

Newsletter

WEEK 5 • TERM 3



Dear Parents and Carers

There is plenty happening around the school at the moment, with students and staff enthusiastically engaging in a wide range of learning opportunities, events and activities.

Last Thursday we travelled to Ingham State High School for the **Interschool Athletics Carnival** with nine students proudly representing our school following their success at the Small Schools Athletics Carnival. It was a fantastic day, with every student demonstrating outstanding commitment, determination and sportsmanship. What impressed us most was the way our students embraced every challenge, competing in multiple events without complaint and giving their absolute best in each one. Their efforts reflected great resilience and a strong sense of pride in both themselves and their school. As a result, St Peter's finished 2nd in the Barnes Cup and 3rd in the Barnes Shield. A special congratulations goes to Joseph Mick who has been selected to represent the Herbert River District at the Red Track for 100m, 200m and Long Jump events. All the best, Joe!

St Teresa's College hosted **NAIDOC Week** with an awesome open day celebrating culture, community and connection. Students from around the district enjoyed beading, painting, weaving, cultural dancing, spear and boomerang throwing and so much more. Congratulations to the College for a successful event, and we look forward to being a part of it again next year.

Last Friday we opened our doors for our first **Prep Open Morning** for 2026. Five little youngsters took the opportunity to check out what we have to offer. The children enjoyed the theme of 'The Hungry Caterpillar,' making caterpillar crowns, caterpillar names, painting, and lots more. It was wonderful to be able to show off our school to so many little ones and we look forward to welcoming them back again next week. If you know of any other families in the district looking to start school in 2027, please let us know.

We value your feedback and invite all families to complete our **School Satisfaction Survey**. These surveys help us understand what we are doing well and identify areas where we can continue to improve, ensuring we provide the best possible learning environment for our students. Your input is important and helps guide future planning and decision-making at our school. Please take a few moments to complete the survey, which is due by **Friday 28 August 2026**. Thank you for partnering with us to support our school community.

God bless
Christine Timms

Diary Dates

Thursday 20 August - Write A Book In A Day.

Friday 21 August - Prep Open Morning

Monday 24 August - Book Week Begins

Friday 28 August - Gilroy Transition Morning.

Tuesday 1 September - Box Jelly Fish Performance of Precious.

Friday 4 September - Student Free Day .

Term Dates 2026

Term 3:

Monday 13 July – Friday 18 September

Term 4:

Tuesday 6 October – Friday 4 December

Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8.30 am - 3.00 pm

Religious Life of the School

APRE News

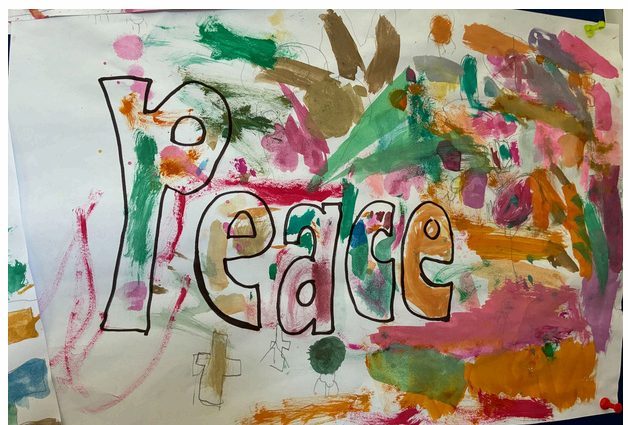
Quiet Contemplation

Monday, during our whole-school prayer, we listened to the words from the apostle Paul to the Colossians 3:12-14. It invites us to be gentle, kind, humble, meek, and patient because God loves us and has chosen us as His own special people. The reading led us to realise that at St Peter's, this is a call for us to commit ourselves to constantly trying our best to be all these things so that everyone can feel safe and included at our school.

The reading also reminds us that above all these virtues is 'love', which binds them all together. Love is not a feeling; it is an action, it is a decision, it is a daily reminder to seek the good of others. At school this means repairing our friendships, forgiving each other and working together so everyone can learn and flourish.

Year 3-6 have been working on the Fruits of the Holy Spirit which also calls us to holiness. Here are some of the art works produced by the students showing what these look like in action.

At the end of this term, I will be travelling to Leuven, Belgium, for Principal Formation. As part of this event, I will be enrolled at the Catholic University of Leuven, undertaking a course focusing on Enhancing Catholic Identity. This experience has been on my bucket list for some time and I am looking forward to the experience and opportunity to deepen my understanding that will further support me in my role as a leader of a Catholic school. Once arrangements have been finalised and an acting principal has been appointed, I will share this information with families.



P-2 Classroom News

Sarah and Pevan Performance

In week 2 we had an exciting day of adventure, laughter, and unforgettable memories for our class! We hopped on the bus bright and early and travelled to Townsville to watch Pevan & Sarah, and what a spectacular performance it was. The students were completely captivated from start to finish and absolutely loved every moment.

After the show, we headed to McDonald's for a well-earned lunch before making our way to The Strand, where we enjoyed a picnic together and had a fantastic time exploring the playground. There were smiles, giggles, and plenty of energy as everyone played with friends and soaked up the beautiful day.

After such a fun-filled excursion, the journey home was a very different story. The bus was incredibly quiet as our tired adventurers rested after a day packed with excitement.

It was a wonderful experience that will be remembered for a long time!



3-6 Classroom News

This term, 3-6 has been learning about poetry in English. Here is a small sample of their hard work. We hope to see you at our Poetry Showcase on Friday 14th August at 11 am.

Velociraptor

by Jayden



Velociraptor

Sharp claws

fast, crazy, aggressive

angry, cranky, sad, anxious

Dinosaur

Graceful Fireflies

by Elyse

Fireflies are fiery in the night

As they fly in the sky

their light shines beautifully.

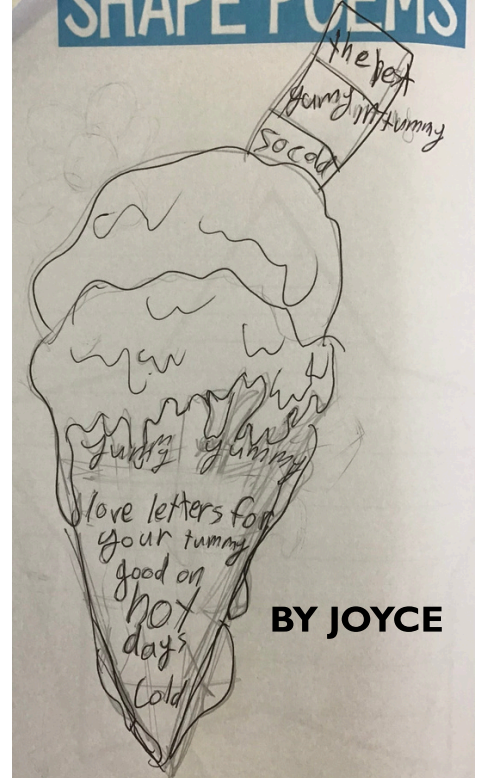
As they gracefully dance in each

other's lights

I watch them very carefully.



SHAPE POEMS



BY ELIJAH



Colouring In

by Antonio

I like to colour K-Pop

Because I think it's top!

Purple for her head

Mira might be red

Zoe gets black hair

She brushes it with care.



I AM AS... by Storm

big as the world

nice as a rabbit

happy as me

fast as small fish

strong as an ox

brave as me

smart as me

beautiful as me

I AM AS...

big as a pig

nice as Miss Ash

happy as Storm

fast as Layne

strong as Storm

brave as Storm

smart as a cat

beautiful as Mrs

Balmain

BY MARLEE

Guidance Counsellor

Raising children today presents unique challenges, from managing screen time and social media to supporting mental health.

To assist families with reliable guidance, St Peter's provides access to SchoolTV - an expert-backed online platform designed specifically for parents, caregivers and educators.

SchoolTV streamlines complex topics into clear, bite-sized resources. Rather than searching through endless online advice, parents can access credible information in one portal.

Key features of the platform include:

- Expert video insights: Interviews with leading Australian specialists, including child psychologist Dr. Michael Carr-Gregg.
- Monthly topic editions: Deep dives into online safety, sleep habits, anxiety, cyberbullying and exam stress.
- Practical tools: Fact sheets, podcasts, conversation starters and links to trusted organisations like Headspace and Beyond Blue.

Parents and carers are encouraged to explore the platform to support their children through every stage of school life. Please click on the link below to access SchoolTV.

Access the SchoolTV Portal

<https://schooltv.me/>

Mental Health Services and Support

Beyond Blue 24/7 mental health support service 1300 22 4636 beyondblue.org.au	headspace Online support and counselling to young people aged 12 to 25 1800 650 890 (3pm to 10pm daily) headspace.org.au	Kids Helpline 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services for children and young people ages 5 to 25 1800 55 1800 kidshelpline.com.au	1800 RESPECT 24/7 support for people impacted by sexual assault, domestic violence and abuse 1800 737 732 1800respect.org.au	QLife LGBTIQ+ peer support and referral 1800 184 527 qlife.org.au
Lifeline 24/7 crisis support and suicide prevention services 13 11 14 lifeline.org.au	Suicide Call Back 24/7 crisis support and counselling service for people affected by suicide 1300 659 467 suicidecallbackservice.org.au		Mensline 24/7 counselling service for men 1300 78 99 78 mensline.org.au	13YARN 24/7 crisis support for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people 13 92 76 13yarn.org.au

If you are concerned about someone at risk of immediate harm, call 000 or go to your nearest hospital emergency department.



On Wednesday, we joined other local schools at St Teresa's College to celebrate NAIDOC Week, a significant occasion for honoring First Nations culture and history. The day was filled with engaging activities for students, including beading, painting, and weaving workshops that highlighted traditional skills and storytelling.

Exciting performances from Torres Strait Islander and Aboriginal dance groups captivated the audience, while students enjoyed the hands-on experience of spear and boomerang throwing. The presence of Rugby League legends added a special touch, inspiring students with their abilities.

Market stalls offered a glimpse into Indigenous artisan crafts and delicious First Nations foods, enhancing the day's celebrations. A huge thank you to everyone who organised this wonderful event. It was a fantastic celebration of culture, community, and connection, leaving us inspired and more connected to the rich traditions around us.





Join Us

Prep Open Mornings

Fridays 8:30 - 11:00 am

Term 3 - 7th Aug & 21st Aug

Term 4 - 16th Oct & 6th Nov

Bring a hat, waterbottle and lunch!

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Reminders

Together We Grow



Sick or Absent?

Please advise the school before 9am, whenever your child is sick or absent.

Medication Notice

The administration of medication to students will only be done when a staff member has been notified and a medication form is signed by the parent/guardian. Medication authority forms are available from the office.

School Uniforms

St Peter's uniform shirts can be purchased from Barnes Sewing Centre, 22 Lannercost Street, Ingham.

School Hats

Each new enrolment receives their first hat free from St Peter's. Further hats can be purchased for \$20 from the office.

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