

## TERM 3 WEEK 7: Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> August, 2021

### DATES TO REMEMBER

- Friday 27<sup>th</sup> August:** Book Week Parade – Online Celebrations  
**Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September:** Father's Day Stall  
**Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> September:** JMA Excursion to Melbourne Zoo – **NOTE NEW DATE**  
**14, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> September:** St. Paul's Production – 'Aladdin' – if restrictions allow.  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September:** Footy Colours Day – Gold coin donation to wear favourite footy colours.  
**Friday 17<sup>th</sup> September:** End of Term III – 1.00pm  
**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> October:** Beginning of Term IV – 8.40am  
**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October:** Sacrament of Confirmation – 7.00pm – St Paul's Church – **NOTE NEW DATE**  
**21<sup>st</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup> October:** MMA Camp - Phillip Island Christian Youth Camp

Dear Families,

I want to take this opportunity to thank all families for the way you have continued to support your children over the past few weeks. As families, you have adjusted your lives to accommodate the need to work with and supervise your child during remote learning. I thank the teachers for all their work to ensure the children have regular contact with them, as well as providing a variety of activities. We all hope that the children are back at school as soon as possible.

Unfortunately since last week's newsletter, the Victorian Premier announced that the current lockdown would be extended to 11.59pm on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September. As a result of this, we have had to postpone the Art Show which was to be held on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> and Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September – we hope to hold it in Term IV. We have cancelled the Father's Day breakfast, as we will be unable to have visitors onsite as large numbers of visitors affect our density limits. We still hope to hold the Father's Day Stall on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September.

We have all been touched by the tragic and sad events in Afghanistan. People are unable to live in peace and remain safe in their own homes and the distressing scenes show how desperate people are to leave their hometowns. Please remember those who are suffering and pray for peace in Afghanistan and throughout the world.

Last week we advised that the production of 'Aladdin' would be held on September 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm at the Marian College Auditorium. Due to restrictions on numbers (100 per performance), we are only offering two tickets per SMA family. We filmed the show in June and will be providing a link and password for other members of our school community to watch the show.

We were meant to be celebrating Book Week this week. Even though we can't celebrate as a school, I look forward to joining you online on Friday as we celebrate books. Books are so important to us – they play an important role in student's life by introducing them to a world of imagination, providing knowledge of the outside world, improving their reading, writing and speaking skills as well as boosting memory and intelligence. I look forward to seeing the favourite characters from the children's most loved books.

At this stage, the Father's Day Stall will be held on Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September, if we are back at school on this day. Please see below for further information. If you are able to return the slip to school, that would be great. However, you can also scan it and email it to [office@spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au). If you are able to help with setting up or selling please indicate on the slip below and return it as above. The price of gifts will range from \$3.00 – \$10.00.

Have a great 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.



## 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. 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 RAFFLE

The Chocolate Raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> September. Could all Chocolate Money and/or Unsold Chocolate Boxes please be returned to the School Office ASAP so that you can go into the draw!! Those that have sold the entire box for \$60 have a chance to win 1 of 2 Rebel \$50 Gift Cards!! Don't miss out - please hand in the money and/or chocolates to be in the draw!!

## ZIPTALES

Ziptales is an online literacy library, created by teachers, to advance a love of reading. It covers all levels from Preschool through to Grade 6. Ziptales is directly aligned to the Australian National Curriculum, and has been shown to improve children's love of reading, and to raise their skill levels. Its Reading Level Test can help recommend material that should provide your child with a 'comfortable' reading experience – not too simple, and not too challenging. For more information, please visit <https://www.brimbanklibraries.vic.gov.au/index.php/learning/kids-resources/278-ZipTales>

## **FATHER'S DAY STALL TEAR OFF SLIP - PHIẾU ĐẶT MUA QUÀ TẠI GIAN HÀNG MỪNG NGÀY NHỚ ƠN CHA FRIDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER - THỨ SÁU, NGÀY 03 THÁNG 09**

STUDENT'S NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS: \_\_\_\_\_ TEACHER: \_\_\_\_\_  
Họ Tên Học Sinh Lớp Giáo Viên

**Yes I would like to purchase a Father's Gift - No. of Gifts:** \_\_\_\_\_

*Vâng, Tôi muốn mua Quà cho Cha - Số quà muốn mua:*

The cost of each gift ranges between \$3.00 and \$10.00. *Giá mỗi món quà từ \$3 đến \$10*

I am able to assist with the Father's Day Stall on Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> September  (Please tick the box if you can help)

You must have a current Working With Children Check Card to assist with the Father's Day Stall.

*Tôi có thể giúp Gian hàng Mừng Ngày của Cha vào thứ Sáu (03/09) - Xin đánh dấu vào ô trên nếu Quý vị có thể giúp. Quý vị phải có Thẻ Làm Việc với Trẻ Em còn hiệu lực để có thể phụ giúp tại Gian hàng Mừng Ngày của Cha.*

Helper's Name (*Tên người phụ giúp*): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (*Điện thoại*) \_\_\_\_\_



Dear Families,

Due to the current lockdown and COVID restrictions currently in place, Marian College are continuing to accept applications for Year 7, 2023.

If you require further information or assistance in completing your form, please feel free to contact the Marian College school office on 9363 1711 or email our enrolment team at [enrolment@mariansw.catholic.edu.au](mailto:enrolment@mariansw.catholic.edu.au).

Keep well and safe.

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## Lego Challenge

Complete a monthly Lego Challenge to go into the draw to win a prize!

Submit an image of your creation any time between 9am on the first day and 5pm on the last day of each month to be in to win a Lego kit.

Choose how to enter:

- On Facebook via the Brimbank Libraries Virtual Lego group
- On Instagram with #brimbanklibrarieslegochallenge
- Or email them to [library@brimbank.vic.gov.au](mailto:library@brimbank.vic.gov.au)



### Old Worlds. New Worlds. Other Worlds.

Design your own world or alternate universe using Lego.

Challenge open 1 - 31 August

### Spring into September

Design a creation inspired by spring.

Challenge open 1 - 30 September

### Halloween

Create a spook-tacular Halloween inspired Lego design.

Challenge open 1 - 31 October

### Kids vs. Adults

Challenge a parent, carer or older brother or sister to a Lego build-off!

Challenge open 1 - 30 November

### Merry Christmas

Create a Christmas inspired Lego scene, character or something to spread some festive cheer!

Challenge open 1 - 31 December



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Sydenham

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7048 Old Calder Highway, Koolba  
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1 Stratton Street, Taylors Lakes

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# Newsletter



A message from your Coordinator

Hi Families,

We hope you are all going well in remote learning.

We have lots of fun learning experiences planned on your return.

Stay safe and well!

Have a great week!

Kylie, Irije, Priyanka

Activities coming up

- Painting
- Australian animals craft pack
- Bingo

What's on the menu

Pita bread

- Muffin pizzas

Platter 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 [go.campaustralia.com.au](http://go.campaustralia.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.



Visit our blog

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## STORYTIME WITH STATE LIBRARY OF VICTORIA

Every Monday morning, parents and their kids can access a free storytime session that ends with an engaging at-home activity.

Finding ways to engage your children in learning during lockdown can be tricky, so the State Library Victoria is here to help. Every Monday from 10.30am from now until September 13, you and your kids can join a Zoom **storytime session** and listen in on stories and picture books that are suitable for children aged five and under. The sessions are FREE and do not require a booking, and each storytime ends with an engaging activity that you can try at home.

If you're looking for more fun things to do at home with your child, State Library Victoria has compiled a [guide of craft activities](#) that include constructing hot air balloons, jellyfish and bushland collages with materials you can find in or around your home.

**Event website:** <https://www.slv.vic.gov.au/whats-on/storytime>

**Venue name:** Your place

**Dates and Times:**

- Monday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am
- Monday, September 6<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am
- Monday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am