## St. Paul's Primary School



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## TERM 4 WEEK 6: Monday 8th November, 2021

**DATES TO REMEMBER** 

Thursday 11th November: Remembrance Day Ceremony 11.00am

Monday 15th November: 2022 Prep Transition – (More information to follow)

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> November: Christmas Raffle Tickets go out Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November: SMA Family Night Online – 7pm

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> November: 2022 Prep Transition – (More information to follow)

Friday 19th November: Prep's Excursion to Cooper Settlement Farm

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November: Sacrament of Confirmation – 6.00pm (SCC, SAF and SSG), 7.30pm (SJM, SLS and SCF) Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November: 2022 Prep Orientation 9.15am and Information Night 7pm online – (More information

to follow)

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> November: 2022 Prep Information night for parents/carers – online – more information to follow.

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November: Plain Clothes Day – Donations made for Christmas Raffle Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December: Year 6 Big Day Out, Graduation Ceremony available at 7.00pm

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> December: School Concludes for 2021 at 3.00pm

Dear Families,

I ask you to keep in your prayers Mrs Melissa Romano as her Nonna passed away last week. We extend our deepest sympathy to Melissa and her family at this sad time.

Over the past week we have had several positive COVID - 19 cases at school. A reminder that masks are mandatory for children in Years 3-6 and highly recommended for children in Prep and 1/2 in the classroom. They do not need to be worn outside. Please wear masks when you enter the office.

Any child who shows any symptoms of COVID-19 must not be sent to school and should be taken to have a COVID-19 test to ensure they are negative. I cannot stress how important this is as we want to keep ALL in our school community safe.

Every year at 11 am on **11 November** – the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month – we pause to remember those who have died or suffered in all wars, conflicts and peace operations. This year, the Remembrance Day service at the Shrine will reflect upon 21 years of service in the 21st century. The past 21 years have seen Australians serve all over the world in conflicts, peacekeeping and peacemaking missions. Here at home, the Australian Defence Force has served, supporting our community through some of the most challenging experiences of our generation – from floods to bushfires and in the front lines of the current pandemic. The Remembrance Day service will be live streamed via the Shrine's website, Facebook page and YouTube channel from 10.30 am on 11 November.

A reminder that all 2022 Prep Transition sessions have been cancelled due to COVID-19 restrictions. We hope to have shorter transition sessions on November 15<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> where groups of 10 Preps will come onsite for 45 minutes, as well as Orientation session on November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9.15am. More information will follow in the near future.

Unfortunately, we have been forced to cancel our Carols Night this year. Each year level will provide a part of the Christmas story and sing Christmas Carols – these Advent Prayer Services will be recorded and uploaded to Seesaw for families to view.

We will be unable to celebrate our Year 6 Graduation at St Paul's Church this year due to restrictions of numbers at the church. As was the case last year, we will be recording the Graduation Ceremony on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December and then making it available via a link for families to view it on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> December at 7.00pm.

I hope you have a great week.

Yours sincerely, Damian Casamento PRINCIPAL

### WHOLE SCHOOL SPORTS DAY

Congratulations to all the students for the way they competed in the events at our whole school sports on Friday. It was great that the children finally had the opportunity to run for their houses. A huge thank you to all staff for all they did to ensure our day was a success. Special thanks to Mr. Chris Bye for all his organisation. It is a big job to organise 500 students in different races, but all ran very smoothly. At this stage we have not announced which team won the sports – we will do that in the next couple of weeks. Many thanks to Ms Mareta for organising the Zooper Doopers. We are happy to let you know that the races from each class have been posted on Seesaw. Thanks to Mr Joe, Joshua, Ms Mareta, Mrs Kara, Marlene Haber and Jacqui Batty and all the staff for their assistance with the sausage sizzle.

## SMA FAMILY NIGHT ONLINE - Tuesday, November 16th

On Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> November, our school is offering families the opportunity to participate in this program, The Wonder of Living Family Enrichment Program, via an online session at home. The purpose of the program is to encourage good communication between parents and children about important topics about babies, birth and puberty. Sessions will be conducted by Open Doors Education, an ecumenical Christian non-profit organisation. The session will begin at **7:00pm**. For more information about the program and how to join the session, please read the note sent home last week.

## PREP EXCURSION TO THE FARM - Friday, November 19th

The Preps will be going to the Bundoora Park Farm on Friday the 19th of November! Permission notes were sent home with your child last week. Please return the signed note as soon as possible. Thank you.

### INFORMATION REGARDING REFUNDS DUE TO REMOTE LEARNING

Over the next week or so we will be finalising any credits that will be applied to families for extra curricular activities that have been cancelled due to COVID-19. We can confirm that the swimming program will not be running in weeks 9 and 10 of the term as we have concerns about sharing the facility with members of the public. All Prep- 4 students will receive credit of \$95.00 for swimming. Once we finalise any other credits, we will issue new accounts reflecting the final amount to be credited.

### **IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2022**

The following dates are very important for <u>ALL</u> students who will be attending secondary school in 2024 – our current Year 4 students. If applications for Catholic Secondary School are not in by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August, 2022 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

19<sup>th</sup> August 2022: Applications close for 2024 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 4 Students

21st October 2022: Offers posted to prospective 2024 Year 7 applicants

11<sup>th</sup> November 2022: Final date for families to accept offers made by the Secondary School

# <u>UPDATE CAMP AUSTRALIA BEFORE SCHOOL CARE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE PROGRAM INFORMATION</u>

If the child/ children will be returning to the program parents will need to re-book their child/ children through the parent portal booking system so they will be added to the roll. Stay safe,



Kylie

# ARE YOU LEAVING ST. PAUL'S AT THE END OF 2021? QUÝ VI SẼ RỜI TRƯỜNG ST. PAUL VÀO CUỐI NIÊN HOC 2021?

We have a waiting list for 2022 and need to know if your family is changing schools.

Trường đang có danh sách học sinh chờ cho niên học 2022 nên cần biết gia đình quý vị có chuyển trường cho con không.

# PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE OFFICE IF YOUR CHILD/REN ARE NOT RETURNING IN 2022 XIN VUI LÒNG NÔP LAI PHẦN GIẤY NÀY CHO VĂN PHÒNG NẾU CON QUÝ VI KHÔNG TRỞ LAI TRƯỜNG VÀO NIÊN HOC 2022.

There is no need for any Grade 6 students to respond to this notice as we know that you will be at secondary school next year. Học sinh Lớp 6 không cần phải điền vào giấy này vì Trường đã biết học sinh sẽ lên học trường trung học vào niên học sau.

### Please print

My child(ren) will not be returning to St Paul's School next year. Con/các con tôi sẽ không học ở Trường St. Paul vào năm sau.

## SCHOOL ATTENDING IN 2022....

## Tên Trường sẽ học vào năm 2022

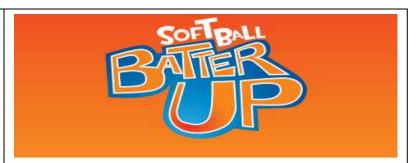
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#### About: Nicola De Rosbo-Davies

Nicola De Rosbo-Davies is currently in her final semester of studying a Master of Creative Arts Therapies (Drama Therapy) and has a background in acting and psychology. She has particular interest in working with children and young people after volunteering at the Royal Children's hospital for two years. Her other volunteer work includes reading picture books at disadvantaged schools and working as a theatre facilitator at DVA, a theatre company for adults with intellectual disabilities. In her previous semester of studies, she ran her own 8week drama therapy program for a group of adults with intellectual disabilities. She is now doing a placement with children who have cancer through Koala Kids. Nicola also loves art and music, and it often weaves into her drama sessions.





Softball Australia's national participation program, Softball Batter Up, is designed to be fun, flexible and engaging for children from kindergarten age to Year 6, focusing on fun activities while learning basic throwing, catching and striking skills.

Every registered participant receives an Official SBU Starter Kit to begin their softball journey.

Sunshine Softball Batter Up Summer 2021

Venue: Bon Thomas Reserve Quinn St, Deer Park

Dates: Monday 15 Nov - Monday 20 Dec (6 weeks)

Times: 5:00pm - 6:00pm Ages: 5 - 10

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ost: \$60 with pack included, \$40 without pack

