



# St Peter Apostle Catholic Primary School

Learn, relate and live in the light of the Catholic faith.

Term 4- Week 6B

07th March 2024

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LEARN



RELATE



LIVE

Dear Families

Tomorrow we will be having our school walkathon. Last year the school community managed to raise an impressive amount of money which is being used to assist with the construction of our new playground. This year we will put all money raised towards the building of a new junior basketball court and landscaping that will also be placed on the site of the demolished building. Remember there are prizes on offer for the most money raised in each class as well as a raffle ticket for all students so that they have an opportunity to win a prize as well. Parents and toddlers are welcome to come along and cheer on the children or join in for a couple of laps.

Yesterday we had our AGM for the Parents and Friends Committee of 2024. I would like to congratulate our President, Rachel Joseph and Vice President, Amy Camilleri for being appointed for another year. We also have a small team of dedicated parents who support the committee each year. It was great to see some new faces at our meeting last night and I would encourage anyone who is interested, to attend our next meeting on Wednesday 17th April at 6.00pm.

Just a reminder that next Friday, 15th March, we will be having a school closure day. On this day the staff will be attending professional development on Berry St. This is a program that will help teachers support all students in our school. The after school care program "Our Patch" will be operating on this day so if you are unable to keep your child at home, it might be a good option for you to enrol your child in this program. Bookings for this day are essential.

Regards

*Karen Wilson*

Principal

## Dates to Remember - 2024

8th March	Friday	Walkathon - Children can wear House Colour T-shirts Interschool Sports - Round 3
<b>11th March</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Labour Day Public holiday - No School</b>
13th March	Wednesday	Grade 3 & 5 - Naplan Commences
<b>15th March</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>School Closure Day</b>
18th March	Monday	School Photos
18th – 22nd March	Mon - Friday Wednesday	HARMONY WEEK Traditional Cultural Dress Up Day
22nd March	Friday	Year 5 & 6 STEM Excursion Year 4 School Sleepover
25th March	Monday	Prep 2025 Information Night & School Tour @7pm
26th March	Tuesday	Grade 3- Reconciliation Night
27th March	Wednesday	Last day of Term 1 - (school finishes at 3.15)
<b>28th March</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>No School for students</b> <b>Parent/teacher /Student interviews</b>
<b>29th March</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
<b>31st March</b>	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
15th April	Monday	Term 2 Commences
<b>25th April</b>	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Anzac Day - No School</b>
<b>27th May</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>School Closure Day</b>
<b>10th June</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>Kings Birthday - No School</b>
<b>26th August</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>School Closure Day</b>
28th June	Friday	Last day of Term 2 CSEF Applications Close
15th July	Monday	Term 3 Commences
18th September	Wednesday	Last day of Term 3- <b>students finish at 1.00pm</b>
<b>27th September</b>	<b>Friday</b>	<b>AFL Grand Final Public Holiday - No School</b>
7th October	Monday	Term 4 Commences
<b>4th November</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>School Closure day</b>
<b>5th November</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Melbourne Cup Day - No School</b>
<b>18th November</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>School Closure Day</b>

## School Photos

Our School photo day is Monday 18th March 2024. Children will need to be in FULL SUMMER UNIFORM. (If your child has specialist programme on Monday, they are able to bring their runners with them to school)

**All photo orders must be made online no later than 16.30pm on Sunday 17th March 2024.**

The attached flyer have the instructions for placing an order ONLINE.

### ONLINE BOOKING

Your school has decided school photos will only be available to order online this year.

Choose your own **FREE** background



#### The benefits of being online...

- No need for envelopes to be returned to the school office
- No cash on school grounds or children's bags
- Easy order tracking and record keeping
- 18 different backgrounds to choose from - no additional cost

[www.leadingimage.com.au](http://www.leadingimage.com.au)

### St Peter Apostle Primary School

Access Key

**TSF4X6XY**



INDIVIDUAL & FAMILY PHOTOS CAN BE ORDERED WITH THE SAME ACCESS KEY

To order your school photos:

- 1 Go to [www.leadingimage.com.au](http://www.leadingimage.com.au)
- 2 Click on Order Your School Photos
- 3 Enter your Access Key



**!** Family photographs must be ordered before 4.30pm the night before photo day. Please ensure your orders are placed before this time.

## No School For Students

LABOUR DAY  
PUBLIC HOLIDAY

### Monday 11th March

The School will be closed, Monday 11th March, due to the Victorian Government's Public Holiday.



### Friday 15th March

There will be no school for students, Friday 15th March due to our planned school closure day.

## SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2024

### RECONCILIATION

**Parent/ Student night** - Tuesday 27th February - 7.00pm

**Reflection day - students only** - Tuesday 26th March

**First Reconciliation** - Tuesday 26th March - 7.00pm

### FIRST EUCHARIST

**Parent/ Student night** - Thursday 2nd May - 7.00pm

**Reflection Day - students only** - Friday 17th May

#### **Eucharist Masses -**

Saturday - 18th May - 6.00pm

Sunday - 19th May - 10.15am

Saturday - 15th June - 6.00pm

Sunday - 16th June - 10.15am

### CONFIRMATION

**Parent/ Student night** - Tuesday 10th September - 7.00pm

**Reflection Day - students only** - Thursday 17th October

**Confirmation** - Thursday 17th October - 7.00pm



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# ST PETER'S PUPIL FREE DAY

## *Sports Spectacular*

**FRIDAY, 15TH MARCH 2024**

Step into a day of joy and excitement, where cricket, soccer, and basketball await! Whether you're a sports enthusiast or simply love the outdoors, treasures abound. Don your favorite sports attire, hit the fields or courts, and let laughter and happiness accompany us until twilight bids adieu.

**OPERATING HOURS: 7AM - 6:30PM**  
**BREAKFAST, MORNING & AFTERNOON TEA**  
**PROVIDED - PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH,**  
**DRINK BOTTLE AND HAT!**

FOR BOOKINGS OR ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION PLEASE  
EMAIL US ON [INFO@OURPATCH.EDUCATION](mailto:INFO@OURPATCH.EDUCATION) OR CALL  
US ON **1300 018 310**. ALTERNATIVELY, PLEASE USE THE OWNA  
APP TO MAKE A BOOKING.



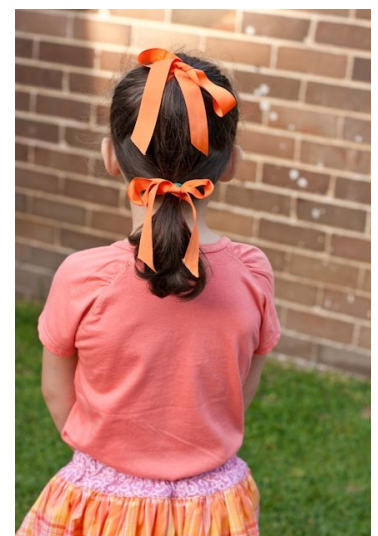
Harmony Week is from **Monday 18th- Friday 22nd March** and we have been busy planning events that the students can participate in during their break times, including Rangoli colouring, Cultural Indian and Burmese dancing, Karate and even a 'flags of the world' scavenger hunt. Also, students will have the opportunity to wear their traditional cultural dress on Wed 20th March. If you don't have anything, please feel free to borrow or the students can wear a hint of orange to represent Harmony Week.

Parents and guardians we would love to invite you to our 'Taste of Harmony - Food around the World Luncheon'. Do you have a cultural dish that you would like to share with teachers? Make a batch and come and share it with the staff on Wed 20th March from 10.45am. If you cannot join us at that time, feel free to drop it off earlier. For catering purposes, we do need to know if you can supply a meal or dessert from your culture, so please let Jodie and Amanda know by emailing or calling the office.

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Amanda Work & Jodie Stubley



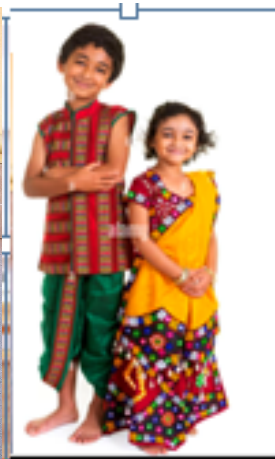


## Monday 18th March- Friday 22nd March

It is a time to celebrate our schools multiculturalism, and the successful integration of migrants into our school community.

Harmony Week is about inclusiveness, respect and belonging for all Australians, regardless of cultural or linguistic background. Here at St Peter's Apostle we are proud of all our family's heritages.

**We invite students and teachers to wear their traditional cultural dress on Wed 20th March. If you do not have a costume feel free to borrow or wear a hint of orange for Harmony Week**



## District swimming carnival

On Monday the 26th of February 40 students from St Peter Apostle participated in the local Swimming district carnival. It was a beautiful sunny day at the Werribee Outdoor pool. St Peter's Apostle students tried their best in each event and showed tremendous effort in the water. It was wonderful to hear them cheering and encouraging their fellow team mates. St Peter Apostle came third overall in the Swimming District. Thank you to all parents who came along and supported the St Peter Apostle swimming team.



Big shout out to Alex, Brang, Mitchell, and Delilah for making it to the Division Swimming carnival, which will happen on Wednesday the 6th of March. Good luck to those students.

Mitchell won all five individual races and the championship race which he raced with older students this made him the Boys district champion.

Delilah came third overall in the championship open girls race, a tremendous effort by her on the day. Delilah won 1st, 2nd and 3rd ribbons in her races.



Mr Herrera  
Physical Education Teacher/Coordinator








Students in years 3 & 5 will participate in this year's Naplan.  
Naplan runs from Wednesday, March 13, 2025, until Monday, March 25.

Click on the following links for more information and brochures on Naplan.

- Naplan information brochure [click here](#)
- Simple English Naplan Information [click here](#)




ST PETER APOSTLE  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

WE FOLLOW HIS WAY

# Prep 2025 Information Night


Monday 25 March, 2024  
7.00pm

\*\*\*Enrolments now open\*\*\*



38 Guinane Ave, Hoppers Crossing  
PH: 9749 1055

[stpeterahc.catholic.edu.au](http://stpeterahc.catholic.edu.au)  
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ST PETER APOSTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

ANNUAL  
*Walkathon*  
FUNDRAISER

**Friday 8th March**

Raising funds for Landscaping around  
the upcoming *new* playground area

**PRIZES to be won!**

- \*Prizes for students in each class who raise the most money!
- \*All students who return their sponsorship forms and money go into a raffle drawn the last week of school.



Student Sponsorship forms due back to school  
**Thursday 7th March**





## Term 1 2024 2nd Hand Uniform Dates

Located in the meeting room between school office and church.  
Open Times - 8:15am to 9:30am

March 1st & 15th



### **NEW LABELLING SCHEME**

Dear Parents

Lost Property is very difficult to manage at St Peters. Many items are placed in Lost Property but very few are ever claimed. Staff return named items where they can, but probably 95% of jumpers, jackets, beanies, hats and drink bottles are not named and so cannot be returned. Sometimes items purchased secondhand have previous names on them and we cannot return these either.

**Please name your child's jumper, jacket, beanie, hats, lunch box and drink bottle.**

**Where uniform items are not named - staff will write the child's unique four digit number on the collar or a hidden area of the item with a laundry marker.** This four digit number is the start of their email address. This means that when an item is found, staff can pop the four digit number into Compass to find whose item it is.

If you do not want this to be written - please label your child's items. Staff will ask students to have their lunchbox and drink bottle named when they notice they are not.

We hope this new system will see fewer items in Lost Property and save parents a lot of money as they will not be needing to replace lost items.

Pattie McCusker



# St Peter's Community Hub

Please come along and meet other families from Myanmar and find out about our school

Every Thursday in February  
9.00am- 10.00 am  
stay afterwards if you need any help with forms.



Toddlers and babies most welcome

## Catholic Secondary School Enrolments

### Enrolments to Catholic Secondary Schools 2025

If you intend to send your child to a Catholic Secondary School and have not already enrolled them, Enrolments have now closed . We strongly encourage you to contact the secondary school as soon as possible.

### Year 5 Students in 2024 - Starting Year 7 in 2026

If you intend to send your child to a Catholic Secondary School applications for students Year 7 in 2026 will open on **Monday 29th January 2024** and applications will close on **Friday 16th August 2024**.



# OPEN DAY

*They will shine*

**SUNDAY 21 APRIL 2024**

**10.30am – 2.00pm**

Come along to our Open Day to meet our friendly students and staff here at Thomas Carr College.

This event promises an enriching experience for both parents and future students.

- Explore our expanding facilities.
- Hear insights from our College Principal, Rose Connolly.
- Engage with current students and dedicated staff.
- Have all your questions answered about your child's transition to secondary school.

To secure your spot, register your attendance now by scanning the QR code below or visit our website at [www.thomascarr.vic.edu.au](http://www.thomascarr.vic.edu.au).

We look forward to welcoming you to a day of inspiration and information.

APPLICATIONS FOR YEAR 7, 2026 CLOSE FRIDAY 16 AUGUST 2024



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Tarnelt, VIC, Australia, 3029  
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[thomascarr.vic.edu.au](http://thomascarr.vic.edu.au)  
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## St Peter Apostle Primary School



We are thrilled to be introducing Our Patch to St Peter Apostle Primary School. Our Patch is a fresh provider in the education and care space, sprouting from a dream to create entirely unique spaces that gives children voice and offers them a safe place of wonder in which to GROW.

The St Peter Apostle Primary School Patch will provide children with endless opportunities to build confidence and resilience through activities like Outdoor Sports, Arts & Craft, Music and Cooking. Delicious and nutritious breakfast and afternoon tea is included and will ensure children are satisfied and excited to see what is on the menu for the next session.



### Location:

St Peter Apostle Primary School  
16-38 Guinane Ave, Hoppers Crossing VIC 3029

### Contact:

1300 018 310 or [info@ourpatch.education](mailto:info@ourpatch.education)

### Hours of Operations

Before School Care - 7:00am to 8:45am  
After School Care - 3:15pm to 6:30pm  
Pupil Free Days - 7:00am to 6:30pm

	Program Fees without Child Care Subsidy		Program Fees with maximum* Child Care Subsidy	
	Permanent	Casual	Permanent	Casual
Before School Care	\$22.00	\$24.50	\$4.02	\$6.52
After School Care	\$24.00	\$26.50	\$3.48	\$3.84
Pupil Free Day	\$78.00	\$80.50	\$11.31	\$11.67

\*Maximum Child Care Subsidy of 90%. To check your eligibility please check your MyGov account or visit Centrelink's Payment and Service Finder.

Bookings made within 48 hours incur an additional fee.  
Cancellations within 24-48 hours incur a 25% charge of the session fee.



To register and book visit:

<https://ourpatch.education/before-and-after-school-care/>



## SCHOOL FEES - 2024

2024	Fees		Levies						
	School Fee	Recurrent	Capital	Curriculum	Swimming	Camp	Excursion	Sacrament	ICT
Family Fee	\$1,900.00								
Prep				\$320.00			\$80.00		
Year 1				\$320.00			\$80.00		
Year 2				\$320.00			\$80.00		
Year 3				\$350.00			\$80.00		\$212.00
Year 4				\$350.00			\$80.00		\$212.00
Year 5				\$350.00		\$250.00	\$80.00		
Year 6				\$350.00		\$300.00	\$80.00		

The ICT levy will continue in 2024 for our students in Grade 3 and Grade 4, as higher grades will still be part of the previous BYOD Program.

In 2025 the levy will be extended to Grades 3, Grades 4 and Grades 5.

If your family is eligible for the Reduced Fees Policy and you have been approved through the formal approval process, then the ICT levy will be included in the discount fees offered.

The benefits of this new program are as follows:

- Every Grade 3 child will have a device to use at school
- The device will be owned by the student
- The device does not need to be fully paid for at the start of Grade 3

## 2024 FEE FORMS

2024 Fee Payment Consent Form [click Here](#)

2024 Credit Card Direct Debit Payment Form [click here](#)

**Please note: A new Credit Card debit payment form needs to be filled **every year** for monthly/fortnightly payments**

## CSEF

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors. Excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works while sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are a part of a healthy curriculum.

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.



## Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund APPLICATION Form

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$150 for primary school students.

### **HOW TO APPLY:**

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download a copy by [clicking here](#).

If you applied for CSEF at your child's school last year, you do not need to complete an application form this year unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

- ⇒ You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred: new student enrolments; your child has started or changed schools this year.
- ⇒ changed family circumstances; such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing this year.

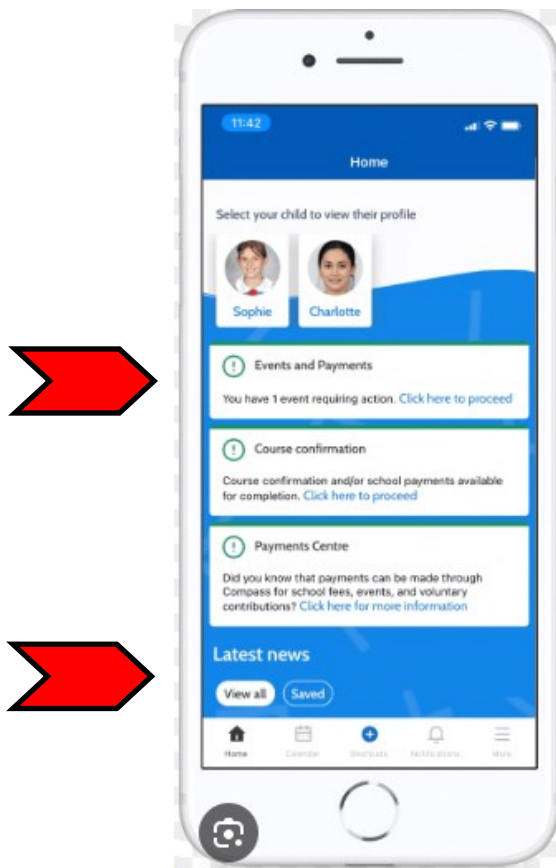
Check with the school office if you are unsure.





## HAVE YOU DOWNLOADED OUR SCHOOL APP -COMPASS

- You can download the Compass App on iOS and Android devices, simply search for **Compass School Manager in the store.**
- Contact the school office for your unique user name and password. Each parent will have their own log in.
- Once you are signed in, you will have access to view all upcoming events for your child. Permission slips will need to be consented or declined from this page.
- Events** - If there is an Event for your child, on the home screen the Events and Payments box will show **“you have an event requiring action”** (as shown in image 1). Click on the box, the Events screen will open as per image 2. Click on the Event and fill in all required details to accept or decline the event. All fields must be filled in for the submit button to be activated.
- Latest News** - Notes that don't require consent will be shared via the News feed. Scroll through to view the latest posts from our school. E.g. wear house colour t-shirt day.
- If you require assistance contact the school office.



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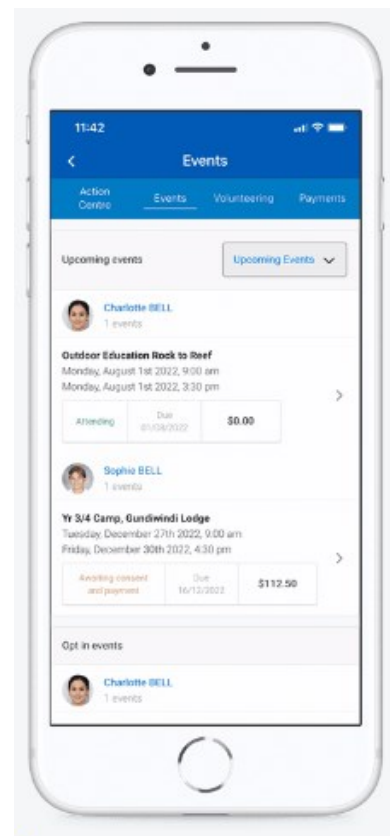


Image 2



# PARENT RESOURCES

Click on any image below for more information.

## STUDENT ABSENCE



## TERM DATES



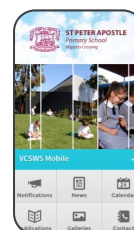
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## MOBILE PHONES



## SCHOOL APP



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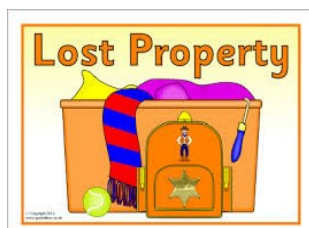
## SCHOOL UNIFORM



## STUDENT HEALTH



## LOST PROPERTY



## 2ND HAND UNIFORM SHOPPE



## OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC)

