ST PETER'S
CATHOLIC SCHOOL HALIFAX

Newsletter

Thursday, August 18th 2022 WEEK 6 TERM 3

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Dear parent/Carers

This week I have been fortunate and blessed to work alongside Principals & APREs from our Diocese.

What a fabulous opportunity to engage in best practice & to put into action in our piece of paradise, St Peter's Catholic School.

Monday & Tuesday I attended Religious Education Curriculum Directives 2023. Father Damian McGrath shared his wealth of knowledge & expertise into looking behind the gospel enabling all a clear understanding.

Wednesday we met with the Directors and discussed data from school feedback surveys and given a greater insight into how IT services our schools.

Today we begin a 2 day course "Stronger Smarter" with Catholic Education Indigenous Advisors & Consultants.

I would like to thank Karen Pearce for leading St Peter's in my absence.

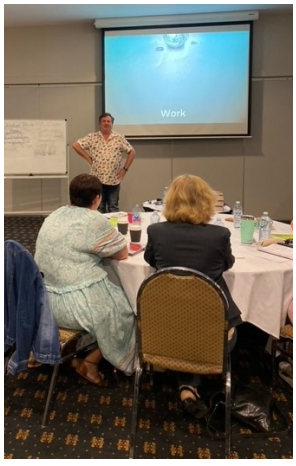
We are blessed to have Karen as part of our team.

Have a wonderful week and I look forward to catching up with everyone next week.

God Bless.

Paula Jerome

Principal



DIARY DATES:

BOOKFAIR - 22 Aug to 13 Sep

Prep Vision Screening - Mon 22 Aug

Life Education Van Visit - 31 August

PUPIL FREE DAY - Fri 2 September

Touch Football - Macknade SS, Thursday 15th September

Last Day Term 3 - Fri 16 Sep

Public Holiday - Mon 3 Oct

First Day Term 4 - Tues 4 Oct

Swimming Starts - Wed 5 Oct

TERM DATES:

TERM 3: (10 Weeks)
Mon: 11 Jul - Fri 16 Sep
TERM 4: (9 Weeks)
Tues: 4 Oct - Fri 2 Dec

OFFICE HOURS:

MONDAY - THURSDAY
8.30am - 1.00pm

Together we grow

Religious Life of the School 2022

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Ingham Region Catholic Sacramental Program

The journey towards First Holy Communion for children is about to begin.
If your child is 7 years of age or older and has been baptised Catholic but has not yet celebrated the sacraments of Reconciliation, Confirmation or Holy Communion, this journey is for you and your child.

Please phone Shelley on 47777 431 or email halfx@tsv.catholic.edu.au by Wednesday, 24 August 2022 so that an invitation can be mailed to you.

Assumption of Mary (15 August)

'The mighty one has done great things for me.'

On this feast of the Assumption, it is fitting to reflect on Mary, the mother of Jesus, and her attitude to life. Unmarried and pregnant, she was able to praise her God. 'The Mighty One has done great things for me' was her response to this particular crisis in her life. It was not, 'This is too much—I can't take any more', or some such sentiment. Of course, we don't know if Mary had any initial fears of what lay ahead. Whatever emotions she may have felt, she was still able to maintain a positive outlook. In our own lives, there are always circumstances when we feel justified in displaying bitterness, crankiness or other negative attitudes. If we reflect daily on our responses to events, then we can emulate Mary's attitude. (Madonna Magazine, Daily Prayer Online)

INSPIRATION FROM POPE FRANCIS

'Let us pray for all the 'Jesuses' today in the world: the hungry, the thirsty, the doubtful, the sick, those who are alone, those who feel the weight of many doubts and crimes. They suffer so much... Let us pray for the many children who are sick, who are innocent, who carry a child's cross' Pope Francis.

PEACE BE WITH ALL
PAULA JEROME

Awards Week 6 Term 3

Principal Award:

Dennis

Years P-2 Class Award:

Zakariah & Joyce

Years 3 & 4 Class Award:

Sa'Jahn, Blake & Nathan

Years 5 & 6 Class Award:

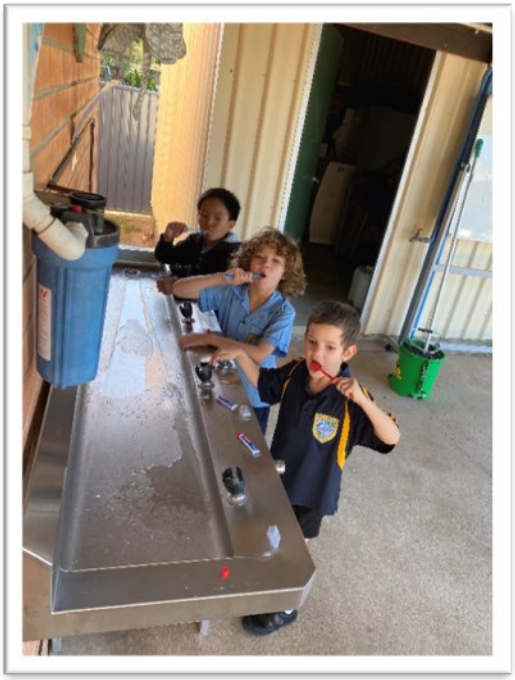
Skye, Gary & Braydan

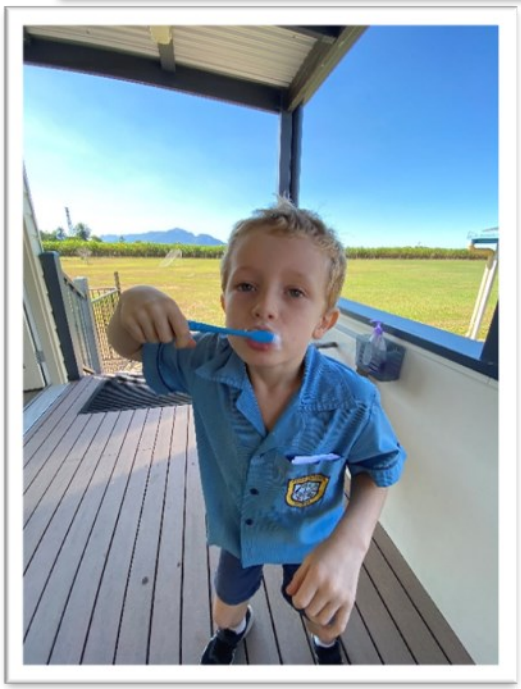
Student Award: Tynan

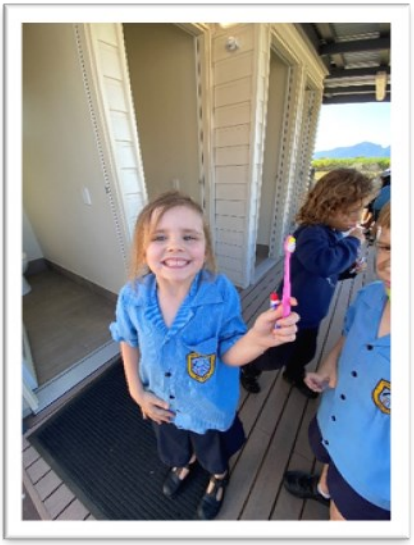
Happy Birthday: Elli & Dennis

P-2 Class News

In Health this term, P/1/2 students have been learning about their growing and changing bodies. Students have been learning to name their body parts and identify ways in which they can help their bodies to grow and change, such as eating healthy foods, getting enough sleep and exercise, and looking after their teeth. Yesterday, students received a new toothbrush and we practiced brushing our teeth. Check out some of the pics below!







P-2 Class News Cont...

Exciting news!!! The Prep - year 2 class have welcomed 6 new Bee - Bots to our classroom. We will be able to use them not only in digital technologies, but also other learning areas.

3/4 Class News

Science

This term we have been learning about the power of the Sun, Earth and Moon. Last week the students learned about how the Sun is a power source for us. We took a walk around our school to feel and see the Sun's energy on Earth. As a group we discussed how the Sun provides up with food, heat and flowers. The Sun also provides us with Vitamin D, rainbows and the ability to see the Moon.

Students also learned about how too much sun can cause health issues including skin cancer. We looked at the original Slip, Slop, Slap and also the newest version Slip, Slop, Slap, Seek and Slide.

HPE - Physical

Last Friday we did some drills to refine the students' skills in readiness for the Macknade Touch Carnival which will be held on the 15th September. It took a couple of goes, but eventually they understood what it means to settle or ruck it up.

5/6 Class News

Last week, our students competed in the Poetry section of the Ingham Arts Festival. 5/6 won their section with their magnificent rendition of Banjo Paterson's "A Bush Christening." We all had fun learning and performing the poem in full costume with props.

One of our Year 5 students, Kingsley, has also begun learning how to play the violin with Ms. Shiels. He is going very well so far and is enjoying his lessons. We can't wait to hear him perform!

Year 6 Information Session
at Gilroy on Show

Thursday, 25 August 2022 from 5.30pm

- **Guided Tours:** 5.30 - 6.20pm
  - Complete your "passport" and go into the draw
- **Year 6 Information Session:** 6.30 - 7.10pm
  - What to expect in Year 7
  - Curriculum overview
  - Pastoral care & support systems
  - Advice on transitioning to secondary school
  - Meet staff & Year 7 support team
- **Performances & Food:** 7.10 - 8.30pm
  - Pig on the spit, pizzas, hot chips, donuts

Win a JBL Bluetooth Speaker!

Registration, Tour Departures & Information Session at M Block

GILROY SANTA MARIA COLLEGE

Whole School Masses 8.45am - Wednesday's, Weeks 7, 9 - All Welcome

Assembly 8.35am - Wednesday's, Weeks 8, 10 - All Welcome

Gilroy on Show - Thursday 25th August, 5.30pm start

Hand Ball Competition - Starts Tuesday 28 June (14 weeks)

Kung Fu - Thursdays 6.00 - 7.00pm Term 3

PUPIL FREE DAY - Friday 2nd September

Touch Football - Thursday 15th September, Macknade SS, 9.00-2.15pm

Sick/Absences

Please advise the school before 9 am, whenever your child is sick/absent.
Thanks for your cooperation.

Medication Notice

The administration of medication to students will only be done when a staff member has been notified and a medication form is signed by the parent/guardian. Medication authority forms are available from the office.

Now there are many ways to keep up to date with Catholic Education on social media!

Facebook -www.facebook.comTownsvilleCEO
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Youtube - www.youtube.com/TownsvilleCEO

Ingham Region Catholic Parishes

Mass Times

St Patrick's Ingham
Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm
Sunday: 8.30am & 7.00pm

St Peter's Halifax
Sunday 7.00am

Canossa Chapel Trebonne
Sunday: 10.00am

St Teresa's Abergowrie
Sunday: 10.00an