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WEEK 5: Monday 24th February, 2020 TERM 1 **DATES TO REMEMBER** Wednesday 26th February: Ash Wednesday Mass 9.15am St. Paul's Church No School for Prep Students Friday 28th February: Class Prayer Service JJK and JLH - 10.00am, School Assembly MSC - 2.30pm Monday 2nd March: 2021 Prep Information Session - St. Paul's School, 9.15am Wednesday 4th March: Archbishop Peter Comensoli visiting St. Paul's - 10.30am **No School for Prep Students** March 5th and 6th: School Closure Days - No School for Students Monday 9th March: Labour Day Public Holiday - School Closed Wednesday 11th March: Preps Attend School today and all future Wednesdays Wednesday 11th March: Sacrament of Reconciliation Family Night 7.00pm St. Paul's School Friday 13th March: School Assembly SJM – 2.30pm Tuesday 17th March Second Hand Uniform Stall, 2.45pm - 3.15pm Wednesday 18th March: 2021 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am Thursday 19th March: Sacrament of Reconciliation 7.00pm St. Paul's School Friday 20th March: Class Praver Service JMK and JCL - 10.00am, School Assembly JMD - 2.30pm Friday 27th March: Easter Assembly 12.00pm Friday 27th March: End of Term I – 1.00pm Children can wear plain clothes. Tuesday 14th April **Beginning of Term II 8.40am** Wednesday 15th April: 2021 Prep Information Session - St. Paul's School, 9.15am Thursday 16th April: School Photos – more information to follow.

Dear Parents,

This Wednesday is Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent. It is a season of penance, reflection and fasting which prepares us for Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. I encourage families to contribute to Project Compassion during the Season of Lent. I hope you can join us this Wednesday for our Ash Wednesday Mass. It will commence at 9.15am and will be held at St. Paul's Church.

Congratulations to the newly appointed SRC of St Paul's (please see the attached list). The students were presented with their SRC badges at our assembly last Friday. The school captains, house captains and SRC will be working with Mrs Azarnikow, Ms Peplow and Ms Cathy on leadership and student voice throughout 2020.

Thanks to Effie Ross and Camelia Ghisa for their support of the second hand uniform stall last week. Please note the stall will be open again on Tuesday 17^{th} March from 2.45pm – 3.15pm.

A reminder of the Sacrament of Reconciliation Family Night that will be held on Wednesday 11th March, commencing at 7.00pm. Children who are receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and at least one parent, are to attend. I look forward to seeing you at this Family Night.

School photos will be taken on Thursday 16th April this year (Term 2). Children will need to be in their full summer school uniform. More information will follow later in the term.

Please note that there will be no school for students on Thursday 5th March and Friday 6th March as all staff will be updating their First Aid skills and will be revising their understanding of the Child Safe Standards. There will be no school on Monday 9th March as the school will be closed for the Labour Day Public Holiday.

Have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento PRINCIPAL

ENHANCING CATHOLIC SCHOOL IDENTITY SURVEY

Last week Families received information regarding the upcoming 'Enhancing Catholic School Identity Survey'. Participating in the parent survey would be greatly appreciated, as this information provides the school with valuable data.

Once you have completed the survey, present a copy of your *Certificate of Completion*, including your name and contact number to the school office, or alternatively email a copy to <u>lpeplow@spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au</u> to go into the draw for a \$100 Coles Myer voucher.

The ICT lab will be available on Mondays from 8.30am until 9.30am if you require a PC or assistance.

PREP ENROLMENTS - 2021

Enrolments for Prep 2021 are now open. I encourage any parents/carers who have not enrolled their child for Prep in 2021 to do so. Contact the school office for an enrolment form. There will be six information sessions for 2021 Prep Parents/Carers. The first will be held on Monday 2nd March 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.

RAFFLE TICKETS FOR EASTER – DONATIONS OF PRIZES FOR OUR HAMPERS

Raffle tickets have been sent home today. The tickets are \$1 each. The raffle will be drawn on Friday 27th March. Please make donations of Easter Eggs, chocolates, lollies and gifts to the school for our hampers by March 20th. All money and tickets to be returned by Tuesday 24th March. Thank you for your ongoing support.

BEFORE SCHOOL CARE

The yard is supervised from 8.25am every morning. Parents are asked not to send their children to school before this time. Class teachers are at school but they are unable to supervise children because they will be preparing for the day's activities. Before School Care Program operates every morning. Parents who need to drop off their children early will need to use this service. Kylie Hayes is the co-ordinator of the program. She can be contacted on 0401 362 738.

CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSION FUND

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund is the new Government Funding to assist families to cover the costs of school excursions, camps and sporting activities. Centrelink health care card holders and Pensioner Concession card holders may be eligible for a payment of \$125.If you feel you may qualify for this payment please complete the CSEF Application Form and return it to the Office together with a **copy of your Centrelink Card**.

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- Experience a foreign culture firsthand
- ✓ Be exposed to a new language at home
 ✓ Rediscover and share the beauty of
- Australia

✓ Develop friendships that last a lifetime We have a wonderful group of students arriving in May, July and August 2020 for 3, 5 or 10 months and are excitedly waiting to hear news of their host family in Australia.

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www.studentexchange.org.au/hosting experience/severvthing



Have you thought about being a Parent Helper in

PARENT HELPERS INFO SESSION - March 11th

the Prep or Junior Classrooms? If the answer is YES, we would really like you to join us for a conversation and a cuppa about what this looks like. This will be held on **Wednesday March 11th at 9am and repeated again at 2:30pm**.

Any time that you are able to help in the classroom will be very much appreciated and valued by both the children and their teachers! We look forward to seeing you.





66 Glengala Road, Sunshine West Phone: 03 9042 4573 Open Monday to Friday 9.30am - 5.00 pm Appointments available

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When	Where
Wednesday 26 th Feb,	Cairnlea Community Hub
4th March, 18th March	59 Carmody Dr
and 25 th March	Cairnlea, VIC 3023
11am to 12.30pm	Come to 1,2,3 or all 4 sessions

Bookings essential:

Phone or text Christian Unger on 0491 152 910 Or email: financialcapability@goodshep.org.au



Simonds Catholic College is an inner city, secondary Catholic boys' school of about 450 students, operating across two campuses. School Tours provide an excellent opportunity for parents and students currently in the process of selecting a secondary school to view our College.



SCHOOL TOURS

2020 Tour Dates

Tours commence at 9:15am and you can see the school in operation, as well as speak directly with our Principal regarding any questions you may have about the College.

July Friday 17th & Wednesday 29th February Tuesday 11th & Wednesday 19th August Friday 7th, Wednesday 19th & Friday 28th March Tuesday 3rd, Thursday 12th, Friday 20th September Thursday 3rd & Friday 11th April Wednesday 22nd October Tuesday 13th & Friday 23rd October May Wednesday 6th & Tuesday 19th November Wednesday 4th & Friday 13th June Wednesday 3rd, Wed 10th, Thursday 18th

For further information please contact our School Registrar: Maria De Fazio via info@sccmelb.catholic.edu.au or ph (03) 9321 9207 or visit our website. BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL: www.trybooking.com/BGIOG

Year 7 2022 - Enrolment Applications are being accepted now.

St Mary's 7-9 Campus 273 Victoria St WEST MELBOURNE VIC 3003

St Brigid's 10-12 Campus Cnr Alexandra Pde & Nicholson St FITZROY NORTH VIC 3068



CDFpay is one way for you to order your child's lunch - you can also pay by cash. Please log onto

https://spsunshinewest.cdfpay.org.au to create your account. If you are a new parent, please make sure you click on the tab that says 'New Parent Account' and follow the steps.

If you have already signed up before, please remember to go into your account and edit your child's class name for 2020.

Please remember that you can use CDFpay online to order lunch for your child or you can pay cash lunch orders.

If you have any difficulty setting up an account, please contact the school office for assistance.

Great news! Teeth On Wheels are coming to vour school





UPDATED STUDENT MOBILE PHONE USAGE POLICY St Paul's has updated its Student Mobile Phone Usage Policy. As per our previous policy, all mobile phones and smart watches must be handed into the office at the beginning of the school day and collected at the end of the day. For further details, please refer to the policy which can be located on the School Community tab of the school website, in the Policies and Documents link.

2020 Sacramental Program: Reconcilia	<u>tion and Eucharist – non Year Three students</u>
	sed in the Catholic faith and has not received the following surn it to the school office. Any questions, do not hesitate to
Please note – Confirmation will be held in 2021.	
Name of Child	Class
My child is baptised and is ELIGIBLE to receive the Sacra	aments of (please TICK)
Reconciliation (Penance) - Thursday 19th March	

Eucharist - Sunday 24th May

Parents Name.....
