Dear Parents, Caregivers and Children

NAPLAN UPDATE

The Queensland Studies Authority had originally planned to deliver hard copy student reports to Queensland Schools by Friday 13 September.

However, the Australian Curriculum and Reporting Authority has acknowledged it made errors in an aspect of the Years 5 and 7 NAPLAN student reports for Language conventions that it provided to states and territories. This means individual student reports for these year levels have to be reprinted, with a consequent delay in distribution of all reports for Years 3, 5, 7 and 9. There is no error related to the NAPLAN test data or student results.

The Queensland Studies Authority remains committed to sending individual student reports to schools as soon as possible, although it is likely that many schools will not receive them until early in Term 4. The student reports will then need to be checked by the school for accuracy and completeness before being sent home to parents.

FINAL Urgent Reminder - 2014 Enrolments

Thank you to the parents who have communicated to me in writing children who will be leaving Saints Peter and Paul’s School at the end of the school year.

There are a number of outstanding letters which we need to receive from the families of those students leaving at the end of Year 4. Please include in your letter where your child will be attending Year 5 as this information is required to complete the Brisbane Catholic Education exiting census.

We currently have waiting lists for Prep, Years 1, 2, 3 and 4 for next year, so it is important that I am made aware of family transfers and movements for the 2014 school year. Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Term Three School Fees and Levies

Thank you to all those who have been so prompt in paying Term Three School Fees and Levies. It would be appreciated if these accounts could be settled before the holidays which commence on Friday, 20 September. All families experiencing difficulties are asked to make an appointment to see the Principal.

Reflection – Hope for Creation

Hope for Creation is a shared Christian campaign and commitment to caring for creation, standing with the poor and responding to climate change. It hopes to facilitate a transforming witness of Christians acting in faith, hope and love for God’s creation and our global neighbours. September is Hope for Creation month and it suggests that we join in prayer for each week of the month. During the third week of September we focus on Climate:

Creator God, we celebrate climate, the wonders of the wind and weather. Help us to see your presence, not only in the forces of nature, but also among those who suffer from natural disasters. We commit to living within limits. Teach us to recognise that your Wisdom is imbedded in all natural forces, a Wisdom that guides and controls them. In the name of Christ who is the Wisdom of God renewing all things. Amen.
End of Term
As we come to the end of Term 3, I would like to thank everyone for their contribution towards what has been a very busy and productive term of learning and teaching. **School resumes for all students on Tuesday, 8th October.** Please ensure that your diaries are marked with the pupil free day for Term 4 which is scheduled for Monday, 21st October. I would like to wish you all a very safe and relaxing holiday.

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

APRE News – Mr Brendan Schostakowski

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE  21 SEPTEMBER

Each year the International Day of Peace is observed around the world on 21 September. The General Assembly has declared this as a day devoted to strengthening the ideals of peace, both within and among all nations and people.

The 2013 International Day of Peace theme is "Education for Peace". This theme was chosen on the inspiration of the U.N. Secretary General's Education First Campaign, an initiative to raise the political profile of education, strengthen the global movement to achieve quality education and generate additional and sufficient funding through sustained advocacy efforts.

The United Nations presents us with the alarming statistics that 250 million children cannot read, write or count well, and 61 million primary-aged children are out of school. Most are shut out because of poverty, but others lack a classroom or go to school hungry. The 2013 Peace Day theme highlights education as an important path toward a more peaceful world as well as the crucial need for educational programming specific to the subject of peace.

“It is not enough to teach children to read, write and count. Education has to cultivate mutual respect for others and the world in which we live, and help people forge more just, inclusive and peaceful societies.” UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon.

Some Wishes for World Peace, written by Year 1 students:
✓ Peace means you love one another. Peace is in everyone’s heart. Peace is taking care of one another.
✓ Let us make peace. It is love and kindness and happy and helpful.
✓ Peace is a gift to people and peace helps lots of people and it helps people to love.
✓ Peace is what everyone has in their heart so all we need to do is share it then the world will be great.
✓ Dear people, we need to stop fighting, we need to be peaceful and be loving. The world isn’t for destroying it's for loving it. So let's work to be good – better than good, super good!
✓ Dear People of the World, I hope all the people in every country could live in peace. I think we could all take care of each other and try to be good friends.
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SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY  29 SEPTEMBER

Sunday 29 September is Social Justice Sunday. In 2000, the world leaders of 189 nations, including Australia, gathered together and committed themselves to tackling global poverty. The ensuing Declaration consisted of eight Millennium Development Goals (MDGs) to be achieved by 2015.

As we approach 2015, Australians will be called to put the children, women and men living in poverty at the forefront of our decision-making. This call comes first from those living in poverty. Their dignity demands that we respond to their cry. Secondly, the call arises from the international community’s efforts since the year 2000 to halve extreme poverty by 2015.

As Pope Benedict XVI commented in 2006:
*People from different religions and cultures throughout the world are convinced that achieving the goal of eradicating extreme poverty by the year 2015 is one of the most important tasks in today’s world. Moreover, they hold that such an objective is indissolubly linked to world peace and security.*

Social Justice Statement 2013-14

END OF TERM
As we approach the end of another school term and the children look forward to a break from the routine of school work, I hope you are able to spend some quality family time together during this holiday period. A big thank you to everyone in our school community for your contribution towards this very busy and productive term of learning and teaching.

Wishing you all a safe and relaxing school holiday period.

Brendan
Child of the Week

7G - Lachlan O'Donnelly
7B - Finn Gorey
6G - Charlotte Downs and Ewan Haslett
6B - Brooke Smith and Jasmine Wong
5G - Grace Hutcheson
5B - Harrison Kirskopp
4R - Eoin Davidson and Daniel Pearce
4G - Liam Terry and Sophie Sullivan
4B - Grace Dillon and Annie Jackson
3R - Luka Marenjak and Sophie Joyce
3G - Flynn Reynolds and Monique Francis
3B - Lucy Taylor and Brandon Harris
2R - Ruby Armstrong and Jack Schwetz
2B - Jed Kemp and Scarlett Swanepoel
1Y - Milan Wellington and Leon Reddy
1R - Amelie Taylor and Lucy Wilkinson
1G - Daniel Paradzik
1B - Stella Rayner and Tuna'ula Sevele
PR - Xavier Wittig and Joshua Rheinberger
PG - Alexander Vasquez and Julia Amiuna De Moraes
PB - Bobby Gavin and Anton Raggl-Erbs

Library News

The library is closed for returns and shelving this week. Students may come in before school and at lunchtime if they wish to have a book over the holidays.

We encourage all students to read at least 15 minutes each day during the holiday. If they find a great story, we would love this information to be shared through a book review with our school community. Students now have the ability to express their likes and dislikes of library books read with other students through OLIVER, our online catalogue system. Students have received their school portal login and password. This gives students access to the library website and the ‘add review’ button. Once students have logged into the school portal and clicked on the ‘O’ for our Oliver Library system, they may use OLIVER OPAC to search for a book. When they have found the book they wish to review, simply click on the ‘add review’ blue words in the column to the right. Students may click on the button and fill in the review, then click save. The review will not show up in OPAC until the library staff has checked and approved the submission. We look forward to adding more student reviews to our system in the next few weeks.

Australia’s Largest Free ‘Children’s Lit Fest’ is held in Ipswich each year with a variety of activities. Exhibitions at the Ipswich Art Gallery including Shaun Tan’s ‘The Lost Thing’ will be open until 21 October and ‘The Very Hungry Caterpillar: A Quilt Project’ and accompanying children’s exhibition at the Ipswich Community Gallery is open until 4 October.

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

P&F News

School Disco – Friday 25 October – volunteer parents needed
The P&F will host a School Disco on Friday 25 October, provided that we get enough parent volunteers to run the event. We need 12 volunteers for each hour or the disco cannot proceed. Please register to volunteer with Jill Hrstich on jill@fitmums.net.

Next P&F Meeting – Wednesday 18 September at 7.30pm
All welcome. Agenda items include: pick-up line shade structures, oval seating and landscaping, tablets, events, final 2013 projects and grant applications. Please come along and participate!

Tuckshop Menu Revamp!
Together with Chris Watt in the Tuckshop, the Health and Wellbeing Committee is excited to announce the trial of a new tuckshop menu during the first 4 weeks of Term 4. More details will follow soon, but changes will include:

• A redesigned menu using the traffic light system to clearly show the nutritional value of our menu items.
• Several new green and amber items, including sushi on Wednesdays AND Fridays, homemade mini muffin pizzas, jacket potatoes with fillings and boiled eggs.
• A reduction in the size of cupcakes and muffins (to drop them from red to amber).
• The removal of a number of red items (including noodles and big pies).
• Improved quality for our chicken burger patties, ham and hot dog weiners.
• Some prices will change. In particular, some of our amber and red items will subsidise the price of our more nutritious food. More information will follow about this in Term 4.

Please contact Katherine Cullerton if you can assist with some Tuckshop Menu Tasting Roadshows in Weeks 1 & 2 of Term 4.
Health and Wellbeing Committee
The next meeting is Wednesday 23 October at 7.30pm in the staffroom. All welcome.

Health and wellbeing tip – Monkey see, monkey do: be sure your children see and experience YOU apologising, speaking kindly, honouring difference, using please and thank you, helping others, smiling and being gentle... then they will learn to behave that way too.

School Banking News
Thank You School Bankers for getting your banking in for this term to help us with our Competition entry for a Marquee - we'll let you know how we go. We start banking again on Tuesday the 8th of October, the first day back at school, so get your bank book ready now and put it in your school bag ready for the first day of school. Have a wonderful holiday, from your banking coordinators: Deb Waldron, Anita Tichelaar, Louise Fraser and Eleanor Horton.

Tuckshop News
There are big changes coming! The new menu/pricelist will take effect from Wednesday 9 October and will be attached to the newsletter on TUESDAY 8 OCTOBER. We have made some changes and will conduct a trial of the new products for the first four weeks of Term 4. Wednesday 9 October has been set for a "road show" around the class rooms to promote a couple of the new items.

ROSTER: Wednesday, 18/9
Louise Gillies and Elisa Dooley
ROSTER: Friday, 20/9
Sharon James, Meghan Leis, Veronique Smith

Many thanks everyone,
Chris Watt,
Tuckshop Convenor. 0413590109

Sports News
Met East Athletics
Congratulations to our Track and Field Met East Athletes. Georgie Dobbs ran in the 800m heats and subsequently placed 9th overall in the Met East Region with her finals time. Well done Georgie. Cole Gardiner quoted “that the stadium was huge and this provided a great day for experienced Shot Putters”. Thanks for the insights Cole and congratulations on placing 14th overall in Met East. Best wishes to Tara McCarthy as she recovers from illness in time for the 2014 season of sprints and long jump. We are so proud of you all.

Mini Olympics
A fabulous day of sun and happiness covered our oval last Wednesday. Congratulations to all our Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 students on their wonderful sportsmanship and support of their House Team. Our parents were a great resource, without you the events could not be run with such expertise. Thank you to the Year 7 House Captains and SRC’s for their planning and management of events and for maintaining safe conditions during all activities. You were a credit to our school, demonstrating your maturity and leadership empowering our “little ones” achievements. Thank you all for a “wonder filled” day. And now for the results:

Overall Sprint Champions: O'Brien followed by O'Keeffe, Concannon and then Ryan
Class Field Champions: Students in Year 2 Green, 1 Green and Prep Blue

Overall Results: Congratulations to O'Brien our 2013 Mini Olympic Champions
1st - O'Brien on 1072 pts  2nd - O'Keeffe on 1024 pts
3rd - Ryan on 1007pts  4th - Concannon on 1001 pts

Summer Sign-on
Have you committed to Term 4 sports yet? There are plenty of sign-on opportunities with ‘Come and Try Out’ days for you to enjoy in our community. Give your local club a call as they are still waiting for you! Have you considered Swim Club, Cricket, Little Athletics, Oz Tag, Soccer, Twilight Netball or the many others available? Please see me if you need ideas or a contact number. Remember, finding time in your week for a social, happy time for fun and fitness for the whole family clears your head for a happy week of learning.

Met East Aquathon 2013/2014 season closes soon
Please see Mrs Conaghan for further details if you are interested in the 2013 season of Sports representation. The Triathlon and Aquathon Teams for Met East are selected in November 2013 for the 2014 competition season. Students aged from 2003 are welcome to discuss their applications with Mrs Conaghan regarding these events. Please drop by my office ASAP as applications close mid-October.

Finally I wish you a safe, happy and healthy few weeks over the holidays. Remember to find a little something to do each day and enjoy the healthy buzz of a little exercise in your free time.

Yours in Sport
Mrs Lyndall Conaghan
PE and Sports Coordinator
OSHC News

VACATION CARE: Our program for the coming school holiday period is out now! Get ready to blast off as we celebrate World Space Week with a program full of space adventures! On Tuesday 24 September we are going to the Planetarium to see “Perfect Little Planet”, an animated show about a lovable family of aliens who travel through the solar system on holidays. Other highlights include a movie making workshop with the “Animate” crew, a CSIRO Science Show and Space Workshop and a “Space Venture” jumping castle day! For more information including the booking form please email bulimbaoshc@bne.centacare.net.au.

ACTIVITIES: For cooking this week we are making yummy churros with caramel dipping sauce, delicious leek and bacon pie, snicker doodle cookies and butter chicken. Craft activities include foil art, sewing designs, fluoro paint pictures and rubbing plate posters. We are playing lots of board games including crazy campers, twister and word search as well as switch and kerplunk.

OSHC CHAMPIONS: April Wilson, Bridget Ricketts, Indyha Crow and Lachlan Rhineberger

FUNDRAISING: We are selling Cadbury chocolates for fundraising this term. So far we have raised enough money to buy 1 large chess set and are saving to buy another. If you are able to help out with our fundraising by taking a box to sell please see OSHC.

MY TIME, OUR PLACE: My Time, Our Place is the national learning framework for School Age Care. At after school care this week we will be talking to families about the principles, practices and outcomes in this framework and how we document the activities children participate in at OSHC. Stop in and say hello to learn more!

Claire Ravenswood
OSHC Coordinator

Un-identifiable Fees Payment

We have received a payment that we cannot process because of a lack of parent/student details. An amount was paid directly into our cheque account on Thursday 7 February. Please ring Bernie on 3399 1281 if you believe you have made this deposit. It is recommended that our BPay or Direct Debit facility be used as the safest option for paying School Fees.

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
Junior (Years 1 - 3) - fortnightly on Thursdays (3.15 – 4.30pm)
Senior (Years 4 - 7) – fortnightly on Wednesdays (3.15 – 4.30pm)

CONCEPTS (Term 4)
1. BALLOONING AROUND – Balloons can be used to demonstrate many basic notions of science from air pressure and chemical reactions to molecular structure.
2. MAKING SENSE OF SENSES – Our ‘radar’ system involves the use of all five senses in our everyday living.
3. HOW DO SCIENTISTS DO SCIENCE? - Scientists evaluate claims, investigate ideas, solve problems, draw valid conclusions and develop evidence based arguments. The scientific method is used to solve a problem about rafting.
4. HIGHLIGHTS AND FAVOURITES – The ‘best’ experiments followed by a breakup party and awards.

WHO – Junior (Years 1-3); Senior (Years 4-7)
WHEN – Fortnightly from Wednesday 9 October or Thursday 17 October
WHERE – Prep Room ‘G’
FEE – Senior: $80; Junior: $80 (Cash, money order or cheque payable to D. Bennett)
ENROLLMENT - 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 644490

DATES TO REMEMBER
18 Sept  P&F Meeting 7.30pm in Staffroom
20 Sept  Term 3 Ends
7 Oct  Labour Day Public Holiday
8 Oct  Term 4 commences 8.40am
21 Oct  Pupil Free Day – NO SCHOOL
23 Oct  Health & Wellbeing Committee Meeting 7.30pm in Staffroom
**Market Day 2013**

Thank you to the Sts Peter and Paul’s School and Parish community for making our Year 7 Mini-Market Day such a wonderful success. To the Year 7 parents who gave their time to help on the day, to the Year 5 and 6 teachers and students for contributing art and craft items, and especially to the Year 7 students for their hard work in preparing all the amazing craft items available for sale on the day **A VERY BIG THANK YOU**.

**Sausage Sizzle—Market Day**

Thank you to the parents who gave their valuable time to help with the Sausage Sizzle. Under the coordination of Lana Killian; Veronique Smith, Angela Owens, Louise Hazlett, Ilse Cooper, Simon Dean and Michelle and Darren Weir did a wonderful job 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 Cassidy and Hans Primo Smallgoods who donated all the sausages for the Market Day.

All money raised will be donated to Catholic Missions, the St Vincent De Paul Society and the Good Samaritan Foundation.

Michelle Hammill, Heather Mazlin, Julie Beggs, Brendan Schostakowski
Year 7 Teachers
STS PETER AND PAUL’S MINI-MARKET DAY
RAFFLE WINNERS 2013

- Kung Fu Panda Children’s Activity Pack
  - Mike Mulkerin
- Shiraz Cab Chocolate Pack
  - Susan Dias (1 Yellow)
- Moet Pack
  - Halle Sheppard (4 Red)
- Children’s Craft Pack
  - Alison Henshke (1 Red)
- Sushi Pack
  - Coce Robson (1 Red)
- Kids Activity Box
  - S Hohnen
- Oroton Celebration
  - Lyn Creevey
- White Wine Basket
  - June Porter
- Smiggle Gift Pack
  - Amelie Coop
- Guylian Chocolate and Coffee Basket
  - Leigh Carroll Prep Green
- Faraway Hill Red Wine Pack
  - Caitlin Dayton (3 Red)
- Stationary Gift Set
  - Kelly Albion Prep Red
- Mor and Frangipani Beauty Gift Set
  - Leigh Carroll Prep Green
- Crabtree and Evelyn and Natio Gift Set
  - Miss Jennis Prep Green
- Scrap Booking Kit
  - Priya Maxwell
- Chocolate Indulgence Basket
  - Anne McEniry
- Lavazza Coffee Set
  - Lyn Montgomery Prep Blue
- Grab it and Go Kit
  - Vincent Iquin (4 Blue)
- Coffee Time Pack
  - Adam Davidson (1 Red)

All prizes can be collected from the School Office on Wednesday 18 September.

Thank you for supporting the 2013 Sts Peter and Paul’s Mini-Market Day!