School Newsletter

Term 1 Week 1  28 January 2016

Dates to Remember

February
1st - Got Game Commences
3rd - Music Program Commences
5th - Mandarin Program Commences
8th - Homereaders Program Commences
8th - Homework Program Commences
8th - P&C Welcome Meeting 7pm Hall
9th - Scripture Commences
9th - Swimming Carnival Y3-6 + some Y2’s
17th - Assembly - Class TBA 2.30pm school hall
22nd - School Photographs

March
2nd - Assembly - Class TBA 2.30pm school hall
4th - Clean up the school day
16th - Assembly - Class TBA 2.30pm school hall
24th - Easter Hat Parade

Welcome Back

Welcome back to all returning students to a new school year and a big welcome to the 33 students who started at St Peters this year. That includes 28 new kindy students - a record intake since the late 1970’s. We’re very excited to have you join our wonderful growing school community and are looking forward to the contributions you will all make. The start of a year is exciting but a nerve racking time for students and new parents. The important thing to remember is that school is a long game in that it takes time to adjust. We only need to remember back to our own school days and the nerves associated.

In these first few days we are in the process of counting numbers and ensuring that we have the correct formula of classes. I can confirm though that our numbers have grown from this time last year and hence we will have 4 classes. Please understand that we cannot finalise classes until we are sure of this. This is a very short newsletter to provide you with some key dates. There will be additional correspondence sent out to you over the coming day including some notes for upcoming events.

As principal in a small school it is normal to have a teaching component to my role. Last year I taught 75% on class. This year with the objective of school improvement I will not be teaching a class. I will however be taking a Learning and Support and leadership role around the school, working on changes to the library as well as progressing our school strategic directions. This is a great opportunity for the school to benefit from an off class principal. For all of you little will change other than you will see me in other parts of the school more and I will have even greater flexibility to address any concerns you may have. I look forward to this year and am very excited by our growth this year.

Reminders

- All absences need to be explained - preferably by using the parent portal feature or by sending in a note. The portal will be introduced to new parents soon.
- All notes that contain money MUST come to the front office.
- Follow our twitter account @SPPSnews at http://twitter.com and receive timely news updates.