



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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Head of Primary



All growth depends upon activity. There is no development physically or intellectually without effort, and effort means work. – Calvin Coolidge

As I spent my Saturday morning enthusiastically watching the St Peter's 3 team play in their Grand Final, I thought back

to one of the first games I attended when the girls, new at the game, were still learning the rules, positions and strategies. Throughout the 17-week season, Mrs Lovell and Mrs Braiden supported their growth by training twice a week to improve their skills and understanding of netball. As they showed determination throughout the four quarters and then into 10 minutes overtime, they had to draw upon the hard work they had put in over the season. They were the runners-up but could hold their heads high as there was so much individual and team growth. Watch out for these girls next season!

In a different time and place, I observed the Year 5 Music Education Through Band lesson. While Mr Craig Alloway worked with a large group of students, Ms Hill conducted a Master class with a small group to work on finger skills, mouth positions and note sounds. Students listened, watched, tried over and over again until they got it right. They then moved back to the group to work as a band, once again practising and fine tuning. It was not watching, but activity that aided growth. By the time we hear this band play for us in Term 4, they will have grown individually and as a band.

Each day we see growth happening in and out of the classrooms – it could be in Mathematics,



English, Christian Studies, Chess, Tennis, Drama, the climbing frame or in friendships. It is not about being the top but it is about achieving your own personal best with effort and being involved in the activity in a positive way.

K-3 Athletics Carnival

There was lots of excitement at the oval last Friday as our Kindy – Year 3 students rotated through a range of physical activities. It was wonderful for our students to have so many families attend the event and support their children. Mr Lohe organised a wonderful range of activities to challenge each child.

Debbie West-McInnes, Head of Primary

[See more photos of the K-3 Athletics Carnival on page 3...](#)

Grandparents Day

Grandparents of P-6 students: Wednesday 18 October, 7:30 – 10:20am

There will be a Book Fair from 7:30am before our special Chapel Service starts at 8:15am. Grandparents can then visit their grandchildren's classrooms before enjoying Morning Tea.

Invitations will be issued in the coming week.

Grow Women's Conference

The annual Grow Women's Conference, exploring the Gospel of Luke, will be held on Saturday 9 September, 9:00am–3:30pm at St Peter's Lutheran College Performing Arts Centre. Register at: qcca.org.au/grow/

NOTICE

2018 is shaping up to be a very exciting year at St Peter's Lutheran College Springfield. The Leadership Team are well underway with final planning for the new school year. With 15 per cent enrolment growth this year and more students expected in 2018, we are currently recruiting additional teaching staff.

I take this opportunity to remind you that if you do not intend to have your child/ren enrolled at St Peter's next year, *then you need to give the school one term's notice*, according to your enrolment contract. This deadline is **Wednesday 13 September**.

Thank you for your continued support.

Jill Lange-Mohr, Principal

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Progress not Grades

As we approach the 'pointy end' of the year, it is easy to become purely focused on marks and grades. As teachers and as parents, naturally we have high expectations and standards for our students and

children, including their academic achievement. High expectations is a good thing, but an over-emphasis by parents, teachers and students themselves solely on grades is ultimately unproductive, even counter-productive. Teacher and writer, Jessica Lahey, in her book *The Gift of Failure* reminds us that students perform better academically when we emphasise goals, effort and progress rather than grades, as these are an effective way to motivate and maintain engagement in school life. The real challenge for us, as teachers and parents, is to instil in children

Tim Kotzur, Head of College

the importance of seeking feedback rather than test scores, for this is the path to improvement. It is also important to regard failures as valuable opportunities for learning, growth and self-improvement.

Last week, one Ivanhoe Girls Grammar school in Melbourne took the unusual step of developing 'Failure Week'. The purpose was to help students to understand that some of the most powerful learning actually comes from setbacks and when things go wrong.

At St Peters this year, we have introduced the idea of a Growth Mindset to our students – the concept that the human brain is malleable and, as a consequence, intelligence is not something that is fixed, but rather with hard work, persistence and the right strategies it can be developed. A Growth Mindset enables students to bounce back from setbacks in their learning, because failure is not permanent, and as a result become even better learners going forward.

Endurance

The last few days of Term 3 are before us. It has been a long and full term, with many highlights, such as the Katie Noonan concert (and seeing students interact and work with the singer), Head of the River and other sports successes, Primary music performances, and much, much more. It has also been a term with much sickness (the flu season definitely had an impact), with stress and pressures (including the QCS test for Year 12s). For some, there has been grief and loss.

Thus, there are perhaps mixed emotions as we come to the end of this term. There are things to celebrate and rejoice over, but there have been struggles and challenges and many members of our community are exhausted.

We are blessed with two weeks of holidays coming up, a break from the daily busyness of school life, a time to catch our breath and prepare for the last term of the year.

I pray that you may find time to rest, to reflect on the last term and see God's hand and presence in the midst of the struggles, take notice of the achievements and positives that also were there, and take the opportunity give thanks, to thank the God who stands with and behind us and provides for us, day after day. And I pray that this reflection may lead you forward to face the last term with hope and optimism.

I want to leave you with a verse from St Paul's letter to the Romans, as he encourages the people there to persevere in faith and hope and to stand together as one:

May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. – Romans 15:5,6.

Have a good finish to Term 3 and a blessed and safe holiday.

Pastor Thomas Böhmert, Indooroopilly Chaplain

Music News



Upcoming Concerts

Staff and students have been working hard to prepare for the last two concerts of this term: Ensembles Concert and Arts Morning.

Ensemble Concert will be held on Friday 8 September, commencing at 4.00pm in the Hub. The concert will feature:

- Poco Voce (Years 2 and 3 students);
- Mezzo Voce (Years 4 –6 students);
- Bella Voce;
- Burgundy Band;
- Gold Band;
- Arco Strings;
- Harmonics; and
- Dance Troupe.

This is a public concert and everyone is invited to enjoy the talents of our young musicians and dancers.

Arts Morning will be held on Monday 11 September. Student artwork will be displayed in classrooms, which will be open from 8.00am. The concert will commence on the Concourse at 8.30am and will feature performances of Music and French, studied during curriculum lessons.

Sally Grennan, Music Teacher

This is also a public concert and family and friends are invited to attend.

For more information contact Ms Sally Grennan s.grennan@stpeters.qld.edu.au or Miss Krist-elle Hill k.hill@stpeters.qld.edu.au

The Little Mermaid

Arabella G will perform in *The Little Mermaid*, presented by Brisbane Arts Theatre. Performances are on from 9 September until 14 October and information is available at artstheatre.com.au. We wish Arabella all the best for a successful season.

2018 Young Conservatorium

The Young Conservatorium runs a number of courses to cater for musically talented young people. In 2018, they will run courses focused on Early Childhood, the Young Beginner, Developing Musician, Individual Tuition, a comprehensive range of Large and Small Ensembles and Musical Awareness. Entry is by audition. Entries close on Saturday 9 September. Further information is available at young-conservatorium@griffith.edu.au.



2018 TERM DATES



Reformation 500 Festival

Bookings for the Bach Cantata 80 and other reformation music on 28 October, at the Chapel, are now open.

Book online: mrbc80.eventbrite.com.au

K-3 ATHLETICS CARNIVAL



FATHERS' DAY

Fathers' Day was celebrated early at St Peters Springfield with a breakfast on the morning of Friday 1 September on the Concourse. This was followed by a special Primary Fathers' Day Chapel.

Thank you to all who were able to share in the occasion.

See more photos via St Peters' App photo galleries...



SPORTS DRAWS

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WDNA Primary Girls Netball

After playing their strongest match to date, St Peters 3 drew in the Grand Final. In the extra time, the opposition scored three more goals, leading to a 14-11 loss for our team. There was no doubt our girls were equally matched and we are extremely proud of their Runners-Up title. It's a fantastic end to an amazing season of netball. We congratulate and thank all girls and their families for the season and look forward to 2018!

Lutheran Primary Athletics

Congratulations to all Years 3 – 5 students who represented the College at the Lutheran Primary Athletics last Tuesday. We are extremely proud of all students' efforts throughout the day. Well done to the following students on their individual performances:

- **Penelope W-F (9 years Girls):** third place Div. A 80m; fourth place, Div. A 200m; fourth place Div. A 400m; fourth place Div. B Long Jump;
- **Abby K (9 years Girls):** first Div. A Long Jump; third Div. A High Jump; third Div. C 80m;
- **Suhani D (9 years Girls):** third Div. B 80m;
- **Shloka D (10 years Girls):** third Div. A Long Jump; fourth Div. A Shot Put; fourth Div. A High Jump;
- **Yolanda Y (10 years Girls):** third Div. B 100m;
- **Maddison W (10 years Girls):** fourth Div. B Shot Put; third Div. D 100m;
- **Ellyza R (11/12 years Girls):** third Div. A Shot Put;
- **Harry B (9 years Boys):** third Div. A 80m; second Div. A Long Jump;
- **Felix Y (9 years Boys):** first Div. A High Jump; third Div. B 80m;
- **George G (10 years Boys):** first Div. B 100m;

- **Xander P (9 years Boys):** fourth Div. B 200m; second Div. B 400m; first Div. B Long Jump; third Div. C 80m;
- **Edward G (9 years Boys):** second Div. B High Jump;
- **Tilen VG (9 years Boys):** first Div. B Shot Put;
- **Fletcher H (10 years Boys):** second Div. B 200m; fourth Div. C 100m;
- **John J (10 years Boys):** third Div. B 800m; third 9 years Boys Relay; fourth 10 years Boys Relay.

Congratulations to all students. Thank you to Mr Nick Brayne (coach) and to the parents who came and supported throughout the day.

QGSSSA Round 6 Results v Clayfield College

Last Saturday, St Peters took on Brisbane Girls Grammar. Well done to Krystal H in the Senior A Tennis who continued her winning run as well as Shaia T in the 8A Netball who also enjoyed a win. Both girls and their teams are in line for premierships if they win their games against Somerville this weekend. We wish them and all girls the best in their final rounds of Winter Fixtures this weekend.

Netball

- Opens: Won 61–23
- Senior A: Won 47–37
- 10A: Lost 66–22
- 10B: Lost 51–18
- 9A: Lost 52–21
- 9B: Lost 25–18
- 8A: Won 56–35
- 8B: Won 48–45
- 8C: Lost 49–22
- 8D: Lost 69–5
- 7A: Lost 32–23
- 7B: Lost 40–18

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- 7C: Lost 50–11
- 7D: Lost 36–14

Hockey

- Opens: Lost 10–0
- Junior A: Lost 17–0

Volleyball

- 7A: Lost 2–1
- 7B: Lost 2–1

Tennis

- Opens: Lost 30–25
- Senior A: Won 34–22
- Junior A: Lost 29–18

AIC Basketball

Congratulations to Liam S along with the 8A Basketball team who have secured a Premiership going into the final round of AIC Basketball. Even with their first loss of the season to Villa, the 8A team will head to Eddies this weekend looking to win the Premiership outright. This is a brilliant achievement! Well done Liam and the 8A Basketball team!

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