

TERM 2 WEEK 8: Monday 7th June, 2021

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 14 th June:	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday – No school for children
Thursday 17 th June:	Learning Conversations 1.30pm. School finishes at 1.00pm – Book online.
22 nd , 23 rd , 24 th June:	St. Paul's Production – 'Aladdin'.
Friday 25 th June:	End of Term II – 1.00pm – Children can wear plain clothes.
Monday 12 th July:	Beginning of Term III – 8.40am
12 th – 14 th July:	SJM, SCF, SLS Attending the School Camp at Camp Manyung – Mt Eliza
14 th – 16 th July:	SSG, SAF, SCC Attending the School Camp at Camp Manyung – Mt Eliza
19 th – 20 th July:	MMA Phillip Island Christian Youth Camp
Thursday 29 th July:	School Closure Day – Staff participating in Writing Professional Development Activity
Friday 20 th August:	Applications close for 2023 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 5 Students
Monday 23 rd August:	Sacrament of Confirmation Family Night at 7.00pm – St Paul's School
Thursday 16 th September:	Sacrament of Confirmation - 7.00pm – St Paul's Church

Dear Families,

It is hard to believe we are in the middle of another lockdown – hopefully in a day or so we will hear that we are no longer in lockdown and all children will be able to return to school. A big thank you for the way you have supported your children in remote learning. I know it is very hard for many of you – as a school we appreciate all you are doing with your children. Hopefully we will see you all on Friday. If we do return to school on Friday, I am sure there will be restrictions that we need to follow – I will forward you correspondence as soon as possible so that we are all aware of what is required to keep all in our community safe.

A reminder that you must book your child's Learning Conversation by this Thursday 10th June at 4.00pm. If you have not booked a time by Thursday afternoon, you will be allocated a time. At this time, we are unsure if the conversations will be in person or online/via phone. As soon as we know what we are allowed to do, we will let you know. However, the interviews will proceed in some format. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au, enter the code **tupsk** and press "Go" if you haven't already booked a time. Please remember that your child's school report will be sent home with your child on Tuesday, 15th June.

If you have not enrolled your child in Prep for 2022, **please do so immediately**. If you have not submitted an application as yet, your child may be put on a waiting list. Due to the lockdown, the dates of all interviews for our 2022 Prep families have been changed. You will receive an email advising you of the new date for your 2022 Prep Interview.

Our Writing Professional Development Activity will be held on Thursday 29th July – there will be no school for students on this day. There is no school for children on Monday, 14th June as it is the Queen's Birthday Public Holiday.

Term II concludes on Friday 25th June at 1.00pm. The children are able to wear plain clothes as it is the last day of term. After School Care will operate from 1.00pm until 6.00pm on this day. Term III commences on Monday 12th July at 8.40am.

I hope you all have a great week – and we have some good news later this week!!

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento
PRINCIPAL

REMOTE LEARNING

SeeSaw Class app for Students

If you have the **SeeSaw class** app, the students can log in with their unique code that was already provided. If you don't have the app, you can access the class by going to <https://web.seesaw.me/> on the internet (e.g. using Chrome, Safari, Internet Explorer, Firefox) and clicking on 'Log In', click on 'I am a Student' and then enter your provided code (remember the spaces in the correct places!). Please note this code is a password to get access to the student's account. Therefore, please **keep this code in a safe place and do not post such codes on social media or in any publicly accessible place on the Internet.**

Google Meets

Google Meets will allow all students and classroom teachers to meet online to help connect with each other. Class teachers will advise the time of the Meets and the access codes via SeeSaw. Attached are the instructions of how to log into Google Meet.

Phone Calls

Learning Support Officers (LSOs) will be making contact via phone calls with some children/families to assist students with their remote learning tasks. These could be reading, writing, maths or production related activities. We hope this will help the children feel more confident to complete remote learning activities.



ONLINE LEARNING TIPS

Thank you to all our families for your support during these unprecedented times of online learning. Managing our time and supporting our children is a real challenge and there isn't necessarily a right or wrong way of doing things. But in order to manage our wellbeing during these times, here's 5 tips to help manage the technology side of you children's learning.

- Tip 1: Supervision** - We strongly encourage all children to use their devices in a shared space rather than being in a bedroom unsupervised.
- Tip 2: Social Media** - A reminder that most social media sites, such as Tik Tok, Snapchat, Facebook and Instagram have an age restriction of 13 years and over.
- Tip 3: Clear expectations** – Remember that you have the right to set restrictions in terms of screen time and to structure your day at home to suit your needs.
- Tip 4: Screen Time** - We strongly encourage all children to balance screen time with activities that don't involve a digital device. A ball game or reading a book are all great ways to show kids how they can learn and enjoy themselves without a mobile, tablet or computer and can help managing your day.
- Tip 5: Charging Devices** – make sure all devices are put away each night and are charged for learning the following day.

CHOCOLATE DRIVE

Thank you to those families who have already returned their chocolate money. All money and any unsold chocolates must be returned by Wednesday, June 16th. Each chocolate sells for \$1.00. There are **60** chocolates in each box. A total of **\$60.00** needs to be returned if all chocolates are sold. Please remember that any family who sells a full box of chocolates will go into the drawer to win a prize. If you are able to sell more chocolates, please contact the office.

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



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What's on in June, 2021

June 10
7.30 pm to 9.30 pm

Spirituality Today

Evolution of First Peoples Spirituality in the Western suburbs. The First Peoples of this district are known as the Lalukit-Willam. This session explores Aboriginal spirituality.

All donations go to the Open doors foundation



June 10
9.30 am to Noon

Let's be Crafty

Learning new crafts or bring your own to work with the group.

June 24
2.00 pm to 3 pm.

The Joy of the Gospel:

Jesus Last Supper discourse. John Chs.13-16



Artist Margaret Ackland.

Dates for Diary

Retreats for 2021:

- 8-15 August: Directed Retreat
- 5-12 September: The Garden—Place of Intimacy
- October 3-10: Missionary Discipleship Today

See website www.sosj.org.au for more detail.

Library:

Did you know that you are able to borrow books from the library at SJBTSW??

Many up-to-date books on

- Spirituality,
- Our First Peoples, Scripture,
- Theology
- and more are available.
- Magazines like Madonna, Tui Motu and Earth Song are also available

Where there are multiple copies of books/magazines, there is a free take-away box to rummage through....



The Library is normally open on Thursdays from 10 am to 2 pm)

(All programs above subject to Covid19 restrictions)

RSVP 2 days prior to any session would be appreciated

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EXTRAORDINARY HOLIDAY ADVENTURES

Bookings now open for Mission II

www.campastralia.com.au/rocketeers



Join Mission II and receive your free mission patch and booklet.

A message from your Coordinator

We had lots of fun during National Reconciliation week last week! We cooked damper and did Aboriginal art jigsaw puzzles.

If your child/ children will be attending Before Care or After School Care please make your bookings in advance on the parent portal

Activities coming up

- Creation crafts
- Outdoor and indoor musical games
- Hama beads

What's on the menu

- Pita bread and salsa
- Healthy popcorn
- Cheese, sultanas, rice crackers

It's free to register

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pa.campastralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



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How to Educate Your Child in Your Daily Life

Children tend to do the same thing that their parents do, so by showing that they value education and use it in their daily lives, parents provide a model which can help children develop positive attitudes towards learning and to build confidence in themselves as learners. Here are some ideas:

- When you are travelling somewhere with your child, talk about things that you see, such as funny signs, cars, or people you see.
- When you are shopping with your child, talk to your child about prices, different brands, or how to pick good fruit and vegetables. Teach them how to politely request and pay for items from the shopkeeper.
- As you make dinner, talk to your child about how to follow steps in a recipe and what happens otherwise.
- As you fix or repair something, ask your child to pass you the tools, show them what you are doing and tell them why you are doing it.
- As you watch TV together, encourage your child to tell you about the program, the characters, who s/he likes and why, and what s/he predicts will happen next. They will get more out of the experience.

