

TERM 4

WEEK 2

18 October 2023

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#### **DATES TO REMEMBER**

#### **OCTOBER 2023**

18th - Stage 3 - Canberra trip

19th - Stage 3 returns from Canberra

23rd - Written applications for School Captain due

25th - Kindergarten 2024 orientation 1

25th - Assembly @ 2.15pm

- hosted by the Cormorants

26th - P&C Meeting 6.30pm

#### **NOVEMBER 2023**

1st - Kindergarten 2024 orientation 2

1st - Assembly @ 2.15pm - hosted by the Koalas

8th - Kindergarten 2024 orientation 3

8th - Student leadership election speeches

#### **PB FOR L FOCUS**

Stay within bounds

## Nutrition Snippet

#### PACK A FOOD SAFE LUNCH BOX

As the weather is warm and humid it's important to keep the lunch box cold and safe to eat.





TOP TIP: Use a cooler bag and ice brick or frozen water bottle to keep the lunch box cold \*

For more info and tips read our <u>food safety</u> <u>blog</u>.

healthylunchbox.com.au



#### Welcome back

I hope all families had an enjoyable Spring break, with everyone settling into the last term of the year. At this time I look at the Kindergarten and Year 6 students in particular and marvel at how far they have come over their time at St Peters PS. Term 4 is always action packed, starting with Stage 3 who have travelled to Canberra today for their camp.

### **Canberra excursion**

Our Stage 3 students left early this morning on an education tour of the national capital. Students have been given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy. Thank you to Miss Mahony, Miss Pots and Miss McIntosh who have accompanied our senior students to Canberra today. Today students will be visiting the National Electoral Education Centre at Old Parliament House, Geoscience Australia and Questacon before going to their accommodation tonight.

The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding of \$30 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program. The rebate will be paid directly to the school and was factored into the cost which families paid for the overnight excursion. Please check out the next edition of the newsletter for a report about the second half of their trip and to view lots of photos!





## First 2024 Kindergarten Orientation session

On 25 October we welcome our enrolled 2024 Kindergarten students for their first of three orientation sessions. If you have a child who will start school in 2024 and have not enrolled them yet, our online enrolment form can be found here.

### **Selective High School - Year 7, 2025**

Selective High School applications are now open for entry into Year 7, 2025. All parents of Year 5 students should have received the *Information for applicants* handbook and *Intention to apply* letter via email. Applications must be submitted by 20 November 2023. The test will be held on 9 May 2024. Please don't hesitate to contact the school if you have any questions.

### Student leaders - 2024

The student leadership process has now commenced for 2024. All written applications from Year 5 students interested in a school captain position in 2024 are due on 23 October 2023. Good luck to all students.

### Toys at school

Bringing a small toy to school can be fun, but can also become problematic if the toy is lost or broken. Teachers are not able to look for lost toys in the playground. Toys that are very important to your child should not come to school in case they are lost or broken.

## **Regional Athletics Carnival**

Congratulations to Benji, Felix, Mylla, Ben and Pelenaise who represented Sydney South at the Regional Athletics Championships at Sydney Olympic Park on 11 October. Each team member tried their hardest and displayed excellent sportspersonship. Well done team!

### Referendum BBQ and Cake Stall

A huge thank you to the P&C and all parents who baked and/or volunteered on the day to facilitate our famous democracy sausage sizzle. The P&C is still calculating their profit on the day which is expected to be over \$3000.



### **Tell Them From Me**

St Peters Public School gathers a range of data from our school community. One such opportunity is through the annual confidential survey 'Tell Them From Me'. Year 4-6 students, teachers and parents/carers are asked to complete this survey. The data that is gathered from this survey is invaluable. It informs our future practice in goal setting, planning, resource allocation, academic and wellbeing programs, and potential extracurricular opportunities. Below is the link for you to access the survey. This is a great opportunity for parents/carers to have their say in the future of St Peters Public School.

Survey link: <a href="http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/spps2023">http://nsw.tellthemfromme.com/spps2023</a> closes on **Friday 3 November**.

### **Uniforms (reminder)**

There has been a rise in students not wearing the correct school uniform to school. **This includes wearing the school hat and jumper/sloppy joe.** Wearing school uniform promotes a sense of belonging for students and creates a positive identity for the school community. School uniforms also contribute to the personal safety of students by allowing easier recognition of students inside the school and in the community.

Please assist your children to be in correct school uniform (including school hats/jumpers) every day. Uniforms can be purchased at <u>GTschool</u> or second hand via the P&C. If you need financial assistance in obtaining uniforms, please contact Ms Ross (office manager) who will assist you.





## **Selective High School Intention to Apply form**



#### ST PETERS PUBLIC SCHOOL

#### Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2025

Dear Parent/Carer

Selective high schools cater for high-potential and academically gifted students who may otherwise be without sufficient classmates at their own academic standard. Selective high schools help these students learn by grouping them with students of similar ability, and by using specialised teaching methods.

If you would like to have your child considered for Year 7 selective high school entry in 2025, you need to apply on the internet using a valid email address (not the student's email

Detailed instructions on how to apply and the link to the online form are at the Selective high schools and opportunity classes Year 7 website.

Applications opened on 9 October 2023 and close on 20 November 2023. You must apply before the closing date.

You must submit only ONE application for each student.

The Selective High School Placement Test will be held on Thursday 9 May 2024.

The tear-off slip below is NOT an application, it is advice to the school that you intend to apply or have applied. The school CANNOT apply on your behalf.

Yours sincerely,

Rebecca Salter

Principal

#### THIS IS NOT AN APPLICATION FOR ENTRY TO A SELECTIVE HIGH SCHOOL.

This is a notice to your primary school only that you intend to apply.

TO APPLY, GO TO THE ONLINE FORM AT: Selective high schools and opportunity-classes

- Year 7		
Cut here and return the not	e below to the school	
Intention to apply for Year 7 placement in a selective high school in 2025		
Student's name:	Class:	
I intend to apply/ have applied for selective high sch through the Selective Education Unit website betwee 2023. I am aware that returning this note to the school the school cannot apply on my behalf.	een 9 October 2023 and 20 November	
Signature of parent/carer:		

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## **Tell Them From Me Survey**

| NSW Department of Education



## Tell Them From Me student survey:

#### Information and consent form for parents and carers

which specialises in school-based surveys.

This survey is **confidential**, and 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. Information is only reported where five or more students answer a question.

The survey is online, takes 15 to 30 minutes, and will take place at school during school hours. We will receive a report on our school's survey results shortly after our students complete the survey.

Participating in the survey is **voluntary**. If any survey questions make your child uncomfortable, your child can skip the question or can choose to stop the survey at any time.

If you do not want your child/children to take part in the survey, please complete the attached form and return it to the school by Monday 23 October 2023.

More information about the survey and the research is available in English at <a href="mailto:education.nsw.gov.au/ttfm">education.nsw.gov.au/ttfm</a>

Rebecca Salter
Principal
St Peters Public School

English





## **Tell Them From Me Survey**

#### Tell Them From Me Student Survey non-consent form

If you **do not want** your child to participate in the student feedback survey, please sign this form and return it to the school by Monday 23 October 2023.

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

Name of student 1	Roll class of student 1
Name of student 2	Roll class of student 2
Name of student 3	Roll class of student 3
Name of student 4	Roll class of student 4
Name of parent/carer	
Signature of parent/carer	
Date	

English







### **School News**







### **Koori Kids Club**

ST PETERS Public School

# KOORI KIDS CLUB

**Who is it for?** This group is for any Aboriginal or Torres Strait Islander students at our school

**Why?** It is a time to meet up with other Aboriginal students in our school, get to know each other and create a sense of belonging.

**What do we do?** Sometimes we will: do an activity, have a guest, be researching and discussing, be planning a project or be preparing for an assembly.

TERM 3 MEETINGS: TUESDAY (every second week)

- □ Week 3, 5, 7 & 9 1st half lunch
- □ Week 10 THURSDAY 3pm = Come for a Yarn

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## **Kindergarten 2024 Orientation**



## Orientation Sessions

Students enrolled for Kindergarten 2024 are invited, with their parents, to a series of 3 orientation sessions. Whilst students are in the classrooms, a series of 3 information sessions will be held for parents.

### ORIENTATION DATES

25 October 2023 9:15-10:30am 1 November 2023 9:15-10:30am 8 November 2023 9:15-10:30am (Includes tour and picnic)

### ENROLMENT INFORMATION

To attend orientation, students must be enrolled to start Kindergarten in 2024 at St Peters PS. Online enrolment can be found on the <u>St Peters PS website</u>. If you require assistance or further information, contact St Peters PS by phone:

9519-6307 or by email:

stpeters-p.school@det.nsw.edu.au



### P & C News

#### INFLATABLE WORLD FUNDRAISER

Don't forget to get your tickets for our INFLATABLE WORLD FUNDRAISER, all made possible by the incredible generosity of Inflatable World Miranda, who have graciously provided their venue for an evening of fun!

**Event Date:** Saturday 21st October

Time: 5pm - 7pm

Location: Inflatable World, Miranda

Adults: FREE Children: \$25 includes pizza

Tickets can be purchased via this link: <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1120435">https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1120435</a>

Family Fun: Inflatable World is the ultimate family entertainment venue! Let your kids enjoy hours of non-stop bouncing on a wide range of inflatable attractions while you catch up with other parents and caregivers.

► Fundraising: This event is not just about raising funds; it's about bringing together the local community. It's a great opportunity to connect with fellow parents, caregivers, and school staff.

Pizza: Pizza is included in the ticket price for the kids and parents will be able to purchase Pizza on the night.

Raffle Prizes: Don't miss the chance to win amazing raffle prizes generously donated by local businesses. Every ticket purchase supports our school!

#### How You Can Help:

Attend the Event: Mark your calendar, get your tickets and bring your family and friends to Inflatable World on 21st October to join the fun!

Spread the Word: Help us spread the word by sharing this newsletter with your network. The more, the merrier! With the St Peters School being a small community, spreading it around would be great!

If you have any questions or need more information, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at stpeterspandc@gmail.com

#### **CHRISTMAS TREES AND PUDDING**

Our annual Christmas tree sale has now begun, and this year there are also Christmas puddings available. Get in quick as the trees will sell out! Click on either Christmas trees or puddings and scroll down to St Peters Public School, pick up is Dec 9th.

www.yourlocalschool.com.au

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### P & C News



## Limited edition St Peters Public School 2023 tea towels!!!

Gorgeous self-portraits drawn by all school students and screen printed on to natural colour tea towels. The tea towel is a lasting memento to remember classmates and their very special time at school. A meaningful gift for family and friends, they are easy to post and make a fabulous reminder of your child's primary school years. It's also a great gift to grandparents and special family friends coming up to Christmas.

Prices are \$18 for 1 or order 3 or more for \$15 each.

Final orders are due on 3/11/23 with delivery in early December.



Click or scan the QR Code to order



### **P&C News**









## **Community News**



