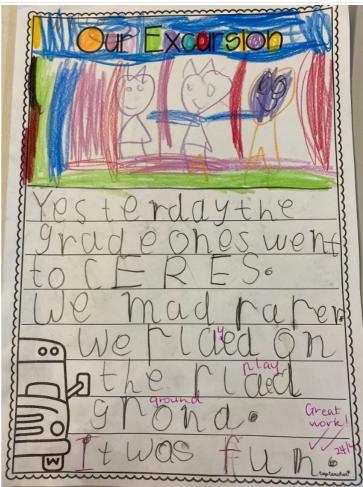






















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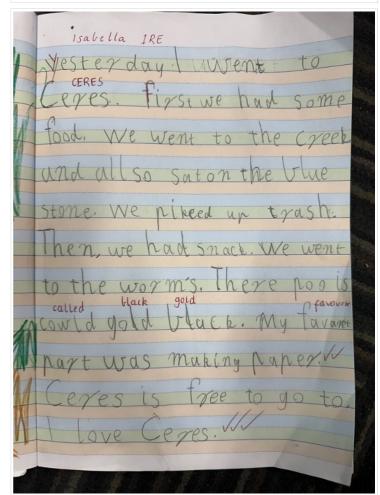
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Yesterday we went on a bus to Ceres. We went on a creek walk with rubbish in the water. We saw a rubbish catcher and we picked up rubbish. We made recycled papers. We played compost bingo. We made a song about the 6 R's. We held worms and learnt about them.

## By Lola Gesterkamp 1BG

Yesterday we went to Ceres. We went on a bus and I sat with Jonathan C. We played guns. We got to Ceres. We learned about doing the rubbish in the right bin.

We did a creek walk with rubbish in the water. We saw a rubbish catcher and we picked up rubbish and put it in the bin. We made paper with recycled now it is drying in our classroom. I am so excited. We played Compost bingo I found lots of stuff.

I think we did a great job and held worms. They were tiklish and we learnt about them. I learned they eat lots of food and grow fat.

By Cruz Li 1BG









## YEAR 5 CAMP TO PORTSEA

On Monday the 22nd of April the Year Fives went on camp to Portsea! We were all so eager to get off the bus but we were stunned by the view of the beach.

We all were put into six activity groups with around fifteen people in each.

Day one each group completed two activities followed by a night walk and a campfire with delicious marshmallows. The second day included four activities and an awesome disco with DJ Oscar and DJ Cav.

The daytime activities included raft making, beach games, giant swing, flying fox, high ropes and team building. On the final day, we competed in the Portsea Amazing Race. Group 6 won, the prize was they got to pack the bus!

The chefs were great and the food they cooked was mostly amazing. Some of the food included delicious chicken and rice with fresh salad, amazing wraps with lovely fillings and burrito bowls with an incredible variety of yummy toppings. For breakfast both mornings we had cereal and toast with lots of spreads and fruit.

The cabins were great and the mattresses were really comfy. Over all, our experience was fantastic and we would like to thank all the staff from St Peter's and Portsea Camp that made this possible.

## By Paige D, Annabelle P and Emily S - 5AC

As the bus pulled up next to the side of the cabins, the Year 5s knew it was time to go to camp! Portsea Camp encourages children to step out of their comfort zone and try new things but if you were scared of heights the staff didn't force you to do it. "I really enjoyed it and it felt like having a home away from home."

We got to spend three days at Portsea camp full of cool activities and fun times. One of the activities was Giant Swing which was a normal swing but 10 times bigger.

Another activity was Raft Building in which you have to be in your swimming gear and build a raft with different materials. High Ropes was a fun activity, if you aren't afraid of heights. Team building was pretty fun and you even got to have extra free time.

Beach activities were spectacular. You got to go to the beach, have a lot of fun and even swim if you were lucky. Tuesday night was disco time, full of light, bubbles, glow sticks and loud music. The last activity was the Portsea Amazing Race and it was pretty amazing as the name suggests, running all around the camp completing challenges.

We thank the Year Five Teachers and the Portsea Camp for giving the Year 5s one the best experiences of our lives.

## By Sophie Ferwerda & Alexandra Schreurs - 5AC

Year 5 camp was a ball and a great time to try new things. The opportunities to reach out of your comfort zone were endless. Other than that, all the food was delightful, with delicacies that could make any mouth water. We left Portsea Camp with so many memories we will all treasure for the rest of our lives.

It took one hour to get to Portsea and once we got to camp everyone was tired from the trip. Once we took all our belongings off the bus we were shown to our dorms. Our dorm was enormous and in case you were wondering, girls were with girls and boys with boys. We had also written down the names of the friends we wanted to be with in our cabin. We went to the hall once we had chosen the bunk we wanted to sleep on. Everyone took out their snack and ate ravenously.

Once everyone had finished, we met Oscar (one of the people who worked at the camp), he gave us a brief tour and told us the rules. When that was done we were sorted into groups and group 5 (my group/Sophia's group) did high ropes. To get ready, we had to put a harness on. To get up onto the course you needed to do a rock climbing wall, after that you would clamber on top. To reach the ladder you would climb up toward a wire and cling onto the rope to reach the other side. If you reached the other side you had the choice of either floating down or climbing down, I chose floating! After that Group 5 did team building. We played a few games using teamwork. When we finished them we played a game called GaGa Ball.

The way you play GaGa Ball is like this - One player throws the gaga ball up into the air. Players yell "Ga" as it bounces and the ball is in play after the second bounce ("Ga-Ga"). Players can hit the ball with one hand, but cannot pick up and throw it. If the ball touches a player anywhere on or below the waist, that player is eliminated.

Then at the end of free time we had dinner. Dinner was Moroccan chicken, salad and rice. Dessert was yogurt and fruit. Then we all got changed and plopped into our beds.

We all woke up exhausted and excited for the next day on our adventure. Breakfast was a plain but filling meal of toast and cereal, washed down with glasses of apple and orange juice! After breakfast, we treaded back to our dorms for a small rest before our next activities. When we met at the humongous basketball courts, we took roll calls and went on our way. After two fun, exciting activities, we all came back together for a delectable lunch of wraps. Then another nice rest, in which some kids changed into their swimmers for the beach activities and raft building.

Once again, the activities concluded and we headed our separate ways, some to the basketball area, others to the giant oval to play and share our day's experiences whilst mingling with each other and watching the warm sunset. A while later we went down to the dining hall for the final dinner of taco bowls. They were delicious and Liberty, who was on our table, said that she really enjoyed it (times infinity!) and that she wholeheartedly wished for more, even though we could not have seconds.

After our dessert (ice cream!) we all went to our cabins to get ready for the disco, the night we had all waited for!!

Oscar and Mr Cavarra were the DJs for the night, tossing glow sticks into the crowd. Of course, some people didn't want to join in, so they went somewhere else. It was amazing, absolutely spectacular!!!!!

The last day was by far the most tiring of the whole camp. We first woke to another brekkie of toast and cereal, followed by packing suitcases and farewells to the cabins. Then we went to our meeting place to start an amazing race where you do lots of games with your group. Group 6 (Mia's Group) won, and had the "best prize of all": packing the bus!

Then we climbed on the bus and headed to Sorrento back beach for a walk and some sandwiches for lunch. Then we got back on the bus and went home. The Year Sixes welcomed us back with singing, lots of it. We also got to play on Casey! Then we bade farewell to the school and headed home.

Mia and Sophia would like to say thank you to Mr Cavarra, the Year 5 teachers, Catherine and Dom, and Mr Hanney for organising the trip and sacrificing their time for the camp. We wouldd also like to thank Oscar and the staff from Portsea Camp for contributing to our enjoyment.

## By Sophia and Mia-5MH

On Monday, 22nd April all of the Year 5 students left St. Peter's for the Portsea Camp for our annual school camp. Students were overjoyed and excited about the three day, two night camp. On the first day we loaded our luggage onto the bus and took our seats along with the 5AC students. We waved goodbye to family and friends and started our adventure. The bus ride was long but fun, as we got to talk with our friends and share our hopes and dreams about the camp. As we approached the camp our excitement grew.

There was a cheer and a round of applause when the bus pulled into the camp. We unloaded our luggage off the bus and went to the hall to meet our Camp instructor, Oscar! We were given a tour of the camp, ate our snacks and then settled into our cabins.

We were given activity groups to work with during the three day camp. Some of the activities on offer were the giant swing, flying fox, team building, high ropes, beach activities and raft building. There was also a giant slide that we were able to ride on that took us to the meeting area. On the first day we did two activities, had lunch and afternoon tea. Our dinner on the first night was Moroccan chicken, rice and salad. Fruit salad and yoghurt followed as our dessert. After dinner there were two activities available; the night walk and camp fire. We roasted marshmallows on the fire and sang songs around the campfire.

On the second day we completed four rotations of the activities, ate yummy warm jam donuts, fruit, DIY wraps for lunch, chocolate cake for afternoon tea and for dinner we enjoyed taco bowls followed by vanilla ice-cream! After dinner we dressed up for the camp disco. Oscar, the team leader, was throwing glow sticks and prizes to everyone. There was a massive bubble machine, disco lights and party poppers. On offer for those who did not want to go to the disco was the option to watch Legomasters and play indoor games. After a very busy day and lots of dancing and singing we were ready for our second night of sleep.

Our final day had approached and we packed up our luggage and cleaned our cabins. In our activity groups we were given the task of playing a game called "The amazing race", where we were asked to complete puzzle type tasks around the camp. Group 6 won the game and their prize was to help pack the bus, along with everyone else.

We all loaded our luggage onto the bus and said our goodbyes to The Portsea Camp.

We took a short drive to the Sorrento back beach, where we walked to the top of the lookout and ate our yummy rolls with juice boxes. It was a busy few days and lots of us were really tired. We took our seats on the bus and started the long drive

back to school. It was quiet on the bus on the way home, lots of people were fast asleep!!!

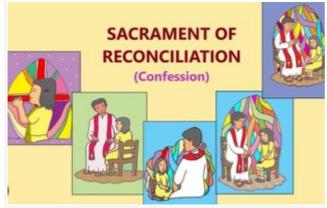
Overall the camp was so much fun!!! It had so many fun activities on offer and the food was great. The Portsea Camp is definitely the highlight of the year.

## By 5PC Students





## **SACRAMENTS**



Congratulations to the following students on receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Romie Clarke, Charli Figueirado, Valentina Iacono, Saoirse Lynch, Elyse Macken, Sophie McNaughton, Scarlett Picardo, Harry Reaper, Ruby Singh, Milana Taranto, Jack Beare, Gemma Conheady, Michael Ivancic, Miela Johal, Alexia Vlassopoulos, Jack Wain, Rhiannon Brown, Olivia Mamic, Marko Milicevic, Darcy Owen, Isabella Robinson, Ava Shelton, Lennon Declase, Ollie Kerger, Ethan Lee, Hugo Neeson, Sebastian Peluso

## **SPORTS NEWS**

#### ST. PETER'S HOUSE CROSS COUNTRY

On the 19th of April the 3-6s had to participate in Cross Country at Centenary Park.

First up were the Year 3s and they had to run 2 laps around Centenary and each one of them did an awesome job. Next the Year 4s went and they also did great. Then the Year 5 and 6s went and they tried their hardest.

Well done to everyone that participated and well done to the people that got in!

We thank Mr Cavara for organising such a fun day and all of the staff members helping out.

By Olivia Bonnici 6LD





## STUDENT WELLBEING / STAR AWARDS/ BUCKET FILLER / WALK/RIDE TO SCHOOL DAYS

## PJ/OODIE DAY

Thank you to everyone for your participation and donations for PJ/Oodie/Onesie Day last Friday. We hope you all enjoyed the fun day at school.

Our SRC team raised \$667 for the Alannah and Madeline Foundation. The Alannah and Madeline Foundation strengthen the rights of children and young people to live free from violence and trauma wherever they live and play.

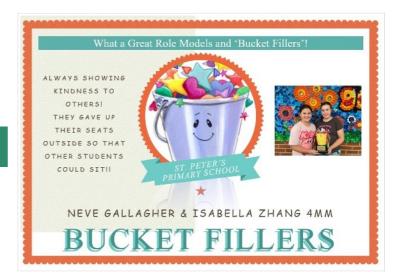
Well done and thank you!





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#### **BUCKET FILLERS - TERM 2 WEEK 2**



SPECIAL MENTION: Jobe Wilson 5PC

Jobe helped his friend with a broken collar bone walk to and from school for weeks.

## STAR AWARDS - TERM 2 WEEK 2

FOUNDATION - YEAR 2 - For RESPECT By Showing Others Consideration, Courtesy And Care!!

Hazel Lee, Ayla Kinch - FHK / Ellie Rogers, Emelia Mesaritis - FMM / Levi Sese, Sara Semaan - FEL / Bradley Nguyen, Adrian Britto - FMB

Jessica Lee, Mia Pinkerton - 1BG / Anderson Cooper, Olive Natoli - 1MS / Hazel Zhou, Fred Budic - 1MH / Sam Eddy, Martina Lo Schiavo - 1RE

Katya Cooper, Charlize Abdelahad - 2PG / Sara Bellucci, Amali Tisseverasinghe - 2RN / Isaac Schreurs, Ana Mijajlovic - 2AM / Billy Cleary, Bethany Macken - 2SS

YEAR 3 & YEAR 4 - For Showing RESPECT Towards Others By Interacting Cooperatively Both In And Out Of The Classroom!!

Alexia Vlassopoulos, Ollie Kerger - 3ES / Connor Basias, Charlotte Westlow - 3GJ / Jack Beare, Hollie Thompson - 3AM / Ava Shelton, Sebastian Peluso - 3MS

Mary Natoli, Ethan Lee - 4MK / Mariana Lo Schiavo, Neve Gallagher - 4MM / Louisa Wan, Ollie Walker, Luca Karras - 4OG / Molly McLean, Henry Divall - 4MH

YEAR 5 & YEAR 6 - For Showing SELF RESPECT By Accepting Responsibilities, Making Good Decisions And Demonstrating Self-Control!!

Ollie Benvenuto, Charles Gleeson - 5MH / Avnee Karandikar, Agata Kochergina - 5HG / Toby Cripps, Henryk Sheen - 5AC / Mila Adams, Anushree Karandikar, Paige Reneaux - 5PC

Sanit Thy, Mary Goes - 6SH / James Zadro - 6BG / Yianna Savvidis, Patrick Pickering - 6LM / Aydin Gupta, Tylah Twitchett - 6LD



Our next Walk / Ride to School Day is on this Friday, 3rd May.

In the meantime keep Active by Walking, Riding or Scootering to school whenever you can!!

Don't forget to have your cards clipped whenever you walk, ride or scooter to school and return your completed cards to the office to receive a new one.

## P&FNEWS



## P&F NEWS - LEADERSHIP UPDATE

We are very excited to announce that Natasha Abbondanza will be joining the P&F Leadership Team with Rebecca Clarke. Welcome Tash!!

Look out for another great term of fun events and activities for our students organised by our P&F members, staff and parents of St Peter's.

Rebecca and Natasha P&F Leadership Team



TONIGHT P&F MEETING - MONDAY, 29th APRIL - 7.00pm

We look forward to seeing all our existing and new P&F members at our next meeting, tonight, Monday, 29th April at 7.00pm onsite at school.

All parents welcome!

## **TERM TWO EVENTS**



## MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST - Wednesday,

## 8th May

7.15am to 7.45am

8.00am to 8.30am

We will be celebrating Mother's Day at St Peter's for the mothers/special friends in our community.

There will be two sittings for breakfast to ensure everyone has the opportunity to attend. Please go to this link to book LINK TO BOOK

Please note: If you attend the earlier sitting, your child/children will be supervised by school staff until the school day begins.

## Volunteers to Assist

Calling all dads - this is your time to shine!

We require lots of dads/male volunteers for 1 hour shifts to assist with the setting up the night before, cooking, serving of food and cleaning up on the day to ensure our mums/special friends can enjoy this time with their child/children. Please use the sign up link below to volunteer your time.

https://signup.com/mobileweb/2.0/vspot.html?activitykey=99587254078#

#### Photo Slideshow

A special part of this breakfast will be a slideshow featuring photos of our students and their mums/special friends. Not only will this be displayed during the breakfast, but we will put it in the Newsletter. If you would like to be featured in this please email community@spbentleigheast.catholic.edu.au with no more than 3 photos of our students with their mums/special friends.

If you have any questions about any of these activities, please contact

Michelle

Gibson, mgibson@spbentleigheast.catholic.edu.au





## MOTHER'S DAY STALL - Friday, 10th May

As part of our Mother's Day celebrations, we will be running our Mother's Day Stall again this year.

Items will range between \$2 - \$8. Please have your child bring a bag for their purchases and their enthusiasm to buy, these children love to shop!

We would love some parents to help with the stall. We need 6-8 people at each session, 9.00am to 11.00am and 11.30am to 1.30pm.

Please sign up here if you would like to volunteer:

https://signup.com/go/tTPyEhx

Dads most welcome!



# JUNIOR SCHOOL DISCO - Friday, 17th May

2 x sessions Prep - Year 2 / Year 3 & 4

Preparations have begun for the annual Junior School Disco. Look out for more information closer to the date.



# ST. PETER'S TRIVIA NIGHT - Saturday, 15th June

Save the Date for the annual St Peter's Trivia Night that's as classy as it is casual!

This year's theme...



Tix \$25 | Tables of 10 | BYO snacks & drinks

More information and booking link will be shared in the coming weeks but in the meantime, mark it in your calendar, get your bling and your best blue jeans ready for a sparkling good time!





## SAUSAGE SIZZLE / CASUAL DRESS DAY

## - Monday, 24th June

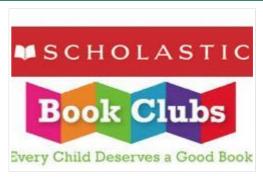
Orders will be open through Flexischools closer to the date. Follow St Peter's P&F for news and updates on:

Instagram - stpeterspanf

Facebook - St Peter's Primary School Bentleigh East - Parents & Friends

P&F email: pnf1@spbentleigheast.catholic.edu.au

## SCHOLASTIC BOOKCLUB



The Issue 3 Scholastic Bookclub Brochures were distributed on Friday, 19th April.

Orders are due back in cash through the office (please include correct money) or online via the Scholastic Website by no later than Thursday, 2nd May. Please note no late orders can be accepted.

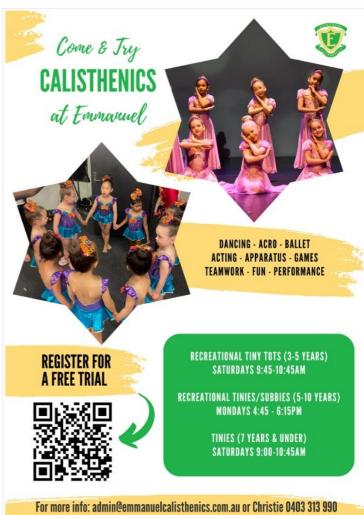


## **COMMUNITY NEWS**



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