



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

For **TERM 4 WEEK 6**

Starting **19 Nov 2018**

DATES TO REMEMBER

November

- 19th - Echidnas Assembly
- 20th - Scripture and Ethics continues
- 21st - Chess Continues
- 28th - P&C Meeting 7 - 8pm
- 30th - Mandarin Craft Activity

December

- 3rd - Wombats Assembly
- 7th - P&C Summer Sizzler
- 8th - Christmas Tree Collection Day
- 11th - Envirobank Collection
- 11th - Final Scripture and Ethics for year
- 14th - Fun Day
- 14th - Year 6 - Excursion
- 18th - Presentation Day
- 18th - Year 6 Farewell 6pm-8pm
- 19th - Last Day - Leavers Arch



UODPS PUBLIC SPEAKING COMPETITION

We don't normally look back at past events in the newsletter, but last Wednesday, St Peter's hosted the Grand Final of the UODPS Public Speaking Competition. It was a big day for the school and our staff and stage 3 students were absolutely amazing in their roles as compères, logistical crew and as timekeepers. The feedback from parents, and staff from other schools was fantastic. Our students always rise to these occasions and show the soft skills necessary to help out in these competitions. Well done to all it is a every proud moment for the school.

MANDARIN CRAFT ACTIVITY

On Friday 30 November, Ms Yang has organised for a Mandarin Craft Activity at the school. She has invited a Chinese handicraft art group to come in and teach children about making traditional Chinese zongzi (rice dumpling) craft. This workshop is an engaging way for children to participate in Chinese customs. There will be a \$9 fee for the incursion and this will take place during standard Mandarin lesson time on this day. A note will be sent home and emailed tomorrow about this.

BEFORE SCHOOL SUPERVISION

We have seen a rise in the number of students being dropped off and not supervised prior to the beginning of school at 8:30am. After 8:30am you are welcome to drop off students in the playground and leave as we provide a teacher on playground duty. If you need to drop off students before this and are unable to stay and supervise students, please use our before school service Helping Hands. They have capacity in the mornings for casual walk in's as long as you are enrolled in the service. This can be done free of charge. The fee is \$20 for BSC but with the government rebate it is down to about \$10.

PRESENTATION DAY

Just a reminder that we have our Presentation Day assembly on Tuesday 18 December. This is a big morning for the school. Please add this to your calendar. We will have capacity for all families as we have purchased some more chairs. However, we request that you limit the number of your family attending to two and to contact us if you have any more than this wanting to attend.

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Our focus this week is being Safe, Respectful, Learners in the toilet area



THE WEEK AHEAD IN LEARNING FOR TERM 4 - WEEK 6

This Week in Koalas - Year K

English	Other KLAs	Reminders
<p>Reading: In reading this week Koalas will be focusing on the book The Wonky Donkey</p> <p>Phonics: We will continue focusing on revising all of phonics and phonemes over the coming weeks. Again, this week we will be looking at simple word families using our phonics</p> <p>Sight words: This week we learn: came, but, from, make, stop</p> <p>Writing: We will continue to learn about persuasive texts. Koalas will be finishing off their persuasive poster about sun safety.</p> <p>Handwriting: students will focus on writing numbers of consistent size, shape and direction.</p> <p>Talk time: This week's topic is 'Water Safety' Students should explain why we should be safe in the water.</p>	<p>PDH:: Our focus on personal safety continues with water safety activities</p> <p>Class sport is on Tuesday and we will focus on fundamental movement skills through games.</p> <p>Got Game continues on Thursday</p> <p>Creative arts: The rest of the term creative arts will be integrated into other topics we are studying. We will be continuing our drama games.</p> <p>Science: This week will be designing our own objects from recycled materials with a focus on making them waterproof</p>	<p>Home Reading: Home reading continues this term as per previous terms. Please continue encouraging Home Reading. Remind your child to bring their folder in each day so books can be changed.</p> <p>Library is on Tuesday, so please remember to return library books and bring in your library bag on the day.</p> <p>Talk Time (news): will continue this term. Please see the Talk Time program for details.</p>
Mathematics		
<p>Whole number: Koalas will focus on multiplication and division again this week looking at record grouping and sharing using informal methods, labelling the number of objects in a group and recording grouping informally using pictures, words and numerals</p> <p>Measurement and geometry: Time is our focus again this week in measurement. Koalas will continue to learn how to tell time on the hour on analog and digital clocks and describing position of hands on an analog clock when reading hour time</p> <p>Statistics and probability: The Koalas will be learning how to interpret information presented in a display of objects to answer questions.</p>		

This Week in Echidnas - Year K/1

English	Other KLAs	Reminders
<p>Guided Reading Groups daily.</p> <p>K: Reviewing phonemes: 'wh' 'qu' and continue revising all phonemes.</p> <p>Sight Words Weeks 5 & 6: put then after looking now came but from make stop</p> <p>Year 1: Focus phonemes: Revision of the long 'o' phoneme using 'o_e"</p> <p>Sight Words: half first saw good would girl</p> <p>Handwriting: Term 4 focus is ensuring capital letters and lowercase letters are correct placement and size in continuous text writing.</p> <p>Writing: Students will develop their explanation writing through their Science learning. They will experiment with personal writing using simple and compound sentences from a variety of sources, including texts and environmental observations.</p> <p>Speaking and Listening Talk Time topic - Water Safety: 'Everyone should be safe in the water.'</p>	<p>PDHPE:</p> <p>Sport: During Term 4, students will develop locomotor skills, spatial awareness and cooperation through participating in minor games.</p> <p>Got Game (Gymnastics) is on Thursday.</p> <p>Students will learn about personal safety this term - water, sun and road safety.</p> <p>Science</p> <p>K: Material World - Students will design a waterproof object using recycled materials. They will use their knowledge of materials and the effect of water as discovered in previous lessons.</p> <p>Yr 1:Water Works - Students will draw and write their own explanation of the water cycle.</p> <p>Creative Arts</p> <p>Drama: students will play simple improvisation to deepen their understanding of verbs and adverbs.</p>	<p>Sports uniform days - Tuesday(Class sport) and Thursday (Got Game).</p> <p>Library - Wednesday. Please bring library bag with books to be returned.</p> <p>Home Reading continues every day.</p>
Mathematics		
<p>Number & Algebra: Focus: Multiplication and Division K: Students continue their learning in multiplication and division. They will record grouping using pictures, words and numerals Yr1: Students will model division by sharing equally and learn how to record the left over quantity.</p> <p>Measurement & Geometry: Time: Continued from Week 5: students will describe every day events with hour and half hour and record hour and half hour on analog and digital clocks.</p> <p>Statistics and Probability: Data: Continued from Week 5: students will describe information using 'more than' 'less than' and write a simple sentence to describe data.</p>		

This Week in Wombats Year 1/2

English	Other KLAs	Reminders
<p>Both Year 1 and Year 2 will work on revising spelling this week. Students will write a complex sentence daily to a picture stimulus and write an explanation as a class and individually. The focus in reading will be on making inferences using background knowledge and clues from the text. Students will continue learning how to use a dictionary(books and online) Daily 'buddy reading ' continues with a focus on reading, listening and reflecting. In 'talk time' students will talk about why we should conserve water.</p>	<p>PDHPE: Got Game focuses on gymnastics skills</p> <p>In class sport we will be playing games from around the world..</p> <p>Our learning about sun, water and road safety continues.</p> <p>Science: 'Waterworks' continues investigating ways of conserving water.</p>	<p>Monday: Music with Ms Caponis</p> <p>Tuesday: Scripture and Ethics and class sport. Students are to wear their sports shirt.</p> <p>Wednesday: Library- remind your child to return their library book in their library bag</p> <p>Thursday: Got Game. Students are to wear their sports shirt.</p> <p>Friday: Mandarin with Ms Yang. Merit Award assembly at 2:50pm.</p>
Mathematics		
<p>Number and Algebra: Students will continue to learn about multiplication and record answers using drawings, words and pictures. In groups students will complete multiplication algorithms. This week the tables challenge will be 8x tables. Students will work on mathematical problems and continue working on subtraction and addition vertical algorithms with and without regrouping. Measurement and Geometry: Students will continue to learn about time on the half and quarter hour, using analog and digital clock faces.</p>		

This Week in Goannas - Year 3/4

English	Other KLA's	Reminders
<p>Our spelling focus this week will be either 'are', 'ure' or 'are' words. Students will complete work in class using their words and homework is a crucial follow up to these activities.</p> <p>Students are continuing with imaginative writing this week. We have just begun to write our draft stories using characters we have created, settings we previously worked on and now that we know how to use dialogue appropriately engaging dialogue between characters. A big focus for our drafts will be proofreading and self editing.</p> <p>We are onto our final rehearsals this week for our drama performances. By Thursday all groups will perform their scene. Good luck!</p>	<p>Science: Our study of erosion will continue this week with students studying how landscapes are formed over time.</p> <p>School garden project: Students are in the final stages of this project. This week we will focus on our final preparations before entering the kitchen and cooking our meals.</p>	<p>Library: Tuesday. Please bring your library books and bags.</p> <p>Sport: Will be on Tuesday. Can students please wear their sports uniforms.</p> <p>Got Game: Is on Thursday can we all please wear our sports uniforms again</p>
Mathematics	<p>3D Printer Project: Students will be finalising their games this week. Our focus will be on constructing game boards and taking our games for a test run.</p>	
<p>This week in maths students will be completing the multiplication and division maths challenge.</p> <p>We will start the week working on whole number. Students will review place value, expanded notation and standard and non standard partitioning. Later in the week we will look at the properties of 3D objects and also sketching 3D objects. Finally, we will review large number multiplication.</p>		

This Week in Dingoes Year 5/6

English	Other KLA's	Reminders
<p>Students will continue their spelling homework activities for the week with three more weeks of homework left leading to an end of year diagnostic spelling test. We have been excited to see so many progress through the groups. Reading group work will continue once again this week and we will hold our reading group meeting on Tuesday once again.</p> <p>Students will also continue to undertake writing to create their information posters on electricity and sustainability. The posters will compare and contrast renewable and non renewable forms of energy.</p> <p>This week we will continue with our ghost story writing that we left behind in week 4. The aim is to continue writing and then for students to swap their stories and do some peer editing. Once we have all accomplished this we will be looking at voting on a number one script which will be then converted into a drama script.</p>	<p>Science: The students will continue to work on designing an information poster that explains the impact of generating electricity on the environment.</p> <p>The students have enjoyed using TinkerCAD to design an eco-friendly house over the last few weeks. Last week our class viewed each other's homes and voted on the top two designs. As a result of this, Theo, Matthew, Kalisitiane and Marlow's house will be printed using the school's 3D printer.</p>	<p>Monday: Echidnas Assembly</p> <p>Tuesday: Scripture/Ethics - Reading Group Meeting, class sport</p> <p>Wednesday: Library</p> <p>Thursday: Got Game</p> <p>Friday: Merit certificate assembly</p>
Mathematics		
<p>We didn't get around to working with cartesian coordinates last week and so this week we will be starting off the week by looking at cartesian coordinates and how they may be used with grids to locate the position of something. We will also be looking at rotational symmetry and how we determine the order of rotational symmetry for different 2D shapes.</p>		

This Week in Music

Koalas	Echidnas	Wombats	Goannas	Dingoes
<p>We will be revising our coloured sox song, and a new song that expresses who we are and the differences between all of us.</p>	<p>Echidnas will be finalizing details of their performance item for Monday's assembly, telling the story of the Gingerbread Man through song & expressive movement</p>	<p>Wombats will be reinforcing pitch notation on the staff for the notes B, A & G and applying their knowledge to sight reading and playing a previously unseen score</p>	<p>Dingoes & Goannas will be rehearsing the song "For Good"</p> <p>Both classes will also be revising their recorder repertoire "E G B G's" for Goannas, and the Irish influenced Folk Tune "Three Brothers" for the Dingoes.</p>	

This Week in Mandarin

Koalas	Echidnas	Wombats	Goannas	Dingoes
<p>This week we will revise all the vocabulary we learnt of clothing items by playing vocabulary activities. We will keep practising of how to hold kuaizi (chopsticks) properly.</p>		<p>This week we will revise all the vocabulary we learnt of clothing items by playing Snakes and Ladders. We will keep working on our clothing items mini book.</p>	<p>This week we will learn to say play chess, play video games, watch TV/movie and surf the internet in Chinese. We will keep practising the sentence of 'wo hui/bu hui...' (I can/can't ...). We will use the vocabulary of free time activities to create a holiday plan timetable.</p>	



HELPING HANDS NETWORK BEFORE AND AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM

This Summer term at Helping Hands we have seen some changes, Amanda embarked on an exciting opportunity to teach on the Solomon Islands. Before Amanda left, the children practised their literacy skills by writing pen pal letters to the children on the island. We are very much looking forward to receiving letters back! I must thank you all for the generous donations too, I'm sure the children will love playing with new resources. In the countdown to Halloween, we enjoyed getting spooky and making Halloween craft. This included lanterns, pumpkin drawings and spider designs. Next week's theme is Magic mayhem and the children will be doing experiments such as magic potions, designing spells and making wands.



SUMMER VACATION CARE:

Our Summer vacation care is now open for bookings. The program is full of fun exciting new excursions and activities including going to centennial park for a dinosaur dig, enjoying a movie day and jumping like crazy at Skyzone! For more information regarding bookings or enrolments please email stpeters@helpinghandsnetwork.com.au or call 9409-915-708.

As you know, Adam Vilimaa has had an opportunity to progress within the company and I am sure you will all wish him well in his new endeavour to develop his knowledge and experience in the Education and Care industry.

During the time of transition and ensuring the most suitable person is found to take place as the Coordinator. We thank you for your patience while we ensure we place the right person to lead your Helping Hands Service.

In the interim, we have Peta Carolan leading our Before School Care sessions and Corianda Hill leading our After School Care Sessions, both of which possess significant experience in OSHC & have been members of the Helping Hands team for quite sometime. We are committed to ensuring the service will offer a positive and stimulating environment for your children. They will be supported by the regular educators, Lily Brunning every day for Before and After School Care, Maggie Price on Thursday and Friday's.

Peta

Corianda

Lily

Maggie





SPPS P&C has launched our new container recycling partnership with Envirobank last week, coinciding with National Recycling Week (12-18Nov). Well done SPPS families, we've filled these 2 bales with your orange container collection bags. The driver says that one of the schools on his roster fills the entire truck – something to aim for...

More collection bags were distributed to students last week (spare bags are available from the school office, on request), and our next collection date is Tuesday 11th December.

An evening of family fun!

When: Friday 7th December, 6:30-9:00pm

Where: St Peters Public School
St Peters Street, St Peters

St Peters Summer Sizzler

- Great food – including vegetarian options
- Kid's Disco
- Disco Cantina – treats, glow sticks, novelties
- Jumping castles
- Face painting
- Garden games – GIANT marble run, jenga, lego...
- Fun dunk
- Santa
- Raffle
- Back-to-St-Peters Alumni catch-up zone
- and more...

Alcohol-free event

Presented by St Peters Public School P&C Association.
All proceeds go to making St Peters Public School a better place to learn and grow.



\$10 wristband entry for ages 3 years+
– each \$10 wristband = **unlimited**
access to entertainment (excluding Fun dunk).

FREE entry for children under 2 years
+ adults.

RSVP: <https://tinyurl.com/yd9fsz44>

