



### Our Mission

- To lead pupils more fully into the mystery of Christ and the Living Tradition of the Church.
- Our School motto is "Love One Another"
- To foster and develop Christian Values.
- To work together to enable children to see themselves as worthwhile members of a wider Catholic Faith Community

### Our Vision

- Develop a personal relationship with God
- A rich learning environment
- A community which encourages participation, inclusion, belonging, desire to learn
- Good practice
- Justice, affirmation, support, respect and a love of learning

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## BULLETIN

### WISDOM UPFRONT

*"The energy of the mind is the essence of life."*

### PRINCIPAL'S NEWS

*Mr. Armando Gagliardi*

#### **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PEACE**

On Friday 21<sup>st</sup> September we acknowledge International Day Of Peace. The United Nations (UN) International Day of Peace is celebrated on this day each year to recognise the efforts of those who have worked hard to end conflict and promote peace. The International Day of Peace is also a day of ceasefire – personal or political.

The theme of this year's commemoration is "**The Right To Peace**" which aims to highlight the importance of all segments of society to work together to strive for peace.

Let us pause for a moment and pray for all those countries around the world involved in war. May their conflict cease and peace be restored.

#### **FATHER'S DAY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

We celebrated Father's Day with a wonderful breakfast organised by the Parents and Friends Committee, which was then followed by our School Mass. A huge thank you to everyone who came along and made the breakfast such an enjoyable event. Special thanks to our Parents and Friends Committee who provided this opportunity to come together and celebrate the significant men we are blessed to know.

#### **SPORTS FUN DAY**

Our Sports Fun Day for 2018 is scheduled for Friday 2 November for all students. The day is an opportunity for all students to be involved in a variety of sporting activities, being active and having fun. All families are welcome to attend and be part of the Chanel Community spirit.

#### **CHILD SAFETY**

A reminder that all parents who wish to assist with school activities in term four must have a **Working With Children Check**, as well as the school's **Code Of Conduct** documentation. This includes excursions and classroom helpers. If you are yet to complete the above documentation, please do so immediately.

### School Administration

Email address:  
officeadmin@  
spcdeerpark.catholic.edu.  
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### Website

A reminder that our website is accessible for all parents. A variety of information is available.

[www.spcdeerpark.catholic.edu.au](http://www.spcdeerpark.catholic.edu.au)



### SCHOOL CLOSURE DAYS

Please note that school will be closed on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> November and Tuesday, 6<sup>th</sup> November. A parish closure day has been allocated for the Monday, to precede the Melbourne Cup. There will be no school for students on these days.

Please note that the school will also be closed on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> December. The school will be conducting learning conversations with parents and students. More information will follow in due course.

### SCHOOL FEES AND EDUCATION LEVIES

Thank you to those families who have already finalised their school fees and levies for 2018. Unless you are on a Direct Debit payment plan all fees and levies are now overdue and should be finalised as soon as possible.

A reminder that direct debit instalments can be taken directly from Centrelink or CentrePay. If you are interested in accessing this service, please contact the school office. If you have any concerns regarding accounts do not hesitate to make an appointment to discuss the matter.

### END OF TERM 3

As Term 3 draws to a close I would like to acknowledge the work done by so very many of our students, staff and parents in our school community and wish everybody a safe, happy and restful holiday break.

We reflect on the many wonderful opportunities we have been blessed with as a school. These opportunities may be on an academic, physical, spiritual or emotional level. In the busyness of our day it is important that we take a moment to consider all that there is to be grateful for – family, health, friends, community and more.

I wish each and every one a safe and restful break and look forward to another exciting and productive term ahead. School will resume for all children on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> October. We look forward to another exciting term.

### TERM DATES FOR 2018

#### **Term 4      Monday, 8 October to Friday, 14 December**

Friday, 2 <sup>nd</sup> November	Sports Fun Day
Monday, 5 <sup>th</sup> November	Parish Closure Day (School Closure Day)
Tuesday, 6 <sup>th</sup> November	Melbourne Cup (School Closure Day)
Thursday, 6 <sup>th</sup> December	Learning Conversations (School Closure Day)



## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:**

Angela Giordimaina

Religious Education Leader

"Christians or not, as people of faith and goodwill, we should be united in showing mercy to the earth as our common home and cherishing the world in which we live as a place for sharing and communion." Pope Francis

### **Season of Creation**

September 1 to October 4 is the Catholic Season of Creation. Sunday scripture readings focus on this gift of creation that God has given us and the role we have been entrusted with. Pope Francis calls us to recognise God's presence in creation, for us to become aware of the impact our actions are having on creation and is calling for us, as a community of faith, to become a voice for the Earth and to take the necessary steps to care for the tremendous gift God has given us.

### **Sacrament of First Reconciliation**

Through Reconciliation we come to know ourselves more and develop a relationship with God. When we accept our mistakes, weaknesses and limitations we grow and develop honesty and sincerity. When we examine our behaviours we allow ourselves to reflect on what we can do to be closer to God.

The children in Year 3 have celebrated their First Reconciliation, the first Sacrament of healing. Here are some of their reflections of their experience.

#### **Erika 3T**

Reconciliation is special to me because it was a time to get closer to God and tell Him all our sins. After I had my Reconciliation I felt fresh and proud of myself.

#### **Chloe 3K**

Reconciliation is special to me because it is when you tell your sins to Father and it's a really big part of being Catholic. At first I felt a little bit nervous and then I felt happy because I could just start again and be more like Jesus.

#### **Isaac 3A**

Reconciliation is special to me because you get to say sorry to God and God will forgive you but when you say sorry you have to really mean it. I felt relieved after Reconciliation because, at first, I was nervous but then I felt happy because I was forgiven.

### **The Salvation Army - Giving Hope Today!**

The Year 5 children have inquired about organisations that assist those less fortunate than ourselves. Deon Azzopardi and Isaac Athanasiadis from 5M inquired about The Salvation Army.

"We chose the Salvation Army because we recognised that it was local. We also know that they had a store that poor people could purchase things such as clothes, toys, furniture and even food that are sold for a cheap price. We would like to ask that families at St Peter Chanel donate to this organisation. You could donate unwanted clothes, costumes, outfits to go out with, toys, furniture and any used items that are still good. We could all support this organization by buying things from there too. You don't have to be poor!"



The nearest Salvation Army store is at 2 Westwood Dr, Deer Park and the trading hours are as follows:

Monday	9:00 am – 5:30 pm
Tuesday	9:00 am – 5:30 pm
Wednesday	9:00 am – 5:30 pm
Thursday	9:00 am – 5:30 pm
Friday	9:00 am – 5:30 pm
Saturday	9:00 am – 5:00 pm
Sunday* Donations Only	

**Whole School Masses**

Feast of St Anthony Mary Claret	Tuesday October 23	9:30am in the church
End of Year School Mass	Friday December 7	9:30am in the church
Year 6 Graduation Mass	Thursday December 13	7:00pm in the church

If you would like to participate at either of these masses please see your child's teacher or come and see me. You may like to do the Offertory with you child/ren or do a reading!

Have a safe and restful break.

May God Bless You All!

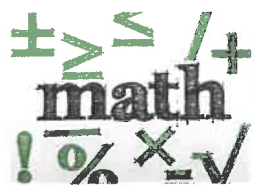


***STUDENT SERVICES:***

Carmel Bortolotto  
Student Services Leader

**School Nurse: Prep Parents**

Our School Nurse, Melissa Nesbitt will be at St Peter Chanel early in term 4 to carry out the Prep Health Assessments. If you have not returned the School Entrant Health Questionnaire (SEHQ) from the school nurse, please return it to your child's class teacher by Monday 8<sup>th</sup> October.



#### Mathematics Jokes

Q: Did you hear about the mathematician who's afraid of negative numbers?

A: He will stop at nothing to avoid them.

## MATHEMATICS:

Michelle Perceval  
Mathematics Leader

### Multiplication Competition

The year 6 student Mathematics leaders have supported the running of our 2018 SPC multiplication competition. I would like to congratulate all the students who entered the multiplication competition this year. There were certainly lots of highly skilled competitors!

#### The Multiplication Champions 2018

Year 2	Boi Khuplian
Year 3	Anthony Trinh
Year 4	Grace Emezie
Year 5	Ella Mali
Year 6	Grace Emezie

CHILDREN LEARN, NOT SO MUCH BY BEING TOLD THINGS, AS BY WORKING THINGS OUT FOR THEMSELVES AND LINKING NEW IDEAS TO IDEAS THEY ALREADY HAVE. YOU CAN HELP YOUR CHILD BY ASKING QUESTIONS, LETTING THEM WORK IT OUT AND THEN DISCUSS ANSWERS.

Professor Doug Clarke

#### How to help children learn about Time in Mathematics:

When learning about time, children develop their understanding of years, seasons, months, weeks, days, hours and minutes. It is important that children can read both analogue (clock face) and digital time. Children also need to be able to apply their understanding of time to solve problems in context.

To help your child you can:

- Use language of time with your children, such as, yesterday, today, tomorrow, last night etc
- Talk about the date and how to use a calendar.
- Practise days of the week and months of the year.
- Ask them time questions like, *How long is it from now until bedtime?*
- Practise reading clock times on analogue and digital clocks.
- When they ask, what time is it? Use it as a learning opportunity and work it out together by looking at a clock, instead of simply telling them the time.

#### School Mathematics Website

The website is a highly valuable resource you can use with your children. Below is the link to access the school mathematics website:

<https://sites.google.com/spcdeerpark.catholic.edu.au/spcmathematics>

# October 2018

Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 <i>Term 4 Commences</i>	9	10	11 <i>Playgroup 9.00am</i>	12	13	14
15 <i>Year 5 &amp; 6 Open Water Learning Experience</i>	16 <i>Year 5 &amp; 6 Open Water Learning Experience</i>	17	18 <i>Playgroup 9.00am</i>	19	20	21
22 <i>9.30 School Tour</i>	23 <i>9.30 am St Anthony Claret Mass</i>	24	25 <i>Playgroup 9.00am</i>	26	27	28
29	30	31				