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SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

For TERM 4 WEEK 9

Starting 9 DEC 2019

DATES TO REMEMBER

December

- 10th Scripture and Ethics Final
- 11th Chess (final for 2019)
- 12th Got Game Gymnastics (Final for 2019)
- 12th School Art Show 6pm
- 13th School Fun Day
- 13th Year 6 Darling Harbour 17th - Presentation Day - 9:15am
- sharp in the hall
- 17th No Botany Bites Lunch
- 18th Y6 Farewell Yiamas 6pm
- 18th Final Day of Term 4

18th - Year 6 Arch at 2:45pm

19th - Last chance to purchase uniforms before 2020

January

- 28th Australia Day holiday
- 29th School development day no student to attend
- 30th Years 1 to 6 return for 2020 school year

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Our focus this week is being Safe, Respectful, Learners in Assemblies and toilet areas.





Bushfire Appeal

On Friday the 22nd of November, St Peters had a Mufti Day to raise money for The Salvation Army, a charity that is helping those affected by the bush fires. The SRC are very proud to announce that we

have raised a total of **\$345.00** in donations! We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported this very important cause and donated. We would also like to say a special thanks to the SRC for their awesome efforts in organising this fundraiser. Well done, St Peters!

Art Show

Our school led Art Show fundraiser is fast approaching this Thursday and a note went home on Friday to let you know all about what is available. This is a school initiative to raise enough money for an interactive board in our school library. It will be a fun evening. Please pop in and spend as much money as possible having fun, buying artworks and bidding in our silent auction knowing that you'll be helping to help us improve you child(ren)'s school. All gates and the car park will be open.

Botany Bites- School Canteen

We're excited to announce that following a successful year of Tuesday Canteen as supplied by Botany Bites, the P&C have struck an agreement for an additional day - Thursday's. This additional day will run as a trial in 2020 and will continue provided that it is utilised and does not massively affect the demand on the established Tuesday. It is thus up to us all to utilise it on both days. The staff are excited and we know the kids will be happy to receive high quality food from a provider on an additional day.

The first day of Botany Bites in 2020 will be Thursday 31 January and orders will be made available through the usual Flexischools app. With Presentation Day happening on Tuesday 17 December, there will be no Botany Bites Canteen on this day. This week is thus the last week for school canteen in 2019.

Presentation Day

A reminder that our annual Presentation Day will be on Tuesday 17 December. This is a big celebration for the school year and involves all students at the school. We would love to see you there as it is our chance to say thank you for your support in 2019. We will start at 9:20am sharp to ensure that we get through all of our presentations. See you there.

School Reports

School Reports will bes sent home with your child on Friday afternoon in a sealed envelope and emailed to you. These reports provide a summary of learning in Semester 2 of the 2019 school year commensurate for the year of learning of your child. The reports attempt to provide you across all Key Learning Areas: a summary of the learning that has been taught; areas of learning strength; areas for learning development; and some ideas for how you could support this development at home. It is a continuation of the parent teacher interview conducted at the end of Term 3 and the Semester 1 school report. We do not hold parent teacher interviews at the end of the year but should you have any further questions about it, please email the school email to contact your child's teacher.

Staff changes for 2020

At the P&C meeting, Mr Lavitt and Ms McIntosh announced that there would be few staff changes in 2020. Sadly Mrs Iriarte will be moving on. She is seeking some different challenges and will be next year teaching at Punchbowl Public School. Mrs Iriarte has been a much respected teacher of St Peters in 2016 and 2019, and a relieving Assistant Principal in 2018. We wish her all the very best next year. Ms Cusack, Dr Cooper, Ms Davies and Ms deGraft-Johnson will all be continuing on at the school and Ms Yoo will be joining us 5 days a week for 2020. The staff have already been planning for 2020 and are greatly looking forward to another fantastic year.

Fun Day and Darling Harbour Notes

Please ensure that you bring all of the payment and permission notes for the Fun Day we are holding this week as well as for the Darling Harbour excursion. These should be paid to ensure participation in the bouncy castle at the Fun Day and the Darling Harbour excursion.

School Office Holiday Shut down

Please be advised that the school office will not be available after Thursday 19 December. This will be the last chance to purchase uniforms before Tuesday January 29.

Week Ahead in Learning

This week will be the last week of the Week Ahead in Learning. This reflects the much shorter week in week 10.



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12th December, 6-8PM School hall and courtyard

Student and locally made art for sale • Silent auction • BBQ and snack foods • Face painting and activities for kids • Live art making

Week Ahead in Learning - Term 4 - Week 9

This Week in Koalas - Year K		
English	Other KLAs	Reminders
Reading: Students this week will be reviewing all of our comprehension strategies we have learnt this year. We will predict, visualise, connect and monitor our reading during modelled and guided reading.	Science: Earth and Space will continue this week with students investigating the effect that chang-	Library. Please bring in any library books that you have at home so they can be returned for the year.
Writing: Students will have free choice of text type they compose daily. They will be encouraged to rotate between different text types to revise all the knowledge and skills they have learnt this year.	ing weather has on animals. Creative Arts: Students will con- tinue with drama. Thi week we will	There will be no borrowing this week. Class sport. Please wear your house uniform. Thursday: Got Game. House uni- forms to be worn Friday: Fun Day, please wear your house uniform.
Grammar and punctuation: Punctuation will remain our focus this week to ensure we remember to use a capital to start a sentence and a full stop at the end of a sentence.	use dress ups and props to help us recreate familiar scenes. PDHPE: This week students will	
Spelling and Phonics:All units will continue to be revised this week to ensure we are confident with all taught phonemes and digraphs and that we are sounding out and blending to read unknown words.	review ways to be water safe when they are swimming in pools. STEM: The Koalas will commence	
Speaking and Listening: Students will continue to work with groups in drama to practise their speaking and listening skills.	a STEM based project this week regarding how math is used in engineering to construct bridges.	
Mathematics	engineering to construct bridges.	
Number and Algebra: Students will revise all taught addition and subtraction strate- gies to solve one and two digit addition and subtraction problems.		
Measurement and Geometry: Students will finish our work on time and length this week.		

This Week in Echidnas - Year K/1		
English	Other KLAs	Reminders
Reading: We will be working on fluency, reading with some intonation and expression. Writing: This week students will write an informative text linked to science as a whole class, then individually. Grammar and Punctuation: Students will this week continue to add adjectives and adverbs to enrich their writing Spelling and Phonics: Students will continue to revise all phonemes and learn spelling linked with phonemic work Speaking and Listening: Students will continue to participate in active listening games.	Science: Students will start their study of Earth and Space (Kindergarten) where they will investigate the effects of weather on human and animal behaviour. In Material World (Year 1) students will look at changes to materials when they are cooled. Study of digital technologies continues by looking at their use in everyday life and the components that may make up a digital system	Monday: Music Tuesday: Scripture and Ethics Class Sport- students to wear sports shirt Wednesday: Library today . Bor- rowing has finished for this year. Please remind your child to return any library books they may have - thank you Thursday: Got Game today. All
Mathematics	PDHPE: In class sport students will learn a variety of activities including badminton and hockey. Students will continue to study safe living: water safety. In Got Game students will learn gymnastics. CAPA: Students will work on their Presentation Day performance.	students to wear their sports shirt.
Number and Algebra: Students will continue learning vertical addition and multiplication in the maths challenge. Also they will revise fractions and continue learning about notation. Measurement and Geometry: Students will learn about volume and capacity comparing shapes and sizes of a variety of containers. Statistics and Probability: We will create a graph related to science and the		Korean today. Friday: merit assembly Home Reading: Remind your ch to pack their Home Reading eve day.
weather.	Positive Behaviour for Learning: Stu- dents will learn about safety, respect and learning in assemblies.	

This Week in Korean

Korean collapses due to the preparation for next year. Korean Dance final rehearsal for the Presentation Day will be on Thursday at lunchtime. Icy Poles will be available for the dancers.

This Week in Music					
Koalas	Echidnas	Bilbies	Wombats	Goannas	Dingoes
We will be listening to the traditional Xmas story of "The Nutcracker" and the music of Tchaikovsy. We will watch ballet excerpts and listen to the orchestra tell the story of the "Nutcracker".		week's "Skat Cat Swing"	Dingoes will be putting the final touches together during rehearsal for "Oh! The Place You'll Go!".		
Bilbies & Wombats will also be polishing their performances for Presentation Day in our final rehearsal.		more sophisticated rhythmic	They will be making sure the spoken word text flows seamlessly, developing their ear for rhythm in speech and an awareness of vocal projection.		

This Week in Bilbies Year 1			
English	Other KLAs	Reminders	
Reading: The Bilbies will have a focus on expression when reading	Personal Development and Health:	Monday: homework goes home.	
Writing: Students will continue a poetry writing unit	year Physical Education: Students will be focusing on the skills of gymnastics in GOT Game. Science: The Bilbies will be learn- ing about 'The Material World' this term. This week they will continue investigating how materials change when they are cooled and if this can be reversed. Visual Art: The Bilbies will contribute to our collaborative painting for the Art Show	Tuesday: K-2 sport, students please	
Grammar and Punctuation: antonyms Spelling and Phonics: The Bilbies will revise all phonemes learned this year Speaking and Listening: Students will engage in active listening activities		wear sports uniform Thursday: GOT Game, students please wear sports uniform, Art Show	
Mathematics		in GOT Game.	in the evening Friday: homework due, Fun Day, students please wear sports uniform.
Number and Algebra: Students will be revising number skills learnt this year Measurement and Geometry: Students will be learning about volume and capacity. Students will measure and compare the volumes of objects using uniform informal units.		REQUEST: As part of the Wom- bats and Bilbies Presentation Day item we would love them to bring in one of their favourite books (preferably a soft cover book). We will have a tub in our classrooms to collect the books in and keep them safe. They will be used for rehearsals and on Presentation Day. Please make sure their name or surname is labelled on or in the book somewhere.	

This Week in Wombats - Year 2		
English	Other KLAs	Reminders
Reading and Comprehension: This will be our final week of reading groups for the year. We will do some revision using a non-fiction text and some compre- hension questions.	Personal Development and Health: the unit this term is 'Safe Living'. The focus will continue to be on water safety.	Monday: Only the final Maths Mentals Page and home reading this week. No spelling homework.
Writing: Wombats have mostly all finished typing up their play scripts. We are now up to making some edits to them before practising them to perform as a Readers' Theatre in front of the class.	focusing on gymnastic skills Science: This term Wombats will be exploring a science topic 'Material	Music. Tuesday: Returns only to library today. Class sport is also on today. Students are to wear their sports uniform. Thursday: Korean and Got Game today. All students to wear their sports uniform. ART SHOW 6pm.
Speaking & Listening: Speaking and listening will be incorporated into Readers' Theatre of their own scripts this week		
Spelling and Phonics: no spelling homework this week - in class revision of term concepts	ing a range of natural materials used by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander	
Mathematics	peoples and share ideas about the ways they are used to suit a particular purpose. Visual Art: Wombats will be involved in some festive art making once their individual works for the Art Show have been finalised.	Friday: FUN DAY!
Number and Algebra: Wombats will continue with their maths mentals revision to revise Year 2 concepts and continue to be exposed to some Year 3 con- cepts. Measurement and Geometry: Students will have one more session on area. In particular, drawing the spatial structure (grid) of repeated units covering a surface and explaining the structure of the unit tessellation in terms of rows and columns.		ALSO See Presentation Day request in Bilbies entry above. Thanks!

This Week in Goannas - Year 3/4

English	Other KLAs	Reminders	
We will continue reading The World's Worst Teachers and com- pleting comprehension and vocabulary based activities. Continu-	Creative arts: A lot of time early in the week will be spent be finishing our artworks for the	Tuesday: class sport is on today. Stu- dents are to wear their sports uniform.	
ing our poetry writing focus the Goannas will be analysing some poetry to determine features and language used.	art show. PD, H: We will be finishing the year off with	Please remember to return all library books	
Mathematics	some fun team building activities.	Thursday: Got Game and Korean. Stu-	
Due to timetable changes last week we didn't cover addition and subtraction . As such, the Goannas will focus on addition and subtraction this week. The students will calculate equivalent amounts of money using different denominations and perform simple calculations with money, including finding change, and round to the nearest five cents.	History: We have started exploring cele- brations around the world, in particular how people in other countries celebrate Christmas	brations around the world, in particular how ts people in other countries celebrate Christmas. The students are creating a slideshow on a country of their choice to highlight how people	dents are to wear their sports uniform.

This Week in Dingoes Year 5/6

English	Other KLAs	Reminders
	Creative Arts: We will be finalising our artworks for the art show.	Tuesday: Music. Class Sport (House Uniform)
this week they will perform their plays in front of a whole class au- dience. The students will continue learning about poetry and will explore commonly used idioms in poetry. They will also explore	PD, H: We will continue to explore our unit of	Wednesday: Library bags.
	Safe Living, looking at sun safety as we film and view each other's TV commercial. We will also	Thursday: Got Game.
different forms of poetry such as shape poetry.	be rehearsing scenes from the reading group	Friday: Korean and Merit Certificate
Mathematics	drama scripts. Assembly.	Assembly.
This week we will focus on time. The Dingoes will be drawing and	Peer Support Groups:	
	The Dingoes have begun working in groups to plan a rotation of mini activities such as art, math, drama and sport for their younger peers. They will be running these activities next week.	