



Ephesians 2:20 "...built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the chief cornerstone."

WHAT'S ON

Please check the online calendar for the most up-to-date details

From the Deputy Principal



I take delight in the enthusiasm of our students at the beginning of a new school year. Your children are a blessing to us and I thank you for entrusting us with their education.

The term commenced with our Years 11 and

12 Student Leadership Camp. At the invitation of St Peter's Indooroopilly school captains, our student leadership team took part in a team race at St Peter's Indooroopilly, before journeying to Ironbark for a two-night stay. They embraced the challenges of camp and I congratulate them on their success. Thank you to the Indooroopilly and Ironbark staff for coordinating this opportunity for our student leaders.

Years 7 and 9 students will face the challenges of camp at Tallebudgera and Ironbark respectively. Later in the year, Years 4 to 6 students will have the same opportunities for growth at Years 4 and 5 camps and on the Year 6 Canberra trip. These

are important opportunities for holistic learning, personal growth and leadership development. Change and challenge are great catalyst for growth. I thank our parents for encouraging our students to embrace the challenges of these opportunities that prepare them for the challenges of school and life. In the words of Malcolm Bartsch, author of *Why a Lutheran School*, 'Education in its fullest sense involves the whole person for the whole of life'.



See more photos on our app...

Craig Schmidt, Deputy Principal

Old Scholar Presents Drama Workshop



Special guest and Old Scholar, Kayla Hinsch (2012) visited 8T Drama for a characterisation and improvisation workshop. Thank you Kayla!



More Photos

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Saturday 13 February

P&F Welcome to 2016 – Movie on the Hill, 5.00pm

Monday 15 February

Year 9 Day Off (Ironbark)

Tuesday 16 February

Year 9 students depart for Ironbark, 7.00am

Friday 4 March

Community Celebration – Theme: Leaps and Bounds, 5.00pm–7.00pm

Tuesday 8 March

Year 7 and Year 8 Immunisations (Round 1), 11.45am

Thursday 10 March

Year 10 Dinner – Brookwater Golf Club, 6.00pm

Wednesday 16 March

Open Day, 3.15pm–6.00pm

Monday 21 March

Good Friday Worship Service, 8.30am

Tuesday 22 March

Term 2 Concludes

Wednesday 23 March to Thursday 24 March

Student Free Days

Friday 25 March

Good Friday

Monday 11 April

Term 2 Commences

St Peter's Springfield

Tuckshop

WANTS YOU!

Volunteers Wanted

Our tuckshop is seeking volunteers for Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. You can volunteer on a weekly, fortnightly, monthly or term basis – all help is appreciated!

To express your interest, please email Sarah Thompson s.a.thompson@stpeters.qld.edu.au

*Please include:

- your name and contact telephone;
- the day you would like to volunteer (Monday, Thursday or Friday); and
- the frequency: (weekly, fortnightly, monthly or term).

We look forward to seeing you!

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HEAD OF COLLEGE



Over the coming weekend, the governing body of St Peters Lutheran College will gather in workshop to further discuss and take decisions about the strategic directions for the College into the foreseeable future. The areas for

deliberation within the Plan include Ministry, Learning Opportunities (Academic and Holistic), Organisational Capability, Connections and Partnerships (International and Engagement). These are the broad areas that were identified by a number of reference groups in 2015 as being important for the future direction of our College.

Adrian Wiles, Head of College

It is important to note that this is the first time that a Strategic Plan for the entire College has been developed and we look forward as a Council to being able to release the Plan and to receiving feedback from our community through two avenues:

- Survey instruments using an external provider to establish a benchmark or standard, and to measure and adjust the Plan are being designed. All members of our immediate community will be encouraged to respond to the main survey instrument scheduled for Term 2; and
- Direct email communication contact to the College. Details of this address will be released towards the end of Term 1, 2016.

Our prayers are with the College Council as it continues to give strategic and policy direction to St Peters Lutheran College.

MINISTRY

It is strange that we often only appreciate what we have taken for granted once we have lost it or have to live without it for a time. Last year, students who journeyed into the Australian Outback and didn't have access to water to shower were grateful for water when they returned – perhaps for the first time in their lives. Those who travelled to places where they were confronted by people living in poverty realised how privileged they were and how privileged all of us are, living in a safe country. Watching the news about the millions of refugees fleeing from war torn countries makes us aware of how blessed we are to have a place we can call 'home', and for food in abundance.

Sometimes, it takes a special moment of realisation to change one's perception of reality, of what we have or are, and to make us grateful. When the church of Christ enters the season of Lent, it is an invitation to such a journey of realisation, and can lead to a deeper sense of gratefulness, to a change of perception, and perhaps even to a more profound way of living.

Yesterday, Ash Wednesday marked the beginning of Lent, the time during which we reflect on the suffering and death of Jesus Christ. It is an old tradition in many churches that Christians let themselves be marked on their forehead with a cross made with ashes as a reminder that we are mortal and that our lifespan is limited – to grasp that life is a gift. Each day is worth celebration!

The image of Christ's death invites us to meditate the mystery: that in his death new life is promised. Hope and comfort, which burst into light at the dawn of Easter, like a seed from the ground, and blossoms when the time has come.

The season of Lent is an open invitation: an opportunity to look at our own life, to perhaps renegotiate what seemed non-negotiable, or revisit what was deemed so important that you thought you could not do without it. It is the invitation to gain a new perspective on what is really important in life; to adopt what is life enhancing and what fosters relationships.

Some who follow that invitation decide to voluntarily give up something during Lent which is important to them: watching TV, for example, to instead make time for friends or to lend a hand to someone. Others may choose to refrain from eating chocolate. It is a tool to grasp what really matters in life and to adjust our perceptions and actions accordingly. It is an invitation of the one who paved the way for us to follow him who grants life even in death. He shows us new beginnings when we find ourselves in a dead end street.

You are all invited. Have an exciting and blessed Lent Journey!

Silke Moolman, Indooroopilly Chaplain

Founders' Day Special Guests

Mr Nev Stallman (SPOSA) and Mrs Rosslyn Stallman enjoyed morning tea with Jill Lange-Mohr, (Principal), Craig Schmidt (Deputy Principal) and Pastor Thomas Bohmert (Senior Chaplain) after the Founders Day Service on 29 January.



Year 8 Script-writing Workshop



There is no time like the present for our Year 8 cohort. Even though the Year 8 Production is five months away, our students have begun planning their scripts. For the second consecutive year, we were fortunate to have the assistance of Mr Julian Curtis; a NIDA-trained actor who has worked in a range of film, television and theatrical roles with the likes of Cate Blanchett and X-Men's director, Bryan Singer.

Julian introduced students to a range of activities designed to improve their public speaking

abilities and confidence in theatrical situations. His knowledge and artistic guidance was invaluable.

There were many laughs throughout the day with, for example, basic dialogue transforming into the disposal of alien remains that had been stolen from Area 51!

We sincerely thank Julian for taking time out to assist our students.

Brendan Wingett, Teacher



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COMMUNITY CELEBRATIONS

Last Friday, our community enjoyed our Splashtacular themed Community Celebration!
The next Community Celebration will be on 4 March.



OPEN DAY
WEDNESDAY
16 MARCH,
3:15PM–6:00PM
www.stpeters.qld.edu.au

SPORT

Head of Primary Sport, Mr Jeremy Lohe **phone:** 3470 3888 **email:** j.lohe@stpeters.qld.edu.au

Sport Transport

All parents and students should have received information regarding the St Peters Springfield Sport Bus. It has been fantastic to see the number of students who have signed up across all QGSSSA and AIC sports. As you will be aware, this is the first year of operation for our sport bus. We hope this will support students and parents in their participation for sport at St Peters.

It is important that all students and parents are aware of the procedures for using the sport bus service to travel between schools for training. If you intend to use this service, please fill out a bus form and return it to reception.

Students need to register for this service so that we are aware of who is travelling on any given day, morning or afternoon. This is essential to ensure we have enough seats available.

I look forward to seeing your child participate and represent the College in sport this year.

AIC Cricket and Volleyball

Congratulations to all boys who have begun training for Cricket or Volleyball and participated in the first round of AIC Cricket against Villa last weekend. All teams had tough games against Villa. If you have any questions regarding AIC Cricket or Volleyball please do not hesitate to contact Mr Lohe. We wish all boys well in their second round games against St Edmund's this weekend.

QGSSSA Autumn Sports

Any girls interested in representing the College in QGSSSA Autumn Sports, needs to contact Mr Lohe as soon as possible. Sports on offer this term include Basketball, Touch and Football. With training beginning for all Autumn Sports this week, it is essential all girls involved or those who might be interested know what their training times are. Training times and the season draw are available via the St Peters Portal or St Peters App. Please contact Mr Lohe if you have any questions.

AIC Rugby and Football

Signs on's for Rugby and Football will take place this Thursday for all boys in Years 7 – 12. This will be communicated directly with students. Preseason training times for these sports will be available on the St Peters portal or App. For any further questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Lohe.

Years 7 – 12 Inter-House Swimming Carnival

The Years 7 – 12 Inter-House Swimming will take place on Friday 19 February at Waterworx Aquatic Centre, Springfield. This carnival will be from 8.30am and conclude at 2.00pm. An information letter has already been emailed to parents and students should have received a copy this week during house meetings.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Jeremy Lohe.

Years 4 – 6 Inter-House Swimming Carnival

The Years 4 - 6 Inter-House Swimming will take place on Friday 26 February at Waterworx Aquatic Centre, Springfield. This carnival will be from 8.30am and conclude at 2.00pm. An information letter has already been emailed to parents and students should have received a copy this week during house meetings.

If you have any questions regarding this event, please do not hesitate to contact Mr Jeremy Lohe.

Representative Sport

Students in Years 4 – 12 have the opportunity to trial for representative teams throughout 2016. Please refer to the College policy on Representative sport which can be found on the portal. It is a student's responsibility to inform Mr Lohe or Mr Cadman if they are interested in trialling for a sport as soon as possible at the beginning of the year. A list of sports for which students can trial is available upon request. If you have any questions, please contact Mr Lohe or Mr Cadman.

MUSIC

Welcome to an exciting new year of music making at St Peters!

New Piano Tutor



I am delighted to announce to our school community that Dr Phillip Gearing will be joining the school as our new Piano Tutor. Dr Gearing is a freelance musician who works principally as an organist, chamber musician, accompanist

and choral director. From 1992–2004, he was Senior Lecturer at the University of Southern Queensland, Toowoomba. During his time at USQ, Dr Gearing was responsible for teaching in the Piano Pedagogy program. He has performed throughout Australia, and in Britain and Scandinavia. He is Director of Music at St Mary's Church, Kangaroo Point. Dr Gearing is married with four (now adult) children, and is a devoted grandfather.

Private Tuition

St Peters Springfield offers a range of instrumental tuition, including Speech and Drama. Our tutors are qualified and experienced teachers, and lessons are provided on a rotational basis throughout the school day to minimise disruption to academic learning.

The private tutors have commenced tuition, and teaching schedules are being distributed to students and parents. Parents are welcome to address questions regarding timetables, examinations, repertoire to the relevant tutor. Alternatively questions can be addressed to the Private Tuition Coordinator, Ms Sally Grennan (S.Grennan@stpeters.qld.edu.au). Parents and students who would like to enrol in lessons are still able to do so. Enrolment forms are available at Reception, or by emailing Ms Grennan.

Sally Grennan, Music Teacher

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ST PETERS PORTAL

Please be aware that the most up to date information regarding sport in 2016 can be found on myStPeters. General sport information booklets, individual sport booklets for Girls and Boys Sport, and seasonal and weekly draws can be found by logging into myStPeters and choosing the Co-curricular tab.