Dear Parents, Caregivers and Children

This week I include for your information, the National Catholic Education Commission's media release responding to the release of the Australian Curriculum Review.

MEDIA RELEASE

October 12, 2014

National Catholic Education Commission

GREATER CURRICULUM FLEXIBILITY WILL SUPPORT TEACHING, LEARNING

Teachers and students would benefit from a more focused, flexible curriculum, particularly in the primary years, that supports the individual learning needs of every student, the National Catholic Education Commission has said following the release of the Australian Curriculum Review this morning.

“The Review of the Australian Curriculum is a considered document with broad input and Catholic education leaders look forward to working through the recommendations with Commonwealth, state and territory governments to ensure the curriculum supports the needs of students, teachers and parents,” said NCEC executive director Ross Fox.

Among the 30 recommendations made in the Review, Catholic education has endorsed the call for flexibility in the Australian Curriculum for teachers and students including the most important foundations of literacy and numeracy.

“Teachers and school leaders know that there isn’t a ‘one size fits all’ approach to teaching and learning,” Mr Fox said.

Catholic schools, which are educating more students with disability than ever before, also welcome further efforts to shape the curriculum to better support students with special needs. Teachers are working to provide an inclusive learning environment for all students and the curriculum should support these efforts, Mr Fox explained.

“The Australian Curriculum must engage students, teachers and parents as students begin their life-long learning journey. The Review importantly recommends greater engagement with parents.

“The appropriate recognition of the importance of the Judaeo-Christian heritage of Australia is welcomed by Catholic education. The Melbourne and Adelaide Declarations indicated the need to consider personal spirituality and values in an overall education,” Mr Fox said.

“A proper treatment of social issues such as drug, sex education and social justice realities requires the consideration of an ethical framework because of the moral issues involved. The Review’s recommendations would seem to accord well with the outlook of Christian humanism that is the basis of Catholic education.”

The incorporation of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander culture and history, in the appropriate contexts, to ensure all Australian children understand the history and heritage of Australia is also supported by Catholic education.

Other challenges faced by schools to deliver quality teaching, and learning in depth, must be considered along with issues of curriculum.

“The Australian Curriculum is a collaboration of truly national significance between education sectors, jurisdictions, education leaders, students and parents,” Mr Fox said.

“The Review’s recommendations deserve careful consideration and reflection as they go forward for consideration by all Education Ministers.”

Mr Fox said changes proposed to the role and governance of the Australian Curriculum, Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) also require careful scrutiny through the legislatively prescribed review of ACARA beginning...
later this year. Catholic education is committed to participating in the review and will endeavour to maintain the strong working relationship with ACARA supported by representation at the board level.

“Other education policies will require attention in the medium term,” Mr Fox said. “The Australian Government’s policy to link school funding to CPI beyond 2017 will create significant pressure on schools and school fees. That policy will need attention to ensure sustainable school funding for all schools, including Catholic schools, in 2018 and beyond.”

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National Finals this weekend for Sts Peter and Paul’s Future Problem Solvers
Best wishes to the Year 6 Future Problem Solving Team - Sophie Nakamura, Ellie Barbagallo, Ella Haddrill, Tara McCarthy and Charlotte Brook who have been invited to attend the National Finals of the Australian Future Problem Solving Program for 2014. This result means that these Year 6 girls are in the top 10% of teams nationwide.

This is a fantastic result for this team who have worked together to produce an excellent booklet on the topic of Surveillance Society. They are now asked to address the problem of a Land Transportation for their finals booklet which will be completed at St Leonard’s College in Melbourne from 17 - 19th October. Mrs Carolyn Burchill (Enrichment Teacher) and I are looking forward to accompanying the students to Melbourne.

Future Problem Solving is an international educational program for students of all ages from Prep to Year 12 that focuses on the development of creative thinking skills. The aim of Future Problem Solving is essentially to develop critical, creative and futuristic thinking skills. It challenges students to apply their imagination and thinking skills to some of the significant issues facing both the world of today, and the future, equipping them with the skills and vision needed to anticipate, comprehend and solve problems associated with these issues, helping them to have a positive impact in the society of the future.

A big thank you to Mrs Burchill for working closely with the students and supporting them with their future problem solving.

Please ensure that your diaries are marked with the pupil free day for Term 4 which is scheduled for next Monday, 20 October. This is a Professional Development day for staff and we will be working on aspects of The Arts curriculum and Technology.

Tomorrow we celebrate the feast of St Teresa of Jesus which is also known as St Teresa of Avila, who was a great spiritual writer, who can teach us how to pray. Let us pray that we will learn to persevere in prayer. God of mystery, may we prase you when we are happy and turn to you in our sorrows. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Peace and Best Wishes
Sr Ann-Maree Nicholls, sgs
PRINCIPAL

**APRE News – Mr Brendan Schostakowski**

**ANTI-POVERTY WEEK 12-18 October**

While the earnings of a minority are growing exponentially, so too is the gap separating the majority from the prosperity enjoyed by the happy few .... This imbalance is the result of ideologies that defend the absolute autonomy of the marketplace and financial speculation.

POPE FRANCIS, Evangelii Gaudium 2013
Poverty and severe hardship affect more than a million Australians. Around the world, more than a billion people are desperately poor. The first step we could take in fighting poverty is to tell someone about it ... knowing about people’s suffering is hopefully the precursor to us doing something about it!

The main aims of Anti-Poverty Week are to:
- Strengthen public understanding of the causes and consequences of poverty and hardship around the world and in Australia; and
- Encourage research, discussion and action to address these problems, including action by individuals, communities, organisations and governments.

At the end of our lives, we will not be judged by how many diplomas we have received, how much money we have made or how many great things we have done. We will be judged by ‘I was hungry and you gave me to eat. I was naked and you clothed me. I was homeless and you took me in.’

Hungry not only for bread – but hungry for love.

Naked not only of clothing – but naked of human dignity and respect.

Homeless not only for want of a room of bricks – but homeless because of rejection.

This is Christ in distressing disguise. (Mother Teresa)

RECONCILIATION YEAR 7 BLUE
This Thursday, 16 October Year 7 Blue will be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation with Fr Tom, beginning at 9am in the Church.

PARISH INVITATION TO YEAR LEVEL MASS – YEAR 1
During the year the parish has been inviting the families of Sts Peter and Paul’s school in year level groups to attend Mass and receive a special blessing, with the aim of fostering the link between parish and school.

Our Year 1 students have received a special invitation to celebrate 8am Mass this Sunday 19 October, followed by morning tea. We look forward to seeing the Year 1 children and their families at this Eucharistic celebration.

Wishing you God’s blessings throughout the week.

Brendan

APA News...Mr Damien Sullivan

Swimming – Years 1, 2 and 3
Swimming for Years 1, 2 and 3 has begun. This will continue each Thursday for Year 1 and Year 3 and each Monday for Year 2 for another four lessons. Our Junior Swimming Carnival for Years 1, 2 and 3 is scheduled for 19 November. The weather is perfect at the moment for enjoying a swim!

Building self-esteem
The article below on Self Esteem has some great thoughts as we move along through our last term of the 2014 school year. We want the children to be happy and to be able to take many fond memories away with them for the year.

Healthy self-esteem is feeling good about yourself, feeling that you are a worthwhile person.

Self-esteem builds a solid foundation to help children and parents cope with life.

What is self-esteem?
Self-esteem is about valuing and liking yourself. It is also about believing in what you can do. Children develop self-esteem when:
• they feel they have a place in the world where they belong
• they are a part of a family where they matter
• they are encouraged to do things and succeed.

Why is self-esteem important?
• Self-esteem helps people feel they can develop their own skills and contribute to their community.
• When people have low self-esteem they don’t feel confident about doing things for themselves, or using their talents and abilities in the best way.
• Low self-esteem is also linked to stress, coronary heart disease and anti-social behaviours.

What parents can do
• Tell your child that you love them as they are.
• Show your child that you love spending time with them doing the things they like to do.
• Show respect by talking in a way that you would like to be spoken to.
• Listen in a way that shows you take your child seriously.
• Help your child to explore any hobbies that they are interested in.
• When you play games with your child make sure they have opportunities to win.
• Celebrate your child’s achievements and successes.
• Show your child that you have faith in them. Don’t solve all their problems. Help them learn problem solving skills so they can manage things for themselves.

Reminders
• Children are not born with self-esteem.
• Young children learn self-esteem through what they can do and what their parents think of them.
• ‘Put down’ messages damage self-esteem.
• Giving time, hugs and smiles are very important to building self-esteem.
• Laugh with your children - not at them.
• Keep giving sincere messages that build self-esteem in your teenagers, even if they say they don’t believe you. These messages matter.
• Self-esteem is learned and can be changed.
• Take care of your own self-esteem.

Reference http://www.community.nsw.gov.au

As your kids grow they may forget what you said, but won’t forget how you made them feel – Kevin Heath

Bee Champions
Congratulationsto George (3R), Annalise (4G), Penny (2R) and Chloe (3B) who were drawn out of the box as Bee Champions at last week’s assembly. They have been helping our school to be a happy and safe place for students. All the best for the week ahead.

Damien Sullivan

Sports News

Metropolitan East Track and Field Selection:
Best wishes to Tara McCarthy who is competing in the Queensland Championships this week for Track and Field. Tara is competing in the 4 x 100m relay, 100m and Long jump events representing Sts Peter & Paul’s and Metropolitan East. Congratulations on your selection Tara and we look forward to hearing your news when you return at the end of this week.

Save the date: Junior Swimming Demonstration Carnival:
The Junior Swimming Demonstration is planned for the 19 November 2014. We will be holding this event at the St Oliver Plunkett pool. All Years 1, 2 and 3 will participate in a program which demonstrates the skills and strengths of each student in a 25m pool. More news in the coming weeks as our swimming lessons progress towards developing our students swimming skills.

QLD Selection Trials for Triathlon and Aquathon:
Nominations are open for submission to Mrs Conaghan for the following events sanctioned by Triathlon Queensland at the All Schools Triathlon Selection trials for the 2015 Triathlon season representation:

* Junior triathlon (2001 – 2002) 400m Swim/12km Cycle/3km Run
* Primary Aquathon (2003 – 2004) 1km Run/200m Swim/1km Run
* Kids Aquathon (2005 – 2007) 500m Run/100m Swim/500m Run

Entries close for school nomination by Friday 24 October. Please collect an information package and interest form from the school office if you are interested in further details regarding the trials being held in Lake Kawana, Sunshine Coast on the 9 November 2014 for the 2015 season. (These trials are also open for students who will be moving to another school next year). Please see me if you require further information regarding this event.

Yours in Sport
Mrs Lyndall Conaghan
PE and Sports Coordinator

Library News

Term four gets very busy as we near the end of the year. Please make sure to mark your calendars for library events during this Term:

CyberSmart Presentations 3rd November 6:00pm for Parents
Library Book Chat & Tea @ Riverbend 20th November 9:00am
Library Working Bee 25th November 9:00am

Today’s children use the Internet constantly, whether at school for learning or at home for play. As part of its Cybersmart Outreach program, the Australian Communications and Media Authority (the ACMA), delivers an internet safety awareness presentation for parents, teachers and students. This presentation will provide valuable
information about the risks confronting children online, and offer tools and tips to help make their internet experiences safe and positive.

The Internet safety presentation covers topics including:

- the ways children use the internet and emerging technologies
- potential risks for children online, such as cyberbullying, illegal content, inappropriate contact, identity theft, grooming and predatory activity
- tips to help children stay safe online.

The presentation is thorough, non-technical and is conducted by an accredited Cybersmart trainer. Our Years 4-7 students will have the student presentation on 3rd November at 2:00pm. Our staff will have an educational version of the presentation at 3:10 and parents are highly encouraged to attend the parent presentation version at 6:00pm on the 3rd November. The parent version is not recommended for children. Please RSVP the library for your attendance.

Happy Reading,
Mrs Ballentine, Mrs Rimmer, Mrs Wilson, Mrs Brooks and Mrs McEniery

Bookclub
Thankyou to all families who purchased from the Scholastic Bookclub last term. Your orders raised over $500 for the school which was used to purchase new books and activities for the library and classrooms. You should have received the latest bookclub brochures last week. With just over 10 weeks until Xmas, this is a good opportunity to get some presents for friends or family members and help the school at the same time. Please return your bookclub orders to school by Thursday 23 October.

P & F News
Thanks to everyone who came along to the Trivia Night last Saturday. I think you will agree that the Social Committee did a fabulous job and a great night was had by all.

Please note the change of date for this month’s P & F meeting. The P & F Meeting will be held on Wednesday, 22 October at 7.30pm in the staffroom. We hope to see you there to have your say!

SAVE THE DATE:
Friday, 7 November – KIDS DISCO!
Get the kids ready to get their boogie on as they dance the night away with their friends.

Facebook
The P&F have a Facebook page where you can find out what we are up to on a regular basis. Just go to http://www.facebook.com/StsPPPFF and like us!

Tuckshop News
Please click here for a copy of our current Tuckshop Menu.

The Tuckshop Break-up is on Thursday, 30th October at Red Galanga, 5 Wambool Street, Bulimba at 11.15am. BYO. $8 per person payable to me before the day, please.

RSVP by 27 October. All tuckshop helpers most welcome!

ROSTER:
Wednesday, 15 October
Louise Gillies, Elisa Dooley, Maree Meier
Friday, 17 October
Leonie Flynn, Judy Lennon, Amelia Francis, Fiona Robertson, Carmel McCormack

Many thanks,
Chris Watt, Tuckshop Convenor
0413 590 109

OSHC News
PUPIL FREE DAY: We have some Casual spots available for the Pupil Free Day next Monday 20th October. Please contact OSHC if you would like care on this day.

ACTIVITIES: Cooking activities this week include chicken filo triangles, apple and cinnamon muffins, biscuit cups and yummy bean nachos. For craft we are making juggling balls, painting dot art pictures and decorating stained glass lanterns. In the playground we are playing soccer, 44 home and having a skip-a-thon. Rat-a-tat-cat, giant chess and connect four are our favourite games inside. Our cherry tomatoes, beans, snow peas and strawberries are all growing well.
WELCOME: Renae Burke and Joshua Giorgi have started with us at OSHC as Educators. Renae and Josh are both past pupils at Saints Peter & Paul’s. We welcome Renae and Josh to OSHC!

EDUCATOR OF THE WEEK: Jaimee Trembearth is our OSHC Educator of the week. Jaimee has taught here in Queensland as well as living and teaching in Japan for 6 years. When she is not working at OSHC Jaimee is busy training for her next Ironman event.

EMERGENCIES: Last Friday we had a fire evacuation drill practise at OSHC and this week we will be having a lockdown practise with the children. We practise these emergency procedures with the children each quarter.

VACATION CARE: We welcome feedback on our “Circus Fun” Vacation Care program. Please email us or speak to an OSHC Educator.

20th BIRTHDAY: This year we celebrate 20 years of Outside School Hours Care at Sts Peter & Paul’s! Join us during National Children’s Week (18th Oct to 26th Oct) for lots of fun and games! We would love to hear from anyone who attended or worked at OSHC between 1994 and 2004. Please contact us by phone or email to learn more. We look forward to hearing from you!

OSHC CHAMPIONS: OSHC Champions this week are Chloe Anderson-Wills, Ella Ferguson and Ruby Webb. Well done!

Kind regards,
Claire Ravenswood
OSHC Coordinator

School Banking

Term 4 Competition
The Dollarmites have uncovered the ancient Clam of Fortune. Inside are amazing prizes that you could win a share of:
* 40 x GoPro HER03 White Edition Cameras
* 150 x Slip ’N Slide Double Wave Riders

You will automatically, during 20th October - 30 November 2014, receive one entry into the competition every time you deposit during the competition period, with a maximum of 6 entries (one per week). Good Luck!

Whale Shark Pencil Case extremely Low Stock
We are expecting the Whale Shark Pencil Case stock will be depleted within 1-2 days. Once stock is depleted this item will no longer be available.

Happy Banking from your school banking co-ordinators Deb Waldron, Amanda Monckton, Melody Phillips, Cath Palmer and Sonia Horsburgh.

Melbourne Cup
GOOD SAMARITAN MELBOURNE CUP FUNDRAISER - As always, we are asking you and your friends for support.

Pre – Melbourne Cup Day Activities

1. **Fancy Goods Stall:** We would appreciate any contribution, fancy goods, jams, cakes etc. Please contact the Wynnum West Community at 14 Melissa Street. Ph 3396 1740, to contribute.

2. **Our Fantastic Raffle:** Great prizes!
   1st Prize A Delightful $500.00 to save!
   2nd Prize A Very Useful $300.00 to spend!
   3rd Prize A Handy $200.00 to enjoy!
   4th Prize Framed Painting “Poppies Aglow” by Sr Margaret Ann Kelly SGS

   There are still some tickets available. If you would like extra books please contact me. Phone 33992158 or 0408 653 033. Email - mrandle@goodsams.org.au

3. **Bookings and pre-payment:** Tickets for the Melbourne Cup Luncheon $50.00 are available from Lourdes Hill or Parish Office. It would be wonderful to make tables of eight to make the day a bonanza. Cheques payable to Sisters of the Good Samaritan Foundation.

**Melbourne Cup Day**

Date: Tuesday 4 November
Venue: Sts Peter and Paul’s Parish Hall
Time: 10am
Sweeps: $2 and $5

**Fancy Goods Stall, Lucky Door Prizes, Drawing the Raffle, wide screen viewing of the Melbourne Cup.**

Thank you for your support. Let’s make it a great day.

Blessings in abundance

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Shoebox Appeal
THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU to all the teachers, students and families in our school. 178 filled shoeboxes & $1,612 (to cover the cost of the overseas delivery) has been taken to the Samaritans Purse Warehouse.
The shoeboxes will be distributed to children in need in third world countries.
Thank you for your generosity and kindness in supporting this social justice project.

Child of the Week

PB: Annabel Dwyer   PG: Erin Chey   PR: Laura Ngan   PY: Jules Thomson
1B: Lily Lerner   1G: Lea Nixon   1R: Charlie Kavney
2B: Katelin Brennan   2G: Lila Meredith   2R: Lucas Vrijsen Fierros   2Y: Gianni Kingstone
3B: Charlotte Morris   3G: Gerald Wong   3R: Lily Rout
4B: Molly O’Farrell   4G: Lucy Taylor   4R: Georgia Shepherd
5B: Grace Dillon   5G: Jacqueline Kewley
6B: Ellen O’Driscoll   6G: Alyssa Granato
7B: Nikita Bond   7G: Dylan Warren-Pugh

DATES TO REMEMBER

20 October  Professional Development Day – No Students at School
22 October  P & F Meeting – 7.30pm
23 October  Bookclub Orders Due
27 October  Shake & Stir Drama Performance (Years 6 & 7)
3 November  Cybersmart Presentation – 6.00pm
6 November  Orientation Day
7 November  School Disco
14 November  G20 Public Holiday
19 November  Junior Swimming Demonstration Carnival (Years 1-3)
25 November  Library Working Bee – 9am
27 November  School Concert
3 December  Graduation (Years 6 & 7)
5 December  Term 4 Ends – 12pm
Reach Out for Peace Mini Market Day 2014

Thank you to the Sts Peter and Paul’s School and Parish Community for making our Senior Leaders Reach Out for Peace Mini-Market Day such a wonderful success. Many parents, teachers and students gave up their time to help raise money for those in need. A special thank you must go to those parents who gave their time to assist with the smooth running on the day, the Year 5 teachers and students for the mind-blowing side show alley entertainment and finally to the Senior Leaders for their hard work in preparing all the amazing craft items available for sale on the day.

Thank you to the parents and members of the Parish who gave their valuable time to help with the Sausage Sizzle. Under the coordination of Angela Owens, Lana Killian, Veronique Smith, Lorna Gavin, Katie Pesch, Fiona Robinson, Peter and Claire Maylon a wonderful job was done in preparing the food and making sure that all the baskets went to the classes on time.

We would also like to extend our sincere thanks and gratitude to Graeme Cassady and Hans Primo Smallgoods who donated all the sausages for the Market Day and to the many families and local businesses who donated items for the raffle. Your generosity and support are greatly appreciated.

All money raised from the Mini Market Day will be donated to the Catholic Mission, St Vincent De Paul and the Good Samaritan Foundation.

Year 7 and Year 6 Teachers

WHIZ KIDZ - Science
HANDS - ON EXPERIMENTING = LEARNING THAT’S FUN

• Is your child driven by curiosity?
• Does your child love science?
• Does your child ask lots of questions?
• Your child will have fun and enjoy learning about the world and how it works!

SUPER SCIENCE CLUB PROGRAM
Fortnightly on Thursdays (3.15pm – 4.30pm)
Years 1-5

CONCEPTS (Term 4)
• UNDER PRESSURE – Air pressure is exerted by the movement of molecules of air. It’s not a good idea to mess with air pressure – it can squash metal and break timber. Understand high and low pressure and how they relate to our everyday world.
• MIGHTY MAGNETS – Magnetic energy is one of Earth’s invisible forces. Understanding the change and interaction of energy forms is vital to our existence and to our quality of life.
• CANDLE CHEMISTRY – Solid wax does not burn, so why is it used in candles? Science Club will investigate how candles burn and prepare some candles for Xmas.
• HIGHLIGHTS AND FAVOURITES – The ‘best’ experiments followed by a breakup party and final awards.

WHO – Years 1-5
WHEN – Fortnightly from Thursday 16th October
WHERE – Prep
FEE – $100 (Cash, money order or cheque payable to D. Bennett)
ENROLMENT - Your child must be properly enrolled to be accepted. For the enrolment package and a full program contact Donna Bennett before Session 1. See details below

• Email – scedau@optusnet.com.au
  • Mobile - 0427 644 490
Crayon and Pencil Collection & Donation

One focus of the school’s Care and Concern Committee has been to raise awareness within the school community of ways that we can provide help to others. A simple way our children can contribute is by donating their **used** and **unused** crayons, textas, pencils and other stationery. The donation of this stationery happens towards the end of the school year. The children are asked to put their donations in a box that will be placed in their classrooms by the **Year 6/7 Care and Concern Student Group**.

The Care and Concern Committee are donating the stationery to:

**The Good Samaritan Early Childhood Learning Centre in Kiribati**: Stationery packs will be sent to the centre. The teachers have requested thicker pencils, thicker crayons, craft scissors, paint brushes, paints etc. that would suit the 3-5 year age group. This donation of stationery to the centre links in with Sr. Mary’s Kiribati Twinning Project with families whose children attend the centre.

**St. Brendan’s, Moorooka**: Stationery packs will be donated to Sudanese refugees who attend this school to assist with their learning.

**Cannon Hill Community Connections**: Stationery packs will be donated to the Playgroup sessions held by this community centre. They will also be included in some packs in Christmas hampers that are distributed to disadvantaged families. Cannon Hill Community Connections provides counselling, family support, emergency relief, information, referral and practical assistance. Various groups are held at the centre each week including sewing, playgroup, English conversation and Welcome Circles.

**As we approach the end of the school year please remind your child/children about this important collection.**
10 October 2014

Dear Customer

RE: Sewerage infrastructure upgrade, Riding Road, Balmoral

Queensland Urban Utilities is committed to ensuring the long-term sustainability and efficiency of the region’s water and sewerage infrastructure. For this reason, relining and rehabilitation work of the sewerage network will soon commence on Riding Road, Balmoral.

This essential maintenance work is part of the Trunk Sewer Rehabilitation Program to extend the operational life of the trunk sewers by 50 years through relining the existing sewer.

Work will begin Tuesday 14 October 2014 for about four weeks, weather permitting. Project work hours will be from 7am to 6pm, weekdays. During the course of the project, the contractor may need to work approximately three 24 hour shifts during the relining process. If this is required, impacted residents will be provided with prior notice.

The community may experience the following impacts from this project:

- Changed traffic conditions on Riding Road between Fifth Avenue and Mullen Street, with traffic controllers on site to manage pedestrian and vehicle traffic.
- Construction-related noise during project work hours from equipment and heavy vehicle movement.
- Odour impacts due to the nature of the works.

During construction, bypass pipes will be installed along the construction route on the northbound side of Riding Road between Fifth Avenue and Mullen Street. Access to driveways along this route will be maintained by placing low set ramps over the top of the pipes. We will make every effort to contact affected residents prior to ramp installations.

Some tree trimming is required to allow heavy equipment to access sewerage infrastructure and this will be undertaken with the supervision of a Brisbane City Council approved arborist.

There is no interruption of sewerage services expected due to this project.

We thank you for your patience during these important works. If you would like further information about this project, please email the project team at community.feedback@urbanutilities.com.au or call the Queensland Urban Utilities Contact Centre on 13 26 57, between Monday to Friday, 7am to 7pm.

Yours sincerely

[Signature]

Mildred Coombs
Project Manager
Major Projects and Commercial Services
Aussie Hoops is coming to St Peter and St Paul's Catholic School. Aussie Hoops is all about participation and fun. Aussie Hoops has a national coaching curriculum and a sequentially developed program consisting of warm-up games, skill activities and modified games, all delivered by accredited coaches. Aussie Hoops caters for Prep to grade 5 students. There will be a 7 week program starting on Saturday 18th October 9.30-10.30am in the school hall for only $90.

Each participant receives a ball, a bag and a reversible singlet.

Parents can register and pay online by clicking one of the following links.

Boys only Program - https://reg.sportingpulse.com/v6/regoform.cgi?formID=42545&programID=797


Spaces are limited, register now!

Any questions please ring Peter Pollock, Junior Participation Manager for Basketball Queensland on 0412 080 677.

**Dancesport Lessons**

“Dancesport lessons, offering Ballroom and Latin-American dance classes and practice sessions are being conducted after school in terms 4, for pupils in Years 4-7, at St Oliver Plunkett School, Cannon Hill. These lessons will teach Ballroom and Latin-American dancing to those who just wish to learn, and these lessons will also equip students with suitable routines in the event that they may wish to compete in the new ‘Recreational’ division of official Dancesport Queensland events.

Lessons will be conducted by Mr Michael Maguire, a teacher at the school, who is also a highly ranked Australian Dancesport competitor, with both national and international experience. As numbers necessitate, other highly experienced dancers/teachers will be in assistance during lessons.

Lessons will be conducted on each **Thursday afternoon** during terms four, from 3:15-4:00pm on the main quadrangle area at the school. **Cost is only $4 pp/lesson.**

This programme is fully supported by Dancesport Queensland, the peak body of Dancesport in this state and has started, and been running successfully since earlier in the year.

Further info- 0407633842"
KIDS CLASSES 8-12 years

Why is exercise important for my child?

- Builds skills and confidence
- Creates great habits
- Improved psychological well-being
- Improved health
- Better life quality

CLASS TIMES
Tues: 4:15PM - 5:00PM
Thurs: 4:15PM - 5:00PM
Sat: 3:30PM - 4:15PM
(Bookings Essential)

For more information visit our website. Kids membership & casual visit prices available on website.