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TERM 2	WEEK 7: Monday 25 th May, 2020
DATES TO REMEMBER	
Tuesday 26 th May:	Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 Students return to school (No Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Students to attend if previously have been learning from home)
Monday 8 th June:	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday – no school for students
Tuesday 9 th June:	Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 Students return to school
Friday 19 th June:	Reports go home.
Friday 26 th June:	Term 2 ends -1.00pm
Wednesday 26 th August:	School Photos – New Date

ALL PREP, YEAR 1 AND YEAR 2 STUDENTS (ONLY) COMMENCE SCHOOL TOMORROW – MAY 26TH.

YEAR 3, 4, 5 AND 6 STUDENTS WHO HAVE BEEN LEARNING AT HOME MUST CONTINUE TO LEARN FROM HOME – AS ADVISED BY THE STATE GOVERNMENT AND CATHOLIC EDUCATION. THEY WILL RETURN TO SCHOOL ON TUESDAY 9TH JUNE

Dear Families,

I ask you to keep in your prayers Mrs Louise Sposato and her family as her Father passed away on Friday night. We extend our deepest sympathy to Louise and her family.

Tomorrow we welcome back to St Paul's the Prep, Year 1 and Year 2 students. We are so looking forward to them returning to school. I know your child's teacher is looking forward to having them back in their class. When this year began, we would never have dreamed that the start of term II would be delayed 6 weeks, and even longer for our Year 3, 4, 5 and 6 students. I want to take this opportunity to thank all families for the way you supported your child over the past 6 weeks. In all my time in education, I have never been a part of something so strange. As families, you adjusted your lives to accommodate the need to work with and supervise your child during home learning. For some of you, these adjustments will need to continue for two more weeks until our MMA and SMA students return on June 9th. Please remember that any MMA or SMA students who have been learning at home must continue to learn from home, despite the fact that younger siblings might have returned to school.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the entire staff from St Paul's for the way they have contributed to our school in the past 6 weeks. They have provided exciting learning opportunities for your child, some have begun working on props for the production, others have filmed themselves reading books, commented on posts, ran the office, completed office administration work...the list goes on. Hopefully you have seen the video of the school staff the welcoming the students back to school. The way they all got behind it shows how much they care for your children. I thank them – I want you to know that we are very fortunate having so many wonderful staff leading this school and giving your children so many opportunities to be the best that they can be.

Last week I advised that your child's school report would go home on Monday 22^{nd} June. Please note this date is incorrect – they will be sent home with your child on Friday 19^{th} June. As advised last week, we are not having formal Learning Conversations to discuss your child's report. If you do wish to discuss your child's report with your child's teacher, please feel free to email them by Monday 22^{nd} June and they will make phone contact with you.

National Reconciliation Week is celebrated each year from May 27th until 3rd June. National Reconciliation Week celebrates the rich culture and history of the First Australians. The theme for National Reconciliation Week this year is **'In this** *together'*. I encourage you to help your children understand what is important to Indigenous Australians and how, through the revelation of story, pathways to reconciliation between different cultures can become a reality.

All the best for the coming week.

Yours sincerely, Damian Casamento Principal

FAMILY SURVEY FOR ONLINE LEARNING (LEARNING FROM HOME)

Dear Parents and Carers,

At St. Paul's we highly value the learning partnership which occurs between students, families and teachers. As online learning (learning from home) has created unique changes in the way that we are currently experiencing learning, we would like to invite you to share your thoughts by completing this survey: <u>https://forms.gle/VxTmBQv9hdarLFL69</u>. All responses are anonymous; you will not be identified through participating in the survey.

2021 PREP ENROLMENTS

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 immediately. You can download an enrolment form from our website. At this stage, we intend to have Prep interviews in the first week of Term III from Tuesday 14th July. A letter advising you of your child's interview time will be sent home in the near future. Please note that you should bring your child to the interview. If you know of anyone who is interested in enrolling their child at St Paul's, let them know there is a virtual tour available on our website in the "Enrolment Information" tab. There is lots of other information on this page relevant to our enrolments. Please scan and email your child's enrolment form to Mrs Leanne Andrew at landrew@spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au or you can drop it off at the office.

ENROLMENT IN STATE SECONDARY SCHOOLS – YEAR 7 2021

Enrolment forms for State Secondary Schools are available from the office. Please contact Ms Leanne Andrew at <u>landrew@spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au</u> if you would like to receive the enrolment form via email. Completed forms need to be returned directly to the State Secondary School of your choice as soon as possible. The forms are not to be returned to St Paul's.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2020

The following dates are very important for <u>ALL</u> students who will be attending secondary school in 2022 - our current Year 5 students. If applications for Catholic Secondary School are not in by Friday 21st August, 2020 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

21st August 2020: Applications close for 2022 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 5 Students

15th October 2020: Offers posted to prospective 2022 Year 7 applicants

6th November 2020: Final date for families to accept by offers made by the Secondary School

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**.





Mia Koutsodimitropoulos from SCF, is taking part in bad hair May to raise money for Variety – the Children's Charity.

Please support her in whatever way you can – together, we can make a real difference for vulnerable Aussie kids and their families during these tough times.

Mia said, "I really value my hair and I would love if you could donate what you can. I know how hair is important as my brother lost his hair due to chemotherapy. I would really appreciate it. I will be doing one of the following, fringe/bangs, layer or Bob cut if I reach my goal of \$500 I will do one of them! I really appreciate it."

You can donate at https://badhairmay.org.au/mia-kouts

Please support Mia as she participates in this important fundraiser.



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Applications for Year 7 2022 are now open

Applications close 21 August 2020



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