Principal's Message – Sr Ann-Maree Nicholls, sgs

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Children

Year 6 Leadership Day
Congratulation to the Year 6 students who are our Senior Leaders of Sts Peter & Paul’s School. They had a wonderful day of activities on Monday in the Good Samaritan Hall. During the afternoon, the students voted for the 2015 Sports Captains and Student Council Representatives. Congratulations to the following student leaders:

**HOUSE CAPTAINS**

**CONCANNON** (Green)
Claire Brind and Ella Monckton

**O’BRIEN** (Gold)
Amelia Harmey and Will Spencer

**O’KEEFFE** (Blue)
Olivia Duncan and Josephine Garvin

**RYAN** (Red)
Annalise Ganter and Sophia Wightman

**STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE COUNCIL**

**Year 6 Blue**
Millicent Carlile, Tess Catchpole, Sophia Emanuel and Delilah Jackson

**Year 6 Green**
Emily Adkins, Grace Dillon, Laura McKay and Hannah Williams

Leadership badges will be presented at this week’s Assembly scheduled for Wednesday afternoon at 2:30pm in the Hall. The change of time this week is due to Ash Wednesday Liturgies scheduled in the morning.

Parent Information Evening
Last Tuesday evening, our parent information evening was conducted. It was pleasing to see parents respond so receptively to these sessions. It is indeed a beneficial way to understand curriculum content, homework procedures and behaviour management strategies for each class. Having a perception of these elements, certainly assists parents as they support their children’s learning.

School Fees & Levies 2015
School Fee accounts have been emailed this week to all families except those who have direct debit arrangements. Please check that you have received your account, if not contact Bernie Shelton in the school office. If you have not given us an up to date email address could you please provide this as soon as possible. Families experiencing difficulties are asked to make an appointment to see the Principal.
Parking
I would like to remind families that SCHOOL PARKING IS NOT PERMITTED along the driveway in front of the Church and beside the Parish Pastoral Centre. Also, this area should not be used as a pick up or drop off zone for students coming or going home from school. Parking in this area is strictly for Parish use only. Thank you for your continued support as we strive to ensure a safe environment for our school community.

Today is Shrove Tuesday. This is the day before Lent begins. It is a day of feasting before the fasting. Let us give God thanks for the goodness we have received. God of feast and plenty, we thank you for your generosity to us and seek your blessing for those who have nothing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

APRE News – Mr Brendan Schostakowski

YEAR 6 LEADERSHIP DAY
Yesterday our Year 6 Leaders for 2015 participated in their Leadership Day. During the day the students were engaged in a variety of activities, exploring topics such as shared leadership, working as a team, recognising and using their gifts and talents to build and serve the school community, and looking at Jesus as the model for leadership. All students benefited from this experience and worked very well together. We keep them in our prayers and wish them all the best in the challenges that lie ahead this year.

ASH WEDNESDAY – 18 FEBRUARY
The Season of Lent begins tomorrow. We will celebrate Ash Wednesday with the following liturgies:
9am Mass for Years 4-6 in the Church.
11:10am Liturgy for Prep to Year 3 in the Good Samaritan Hall.

Family members are welcome to join the students and teachers for either of these liturgies.

THE SEASON OF LENT – A TIME OF CHANGE AND NEW GROWTH
The word Lent is from the old English word ‘lencten’ – meaning ‘to lengthen’. It was used to describe the beginning of Spring, often after a bleak and cold winter. Farmers would plant seeds and wait in hope for the sun to warm the land, rain to germinate the seeds and good soil to nourish the budding shoots. For us in the Southern Hemisphere the experience is very different – we are emerging from the hot summer months.

For each of us the forty days of Lent provides an opportunity to examine the reality of our lives and plant seeds of change and new growth. It can be a time of healing, renewal and recommitment.

PROJECT COMPASSION
The theme for Project Compassion 2015 is “Food for Life”.
This week your child will bring home a Project Compassion money box. Each Wednesday during Lent there will be a special Lenten prayer assembly in the Church where the money from these boxes will be collected. Your donations allow Caritas Australia, the Catholic Agency for International Aid and Development, to work towards a more just and fair world, where the basic human right for food is met and sustained.
Food is essential for all life, yet many of the world’s poorest people do not have access to reliable food sources. That means they live from day-to-day, uncertain of how they’ll afford or find their next meal. Without food, the rest of life is impossible to contemplate: how can you plan for the future or educate your children when you fear you will be hungry?

Project Compassion 2015 throws a spotlight on global food issues, focusing on the ways in which Caritas Australia is empowering the world’s poorest people to establish sustainable food sources for life, that retrieve them of the fear of hunger and allow them to develop new, improved income streams for a better future.

Pope Francis calls us to act, ‘It is a well-known fact that current levels of production are sufficient, yet millions of people are still suffering and dying of starvation. This is truly scandalous.’

Please put your compassion into action this Lent by supporting Project Compassion.

Wishing you God’s blessings for the coming week.

Brendan

**APA News...Mr Damien Sullivan**

**Uniforms**

It is pleasing to see so many children wearing the school uniform with pride. Should your child not be able to wear the correct uniform, a note of explanation should be sent along to school with your child. A reminder that the shoes worn with the school uniform should be black with navy coloured socks. White sports shoes should be worn on days when the class is wearing the sports uniform, however the white socks worn with them must cover the ankles.

**Healthy Food**

Health experts regularly remind us of the importance of having a good breakfast and a nutritional lunch to help give children the best opportunities to learn while at school. Please ensure that your child has a healthy lunch and morning tea packed each day. Particularly in the younger grades, our students are encouraged to eat fruit and yoghurt first before eating other foods packed in their lunchboxes.

**Collings Street Pick Up Zone**

Parents who use the top Pick Up line on Collings Street are reminded to please enter Collings Street via Grosvenor Street only.

Drivers are not permitted to enter the queue of cars lining up to pick up children on Collings Street by turning from Victoria Street. This unnecessarily holds traffic up on Victoria Street and is unfair for those drivers who have done the right thing by joining the pick up queue from the back of the line.

Please also note that from 3.05pm each afternoon, parents at the front of the pick up line will be asked to drive on and do a lap of the block to join the queue again, if their child is not ready to be collected. Our aim is to keep our pick up lines moving and avoid unnecessary delays to all families.

**Lost Property**

With the swimming program underway, the lost property bundle is growing. Each week we have quite a collection of school hats, drink bottles and lunchboxes without names marked on them. We urge parents to please ensure names are clearly marked on items brought to school and to discuss with their children the importance of being responsible for items that they may take off or leave in the playground during the school day. Students and/or parents should check the lost property in the undercroft if something has been misplaced.

**Safe Parking**

To help with traffic flow around the school, it is particularly important that cars do not stop to collect or drop off children near the front driveway into the school. Likewise, it will also be helpful if parents refrain from parking too close to intersections around the school where yellow lines clearly mark these as no stopping areas. Parking too close to corners makes it dangerous for our school families trying to cross the road and makes things difficult for drivers turning at the surrounding intersections. Local police check the parking around schools on a regular basis to help keep it safe.

**Bee Champions**

Congratulations to Ben (2R), Eva (2G), Molly (2R) and Jackson (2R) who were drawn out of the box as Bee Champions at our last assembly. They have been helping our school to be a happy and safe place for students.

Have a great week,

**Damien Sullivan**

**Sports News**

**Results from Lytton Swimming Trials**

Congratulations to the 13 Bronze Awardees who attended the Lytton District Swimming Trials last week. Many swimmers did PB’s and were very happy with their results. Congratulations to the following students on their notable results:

* Tiana Smith – 10 Yr Girls – 4th in 50m Freestyle and 2nd in 50m Backstroke
* Ella Monckton – 11 Yr Girls – 6th in 50m Breaststroke
* Claire Brind – 12 Yr Girls – 10th in 50m Breaststroke
* Thomas Druve – 10 Yr Boys – 5th in 50m Breaststroke
* Will Spencer – 12 Yr Boys – 12th in 50m Backstroke
* Jessica French – 10 Yr Girls – 10th in 50m Butterfly
Congratulations and good luck to Our Silver Awardees who will compete at the Met East Swimming Championships:
Ella Monckton – 50m Breaststroke
Tiana Smith – 50m Freestyle and 50m Backstroke

Upcoming School to Lytton District Trials
* School Basketball Trials for possible Lytton District selection – Wednesday 18 February, 12.30pm – 1.10pm – Good Samaritan Hall
* School Touch Trials for possible Lytton District selection – Wednesday 25 February, 12.30pm – 1.10pm – (Weather permitting) on the oval
* School Football (Soccer) Trials for possible Lytton District selection – Thursday 26 February, 11.00am – 11.45am – (Weather permitting) on the oval. Protective gear required.

The above sports trials are for Boys and Girls 12yrs (DOB 2003 – 2005). Eligible students are invited to attend school trials for possible Lytton District nomination.
Ensure you have appropriate shoes and sports shirt to participate. Please bring your hat and lunch with you.

* School Rugby League Trials for possible Lytton District selection – Friday 27 February. Protective gear required.
Boys 12 yrs trials (DOB 2003) and 11 yrs (DOB 2004-2005) are invited to attend school trials for possible Lytton District nomination.

Please meet outside the Good Samaritan Hall at 12.15pm – 1.00pm. Weather permitting we will head to the oval for trials. Ensure you have appropriate shoes and sports shirt to participate. Please bring your hat and lunch with you.

For further information regarding any trials please see Mrs Conaghan or Mr Sullivan.

Yours in Sport
Mrs Conaghan
PE and Sport Coordinator

Library Bites
Welcome to week 4!
Thank you to the people who have volunteered to assist us in the Library. We will be contacting you soon to organise our roster so please keep an eye on the newsletter and your email.
This month we continue to celebrate ‘Love of Reading month’. We are looking for you to share your favourite book with us. You can draw a picture or take a photo with your favourite book. You also need to include why you love reading.

We will display these on the back noticeboard for everyone to see. Can you guess the people in your class?

Can you guess who our celebrity readers are?
Have a look on our outside noticeboard to guess who the celebrity readers are. What types of books are people reading? Try and guess each one and record it on the sheet on the circulation desk. How many can you guess?

Happy reading,
Mrs Wilson, Mrs Rimmer, Mrs McEniery and Mrs Brooks.
tmwilson@bne.catholic.edu.au
rimmer@bne.catholic.edu.au

Welcome back to TechTalk 2015! This year has seen some big changes at Sts Peter and Paul's in regard to technology and how we use it; most notably, the swapping of devices in the 1-1 Laptop Programme from Windows based machines to Apple Mac Airs. After considerable deliberation, the school has chosen to go forward with Apple due to their application in design thinking and creative solutions. The students are thrilled with their new machines and have transitioned smoothly from one format to the other (as would be expected, show offs!).

The other big move forward comes in the form of Adobe Creative Cloud access for all school machines. Adobe leads the way in high-end software for amateur and professional designers, web designers, animators, filmmakers, software developers,
journalists and graphic artists, to name a few. This software, put in the hands of our students, will see them transport their ideas to visual and aesthetic heights as well as challenge their problem solving capabilities, push them to find and create new modern solutions to problems, and put them at the forefront of design thinking education; a real and relevant 21st century skill.

Software available for our students include Photoshop, InDesign, Illustrator, Edge Animate, Premiere Elements, Capture, Muse… the list goes on. Watch this space for innovative, fresh and most importantly, creative work that will be sure to blow minds.

For more information on design and 21st century education, click the link below.

http://www.designthinkingforeducators.com/design-thinking

Until next time…

Year 5

Dear Parents, Friends, Grandparents and Members of the Sts Peter and Paul’s Community

As many of you are aware the school runs a Support-a-Reader Program for students in Years Two and Three. The aim of the program is to support children’s literacy acquisition by developing reading skills in the vital early years of learning. The program is held on **Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons from 1.55 to 2.55pm**, commencing on Tuesday 10th February.

The success of the program relies upon our generous volunteers and we would like to invite any interested parents, friends, grandparents, and parishioners to participate. We welcome all offers of assistance and younger children are also most welcome.

A training session will be held to familiarise tutors with the reading process and give them some strategies for assisting the students. It is very rewarding to see the children’s skills and confidence increase throughout the sessions and it is also a great way to meet other members of our community.

If you would like to be part of this valuable program or require further information please contact Mary Clarris by phoning the school office on 3399 1281 during school hours. Alternatively email Mary on mclarris@bne.catholic.edu.au

Many thanks,
Mary Clarris and Julie Thompson

**Tuckshop**

The current menu is available on the school website at [www.stspp.qld.edu.au](http://www.stspp.qld.edu.au).

**Roster:**
- Wednesday, 18 February
  - Elisa Dooley, Maree Meier, Gina Yem
- Friday, 20 February
  - Leonie Flynn, Judy Lennon, Toni Schulz, Carmel McCormack, Amanda Monckton
- Monday, 23 February
  - Renee Flett

Many thanks everyone,
Chris Watt, Tuckshop Convenor
0413 590 109

**P & F News**

**Claim the Date**
Friday 22nd May Bi-annual Dinner Dance – Arabian Nights
Organise a table with friends to be a part of our favourite social event!

**Next P&F Meeting**
Thank you to those who attended our first P & F meeting for the year. It was a very productive meeting and a great way to plan our projects for the year.
The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 18th March. 7.30pm in the staffroom. Everyone is welcome, no RSVP needed.

**New Quartermaster**
Many thanks to Deb Waldron who has volunteered her time to be the new Quartermaster and take care of the storeroom. It is important to let Deb know if anything is taken from the storeroom so stock inventory can be kept up to date.
Email: deb@partyandco.com.au

**Day on the Green**
Head on down to the school oval on Sunday 1st March for a relaxing afternoon of music, food and fun as we welcome the new school year in with a 'Day on the Green'. Come and get your groove on with some fresh local music. There will be complimentary baked ham rolls and a sausage sizzle for all. The wonderful Lexi and Mark from Jumpin Around Jumping Castles
have generously donated jumping castles to keep the kids entertained again this year. Cold drinks, chips and lollies will also be available to purchase. So get a group together, dig out the picnic blankets, put the ‘parents drinks’ on ice and head on down to the school oval Sunday 1 March, 2 - 5pm!

**OSHC**

**ACTIVITIES:** We have lots of fun activities planned for OSHC this week! In the kitchen we are cooking longevity noodles to celebrate Chinese New Year and we are also making pea and ham soup, healthy LCM’s and yummy blueberry smoothies. For craft we have lots of Chinese New Year activities organised including Chinese dragons, Chinese fans and friendship bracelets with lucky coins. Inside we are playing dress ups and trio with Jason, twister with Dom and connect 4 with Jasmine. We are using the Lunar Calendar to organise our garden. This week we are preparing the garden beds for new plants by mixing lots of organic compost into the soil. In the playground we are playing tunnel ball, soccer and 44 home. Our cardboard box construction is going well with lots of amazing rocket ship-mail box-cubby house box creations being built.

**2015 BOOKINGS:** All families are reminded that a new Enrolment Form and Booking Form must be completed every year for each child. Please contact OSHC for an Enrolment Form or more information.

Kind regards,
Claire Ravenswood
OSHC Coordinator
Educational Leader

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**School Banking**

Congratulations 2014 School Bankers!
Tina Eisenmenger our Commonwealth Bank School Banking Manager came to our School Assembly last week. Tina presented Saints Peter and Paul’s School with a cheque for our 2014 commission. The total was $2,977.43, a huge well done to all our bankers, this is a wonderful fundraising contribution.

Open a School Bank Account on Wednesday the 25th of February at school. Just one week until Lauren the Bank Manager from Bulimba CommBank and the schools banking co-ordinators will have a table outside the office from 8.10am. This is the simplest way to open a School Banking Account for your child, just bring your driver’s licence and child’s birth certificates and they will be banking within the week.

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

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**DATES TO REMEMBER**

18 February  
**Ash Wednesday**

24 – 25 February  
**School Photos**

25 February  
**School Banking Sign on Day**

1 March  
**Welcome Back Day on the Green 2pm**

2 March  
**‘Let’s Chat’ Girls (Year 6)**

4 – 6 March  
**Year 5 Camp – Tallebudgera**

10 March  
**‘Let’s Chat’ Changing Bodies (Year 5)**

11 March  
**Swimming Carnival (Years 3 to 6)**

27 March  
**Cross Country (Years 1 to 6)**

2 April  
**Term 1 Ends**

20 April  
**Term 2 Begins**

22 May  
**P & F Dinner Dance – Arabian Nights**
Child of the Week

PB: Reuben Fulloon
1B: Anton Hoeft
2B: Sienna Howes
3B: Jemma Leszczynski
4B: Jordan Gulisano
5B: Finley Wilkinson
6B: Sophia Wightman

1G: Otto Wilhelm
2G: Oscar Cullen
3G: Yeben Dias
4G: Jack Fury
5G: Imogen Kahlert
6G: Tayla Lloyd

1R: Mia Loadsman
2R: Charli Gargan
3R: Eliza Reid
4R: Georgia Piggott
3Y: Alison Henshke

PY: Chloe Barrett
1Y: Claudia Wallace

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Markwell Presents bring 10 years experience working with young people in theatre to introduce a new drama workshop that will provide your child with a fun and healthy learning experience. We have designed a one hour session full of physical drama games and improvisation activities that encourage students to use their creativity, coordination and energy.

The focus is on the healthy activity and creative thinking that drama performance requires, boosting your child’s self confidence, public speaking and team building skills.

$140 per term: Suitable for yr 3 to 6 primary students
3:15pm to 5pm Monday at Sts Peter & Paul’s School - Bulimba

For bookings and info email: steven@markwellpresents.com

www.markwellpresents.com

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Bulimba Women’s Hockey Club
are seeking
PLAYERS/COACHES for
2015 Hockey Season
Aged from 5 years for.....
Senior, Junior and Masters Turf Teams
Senior and Junior Grass Teams
Modified Teams

Training held at State Hockey Centre, Lytton Road, Morningside
For further details please contact:
Kay Beirne - 0409621033 or Gaye Swaffield - 0408339891
Toowong Orthodontics

Toowong Orthodontics is delighted to support St Peters and Paul's school by creating a fund designed to help students attend such events as the future problem solving program when interstate or international travel is required. As an ongoing sponsorship any child from Sts Peter and Paul's who commences full orthodontic treatment $50 will be donated to the fund. In addition any child who attends an assessment appointment $5 will be donated. Both the Australian and American Orthodontic societies advise that children should be seen by an orthodontist at around 8 years of age to assess their developing dentition and pick up any issues such as missing or extra teeth or teeth that are going off course. At this age the permanent teeth have begun to erupt and Dr Goodyear can evaluate whether orthodontic treatment is likely to be required. Seeing children at a younger age allows preventative treatment to be carried out issues such as crossbites can cause developing asymmetry and can be treated early preventing future issues. Early treatment will only be recommended if it will significantly improve the outcome or ensure that future treatment is less complex and lengthy.

No referral is required and HICAPS is available for health fund rebates on the day. Appointments can be made by calling 3870 0922 or please visit our website for more information www.toowongorthodontics.com.au Free parking is available very close by and the train station is only a couple of minutes walk.

An orthodontist is a dentist who has completed an additional 3 years of full time study to gain qualifications to become a registered specialist. We specialise in the diagnosis and treatment of teeth and jaw alignment issues and because this is all we do we are able to provide accurate diagnosis and treatment that is best suited to your unique needs. Treatment is efficient and we are able to discuss which options are best for you and the timing of the treatment to ensure the best outcome.

At Toowong orthodontics we offer a range of options from fixed braces with fun colours to ceramic options if you wish to make the braces less obvious. We also provide treatment with Invisalign clear aligners and Incognito lingual braces which are attached to the tongue side of your teeth so no one knows you are having orthodontic treatment. Payment plans are available and options will be fully discussed with you at the time of consultation.

OPEN MORNING: SETON COLLEGE

Tuesday 3rd March starting at 9am
in the College Chapel with an Information Session
followed by a tour of the College.
The Open Morning will conclude at 10.30am

SETON COLLEGE, MT GRAYATT EAST, a Catholic Co-educational College, is now accepting enrolment applications from students wishing to attend the College in Year 7 2016 and 2017 (maximum Year 7 enrolment is 65 students).

The College accepts students of diverse abilities, but seeks to provide opportunities for students who need to ‘pick up the pace’ of their school work in the primary school years. This is done through a curriculum in which core subjects are offered at many levels and classes with a very favourable teacher – student ratio.

In the Senior years, (Years 11 – 12) the College offers students the opportunity to do QCE subjects and a variety of VET pathways.

Please visit the College website at http://www.seton.qld.edu.au or phone 3391 5333 to obtain an enrolment package.
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 (3.15 – 4.30pm)
Years 1-5

CONCEPTS (Term 1)

- BALANCING - Can you beat gravity? – If everything were weightless, balancing would not be a problem. If your ‘centre of gravity’ is not over your balancing point then gravity will win – you can depend on it!
- MACHINE SYSTEMS – A little technological know-how; a machine; can make your life a lot easier. Machines multiply your strength and make it easier to do things.
- EGGCITING SCIENCE - Science is all around us, everywhere we look! What’s an egg then? Where is the science in this wonderful engineering feat that is also good for us?
- AS A MATTER OF FACT – Everything in the world is either matter or energy. How many different atoms do we have on earth? What is matter and what is not?

WHO – Years 1-5
WHEN – Fortnightly from Thursday 19th February
WHERE – Prep room
FEE – $100 (4 sessions only) (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 below

- Email – scedau@optusnet.com.au
- Mobile - 0427 644490

Aussie Hoops is back! AUSSIE HOOPS @ Sts Peter and Paul’s!

Basketball Queensland is offering a “girls only” and a “boys only” Aussie Hoops program this term at Sts Peter and Paul’s. Aussie Hoops is all about participation and fun. Aussie Hoops has a national coaching curriculum and sequentially developed program consisting of warm-up games, skill activities and modified games, all delivered by accredited coaches. It’s for Prep to Year 6 students aged 5 to 11 years. Each new participant receives a ball, a bag and a reversible singlet. Girls also get a pair of socks and a hair ribbon in their “Pink Pack”.

The program will be held on Monday afternoons from 3.10pm to 4.10pm for the girls starting on the 2nd of March for 7 weeks (last session on 27th April) and Saturday morning from 9.30am to 10.30am starting on the 7th of March for the boys for 7 weeks (last session on 9th May). Cost is $75 which includes the Aussie Hoops pack or just $55 if you are a returning participant and already have your Aussie Hoops gear. PLEASE NOTE – THERE WILL BE NO SESSIONS HELD THROUGH THE SCHOOL HOLIDAYS!!

To register check your child’s bag for a flyer for instructions or go to www.aussiehoops.com.au and enter postcode “4171” into sign post next to Lauren Jackson, “Duncan” and Patty Mills (see below) and look for the Sts Peter & Paul's program.
Class Photo Order Forms will be sent home with your child/ren this week. Your child’s name is located on the top of the form.

A Green Sibling Order Form will be sent home with the eldest child.

If required, spare order forms are available from the School Office or, alternatively, print the order form attached and return to the School Office by Monday 23 February.

Please note cash payments ARE NOT accepted.
A casual position exists for a School Crossing Supervisor at the Pedestrian Crossing on Riding Road.

The School Crossing Supervisor may be required to work five days per week in all weather conditions. The hours of work for School Crossing Supervisors are normally 1.5 hours a day and usually comprise of one hour in the morning and ½ hour in the afternoon.

Please address all enquiries to:

Ann Chu
Road Safety Officer | Seq South Region
Customer Services Branch | Department of Transport and Main Roads

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