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School Newsletter

For Term 4 Week 10

Starting 11 December

Dates to Remember

December

11th - K-5 Fun Day 11th - Year 6 - darling harbour Excursion 12th - Crazy Hair Day 12th - Final Chess Session for this term 14th - Presentation Day 9-11am 14th - Helpers Morning Tea 11am - 12pm 14th - Year 6 Farewell - Yiamas 6-8pm 15th - Last Day of School 15th - P&C School Disco 12-1:45pm 15th - Year 6 Arch 2:55pm

January/February

29th - Staff Development day 30th - Year 1 to 6 return 30th - 1 Feb - Best Start Assessments 2 Feb - Kindy 2018 Students Begin

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St Peters Public School Year 6 2017



Thank You

Our 2017 school year is almost over and what an amazing year it has been. I would personally like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support in this my third year as Teaching Principal of this wonderful school. We started this year with almost zero growth from 2016 with massive effects from the WestConnex development rippling through our community. Although I work at the school I cannot begin to understand what it means for those who live here through this transformation. We are a small school and make big of this in our sales pitch to our community, but all of our staff work extremely hard to ensure that our students have all the advantages that big schools offer. Sport, creative arts, sustainability, science and technology as well as the learning of a language all feature in the opportunities this small but passionate school offers. Our children enjoy one on one access to technology and the advantages of using the most current technology tools that don't just substitute for

traditional methods, they modify and redefine it. None of this, however, could be achieved without your wonderful children. The staff and I have loved teaching them and seeing their learning grow over the last year. As they progress to next year and go up a year or leave the school we feel sure that they will continue to grow. I wish all of you a safe, happy and enjoyable summer break and I look forward to seeing many of you in 2018.

Changes

As we move into next year there are inevitable changes as staff move on to pastures new. Ms Sheridan has elected to take a second year of maternity leave and thus will not be returning to St Peters in 2018. Mr Park, Ms Garner and Ms McSpadden will all return in 2018 but Ms Charlton is moving on as she seeks new adventures in Queensland in 2018. We wish her well but welcome to the school Ms Cho who was selected through Expression of Interest from Carlingford West Public School. Additionally, Ms Iriarte will be rejoining us again for 2018. She is currently working at Punchbowl Public School. Finally, Ms Plummer will be joining us as an SLSO two days a week and Mrs Bishop returning for three days a week. Mr Lavitt will continue as Teaching Principal for his fourth year.

Presentation Day

Presentation Day is this Thursday and ALL student must **wear full white top school uniform and black footwear.** No sports uniforms. We also request that you ensure that children are not late on this day to minimise disruption. We look forward to seeing as many of you on the day. Please be in your seats by 9:10am. We will begin by 9:20am.

Library has finished for the year. Thank you for returning books - please look for outstanding loans

This Week in Koalas			
English	Vathematics	Other KLAs	Reminders
revise all the sounds covered this year with games, and participate in talking and listening based on a beautiful Christmas story, The Polar Express.	This week we will reflect on what we have learnt in maths this year. We will count everything in our playground, steps from the class to the toilet, steps rom the bottom playground to the oval. We will even count all the balls in olay during the handball competition on Friday!!	Our class time on Tuesday and Wednes- day afternoon will be spent rehearsing our item for Thursday's Presentation day. We have some hand moves to coor- dinate and some lines to remember that still need a bit more work in class before the big day.	Monday - Fun Day! Tuesday - Crazy Hair Day Wednesday - Full rehearsal for Presentation Day Thursday - Presentation Day (and Got Game in the afternoon) Friday - Handball competition and last day of school Please wear full school uniform on Thursday. Do not wear sports uniform for Got Game.
This Week in Wombats			
English	Mathematics	Other KLAs	Reminders
Students will participate in various ac-	Students will review a variety of whole	PDHPE - Students will complete their	Monday - Fun Day, Sports

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The Goannas will conduct a review of semester 2 for spelling this week. We will look at a range of phonics that we previously covered. For writing we will finalise our review of expositions. Students we explore the language that is used in expositions and create their own short exposition to read to the class.	Students will wrap our review of whole number. This week we maintain our fo- cus on subtraction. Year two students will complete a range of activities and games to sharpen their ability to count backwards and solve two digit addition problems. Year three will focus on borrowing when solving three digit addition problems.	Drama/Dance- Students will be apart of final rehearsals for our presentation day performance.	Fun day- Is this Monday. Can al notes please be returned and students please make sure you are wearing your sports uniform Crazy hair day- This Tuesday is crazy hair day. Please remember to bring a gold coin donation. Presentation day- All family and friends please join us on Thurs- day for presentation day. Friday- Last day of the school year!

This Week in Dingoes			
English	Mathematics	Other KLAs	Reminders
This week the Dingoes will be final- ising their narrative stories. Binding their books and presenting them to the class.	Students will have to convert curren- cy, read flight details in 24 hour time and budget for a daily food allowance among other things!	Drama- Students are hard at work practising for their presentation day performance.	Monday is also the year 6 excur- sion to darling harbour. Please return all notes to the office.
Students will focus on their speaking and listening skills while presenting these stories to further their public speaking abilities.	Please take the time to talk to your child/children about your travel experi- ences and the little budget details they may not have accounted for.	Visual arts- students will be illustrating their narrative stories this week.	Tuesday is Crazy Hair Day. Please bring a gold coin dona- tion to go towards the Cystic Flbrosis foundation. Thursday is presentation day, we would love to see all parents and caregivers in attendance. Thursday is also the year 6 Farewell dinner. All notes and payment to be returned to the office.

Helping Hands Vacation Care

As expected, the vacation program for Helping Hands over the summer break is now available. There are a range of wonderful activities to choose from. Students from the 2018 kindergarten group will be welcome to join Helping Hands after the new year. The brochure is attached to this newsletter but has already been sent home with all students as well as being posted on Facebook. Remember that an enrolment with Helping Hands is required to access vacation care. You can access their enrolment page at: <u>Helping Hands - St Peters Public School</u>







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18 - 22 December & 8 - 25 January Unique Experiences for Primary School Kids!

DRAMA WORKSHOPS - LITTLE FARMERS - COOKING STARS - BUDDING ARTISTS - STORY MAKING - KIDS YOGA TENNIS HOT SHOTS - MULTI SPORT - DANCING STARS - WATER & GAMES - GYMNASTICS - SOCCER STARS

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Get Creative this School Holidays with Reverse Garbage creative reuse workshops

Build Your Own Robot—Monday 22nd Reuse Sculpture—Tuesday 23rd Story Squad Writing Workshop—Wednesday 24th Play in the Park Music and Theatre—Thursday 25th

All workshops 9:30am-3:30pm, \$90-\$100 per workshop

To book or for more information contact 956931323 or education@reveresgarbage.org.au





St Peters Community Preschool

We have Vacancies for 2018!

Are you looking for an "exceeding" rating preschool in the inner west, with above regulation staff/child ratios, highly trained staff, inclusive philosophy and inspiring environment? Then look no further...we still have places available for 2018.

Please Contact Laurel on 9519 1248



http://stpeterscommunitypreschool.com.au/

- www.facebook.com/St-Peters-Community-Preschool
- We are licensed for 3 5 year olds and cater for 27 children a day.
- Children generally attend for 2 or 3 days per week.
- We are open from 8.30 am 4 pm and close during school holidays.





JAN HOLIDAYS OLYMPIC SPORTS FUN!

Join us for 3 hours of mini Olympics awesome sports games & activities inspired by the Commonwealth Games in 2018

Time:	9am–12pm (3 hours)
Ages:	For kids aged 5–13
Dates:	Every Thursday in January (4th, 11th, 18th, 25th)
Theme:	Mini Olympics sports fun
Cost:	\$40 early bird price before 20th Dec
Venue:	St John's Hall (64 Bland St, Ashfield)

BOOK ONLINE NOW at geckosports.com.au (search for Ashfield, St John's Hall location) or email info@geckosports.com.au

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Franchise opportunities available | 1300 432 565



St Peters invites you to a fun evening of carols by twiligh

7:30-8:30pm Sunday 10 December 2017 187 Princes Hwy St Peters

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