



## School Newsletter

## Term 4 Week 1

7 October 2015

### Dates to Remember

#### October

- 9th - PSSA Recommences
- 13th - 5/6LW Speaker of the Term
- 14th - 3/4T Assembly
- 16th - Pogo- athon - 3/4T
- 19th - P&C Meeting
- 27th - 1/2S Speaker of the Term
- 28th - 1/2S Assembly
- 29th - Starting Blocks - Session 1 and  
Parent information session

#### November

- 2nd - Play Day Performance Y3-Y6
- 2nd - 13th - Swim Scheme
- 5th - Starting Blocks - Session 2
- 11th - Remembrance Day Assembly
- 13th - 3/4T Speaker of the Term
- 25th - K/1MP Assembly

#### December

- 1st - K/1MP Speaker of the Term
- 2nd - Play Day Performance Y3-Y6
- 4th - Reports Sent Home
- 8th - Parent Teacher Interview Day
- 10th - Presentation Day
- 10th - Year 6 Farewell
- 14th - End of Year Excursions
- 16th - Last Day of the 2015 school year

### Reminders

- All absences need to be explained  
- preferably by written communication.
- All notes that contain money must  
come to the front office.
- Follow our twitter account  
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and receive timely news updates.



### Welcome to Term 4

Welcome to our final term of learning for the 2015 school year. I hope that you have all had a good holiday period with your children. A brief reflection activity in the 5/6LW classroom revealed that a students enjoyed a range of activities while at home. In particular, students cited a number of reasons for enjoying their holiday. One of the common themes was spending more time with friends and family. This is certainly a relection of the wonderful values exhibited by our students at St Peters.

As you can see from the Dates to Remember column on the left we have a busy calendar ahead for this term with reports and parents interviews, our school presentation day, swim scheme as well as our orientation days for our new 2016 students. On top of this we will be this term introducing our peer support program. This program is a feature of the school calendar in many public schools and sees the year 5 and 6 students becoming peer leaders. Every Tuesday at 12.30pm the students will take a group of kindy to year 4 students and lead them through a range of activities designed to support Personal Development and Health education. The year 5/6 leaders are being trained this week by Miss Sheridan.

The school continues to receive enrolments and based on current numbers we will grow in 2016. Of course we base these projections on the numbers of children we know are leaving and those starting at the school. If you know that your child currently in years K to 5 will not attend the school next year and you have not yet advised us, please let use know by calling the school office or by emailing the school.

## T20 Cricket



On the last Monday of last term, a girls and a boys team made up of year 4 to 6 students set off to play in the Milo Cup T20 cricket Gala Day. The event was organised by Cricket NSW and all the children involved had a fabulous day in the brilliant weather at Beaman Park, Marrickville.

There were a number of schools represented and some bigger schools brought along more than 1 team. Although our teams found victories hard to find, they all agreed that they had a fabulous time playing some very competitive teams. We would like to thank all the parents who went out of their way to bring students to the park and to pick them up after. We couldn't have done it without you.

## Farewell Mrs Ward

Mrs Ward has now moved onto the next adventure in her life and has retired from St Peters PS. Her last day was full of farewells in good cheer with the staff, students and parents all getting a chance to say goodbye to Mrs Ward. The staff had a big morning tea for Mrs Ward and lamented the fact that we will miss her glorious contributions to our morning teas as well as all of the other things that she has done and continued to do for the students, staff and community at the school.

A highlight of the day was a surprise assembly that we held for Mrs Ward at the end of the day. We had guests of former principals of the school; Ms Edwinda McDougall and Ms Debora Atkins, who both spoke with great respect for Mrs Ward and her efforts at the school.

While Mrs Ward has retired, the school and its programs carry on and for this term we welcome Mr Park who will be taking teacher relief time and learning support time.



## Year 6 Artshow



After Mrs Ward's assembly, the school held its annual artshow for 2015 with exhibits of artworks completed in term 3 as part of the RAW Art lessons. There were many fabulous artworks on show and parents had a chance to donate money to the year 6 fundraising for their children's artwork. The money is used by year 6 to purchase a gift for the school. We are very pleased to announce that this year, Year 6 raised over \$200 and this money will go towards a gift that will be announced by year 6 at the school's annual presentation day on 10 December.

## Starting Blocks 2016

Every year the school holds orientation sessions for students who will be starting to attend the school the following year. On Thursday October 29th and November 5th, the school will host the sessions for kindy 2016 students.

In past years the students have joined the K/1 class and joined in. This year this will not be possible due to a much larger number of enrolments for 2016. Consequently, students during these sessions across K-6 will move up a grade. The year 4 students will join 5/6LW; the year 2 students will join the year 3's in 3/4T and the K/1MP students will all join the year 1's in 1/2S.

The students will be in class for the first session until recess and then at recess the 2016 students will have their recess with our K-2 students in the main playground. The 3-6 students will enjoy their recess in the school quadrangle.

On the 29th, new parents will be given an opportunity to attend a parent information session. This session will provide details about the running of the school as well as important information about how you can support your child's learning at home in partnership with the school.



## P & C News

Welcome back to the last term for 2014!

On September 12th we hosted the Bunnings BBQ at Mascot Bunnings. This is always a great fundraiser for the school and I'm pleased to report that we raised over \$2200. These funds go towards making the school a better place for our kids to learn and grow. A huge thank you to Chris Caloudis who really put in a mammoth effort to get this BBQ organised. But it wouldn't be able to run without all the fantastic volunteers on the day - thank you to everyone who helped out.

September 14th saw the WestConnex Delivery Authority attend a meeting in the school hall to provide further information to the school community about the planned WestConnex development. Thank you to Peter Ross and the other members of the WestConnex Sub Committee who organised this meeting and have worked tirelessly all year to stay abreast of this development and its potential impacts on the school. More information about the outcomes from this meeting can be obtained by contacting Peter Ross and is also available on P&C noticeboard.

By now all the chocolate fundraiser money should have been returned to Natalia Kolenc. If you still have money owing please return this as soon as possible. A wrap up of the fundraiser will be in the next newsletter.

The date for the next P&C meeting is scheduled for Monday 19th October at 7pm in the staff room.



Due to family and work commitments I will be stepping back from the President's role this term, unfortunately we are also without a secretary. This places a burden on the remaining executive members and I urge anyone who has some time to contribute to step forward to help the P&C to continue to provide ongoing support for the school and all the children who attend. If you are interested in helping out please contact me, Natalia Kolenc or Kym Berry for further information. Or come along to the next meeting.

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for 4-8 year old  
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Starts 9 Oct

**8.30-10am, Saturdays**

Gough Whitlam Reserve  
Starts 10 Oct



## **T20 BLAST**

for 7-12 year olds

**Girls ONLY**

5.30-7pm Fridays @ Petersham Oval  
Oct-Dec 2015

**Boys & Girls**

5.30-7pm Fridays @ Mackey Park  
Feb-Mar 2016



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for 10 -12 year olds

**U13 T20 team**

Saturday arvo T20 format

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Teams of 8

10 Oct - 12Dec 2015

Starts 10 Oct



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