

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

## WHAT'S ON

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## P-12 Curriculum Coordinator



### The role of NAPLAN

This week was NAPLAN week. Our Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 students, along with their counterparts throughout Australia, participated in national literacy and numeracy tests. As in previous years, there has been debate in the media

about the importance of NAPLAN, its validity, and the role it plays in the education of our young people. Schools and individual teachers are often asked, 'Are you a NAPLAN school?' meaning do you prioritise NAPLAN in your curriculum and drill your students in the test content in the weeks prior or do you believe that NAPLAN has no role to play in authentic education and hence ignore it as much as possible?

However, it is wrong to see NAPLAN as an either/or situation. NAPLAN provides valuable feedback to schools and parents about the foundational knowledge students possess. This information can be used to intervene in the

learning of individual students to help them develop skills and knowledge. Schools can adjust programs in response to NAPLAN results. This does not make a school a NAPLAN school – it makes it a school that cares about students and their learning.

NAPLAN tests are often vilified as being the antithesis of deep learning but the reverse is true. Deep learning cannot happen without sound mastery of foundational knowledge and this is why NAPLAN matters. It gives teachers an indication of how well their students can read, write, spell, use correct grammar and recall and apply number facts. As John Hattie observes, 'You need to have surface and deep learning.' Students cannot connect pieces of information to draw conclusions and form hypotheses if they lack sound knowledge on which to build.

At St Peter's, we want our students to be accomplished and engaged learners, which is why we ensure they develop the skills and knowledge they need to think critically and deeply. For us, NAPLAN is not an end in itself but one indicator among many of how well we are preparing our students to soar as independent life-long learners.

Sue Grotherr, P-12 Curriculum Coordinator

## Music News

### Upcoming Performances

Our busy ensembles and private tuition students are preparing for upcoming performances. Information letters will be distributed shortly. Students may be involved in Open Day, Private Tuition Recitals and Ensembles Showcase.

### Qld Conservatorium of Music: State Honours Ensemble Programme

This well-respected program brings together the finest young musicians, under the tutelage of a team of eminent international and national conductors, in a world-class environment. Its pursuit of excellence defines it as the highest quality performance avenue available to young

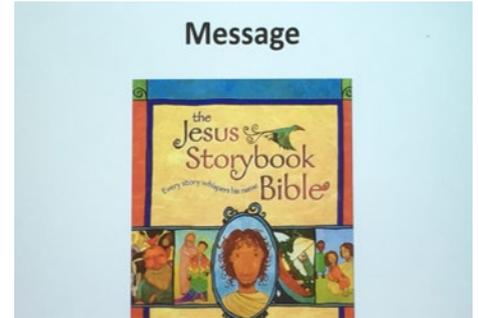
ensemble-based instrumentalists outside of the Queensland Conservatorium and the Young Conservatorium.

In 2017, this program will continue to offer Voice, String, Wind, Brass and Percussion students an intensive four day program that culminates in a gala concert in the Conservatorium Theatre, Queensland Conservatorium Griffith University, South Bank.

Any Secondary School students interested in participating in this programme should see Ms Grennan this week. Nominations are due by Friday 19 May.

Sally Grennan, Music Teacher

## Preps Receive First Bibles



At Friday night's Community Celebration, Prep students were presented with their very own Bible as a gift from the Arise Lutheran Congregation. The Jesus Storybook Bible has beautiful illustrations and is easy to read.

Thank you to the Congregation for this precious gift!



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## Foundation News

St Peters has joined the Australian Independent Schools (AIS) USA Foundation as its 28<sup>th</sup> member. The Foundation was created specifically to give US based alumni, friends and funding organisations a way to support educational institutions in Australia. The Foundation is a non-profit tax exempt 501(c)(3) corporation and complies with US regulations for charities.

Donors who make gifts to the Foundation may claim them as a deduction on their US income tax return.

For information on how to donate via the AIS USA Foundation or to visit the St Peters page on their website visit <https://www.aisusafoundation.com/>

For further information contact the St Peters Future Foundation Office on +61 7 3377 6501.

**Kathrin Hoffman, Foundation Manager**

## Lutheran Youth Queensland (LYQ) Christian Life Week Camps

Christian Life Week (CLW) is a five day camp for high school students that is centered on an unforgettable experience of faith, friendship and fun. Each camp's program contains worship, small groups, games, activities and personal challenges.

St Peters students are encouraged to attend the Koojarewon B camp.

### Koojarewon B (Years 7-12)

**10:00am Monday 3 July – 1:00pm Friday 7 July, Koojarewon Youth Camp (Borghardt Rd, Highfields QLD 4352), \$387 before 29 May, \$30 more after 29 May.**

A Subsidy of \$100 is available for St Peters students. Quote code: WUQW.

Register at [www.lyq.org.au](http://www.lyq.org.au)

## Submissions for 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book

29 January 2018 marks the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of St Peters Springfield!

Submissions for the 10 year history book are welcome at [j.lange-mohr@stpeters.qld.edu.au](mailto:j.lange-mohr@stpeters.qld.edu.au) by Friday 16 June 2017.

Articles should be between 100 – 200 words.



## OSHC Educators Positions

St Peters Lutheran College Springfield Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) provides Before School Care, After School Care and Vacation Care. We are recruiting for experienced OSHC educators at our Springfield campus.

Working as an OSHC Educator you will need:

- A warm and friendly manner;
- 2+ years experience working in an OSHC/ childcare setting or relevant experience working with young children;
- To hold a minimum Certificate III in Children's Services or undertaking study for a relevant qualification;
- Have a current First Aid and CPR Certificate;

- Have a current Asthma & Anaphylaxis Certificate;
- Hold a current Blue Card (P);
- Exhibit energy, a sense of humour and creativity;
- Be committed to work at OSHC long term.

Successful candidates will work closely alongside our dedicated team who create individual, fun and engaging programs for our children. Please note that this role is a casual position and the hours will vary from week to week. University students study needs can be accommodated in rostering.

Applications close Monday 22 May. Please send your resume to [jobs@stpeters.qld.edu.au](mailto:jobs@stpeters.qld.edu.au)

## Part of Something Bigger

St Peters is a large community. The student population alone exceeds the number of residents in the South Australian country town I served in before coming here. There are probably over 10,000 people in our wider community if you include staff, students and their families. This provides lots of opportunities but also the challenge to help all members of our community feel included and cared for, and we work very hard to enable that to happen. It reflects our values as a Lutheran school, that all are welcome and included, just as Christ is there with open arms for all.

And yet even at this size we are, this week, reminded that we are part of something even larger. This week (May 6-12) is Lutheran Schools Week. It is a reminder that we are not a lone operator but that we are part of a larger whole. There are 84 schools serving some 40,000 students across Australia. Additionally, there are some 4,000 children in Lutheran Early Childhood Centres. All of this has grown out of the conviction of our forefathers that a good education was vital for their children's development. Over the years, this has developed into a service offered to the wider community.

Lutheran Education promotes ten key values: hope, appreciation, service, love, quality, humility, courage, justice, compassion, and forgiveness. These are values that grew out of the faith and vision of our forefathers and that guide us as we develop our community. Being part of something bigger than yourself has been identified as an important aspect of giving meaning to a person's life.

Ultimately, God places us in community to provide us with what we need for a meaningful and successful life. It is through community that we receive support, encouragement, opportunities to serve and challenges to grow. And this applies as much to our St Peters community as the wider community of Lutheran schools we are part of. St Paul used the image of the body and many parts in his letter to the Corinthians (1 Cor 12:12) reminding us of the importance of being part of a larger whole and the importance each plays for the well-being of the whole.

I pray that you may experience being part of the St Peters and Lutheran schools community (body) as a blessing.

**Pastor Thomas Böhmert**

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## SPORTS DRAWS

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### Central District Cross Country

Congratulations to the 23 students who represented St Peters at the Central District Cross Country Carnival last Thursday. It was a fantastic team result. St Peters won the C Schools Trophy. Congratulations to Fletcher H who won the 10 years boys race while Matthew M placed third in the 12 years boys event. Both of these boys have been selected to represent Central District at the Met West Carnival on 1 June. Other good performances were put in by Justin P (seventh in the 11 years boys), Tiare R (eighth 11 years girls) and Claveria J-T (ninth 12 years girls). We are proud of the efforts of all students involved!

### IID Cross Country

Well done to our Secondary Cross Country runners who ran at last Wednesday's IID Cross Country event. All students ran well with six students selected to run at Met West Cross Country on 1 June including Marcelo A-M, Marika D, Bailey S, Caitlin M, Shanteal H and Leilani R. A number of other students were unlucky to just miss selection. We wish all runners the best of luck!

### WDNA Primary Girls Netball

#### St Peters Team 9

Last Saturday, St Peters 9 was moved up to a more experienced division. The opposition was tough and beat St Peters 4-0. Each player performed with great perseverance, stopping their opposition from scoring in the last quarter. Kirrily was captain this week and quickly learnt how to lead her team in driving the ball down the court. Our player of the match, Claire, showed great improvement with her defence and attack, sticking to her player like glue! The girls held their heads high knowing that the game is not about winning but about sportsmanship, doing your best and having fun!

#### St Peters Team 7

Well done to all girls who played on Saturday. The girls continue to improve each week. The girls enjoyed a number of shots on goal and came away with a 1 all draw. We wish them well for the rest of the season.

#### St Peters Team 3

St Peters 3 had their first win of the season on Saturday, coming out on top of St Josephs with a convincing 11-3 win. The girls and their supporters were so excited with their win. Sara S and Jasmine D were outstanding in the goal circle; Jemma J, Taashya P and Ellyza R were amazing in defence; and Zoe C, Bridgette B and Etania C held the mid court together like pros. The girls have been working so hard at training and have improved so much since the season began. Mrs Lovell and Mrs Braiden are so proud of them. Keep up the awesome work girls!

### QG Sport Winter Sign On

QGSSA Winter Sport Sign On information for Netball, Hockey, Tennis and Volleyball was emailed to girls last week. If girls are interested in any of these sports, please use the link in the email to sign up. Trial and training times will be confirmed shortly. Please contact Mr Lohe if you have any questions.

### QGSSSA Cross Country

Well done to Marika D, Ariel W, Shanteal H, Caitlin M, Leilani R and Sydney D on their selection in the QGSSSA Cross Country team. These girls will represent St Peters at the QGSSSA Cross Country Championships this Saturday at Rivermount College. The girls have put in many hours of training in the lead up. We wish them well for Saturday!

### QGSSSA Open Girls Netball

Congratulations to Tyla S and Donna S in Year 12 who have been selected in the St Peters Open

Girls Netball team. This is a huge honour for these girls who are the first Springfield girls to represent St Peters at Open level. They will form part of a strong St Peters Open team to play throughout Term 3. We congratulate them on this achievement and wish them well for fixtures.

### AIC 5B Football

On Saturday, the Years 4/5B football team defeated St Patrick's College 4-1. The team consisted of nine Springfield and three Indooroopilly students. I was impressed how well Springfield and Indooroopilly students played together as a team as they hadn't previously met before the match. St Peters dominated the majority of the game which was as a result of some excellent attacking plays and an equally relentless defence. Every player made an important contribution to the team. Justin P and David (Indooroopilly) were both dynamic in attack scoring two goals each in the match.

### AIC Term 3 Sport Sign On

All boys from Years 5 – 12 have received an email regarding sport sign on for Term 3 Sport. All interested boys need to fill out the online form to register their interest. If you have any questions, please contact Mr Lohe.

### Met West Netball and Basketball

Congratulations to Tyla S (18 years), Shaia T and Shaniqua G (15 years) who competed in the State 18 and 15 years Netball Carnival last week. It was a very successful few days for our girls with Tyla's Met West team taking the gold and winning the 18 years State Title while Shaia and Shaniqua played well to claim the Bronze in the 15 years titles. This is an exceptional achievement for these girls who look forward to the St Peters Netball season. Well done girls!

Tyla S, Cassie P and Eseta L will also travel to Cairns this week for the State 18 years Basketball Titles. The girls look forward to a solid week of basketball. We wish the girls well as they represent Met West at the State Titles. Good luck girls!

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## IMPORTANT CONTACTS

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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.

## Mothers' Day Stall



Last Friday, the Parents and Friends (P&F) Committee hosted a Mothers' Day Stall. Children from Prep – Year 6 chose from a variety of gifts.

Thank you to the P&F Committee led by Joanne Antonio, as well as Kylie, Alicia, Rumbi, Manvinder and Jess.

While the stall was not aimed at raising funds, a small amount was raised and will be used to



purchase further resources for our students. We are sure you will love the presents your little ones bought for you!

A second Mothers' Day Stall will be held tomorrow (Friday 12 May) in the Hub from 10.00 – 11.00am in PA1. There will be a wide selection of gifts ranging between \$2 and \$5 with a small range of special gifts up to \$10. Students who did not have their money last week will have the



opportunity to make purchases this week. The stall is also open to Secondary students during their lunch break.

On behalf of the P&F Committee, I wish all St Peters mothers a lovely day. We wish this Mothers' Day will bring you more happiness, joy, and fun.

Santiago Ayala, P&F President

**St Peters Lutheran College**

**P & F**

**Teen Trivia Night**  
Years 7-12

Friday May 26  
6–9 pm  
The Hub  
Free Entry!

Tables of up to 8 Students

Create a fun name or themed table to win a prize  
Bring snacks and drinks to share at your table

**\*\*\*Lucky Door Prize\*\*\***

RSVP  
Wednesday May 17  
[P&Fspringfield@stpeters.qld.edu.au](mailto:P&Fspringfield@stpeters.qld.edu.au)

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