From the Principal

Encourage One another

This week has seen the good old Parent/Teacher Interview. A really busy but important part of school life.

Each time I am involved with the P/T Interview process I am reminded of my experience doing this as a new teacher (good grief that was 26 years ago!). My main memory is the complete emotional and physical exhaustion I felt as I made my way home. I can still see myself walking in some kind of dopy daze up Maria St, Tanunda on my way back to my flat. As a new teacher I was pretty stressed beforehand about doing the interviews. I knew I had made a few mistakes over the term and my class was not completely in order. I was concerned about how some parents would address these things with me at the meetings.

Despite the tiredness I also walked home quite content and relieved that evening. Why? Quite truthfully it was the parents I had just spoken to who made all the difference. They were wonderful to me over those couple of days. They were nothing but encouraging and affirming. While some gently pointed out things they were concerned about, no one gave me a hard time. They thanked me! How gracious! It was an important day in my life as a teacher. I wonder sometimes how things might have gone if those parents had chosen to dwell on the negatives of my first term rather than the positives they saw. Relationships between parent and teacher were enhanced and a young teacher, who grew in confidence and self esteem that day, was better placed to make the changes he needed to make to get better results with his students.

I am thankful that 26 years on St Peters has that kind of culture too. This is a place where parents and teachers come together and work together to encourage one another as the joint-educators of the children in their care.

We all work hard to help our students learn, both at home and at school. We are all often exhausted as we deal with the many things that living and working with children bring.

Blessings to all as we step back from the busyness of school for a few weeks and look forward to the excited complexity of a new term ahead.

“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.” - 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Mark Rathjen
Principal
Parents and Friends

home made
recipes from st peters lutheran school community

Have you purchased your copy of 'home made'? In full colour, professionally bound and with loads of great recipes, it will be a lovely keep sake for your family. Filled with tried and tested family favourites from our very own school community, it’s bound to become a well used cookbook in your very own kitchen. Copies are available for purchase from the front office for only $20.

Fete Support

We are currently seeking willing and able volunteers to help with our 2013 St Peters Fete coordination. Please refer to the note sent home with your child yesterday. We sincerely thank those who have already put up their hand to help in some capacity and encourage as many people as possible to get involved. What a great opportunity to meet new people in your school community and participate in a fun and exciting event!! Please send your reply slips back to school by Friday 3 May. Thank you.

Baby News

CONGRATULATIONS
to Anjali and Jarrad Grierson on the safe arrival of their baby boy, born on Tuesday 9 April.
Mother and baby doing fabulously!

SPLOSHC

Vacation Care

SPLOSHC will be running Vacation Care again during the holidays. If you require care and have not yet booked your child in, please book them via email holidaycare@stpeterslutheran.sa.edu.au
Bookings for the pupil free day on Monday 29 April can also be made via this email address.

SPLOSHC

What a fantastic Term 1 we have had. The children have taken part in our Active After School Program, being involved in Dodge Ball and Scooter Hockey with James, they have written their own Grace and added their music with Tawny, we have done so much discovery this term with water, colours, craft, food...the list goes on and on.
To all our families—we wish you a safe and happy break and we look forward to Vacation Care and Term 2 with many more fun activities planned.

Please take the time to read the following important information
Regulations require that all children must be signed into morning SPLOSHC, Pupil Free Days and Vacation Care by their parent/caregiver. Therefore, children must not be dropped off at the school door/reception.
We require bookings for morning SPLOSHC to be finalised by 5.00pm the previous day. If you discover you need to book after this time please send an SMS to 0418687452. Due to staffing and ratio requirements, we need to be aware of the number of children attending. Should your child arrive at SPLOSHC in the morning without a booking there is the possibility that they may be refused attendance.
Thank you
Ros, Natalie, James, Tawny, Sheridan, Sian and Alice.

Uniform News

Winter Uniform Changeover

A reminder that Day 1 of Term 2 is the official changeover to the winter uniform. Please check the school’s Parent Information Handbook, pages 17-19 for details. We would ask that parents ensure that their children are wearing the correct uniform at all times.
Thanks for your cooperation with this.
Medication Reminder

Our medication administration procedure is based on the DECS policy and is recommended by the Association of Independent Schools. The aim of using this procedure is to improve the safety of medication administration at school. Improved documentation will reduce confusion over drug administration which could have potentially disastrous consequences. This affects any student who requires any medication within school hours, i.e., students affected by medical conditions requiring prescribed or non-prescribed medications.

To assist us in providing safe medication administration, we have a ‘Medication Authority’ form. This form needs to be completed by a medical practitioner for the administration of any drug – prescription or ‘over the counter’ which is required to be administered within school hours.

We have attached a copy of the ‘Medication Authority’ form to this newsletter which can be printed off and kept at home. The form is also available on the school website, for easy access. Finally, it may be useful to have copies of the form kept on your child’s file at the family doctor.

We thank you for your understanding of our procedure in relation to administration of medication, to assist us in providing as safe an environment as possible for all of our students.

Term 2 School Fee Accounts

School Fee Accounts for Term 2 were emailed yesterday to those families who receive them in this way. Accounts for other families were mailed yesterday.

Please ensure you pay your fees by the due date to avoid late payment fees.

St Peters Lutheran School

Term 2 2013

Piano, Guitar, Singing and Theory Lessons!

Great lessons available after-school hours. Piano on Monday and Friday & we are currently taking interest in a Thursday session. Voice lessons on Tuesday and Thursday. Guitar and Theory lessons on Fridays.

Lessons are for beginners through to advanced students and are available to both students of St Peters and members of the St Peters community.

On-campus, convenient, individual music tuition.

To enquire contact Carly McDonald at enquiries@novarmusic.com
0413 853 490

Visit us at www.novarmusic.com
**2013-14 Entertainment Books**

Still at a great value of $65, the Entertainment Books are now available! If you have purchased a book before, you will know the great value and savings that it gives. You would only need to use the book 3 times to get your money back and then after this you save. A great gift idea. Copies are available for purchase from the school office. For further information, contact Liz Laynes on 8278 5353 or Olive Fairclough on 8278 7947.

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**St Peters Youth**

The opening night for St Peters Youth in 2013 will be **Friday 3 May at 5pm**. This is the first Friday back from school holidays. Our Youth leaders have organised a new format for Youth this year:

- 5pm – 7pm Junior Youth (years 5-7)
- 6pm – 8pm Youth (years 8-10)
- 6:15pm Shared meal and time of spiritual focus (please bring $5 to cover costs)

We are planning to have three youth nights each term (always on a Friday from 5pm). We are currently finalising a schedule that will then be emailed out to interested families.

**Please contact Pastor Ben** (pfeiffer241@gmail.com) or Sarah Smith (sarah.smith@stpeterslutheran.sa.edu.au) for more details or to add your names to our mailing list.

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**Great Kids need Great Parents …**

With the right tools anyone can be a great parent! If you’re looking for practical parenting strategies, inspiration, and encouragement, you’re sure to be interested in a Toolbox Parenting Group.

Toolbox parenting groups are a unique and fresh approach to parent education. In an informal and relaxed environment you’ll be equipped with practical skills and strategies that can be immediately put to use.

**Positive, Practical and Fun**

Over six sessions, key parenting principles are explored—you’ll be encouraged in your role as a parent.

The course is facilitated by trained facilitators who are passionate about parenting, enjoys working with people, comfortable in a group setting and committed to positive as well as fun learning.

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**Toolbox Parenting Groups**

**THE TWEEN and TEEN YEARS:**

(10 years – 18 years)

Parenting tweens and teens has been likened to riding a roller coaster. This course covers:

- Atmosphere
- Boundaries
- Communication
- Discipline
- Self-Esteem
- Future Pathways.

We will show you that although these years may be challenging they can actually be some of the best years of your life—and theirs!

The next course being held in this area …

**6 sessions on Tuesday evenings**

14th May—18th June, 2013 – 7.00 pm –9.00 pm

Cost: $40 (payable at Registration)

Includes: 6 Workshops: a manual per person, coffee and tea with a light supper

St Paul Lutheran School
“Living and Learning together in Christ”
The Multi-purpose room
44 Audrey Avenue Blair Athol

Enquiries and bookings:

Registration and payment may be made with the front office of St Paul Lutheran School on 8260 2665. For more information please email Felicity Tamasi on ftamasi@stpaul.sa.edu.au
After training for several weeks three teams of St Peters students ventured out to Park 25 to play in the SAPSASA Lacrosse Carnival. After the minor round, all the teams had suffered only one loss. This was very impressive given that some of the students had never played Lacrosse before. Unfortunately one loss was enough to put both year 6/7 teams out of finals contention. However, the 4/5 boys made the play off for third. It was an extremely exciting match with the lead changing numerous times. The boys fought hard to the end but as the buzzer sounded they were one goal short. They should hold their heads high as they put in a gallant effort. Below are some student match reports.

6/7 Girls - Maggie’s thoughts
Game One versus Marymount
We all played well. It was our very first game of Lacrosse ever and we all played with great skill. It was very exciting. Chloe was good at shooting goals. People were catching well and doing a good job of scooping it up. We won 5 goals to 2.

Game Two versus St George
Everyone shot lots of goals. Lani shot the most goals and little Georgia shot some of the goals too. We had a great defense and we stuck our sticks up well to intercept and defend. We won 15-0.

Game Three versus Paringa
In this game we played a very hard team. They had great defense and we tried our hardest. Rhiannon and Georgia Z shot the goals.

4/5 Boys - Liam’s thoughts
Game One versus Forbes
Forbes were a very good team defensively. They lost by a little bit. They started out strong but somehow we came back and we won 5-1.

Game Two versus Paringa 2
It was a very close game. Both teams were strong in defense. There was a lot of talking and a lot of sticks in the face. We almost won but we didn’t. Sometimes you win some and sometimes you lose. We lost by one goal 4-5.

Game Three versus Paringa 1
We won this game due to me getting a ball in the face and stopping a goal. We had a strong team. We won by 1 point and they played really well. We got pulled on and off the field to sub. It was amazing. Everyone who played was really really good.

6/7 Boys -
Game One - St Peters lost to Sacred Heart 9 - 13
Game Two - St Peters defeated Cabra 6-4
Game Three - St Peters defeated West Beach

Special Thanks must go to Stacey Appleton for giving up her mornings off to coach a rowdy but enthusiastic bunch of students. Also thanks to the parents who helped transport and supervise.
The St Peters Athletics team headed down to Blackwood High School to compete in the District Athletics Day. All the students did an amazing job both in their individual events and off the field cheering on their fellow team mates.

We did not place in the top three schools but we did have some fabulous results.

Cooper Williams - 1st discus
Maggie Evans - 1st shot put and 3rd in discus
Harry Parsons - 1st 200m heats, 2nd 100m heats, 2nd 200m final, 4th 100m final
Jaylia Rowlands - 2nd 200m heats
Elyse Smith - 1st 100m heats, 2nd 200m heats, 2nd long jump
Josh Martin - 2nd 100m heats
Georgia Zeitz - 2nd 200m heats
Ashleigh Searle - 2nd long jump
Pax - 2nd High Jump, 3rd long jump
Lewis Whitcombe - 3rd shot put
Henry Smith - 3rd high jump
Tyson Congdon - 4th discus
Scarlett Griffiths - 4th long jump
Taylah Charlton - 4th shot put

Maggie, Cooper and Harry will go on to compete for the district at State Day in September. We wish them the best of luck.

Special thanks to Ros, Sarah and Jo for helping with the Marshalling on the day and to all who helped supervise.

St Peters Sporting Super Stars

Volleyball

We lost the semi finals. We played against Mercedes. Our score was 59-67. That was the last time we will get to play with last year’s Yr 7’s but we are going to have a new team which is awesome. Aim

Year 6 Basketball

We played against Blackwood. We won by a lot. We all played well. Alex took almost a three pointer. Elyse got a shot and I did one over my head. Pax

Year 5 Basketball

We played Belair 36ers and we were winning by 10 points in the first half. Then in the second half they caught up and we were winning by 3 and then by 5. Everyone played really well. Harry

5/6/7 Girls Basketball

We had a really close game against Belair. We were drawing for most of it. In the end the score was 14-17. We won. It was one of the hardest games we have played. Georgia

Year 3 Basketball

We were playing and we didn’t have every player so we lost by 11 points. We didn’t score any goals. We had to borrow some players from the other team to help out because we were missing two. Alex

Year 2/3 Netball

We got three goals and it was the grand final so we went to McDonald's after and we had dinner. The other team got 12 goals. Emily H
Time to Return all Term 1 OSH Sport Kits

Coaches & coordinators please return all Summer sport equipment to school by the first day of Term 2. If there are any items that need replacing please let Mrs Smith know so that replacements can be organized before the Summer season starts again in Term 4 2013.

Sport for Rec - Year 2

The Unley Sports for All Centre has a five week introductory sports program for R—2. The program “Learn to Play” consists of 40 minute sessions, run over 5 weeks, starting the first week in May. At the end of the Learn to Play program players will have the opportunity to participate in a 5 week Goal Stars program. The cost is $30 per session. For any further information please contact the centre on 82722121 or email them at lifebeinit_unley@ozemail.com.au

OSH Sport Consent and Registration Forms

These forms MUST be returned directly to your Team Coordinator by Week 1 Term 2. These forms need to be held by the coordinator in case of an emergency occurring during your child’s participation in their sport of choice.

Netball

We have entered the girls in A3 which is a Yr 6/7 competition, C3 which is a Yr 5/6 competition and E Red and E White South which are Yr 3 competitions. We have done a little bit of shuffling to enable all girls to have the maximum amount of court time. Your child has been notified about these changes. The netball timetables will be sent home in the first week of Term 2. All girls will be issued with a top in the first week of Term 2. The cost of this top is covered in the girls netball fees. Please take good care of it and return it at the end of Term 3.

Netball Umpiring

St Peters is required to supply Umpires for all home games. For any parents who are interested, there are some courses coming up, organised by the SA Junior Netball Association (SAJNA). The cost is minimal and will be covered by the school for any parents umpiring for our school. The details are:

Coromandel Valley Primary
Wednesday 1 May or 8 May 2013 at 3.30pm to 5pm.

Westminster Primary
Sunday 19 May 2013 at a time to be advised.

Please let Mrs Rawinski or Mrs Smith know as soon as possible which course you would like to attend and we will let the association know who and how many of you are attending.

There is also an accredited course being conducted by Netball SA:

All Australia Level 1 Umpires Course
Sunday 5 May 2013, from 8.30—12.30.
The accreditation lasts for 6 years.
Cost is $48.00.

Basketball Tops

All players please note if you are not playing Basketball in Terms 2 and 3 your top must be returned to school by the last day of Term 1. Players who have not returned the top by the end of this term will incur a charge of $45. This will be invoiced directly to families in Week 1, Term 2.

April School Holiday Tennis Camp

Blackwood Tennis Club, Hewett Reserve, Coromandel Parade.
Mon 22 April to Wed 24 April 2013
9.00am – 12noon $60 (for 3 x 3hour days)
Coaches: Justin and Peter Broughton
Ph: 0413 375 178 or 82968743
to book a place.
Ages 5 years and over.
All skill levels welcome.
Bring tennis racquet, drink bottle, snack and hat.
St Peters Lutheran Church

Services each Sunday at 10.00am

ALL WELCOME

Coming up...
17-24/4 Pastor’s Conference and Synod
21/4 LCA Synod service at the Entertainment Centre at 10am. All welcome.
3/5 Youth Opening Night 5pm

Any enquiries please contact Pastor Ben:
82782322 or pfeiffer241@gmail.com

Jesus said to Peter:
“Tend my sheep” (John 21:16)

St Peters Lutheran School,
where the message of Jesus Christ
is communicated and celebrated,
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Diary Dates Term 2
(for your calendar!)

These dates are subject to change so please
make sure you check them each week.

Week 1 (Monday 29/4)
Mon 29/4 Staff PD Day
Tue 30/4 Students commence Term 2
Fri 3/5 Cake Stall (Room 1)

Week 2 (Monday 6/5)
Fri 10/5 After Chapel Coffee (Room 2—Mr Eldridge)

Week 3 (Monday 13/5)
Tue 14/5 NAPLAN
- Thu 16/5
Thu 16/5 School Council Meeting
Fri 17/5 Cake Stall and After Chapel Coffee
 (Room 6—Miss Schutz)

Week 4 (Monday 20/5)
Thu 23/5 Year 2/3 Camp at Ironbank
- Fri 24/5
Fri 24/5 After Chapel Coffee
 (ELC—Mrs Gaskell)
Sat 25/5 Working Bee (Rooms 7 & 8)
Sun 26/6 School AGM

Week 5 (Monday 27/5)
Tue 28/5 Principal’s Tour—9am
Fri 31/5 Grandparents Day

Week 6 (Monday 3/6)
Fri 7/6 Cake Stall and After Chapel Coffee
 (Room 9—Mrs Jakube/Mrs Holmes)

Week 7 (Monday 10/6)
Mon 10/6 Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday
Fri 14/6 After Chapel Coffee
 (Room 8—Mrs Rathjen/Mrs Read)

Week 8 (Monday 17/6)
Fri 21/6 Cake Stall and After Chapel Coffee
 (ELC—Mrs Gaskell)
Sun 23/6 Family Service (Rooms 1 & 2)

Week 9 (Monday 24/6)
Thu 27/6 School Council Meeting
Fri 28/6 After Chapel Coffee
 (Room 7—Miss England)

Week 10 (Monday 1/7)
Wed 3/7 Report Folders go home
Thu 4/7 Closing Chapel (8.45am)
Cake Stall and After Chapel Coffee
 (Room 5—Mr Burmeister)
Last day of Term 2 for students
Fri 5/7 Staff PD Day