



## SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

For **TERM 4 WEEK 7**

Starting **26 Nov 2018**

### DATES TO REMEMBER

#### November

- 27th - Scripture and Ethics continues
- 28th - Chess Continues
- 28th - P&C Meeting  
7 - 8pm (library)
- 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



### BETTER SHADE COMING

Thanks to the hard work of the P&C and in particular Mrs Kate Hafey, the P&C has won a grant that will be used to install a shade structure in the courtyard area close to the hall. This will provide some much needed additional shade for students in this area and also serve to provide an additional assembly place for students at the school. The next steps will be to organise the work to take place after liaising with the Departments Asset management Unit. The school wishes to thank the P&C for its hard work in this endeavour.

### AIR CONDITIONING UPGRADES

The school over the summer break will receive a complete replacement of the air conditioning plant system. This replacement program is part of a large government funded program that will result in substantially improved air conditioning for the school which will be more efficient and easier to maintain. St Peter's is fortunate to be in the first wave of schools to receive the upgrade.

### OTHER IMPROVEMENTS

St Peter's will be receiving some other improvements over the holiday period targeted at providing a better environment for students with vision impairments. These improvement will help with safety for all students and will also commence this summer. Additionally, Room 8 will once again be divided with a sound proofed wall to make way for student capacity increases.

### STAFF CHANGES

Recently we advised you of our new Assistant Principal. At the same time the school ran another merit panel for a classroom teacher to start full time in 2019. We are pleased to announce that Mr Park was successful in being offered the position and has accepted. Ptevious to this he was temporary. He will join Dr Lavitt, Dr Cooper, Mrs Iriarte, Ms McIntosh, Ms Caponas, Ms Yang and Ms Cusack in our 2019 teaching team. Ms McSpadden will be taking leave in 2019 and Ms Garner will continue in her itinerant vision support role. We are also happy to advise that Ms Sonya An will teach Korean at the school next year one day a week.

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### PB FOR L FOCUS

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



# THE WEEK AHEAD IN LEARNING FOR TERM 4 - WEEK 7

## This Week in Koalas - Year K

English	Other KLAs	Reminders
<p>Reading: In reading this week Koalas will be focusing on the book Strega Nona and completing activities about the text.</p> <p>Phonics: We will continue 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 will revise sight words learnt this term with a focus on using them in simple sentences.</p> <p>Writing: We will continue to learn about persuasive texts.</p> <p>Handwriting: students will focus on writing number words with letters of consistent size, shape and direction.</p> <p>Talk time: This week's topic is "Music The best instrument is..."</p> <p>Students need to tell us about their favourite musical instrument and why it is the best.</p>	<p>PDH:: Our focus on personal safety continues with road 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. Koalas are really enjoying their gymnastics lessons</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 finishing off the design our own objects from recycled materials. We will be writing a simple report about what we made and which materials we used.</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. Please note: This will be our last week for borrowing from the library.</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 fractions and decimals this week learning more about the concept of one half and recording halves of objects using drawings</p> <p>Measurement and geometry: 3D objects is our focus this week in measurement and geometry.. Koalas will make models using a variety of 3D objects and describe them, eg, I made a person using...</p>		

## This Week in Echidnas - Year K/1

English	Other KLAs	Reminders
<p>Guided Reading Groups daily.</p> <p>K: Reviewing phonemes: 'ch', 'sh' and 'th. Sight Words Weeks 7 &amp; 8 (revision): brother sister family baby little school said friend because birthday</p> <p>Year 1: Focus phonemes: Revision of the long 'o' phoneme using 'o_e', 'o' and 'ow' Sight Words: love live people because friend</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 experiment with personal writing using simple and compound sentences from a variety of sources, including texts and environmental observations. They will develop their explanation writing through their Science learning.</p> <p>Speaking and Listening Talk Time topic - Music: 'The best musical instrument is...'</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. Students will learn about personal safety this term - water, sun and road safety.</p> <p>Science</p> <p>K: Material World - Students will make their designed object using recycled materials. They will present their design saying why it is or why it isn't waterproof.</p> <p>Yr 1:Water Works - Students will continue their learning 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.This week is the last week for borrowing. Please ensure all books are returned to school by next week.</p> <p>Home Reading continues every day.</p>
Mathematics		
<p>Number &amp; Algebra: Focus: Fractions and Decimals Students will record two (or more) equal parts using pictures and fraction notation</p> <p>Measurement &amp; Geometry: 3D Space: identify and draw 3D objects from different orientations.</p> <p>Statistics and Probability: Chance: use everyday language to describe situations that will / might / won't happen.</p>		

## This Week in Wombats Year 1/2

English	Other KLAs	Reminders
<p>All students will work on revising spelling this week, with a big focus on trickier words. In writing students will write a brief description using a picture stimulus each day, working with complex sentences, as well as writing an explanation. The 'Talk Time' topic will be 'Explain why we should be safe in water' which students prepared for in class last week. Students will continue learning how to use a dictionary(books and online) and a summarising strategy with information texts. Daily 'buddy reading ' continues with a focus on reading, listening and reflecting.</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 focus on safety in the water continues, with this being out talk time topic for the week</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 learn about fractions and decimals, recording equal parts using fraction notation for half, quarter and eighth. This week the tables challenge will be 9x tables. Students will work on mathematical algorithms with and without regrouping.</p> <p>Measurement and Geometry: Students will represent three-dimensional objects by making simple models and by drawing.</p> <p>Statistics and Probability: Students will discuss everyday scenarios and rank them according to the likelihood of their occurrence, eg, will/might/won't happen'</p>		

### This Week in Goannas - Year 3/4

English	Other KLAs	Reminders
<p>Our spelling focus this week will be either 'ai' or 'ear' words. Students will complete work in class using their words and homework is a crucial follow up to these activities.</p> <p>For writing students will complete their imaginative texts in class. From their students will proofread and edit their work and finally publish their work in G Suite. Later in the week students will begin to recreate their stories with Puppet Pals on the iPads.</p> <p>Reading groups will recommence this week after students have completed a reflection on their drama performances. Students will engage with a variety of texts and summarise, predict, clarify and question what they have read.</p>	<p>Science- We will continue our work on erosion with students focusing on the length of time it takes for landscapes to be formed through weathering and erosion.</p> <p>School garden project- Students will be cooking this week! We have completed the raffle of students who will taste test our food. The cooking and taste testing will be held on Friday.</p> <p>3D printer project- We are aiming to complete our project this week and have the younger students try out our game.</p>	<p>Library- This will be the last week of borrowing. All books must be returned to be able to borrow this week.</p> <p>Sport- Will continue on Tuesday.</p> <p>Got Game: Continues on Thursday.</p>
Mathematics		
<p>This week we will finish our work on whole number by ordering and rounding numbers. As we did not start 3D objects last weeks students will be commence this week. We will review the properties of 3D objects and also sketch a variety of 3D objects. We will finish the week by working with analogue time. Students will re-view reading time to the minute and using correct language when telling the time.</p>		

### This Week in Dingoes Year 5/6

English	Other KLAs	Reminders
<p>This week in writing the Dingoes will be reflecting upon the 3D printing project of which they recently completed. The students will write about the different sustainable features used to create their eco-friendly house and will further explain why these features are essential for the environment.</p> <p>Our reading groups will continue with many of the groups beginning to reach the end of their reading roles with this week being the penultimate meeting. Students have been steadily improving their roles and developing their ability to connect, question and summarise.</p> <p>Spelling and other homework will continue with homework being handed in on Thursday and restarting on the Friday. We will also be seeing the return on BTN this week as we start to wind down to the end of term. We'll finally get to finish the final natural disaster news report that we started last term. Finally we will be continuing with writing.</p>	<p>Science: The students have almost finished designing an information poster that explains the impact of generating electricity on the environment. They will next use the Explain Everything app to present their science posters.</p> <p>Garden Project: Last week the Dingoes visited the other classes to determine which of our three menu items are the most popular. Our recipes include parmesan carrot sticks, spinach lasagne and kale quesadillas. The meal that received the most considerable interest was the spinach lasagne. This week the students will do some last minute preparation before we begin cooking.</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'll be focusing on 2D space this week with a deep dive into symmetry and some work on shape tessellation. We'll be doing some artworks on tessellation. We'll also be looking how we can use our knowledge of fractions to calculate the percentage of an amount.</p>		

### This Week in Music

Koalas	Echidnas	Wombats	Goannas	Dingoes
<p>We will be rehearsing and singing a song about our spotty, strippy &amp; coloured socks. All our socks are different, just like people are different...but they are still all sox!</p> <p>We will continue with another new song (to be chosen by class vote) and choreograph movements to match. We will learn to describe what we hear using the words forte, piano, largo &amp; allegro.</p>		<p>Wombats will continue to reinforce pitch notation on the staff for the notes B, A &amp; G and applying their knowledge to sight reading</p>		<p>Dingoes &amp; Goannas will be rehearsing the song "For Good" and preparing for a recording of our audition tape. 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 Friday we invite a Chinese handicraft art teacher to conduct a cultural incursion. During the workshops we will learn to make traditional Chinese zongzi. Enjoy!</p>				





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.

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