

St Peter's Primary School, Keilor East Celebrating 52 Years: 1971 - 2023

Supervised School Hours – 8.30am until 3.30pm Remember to bring your <u>BRAIN FOOD & Sun Hat each day</u>!



REMINDER: Please be mindful of the speed limit around the school when dropping off and picking up children. It is 40kph!

TERM 2	Please check term calendar of events each fortnight for updates		
	Thursday	15 June	School Advisory Board meeting @ 7pm Year 1 Camp Day
	Friday	16 June	Feast of the Sacred Heart Whole School liturgy @ 9:15am Girls' Soccer Gala Day @Keilor Synthetic Pitch
Week 9	Monday	19 June	Boys' Soccer Gala Day @Keilor Park
	Friday	23 June	St Peter's Day Mass End of term @ 1.30pm
Term 2	Monday	10 July	Term 3 begins @ 8.40am

REFLECTION: Feast of the Sacred Heart

This week, we reflect on the love of Christ through a beautiful symbol of love – the Heart. Let us pray for more generous hearts that we may be like Jesus in giving everything of ourselves to God and God's people. May we give to others freely without judging their worthiness.

A reading from Matthew's Gospel

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.'

We pray,

Lord Jesus,

your heart broke open with such a depth of love that you gave your very life for your people. May we love others as you have loved us. Make gentle our hearts so that we, too, may bring Life to the world. Hope Line Humility

Matthew 25:35-40

We ask that you bless us with the knowledge that we are so greatly loved.

Nourish our hearts and help us to open them to those in need.

May the Spirit of God bring us closer together and breathe new life into our every day. We ask this prayer in the Spirit of your love. Amen.

It is at the Feast of the Sacred Heart liturgy that we offer our donations of non-perishable food items to St Vincent de Paul. The Year 6 Mini Vinnies team created an Operoo note that was sent out asking for donations of non-perishable food items. If you can support this by sharing an item already in your pantry that would be appreciated!

Dear Parents, Staff and Students,

Welcome to week 8! As next week is the end of term, this is the last newsletter. We had a lovely visit from Bishop Terry Curtin last Friday. The Mass he celebrated with Fr Sebastian was inspiring and uplifting. He asked the children to tell someone important to them that they are the light of their lives. I hope your children shared this with you. The altar servers were wonderful too. Here is a photo of them.



I thank all St Peter's staff members for their hard work and ongoing commitment during the term and especially for the learning experiences prepared. I wish them all a restful, enjoyable and safe two-week break.

We warmly congratulate Belinda Harper (Student Wellbeing Learning Diversity Leader) and Matthew Galea who were recently married. We wish them every happiness as they begin their next exciting life chapter together.

On Friday 23 June we will be farewelling Annette Lizio (Class Teacher 2LM). We thank her for everything she has done for the children and for her commitment and contribution to our school community over this first semester. Annette will return for the parent student learning conferences in Term 3 (timeline explained in the last newsletter). Also, we are happy to announce that Naomi Osborne (Japanese Teacher P - 2) is expecting her second child and will finish up at the end of this term. We wish her and Jamie all the very best, and look forward to meeting baby Osborne in due course.

I also thank all families for your great support over the term, and especially to our School Advisory Council, SSP captains and helpers, classroom helpers and excursion helpers. We wish all families a relaxing and safe holiday break and we look forward to seeing the children return at the start of term three (Monday 10 July).

Feast of St Peter – 29 June 2023

We will be celebrating the Feast of St Peter on **Friday 23 June** with Mass and activities to follow.

Peter, Our Patron Saint Did you know ...

Peter was a disciple of Jesus and a great leader who helped hold together the early disciples. Although he was not perfect, he focused on the mission of Jesus. He knew his own weakness and yet his failures did not prevent him from continuing Jesus' mission.



After Jesus' death, Peter led the community in Jerusalem for some years but by 49 CE this was a shared leadership with James and John (Acts 10). Later Peter appears in Syrian Antioch, possibly needing to leave Jerusalem because of Roman persecution. The letter attributed to Peter provides the best evidence that later still Peter was in Rome (1 Peter 5:13) where, tradition has it, he was executed in the persecutions by Nero in the 60s. In this letter, Peter is remembered as a 'fellow elder' and 'shepherd' of the community. It was later generations who endowed his memory with titles such as 'bishop' and 'Il Papa' (father) from where we get the title 'Pope'.

Jesus asks the disciples what people are saying about him. Simon Peter proclaims that Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah, the anointed one of God. To this he adds the divine title 'Son of the living God'. With a play on Greek words, Jesus declares that Peter (*Petros*) is the rock (*petra*) upon which the Church will be established.

EDUCATION IN FAITH

Our Year 4s will soon be preparing for their First Holy Communion. Please keep the children in your

prayers.

• First Holy Communion Celebrations – 12 August @11am & 13 August @ 12pm

LEADERSHIP and MANAGEMENT

Reminder – School Closure report-writing days – pupil free

Monday 6 November 2023

SCHOOL COMMUNITY

Drop-off & Pick Up

I have heard a few parents are receiving infringement parking notices issued from the Council. I do not know when they turn up, however I can say, because of the ongoing issues we have had, even with the pink zones in place, they will continue to check on the traffic movement and parking around the school to ensure drop-offs and pickups are conducted safely for all concerned, especially the children. Unfortunately, school has no power to change parking inspections. If you feel you have been unjustly penalised, the best advice I can provide is to please contact the Council and discuss the situation.

CHESS CLUB

Chess club will resume in term 3, commencing week 2. It takes place in the school's library on Mondays from 10.50 - 11.40am. Please check the details provided for registration.

SECONDARY SCHOOL CRC - Year 5 Experience Program



HEALTH ALERTS

If your child has an allergy, please ensure you provide the appropriate action plan signed off by your medical practitioner and provide the school with the medication, i.e. epi-pen or antihistamine.

Life Threatening Allergies Anaphylaxis

The following year levels have children with allergies:

Prep: Eggs

Year 1: Cashews, pistachio, eggs, wheat, milk

- Year 3: Nuts, seafood, cashews, pecans, hazelnuts, macadamias, walnuts, pistachios, egg
- Year 4: Cashews, pistachios, red lentils

Year 5: Eggs, peanuts, hazelnut, walnuts, pecan, nuts, milk.

Year 6: Nuts, pistachios, cashews, egg



Please note: We suggest, regardless of the class your child is in, that you avoid sending your child with peanut butter or Nutella sandwiches or any health bars which contain tree nuts. If a child comes into contact with the allergen even if it is by a touch on the hand, it can trigger an anaphylactic reaction. Children having a severe anaphylactic reaction will experience difficulty breathing, swelling of the throat, face, lips and tongue, sweating, low blood pressure, abdominal pain, dizziness, fainting and nausea. It is challenging to make our school completely nut free, however we do make a conscious effort to reduce risk. We need your help and cooperation to achieve this.

Please note: if your child is having a birthday and you wish to give something to the class, please ensure it is a **<u>non-food item.</u>**

BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE

OSHCLUB are our before and after school provider. OSHCLUB operates at the following times:

- Before school care: 7.00 8.30am
- After school care: 3.15 6.15pm

How to book

An OSHCLUB online enrolment form must be completed. Enrol online at www.oshclub.com.au.

Final Word

Our school community, at its heart, strives to foster goodwill and cooperation. Please do come and speak with me if you feel there is an issue to discuss. If you are unable to make a time during the school day, I am available most weekdays until 6pm. If contacting me by email (principal@spkeiloreast.catholic.edu.au), please follow the school's communication policy protocols. Email will not be used to answer lengthy or serious concerns, as in such cases the school requires that parents arrange a meeting time so that the situation can be discussed properly, and actions implemented if needed.

NEXT NEWSLETTER – TERM 3, WEEK 2 Enjoy your day! Linda Tarraran – Principal