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TERM 3 WEEK 4: Monday 10th August, 2020

DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 9th October: Applications close for 2022 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges –

our current Year 5 Students

Thursday 22nd October: School Photos – new date

Dear Families.

In some staff news, Mr Adam Fazekas will be on a teaching placement for the next three weeks at Epping Primary School. We wish Adam all the very best during this time.

On Tuesday, many of you would have seen the horrific scenes in Beirut after the devastating explosion. The death toll has now surpassed 100 people. A further 4,000 are wounded and 300,000 people have been forced to leave their damaged homes, many of them children. Children are among the casualties and there is concern for those who are now traumatised, in shock and without shelter. This has occurred while there has been a recent surge in coronavirus cases in Beirut. I ask you to keep all those in Beirut in your thoughts and prayers at this very sad time. UNICEF has launched an urgent emergency response and are seeking financial support to ensure they can respond to the immediate needs of those affected. If you can donate, please go to https://www.unicef.org.au/appeals and click on the Beirut Explosion link.

This Saturday, August 15th, we celebrate the Assumption of Mary into Heaven. On this feast day we remember God's faithfulness to Mary; and Mary's faithfulness to God. We pray to Mary, the Mother of Jesus, who has a special place in our lives. The Feast of the Assumption celebrates the belief that the body and soul of the Blessed Virgin Mary was taken into heaven after the end of her earthly life. Mary's assumption into heaven is seen by many as a fulfilment of Jesus' promise to all faithful servants; that we too will be received into the kingdom of God. As we try to follow in Mary's footsteps of discipleship, we need to remember that the love of God draws each of us to Him. I encourage you to pray this prayer on Saturday to commemorate this special feast day of Mary.

Father in heaven,

all creation rightly gives you praise, for all life and all holiness come from you. In the plan of your wisdom she who bore the Christ in her womb was raised body and soul in glory to be with him in heaven.

May we follow Mary's example in reflecting your holiness and join in her hymn of endless love and praise.

We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

I have spoken with Fr Rene, our Parish Priest, and the Leadership Team, about the Sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation that we have had to postpone this year. The decision has been made to cancel both Sacraments for 2020 and have our Year 3 and 4 students receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Eucharist in 2021. We will advise you of the dates later this year. It is hoped that our Year 5 and 6 students will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2021 as well.

If you have not enrolled your child in Prep for 2021, please do so immediately. Please complete an enrolment form and return it to the office as soon as possible.

Have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento

PRINCIPAL

ST PAUL'S NEW WEBSITE

In some very exciting news, we have a new school website! Feel free to check it out at

https://www.spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au/. We think it looks great and it is a big upgrade from our older site. Just a reminder to our students, you can still access the Student Intranet page and your Google account by clicking on the 'Student Intranet' link at the bottom of our new homepage (see picture below).



IMPORTANT INFO ABOUT VISITING THE OFFICE

Thank you very much for wearing a face mask to ensure the safety of everyone in our community when visiting our school office. Please remember there are no more than three people in the office at any time and make sure you keep social distancing all the time.

We are kindly informing that all visitors now have to sign in the visitor recording register at the front desk when visiting our school. This will help with contact tracing when it is needed.

GOOGLE MEET

Thank you for all your efforts with your Google Meets today. This was our first go at Google Meets and we had some minor teething issues. I was really pleased, however, to see so many students connecting with their class online today. Here are a few reminders and hints that might help for future meets.

- 1. The students need to be logged into their @spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au email accounts (we had some issues with the Prep logins today that we are going to try and fix for next time).
- 2. Google Meet will work on both an iPad or a computer. Please download the free app if you are using your own iPad.
- **3.** The Google Meet won't let you on before the teacher logs on (so try not to be too eager and early).
- **4.** Please have a look at Seesaw prior to your scheduled Google Meet and your classroom teacher will post a code/nickname that you will need to join.

Thank you for your support, Josh Turner, ICT Co-ordinator

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2020 - UPDATED

The following dates are very important for **ALL** 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 9th October, 2020 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice. We cannot emphasis this enough. Each year there are children who are on waiting lists at their Catholic Secondary School of choice and do not receive an offer to attend this school.

- 9th October 2020: Applications close for 2022 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges our current Year 5 Students
- 1st December 2020: Offers posted to prospective 2022 Year 7 applicants
- 15th December 2020: Final date for families to accept by offers made by the Secondary School



With this app we can keep you informed about events, changes to timetables, give you access to permission notes, newsletters and emergency alerts.

Kindly reminder - once you have downloaded Skoolbag App into your phone, please make sure you add 'St. Paul's School Sunshine West' to 'My Schools' and check it regularly for any updates from our school.



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National Science Week 2020



By popular demand, National Science Week is coming to OSHC!

From Monday 17th August – Friday 21st August,
National Science Week is back in OSHC. Science
week is all about connecting your child with the
wonders of science, the magic of cause and effect,
the excitement of experimentation and, above all, the
importance of teamwork.

See what's planned for National Science Week:

Monday	Making Playdough
Tuesday	Food coloring and milk experiment
Wednesday	Salt dough
Thursday	Food coloring ice cubes
Friday	Science coloring pages

It's FREE to Register. (and if you want to use OSHC, you first need to register). Register at pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/login. Once registered, it's easy to make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

Visit our blog for helpful information and fun activities.

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families. Visit the blog here: https://campaustralia.com.au/blog



Online Year 7 2022 Information Night - it is being held Wednesday 12 August 2020 at 7 pm

This online event will be hosted by our Principal Mr Ray Pisani, you will hear from members of our Staff Leadership Team regarding Academic programs and student wellbeing, our Year 7 Coordinator and our Year 12 Lamp Bearers.

By joining us online for this event you will gain general information about our College, Academic Programs, facilities, student wellbeing, our Year 7 subjects and programs and the transition to starting at our College. There will be opportunity for questions and answers at the end of the event.

Link for bookings: http://www.mariansw.catholic.edu.au/2215