

Newsletter

WEEK 9 • TERM 3



Dear Parents and Carers

As always, Term 3 is jam-packed with events. Whether academic, sporting, or social, there is always something happening around the school. It is wonderful to provide our students with as many opportunities as possible.

I, myself, have been given a great opportunity to further my study and faith formation with a trip to Leuven University in Belgium. Thank you to Ms Paula Duffy, who has gladly offered to hold the fort in my absence. Hopefully it will be a very uneventful two weeks, even though I know it won't be with all that is happening on the calendar.

Last Friday was a pupil-free day. These days provide valuable opportunities for schools to engage in professional learning activities identified by either the school or Townsville Catholic Education, all with the aim of improving student learning outcomes, teacher expertise and school practices.

The staff participated in moderation. During moderation, teachers from a range of schools came together to examine student work samples across different year levels and achievement standards. This process helps ensure that teachers are making consistent and accurate judgements about student achievement.

Moderation also provides an opportunity to share ideas about high-quality assessment, effective use of marking guides, and meaningful feedback practices. All of this work is essential in ensuring that we continue to provide the best possible learning opportunities for every student.

As we approach the end of term, I would like to wish our students, staff and families a safe, happy, and relaxing holiday break. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for the start of Term 4 on Tuesday 6 October. Enjoy the holidays and take care.

God bless
Christine Timms

Diary Dates

**Friday 11 September -
Romanello Shield**

**Thursday 17 September -
Macknade Touch Carnival .**

**Friday 18 September - Last Day
of Term 3**

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

At our last school Mass, we heard something very beautiful. People bring their children to Jesus so that he can bless them. But the disciples try to stop them. Jesus becomes upset and says, "Let the children come to me. Do not stop them."

Why do you think Jesus says this? Jesus is showing us that every child is precious to God. Every one of you is loved by Jesus - not because of what you achieve, how well you do at school, or whether you win or lose. You are loved simply because you are you.

Jesus also tells us to welcome God like a child. Children can teach us something important: to trust, to be curious, to forgive quickly, and to know when we need help. So today, let us remember two simple things: Jesus loves every child, and we should always make room for Jesus in our lives. Remember when you pray, that Jesus is always ready to listen.

Let us ask Jesus today to bless all the children, their parents, teachers and families, and help our school community to be a place where everyone feels welcomed, loved and valued.

Loving Jesus,
You welcomed the little children
and blessed them with tender care.
Help our school community to make space for every child
to come close to you, feel safe, known, and loved.
Give us patient hearts and gentle hands to guide them
in faith, hope, and joy.
We ask this in your name. Amen.



P-2 Classroom News

Cricket fun Every Week

Our students have been having an absolute blast participating in weekly cricket lessons at school! Each week, Miss Amaya visits to share her passion and expertise, teaching students exciting new cricket skills and techniques. Throughout the sessions, students have been developing their catching, throwing, batting, and bowling abilities while learning the importance of teamwork, sportsmanship, and perseverance. One of the highlights of each lesson is practising their catching skills. Whenever a student successfully catches a ball, they proudly yell out "Howzat!", filling the oval with enthusiasm and laughter.

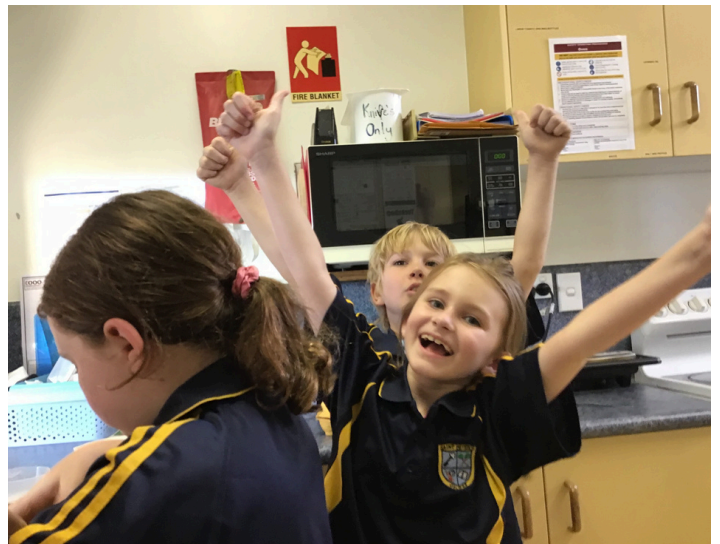
The students look forward to Miss Amaya's visit each week and eagerly embrace every new challenge she introduces. It has been wonderful to see their confidence grow as they continue to improve their cricket skills and knowledge of the game.

Who knows? With the dedication and excitement they are showing, we may just have some future Queensland Heat stars in our midst! We thank Miss A for making cricket such a fun and engaging experience for our students and look forward to many more exciting lessons throughout the term.



3-6 Classroom News

Something delicious was brewing in the 3-6 classroom! We whipped up some tasty treats to celebrate Father's Day, and let me tell you, the kitchen smelled absolutely amazing at the time. Your child is learning that the best gifts come straight from the heart—and sometimes, straight from the oven! We hope these special creations made Father's Day extra sweet.



Guidance Counsellor

R U OK? Day - Thursday, 10 September 2025

This week Australia is highlighting R U OK? Day. This vital initiative focuses on encouraging meaningful personal connections. It helps our informal support networks - friends, family and neighbours - to recognise the signs of distress.

The event emphasises the value of genuine human relationships and reminds us to ask that simple, life-changing question: 'Are you OK?'

Engaging in these conversations goes beyond the classroom, it is a commitment to our students' holistic, Christ-centred development. By talking openly about mental health, we create safe spaces where students feel understood, valued and supported. As parents, you can contribute by fostering open conversations at home, normalising feelings and breaking down stigmas.

What is SchoolTV?

As a reminder, our school provides all families with complimentary access to SchoolTV. SchoolTV is a premier online well-being resource designed specifically for parents and caregivers. As parenting doesn't come with a manual, SchoolTV bridges the gap by offering clear, fact-based information from leading youth health specialists. It features bite-sized video interviews, articles and fact sheets on critical topics like anxiety, cyber-safety and mental health.

- How to access it: You can find our school's unique SchoolTV portal directly linked on our school website: <https://sptsv.catholic.schooltv.me/>



FUNDRAISING

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO CONTRIBUTED TO OUR FUNDRAISING ACTIVITIES BY TAKING PART IN ST PETER'S SILENT AUCTION FOR THE SALE OF OUR USED IPADS AND CHROMEBOOKS. WE RAISED \$535, WHICH WILL GO TOWARD PURCHASING TEXTBOOKS FOR 2027.



Herbert River Junior Cricket



Scan to Register



5-8 Years

Cricket Blast is fun-first program designed for kids to learn through exciting skill activities. For 5-8 year old boys & girls just starting the game. It's all about smiles, high-fives and building a love for cricket.



WHAT: Blast Cricket
WHO: 5-8 Years Boys & Girls
WHERE: Butler Park
WHEN: Fridays 5-6pm from Oct 16
COST: \$125 (Register before Sep 1)
Search "Herbert River" at playhq.com to register

WHAT: Junior Smash Series
WHO: 8-10 Years Boys & Girls
WHERE: Butler Park
WHEN: Fridays - 5pm from October 16
COST: \$125 (Register before Sep 1)
Search "Herbert River" at playhq.com to register



8-10 Years

Junior Smash Series Cricket is modified cricket games played with a rubber ball and does not require protective equipment. Everyone gets a bat and bowl during 75-minute games, making action fast & fun!



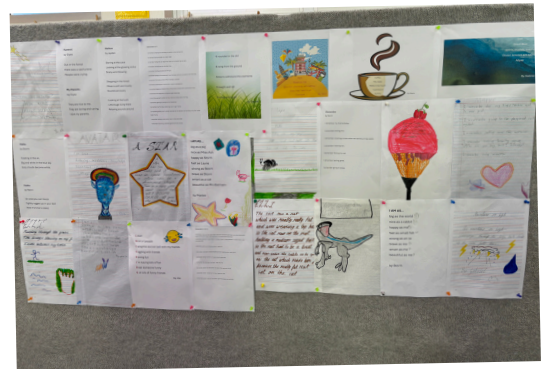
9-15 Years

Hard-ball mixed comps, with more traditional rules and clearer roles, while still supporting participation and development. Players experience teamwork, game awareness, healthy competition and fun!



WHAT: Junior Cricket
WHO: 9-15 Years Boys & Girls
WHERE: Butler Park
WHEN: Fridays 3.30-6pm from October 16
Search "Herbert River" at playhq.com to register

TERM 3





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!

FOR MORE INFORMATION:



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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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