Dear Families,

Welcome to Term 2. It is going to be a very busy term with lots of exciting things happening. We look forward to the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation next Thursday 27th April. Bishop Mark Edwards will be visiting St. Paul’s this Thursday to speak to all children, in particular those children who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. We look forward to Indonesian Day this Friday. Thanks to Ibu McCormack for all her work organising the day.

I ask you to keep Carmen Testa and her family in your prayers as she passed away last week. Carmen taught at St Paul’s and her daughter, Sr Doris Testa, was principal at St. Paul’s from 1994 – 2005. We extend our deepest sympathy to the Testa Family.

I would like to take this opportunity to welcome Mrs Catriona Kennedy to St. Paul’s. Catriona will be taking on the roles of Learning and Teaching Leader and Numeracy Leader. Catriona will be on leave from May 10th and will return in term III. We look forward to working closely with Catriona. In other staffing news, Mrs Jane Purcell gave birth to a baby boy on April 13. Congratulations to Jane and her husband Mark on the safe arrival of Patrick Gerard.

School photos will be taken tomorrow Wednesday, 19th April. Each child should have their own envelope – these were sent home last term. All children will be expected to be in their full summer school uniform for the school photos tomorrow. If they have PE classes on tomorrow, they must wear their summer school uniform and not their sports uniform. They can bring their runners to school and change into them once they have their photo. Family order forms are available at the School Office.

There is no school next Tuesday 25th April as it is a public holiday for ANZAC Day. There is no school on Monday 1st May as all staff will be participating in a professional development activity on Spelling.

I hope you all have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento
PRINCIPAL

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**TERM 2 WEEK 1: Tuesday 18th April, 2017**

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Can't find any artwork at first but we looked around more and we saw it. My family were amazed by my artwork and told me they were proud of me. My mum voted for my work and the drawing of the grandma.

Mother's Day Breakfast and Stall
There will be a Mothers’ Day Breakfast on Tuesday 9th May, commencing at 7.30am. More information will follow shortly – please keep this day free.

The Mother’s Day Stall will be held on Thursday 11th May. The price of gifts will range from $3 - $10. Please support the Mother’s Day Stall. Please return the tear off slip below to indicate how many gifts you would like to purchase.

Prep Enrolments - 2018
Enrolments for Prep 2018 are now open. I encourage any parents/carers who have not enrolled their child for Prep in 2018 to do so. Contact the school office for an enrolment form. There will be three more information sessions for 2018 Prep Parents/Carers. The next session will be held on Monday 24th April at 9.15am. Please let any interested people know of this date. Please contact the office to advise if you will be attending the session.

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Canteen Helpers Urgently Needed for Fridays
Volunteers are urgently needed to assist in the canteen on Fridays. We would be very grateful to have your assistance even if it can be for only a couple of hours per week. Please see Rita in the canteen or let the Office know if you can help.

Hari Indonesia 2017
On Friday April 21st the whole school will celebrate Indonesian culture on Hari Indonesia (Indonesian Cultural Day). All students will participate in cultural activities throughout the day. MMA and SMA will learn dance or gamelan music in workshops with our special guests.

During the morning, all students will participate in class activities that will help them learn more about Indonesian culture. Students will have an opportunity to ride on a becak (bike taxi) and after lunch our special guest, Aaron, will put on a Wayang Kulit (shadow play) for the whole school.

Then from 2.10pm until 2.50 pm the MMA and SMA students will show everyone what they have learned in the workshops. Parents, grandparents and guardians are welcome to come to the student performance at 2.10pm.

All students are allowed to wear red and white, Indonesia’s national colours, on this special day.

Please note that parent helpers are needed for becak rides. Please complete the reply slip already sent home and return it to school before Friday April 21st if you can help.

Welcome back to the VCSPB newsletter. Please find a link to our latest newsletter for your information. We will be sending our newsletter each month in 2017 during school terms.

We welcome feedback and suggestions for future articles of interest for parents through the new feedback form.

Visit the link below to view your newsletter:
http://vcspb.schoolzineplus.com/newsletter/29746
**High Tea with Joseph’s Corner**

Come and join us for a great afternoon!

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**Autism: from the inside looking out**

Saturday 6 May, 1-3pm

Join us for an interesting author talk with Mark and Leanne Hogan.

Mark and Leanne Hogan’s young son was diagnosed at the age of two with Autism. Mark himself was then assessed and diagnosed with Asperger’s Syndrome.

In this talk the Hogans will speak about how they dealt with this double diagnosis and how it impacted their lives.

Mark is the author of two books:

- The Key That Unlocked: A Mystery: An Asperger Story
- My Point Of View: Growing up on the Autism Spectrum

Bookings essential, book online or in person at any Brimbank Library.

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**MOTHER’S DAY STALL TEAR OFF SLIP – PHIẾU Đặt MUA QUÀ TẠI GIAN HÀNG MỪNG NGÀY LỄ MẸ THỨG NGÀI 11 THÁNG 5**

**STUDENT’S NAME:** ____________________________  **CLASS:** ________  **TEACHER:** ____________________________

_Họ Tên Học Sinh_  _Lớp_  _Giáo Viên_

**Yes I would like to purchase a Mother’s Gift - No. of Gifts:** __________

Vâng, Tôi muốn mua quà cho Ngày Lễ Mẹ - Số lượng quà:

The cost of each gift ranges between $3.00 and $10.00.

_Giá mỗi món quà từ $3 đến $10_

I am able to assist with the Mother’s Day Stall on Thursday 11th May □ (Please tick the box if you can help)

_Tôi có thể giúp Gian hàng Mừng Ngày Lễ Mẹ ngày thứ Năm, 11 tháng 05 – Xin đánh vào ô vuông nếu quý vị có thể giúp._

**Helper’s Name (Tên người phụ giúp):** ____________________________  **Phone (Điện thoại):** ____________________________