



SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

For **TERM 3 WEEK 8**

Starting **8 SEPT 2020**

DATES TO REMEMBER

September

- 11th - Pyjama Day
- 16th - P&C meeting 6:30pm via Zoom
- 25th - Last day Term 3

October

- 12th - First day Term 4
- 15th - Day camp Stage 3 (TBC)
- 19th - Book fair in library (students only)
- 21st - Book Parade (TBC)
- 29th - Kindergarten orientation session 1 (TBC)
- 30th - Musica Viva incursion



Before our works commence

Attendance at school

On occasion, your child may need to be absent from school. All student absences must be accompanied by a note written by a student's parent/carer within 7 days of the absence occurring. Parents can handwrite a note or send an email to the school office. Justified absences may include: being sick, or having an infectious disease, having an unavoidable medical appointment, being required to attend a recognised religious holiday or exceptional or urgent family circumstances (for example, attending a funeral).

Arriving at school and class on time: ensures that students do not miss out on important learning activities scheduled early in the day, helps students learn the importance of punctuality and routine, give students time to greet their friends before class and reduces classroom disruption. Lateness is recorded as a partial absence and must be explained by parents.

If you need assistance with attendance support for your child, please don't hesitate to contact the school.

Pyjama Day this Friday 11 September

On Friday 11 September, St Peter's Public School will be holding Pyjama Day. Organised by the SRC, Pyjama Day is an annual event that raises funds to support children in foster care. For a gold coin donation, students may wear pyjamas to support this charity. For safety reasons, students must wear shoes (not slippers) to school. We are looking forward to seeing many colourful pyjamas. The SRC is looking forward to raising money for The Pyjama Foundation and seeing great PJs next week. Thank you for your continued support of SRC events and for supporting Pyjama Day 2020.

Tell Them From Me Survey

This term, St Peter's PS is taking part in the Tell Them From Me student survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the Tell Them From Me survey to help them improve. The survey is completed online and is run by an independent research company, The Learning Bar, which specialises in school-based surveys. More information and an opt out form are included in the next pages of this newsletter.

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Like us on Facebook

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Listen to and follow instructions



Is your child starting Kindergarten in 2021?

Find out more about our fantastic school by attending our information evening or open day. If you can't make either of these events please call or email to arrange a meeting with our Principal. We want to introduce you to our school and children and show you what we have to offer. If you would like the Principal of St Peter's Public School to talk to parents at your child's preschool about transition to school, this can be arranged.

We have three ways to engage with the school for information.

ONE ON ONE MEETING

Contact our friendly staff during school hours for a one-on-one meeting with our Principal.

Phone: 9519 6307

INFO EVENING

Join us for an evening of information at our school. We will have a chance to meet our staff and discuss your child's transition to school.

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OPEN DAY

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ORIENTATION PROGRAM Once your child's enrolment has been confirmed, your child will be invited to three orientation sessions which will be held on 28 Oct, 5 Nov and 12 Nov 2020.

**Tell Them From Me student survey:
Information and consent form for parents and carers**
Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation

Dear Parents and Carers

This term, your school is taking part in the *Tell Them From Me* student survey. The survey will provide us with valuable feedback on what our students think about school life, how engaged they are with school and the different ways that teachers interact with them. Schools in Australia and around the world have used the *Tell Them From Me* survey to help them improve. The survey is completed on-line and is run by an independent research company, **The Learning Bar**, which specialises in school-based surveys.

Staff in schools will **not** be able to identify individual students from their responses. To ensure confidentiality, participating students will receive a unique username and password. Where fewer than five students respond to a question, the results will be suppressed. The survey typically takes 30 minutes or less to complete and will be administered by the school during normal school hours. Once the surveys are completed by students, reports are prepared and in most cases are available to schools within three business days.

This survey will help our school better understand how to improve student wellbeing and engagement. It will help the school identify what works to improve student outcomes.

Participating in the survey is entirely voluntary. Your child will not take part if either you or your child do not wish. If, during the survey, your child is uncomfortable, he/she can choose to stop the survey at any time. The majority of questions in the survey can be skipped.

If you **do not want your child to take part** in the survey, please complete the attached form and return it to your child's school by Friday 11 September 2020.

More information about the survey and the research is available in English on the Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation website: <http://surveys.cese.nsw.gov.au/information-for-parents>

Rebecca Salter
Principal
St Peters PS

Dr Jenny Donovan
Executive Director
Centre for Education Statistics and Evaluation

Tell Them From Me Student Feedback Survey non-consent form

Please complete in English

If you **do not want** your child to participate in the student feedback survey, please sign this form and return it to your school by 11 September 2020

I DO NOT give consent for my child/children to participate in the ***Tell Them From Me student feedback survey.***

Name of student 1

Roll class of student 1

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Name of student 2

Roll class of student 2

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Name of student 3

Roll class of student 3

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Name of student 4

Roll class of student 4

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Name of parent/carer

Signature of parent/carer

Date

MUMS & DADS... ARE YOU LOOKING FOR FUN ACTIVITIES FOR THE KIDS?

With your **\$100 NSW Creative Kids Voucher** you can get **FREE** kids craft workshops including wooden models and paints or markers delivered to your door!



As an approved **NSW creative kids provider** you can use your voucher with us so you don't need to spend a cent!

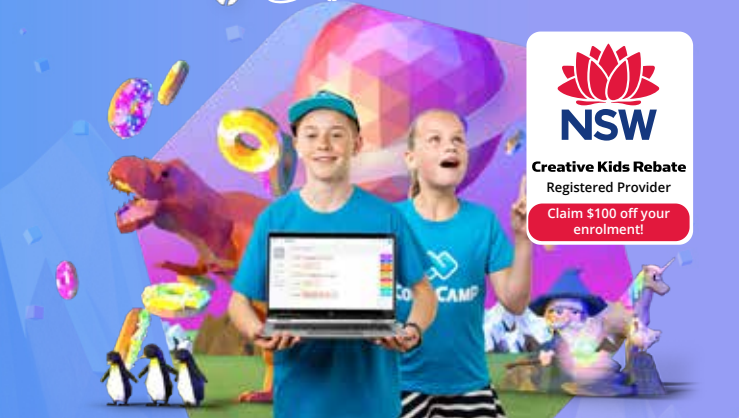
Charlie Boots
Creative kits for creative kids

search our craft kits at www.charlieboots.com.au



Online School Holiday Camps!

HP intel chromebook Westpac



Your child can design, code and create apps and websites these school holidays!



New programs

Get exclusive access to brand-new, instructor-led videos delivered over five days to keep your kids engaged at home.



Live tutor support

Our Australian-based instructors will be on hand via our live chat to assist your child with anything they need.



Your own pace

New tutorials will be released each morning - your child can choose when to complete their daily challenges.

Book now at codecamp.com.au

STRETCH-A-FAMILY

Local kids ^{still} need safe homes!

Can you help?
Become a foster carer



**You can make a world of
difference in a child or young person's life**

Stretch-A-Family (SAF) has been working in Sydney's Inner West since 1977 & is committed to providing safe homes to children and young people aged 0-17 who are unable to live with their families.

Foster carers are at the heart of what we do and are valued members of the team. We provide support and training to assist anyone to become the best possible carer.



www.stretchfamily.com.au | 9569 6933

PCYC Eastern Suburbs School Holidays



Age: 5-12 YRS
Time: 9AM-3PM

\$45 PER DAY, ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST BE PCYC MEMBERS
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MONDAY SEPT 28 | Hip Hop | Breakdancing / Arts & Crafts

WEDNESDAY SEPT 30 | Basketball | Multi Sports

FRIDAY OCT 2 | Judo | Kids Yoga

TUESDAY OCT 6 | Soccer | Multi Sports

WEDNESDAY OCT 7 | Multi Sports / Arts & Crafts

THURSDAY OCT 8 | Basketball | Multi Sports

FRIDAY OCT 9 | Skate & Scooter | Multi Sports



STRICT HYGIENE AND
DISTANCING
MEASURES IN PLACE



CHILD REQUIRED TO BRING MORNING TEA, LUNCH
AND WATER BOTTLE
BOOK NOW ONLINE OR COME INTO PCYC

