

TERM 1 WEEK 8: Monday 15th March, 2021

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 17th March:	2022 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am
Friday 19th March:	Friendship Friday – Students can wear bright and colourful clothes – No donations needed
Friday 19th March:	PREPs Teddy Bear Picnic
Friday 19th March:	Class Prayer Service JMD and JLH – 10.00am, School Assembly JMK – 2.30pm (NV)
Friday 26th March:	Class Prayer Service JRC and JJM – 10.00am, School Assembly SCF – 2.30pm (NV)
Tuesday 30th March:	2022 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am
Thursday 1st April:	Easter Assembly 12.00pm – (NV) End of Term I – 1.00pm Children can wear plain clothes
Monday 19th April:	Term II Commences at 8.40am
Tuesday 20th April:	School Photos – More information to follow
Wednesday 21st April:	2022 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am
Friday 23rd April:	Class Reconciliation MCD and MRB – 10.00am, School Assembly SSG 2.30pm (NV)
Friday 30th April:	Class Reconciliation MTC and MRC – 10.00am, School Assembly JMD 2.30pm (NV)
Tuesday 4th May:	Sacrament of Eucharist Family Night 7.00pm – St. Paul's School
Tuesday 4th May:	Mother's Day Breakfast – 7.30am (TBC)
Thursday 6th May:	Mother's Day Stall
Friday 7th May:	Multicultural Day Celebrations
Sunday May 23rd:	Sacrament of Eucharist 12.30pm and 2.00pm – St. Paul's Church - Year 3 / 4 Students
22nd, 23rd, 24th June:	St. Paul's Production – 'Aladdin'.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS – formally Catholic Education Melbourne) celebrates Catholic Education Week this year from 14–21 March. Catholic Education Week is an opportunity for all Catholic schools in the Archdiocese of Melbourne to celebrate their Catholic identity, the pivotal role they play within their local community and the strength of the sector. This year, we are also celebrating 200 years of Catholic Education in Australia. This is a wonderful achievement – one that we should be very proud of. Catholic Education in Australia has endured many challenges over the years – lack of funding from Governments, both state and federally, low enrolment numbers due to world issues just to name a couple of challenges. We need to be grateful to all the religious orders who continued the fight for the rights of children to be educated in Catholic schools. In particular, we remember St Mary MacKillop who fought so hard to establish the Sisters of St Joseph – the Josephites as they are known. I thank all of our families for continuing to support Catholic Education.

Congratulations to those children who received the Sacrament of Penance this afternoon. It was a wonderful ceremony. The children participated reverently in this celebration. They were well prepared by Miss Peplow, Miss Rebecca, Miss Teagan, Mrs Gagliardi, Mrs Razi, Mrs Borg, Miss Kathy, Ms Christine, Ms Clarke and Miss Celeste. We would like to thank them for all they did in preparation for this special Sacrament. Thanks also to Fr Rene, Fr Anthony and Fr Rowan for their help with the ceremony and all the staff for their contributions.

School photos will be taken on Tuesday 20th April this year – the first week of Term 2. Children will need to be in their full summer school uniform. More information will follow later in the term.

Term 1 concludes on Thursday, 1st April at 1.00pm. The children may wear plain clothes on this day. Term 2 commences at 8.40am on Monday 19th April.

Have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento
PRINCIPAL

FRIENDSHIP FRIDAY (FREE DRESS DAY) – This Friday, March 19th

To launch our new Buddy Bench to the St Paul's community we will celebrate Friendship Friday. Students are encouraged to wear bright and colourful clothes to celebrate this day.

During the day, students will engage in activities that promote friendship at St Paul's. They will learn about the purpose of the Buddy Bench and how they can use it when they are wanting to make new friends.

We believe that the Buddy Bench will be an excellent resource for students to use to help them make new friends and create lifelong childhood memories.

PREP ENROLMENTS - 2022

Enrolments for Prep 2022 are now open. I encourage any parents/carers who have not enrolled their child for Prep in 2022 to do so. Please contact the school office for an enrolment form. There will be several information sessions for 2022 Prep Parents/Carers. The next session will be held on Wednesday, 17th 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

Thanks to those families who have already returned their sold raffle tickets. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 31st March. Please make donations of Easter Eggs, chocolates, lollies and gifts to the school for our hampers by March 23rd. All money and tickets are to be returned by Monday 29th March. Thank you for your ongoing support.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2021

The following dates are very important for **ALL** students who will be attending secondary school in 2023 – our current Year 5 students. If applications for Catholic Secondary School are not in by Friday 20th August, 2021 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

20th August 2021: Applications close for 2023 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 5 Students

14th October 2021: Offers posted to prospective 2023 Year 7 applicants

12th November 2021: Final date for families to accept 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**.

FEES/LEVIES

Your child's levies are now due. Please pay all levies promptly. School fees were due on February 12th. Accounts have recently been sent home. You can pay your school fees and levies with a credit card or by direct debit from a nominated bank account or from your Centrelink payments. If you would like this to happen, please come to the office to collect a form.

SEWING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE PRODUCTION!!!

We are in need of someone to volunteer to sew a magic carpet costume for us. You would need to be able to sew stretch lycra and have access to your own sewing machine. We would of course supply the lycra. The pictures attached are only a guide to give some idea of what we are hoping to achieve; a stretch 'carpet' that our young actor can move around in freely.

If you are interested, please contact the office and leave your contact details or email either of us here,

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Thank you!

Rhiannon Cullum and Michele Micallef

THE POWER OF YET

We all have the ability and power to improve. It's often our own beliefs that empower or destroy us.

Children can get fixated on their beliefs, especially their beliefs about their own abilities.

You might be hearing "I can't do maths!", "I will never learn to read!", "I can't play soccer!" or "I can't do it!"

This is where the Power of Yet can have a HUGE impact. The word 'Yet' is a powerful three-letter word that means, "an implied time, still, even or nevertheless". In other words, it means it might not happen right away but it still can.

Using 'yet' brings hope. It ignites a 'can-do' attitude! It creates an encouraging environment. But it isn't all roses...you have to be willing to learn from your mistakes...to persevere! Teaching your children how powerful this tiny little word can go a long way to changing their mindset.

A great way to start using the power of yet into all that you do is to identify where you or your child is using the word 'can't'. All you need to do is add the word 'yet' on the end and you're there.

I can't solve this equation...yet.

I can't read this book...yet.

I can't dribble the ball...yet.

Using the word yet requires patience, perseverance and it requires belief in yourself. If you can't do it right now...keep practising. You just can't do it yet.

Source: GrowKidsMind.com



We extend our condolences to the Angeles Family (Vincent - SCF) following the recent passing of the paternal grandfather.

Please keep the family in your prayers.

Sunshine Football Club
JUNIOR RECRUITMENT

The Sunshine Football Club is now recruiting Juniors to join them in the new 2021 Season! Keep your eye open for more information regarding future training sessions.

RECRUITING AGES:

Auskick	Under 14's
Under 8's	Under 16's
Under 10's	Under 18.5's
Under 12's	

SUNSHINE FOOTBALL CLUB

IF YOU HAVE ANY FURTHER ENQUIRIES OR WOULD LIKE TO REGISTER PLEASE EMAIL:
JUNIORS@SUNSHINEKANGAROOS.COM.AU

St Joseph's By the Sea

Welcomes you to **OPEN DAY**
on **March 27th** from **11am to 3pm**

- Devonshire Tea
- Tours of the garden
- Tours of the house and
- The Craft Shop will be open

Where:
16 Esplanade, Williamstown
(Corner of Esplanade and Cole Street)

RSVP for catering purposes: sjstew@sojs.org.au or 7247 6012

Sunshine Heights Junior Soccer Club

Serving the local Community since 1955.

We offer fun soccer programs for girls from 5 up to 13 years old with experienced coaches

FEMALE PLAYERS WANTED

Every Tuesday & Thursday at 5:30pm for girls 9 Years and under
6:30pm for girls over 10 Years old

Call or visit our webpage <https://sunshineheightsjssc.wixsite.com/heights> for more information

Michael Sposato - President
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IGNITE A PASSION FOR THE GAME!

Sunshine Football Club
Kindersmith Reserve, Lily St, Braybrook

Fridays 5.00pm - 6.00pm

Please contact Sarah Frost for further information on 0402 315 419

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