

## TERM 1

## WEEK 2: Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> February, 2022

### DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>Friday 4<sup>th</sup> February:</b>	<b>Beginning of the Year Mass 9.15am St. Paul's School – Live Streamed – no visitors</b>
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> February:</b>	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation Family Night 7.00pm St. Paul's School – (TBC)</b>
<b>Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February:</b>	<b>First Assembly for 2022 – Presentation of SRC for 2022 – 2.30pm – No visitors to attend</b>
<b>Tuesday 1<sup>st</sup> March:</b>	<b>Compliance School Review</b>
<b>Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March:</b>	<b>Ash Wednesday Mass 9.15am St. Paul's Church – No visitors to attend.</b>
<b>March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>:</b>	<b>School Closure Days – No School for Students</b>
<b>Monday 14<sup>th</sup> March:</b>	<b>Labour Day Public Holiday – School Closed</b>
<b>Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> March:</b>	<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation 7.00pm St. Paul's School – Year 3 Students</b>
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March:</b>	<b>Preps Attend School today and all future Wednesdays</b>
<b>Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March:</b>	<b>Day 1 of School Improvement Review</b>
<b>Monday 21<sup>st</sup> March:</b>	<b>Day 2 of School Improvement Review</b>
<b>Friday 25<sup>th</sup> March:</b>	<b>Indonesian Day – More Information to follow</b>
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	<b>Easter Assembly 12.00pm - No visitors to attend.</b>
<b>Friday 8<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	<b>End of Term I – 1.00pm Children can wear plain clothes.</b>
<b>Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	<b>ANZAC Day – no school for students</b>
<b>Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	<b>Term II Commences at 8.40am</b>
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April:</b>	<b>School Photos – More information to follow</b>

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome to the 2022 school year! We pray that your children will have a full year at school this year and we all remain safe and well. I extend a special word of welcome to the new families to St. Paul's and hope that your association with our school community will be a long and happy one. Today we celebrate the Lunar New Year – it is the Year of the Tiger. We wish all those who celebrate the Lunar New Year all the best for the year ahead.

Every year is a very busy year – 2022 will be no different. In particular we have a school review this term – the review involves two parts. The first part is a compliance review on March 1<sup>st</sup> and the second is a School Improvement Review on March 16<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup>. Please note there will be no school for children on March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> as staff will be preparing for the School Improvement Review and updating their First Aid skills.

I wish to advise that Mrs Samantha Karipoglou will be on maternity leave throughout Term I. We wish her and her husband Matt all the best for the safe arrival of their second child. During Term I, Miss Ellen Carroll will be in the class on Thursday and Friday.

Over the holidays, Ms Laura Cook married her fiance Michael Marasco – we hope they have a long and happy life together. In some other exciting news, Miss Claudia Capuano became engaged to David Nair just after Christmas, and Miss Teagan Cullum became engaged to Jarrod Hocking just before we returned to school. We congratulate Claudia and Dave, and Teagan and Jarrod, and wish them all the best for the future.

In 2022 we welcome to St. Paul's School Mrs Helen Diomides (Enrolment Co-ordinator). We welcome back to St Paul's Mrs Annamaria Schembri and Mrs Jennifer Gualtieri (class teachers). I know Helen, Jennifer and Annamaria will be warmly welcomed by everyone in the St. Paul's School Community.

All children should be wearing the St. Paul's hat during Term I. Any students not wearing the hats will be required to sit in the shade. No other hats are permitted to be worn.

As stated in the letter that was sent home yesterday, families are unable to join us at whole school Masses or assemblies at the moment. To assist families, we will record assemblies and post them on to the presenting classes Seesaw page. If this situation changes, I will notify you as soon as possible.

I look forward to working with you all during 2022.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento  
PRINCIPAL

The class groupings, teachers and staff for 2022 are set out below:

### **Year Prep**

Ms Laura Cook (**PLC**)  
Miss Linda Hosni (**PLH**)  
Miss Melissa Dvorscak (**PMD**)

### **JMA**

#### **Year 1**

Miss Janelle Micallef (**JJM**)  
Miss Teagan Cullum (**JTC**)  
Mrs Rhiannon Micallef (**JRM**)  
Miss Rebecca Calleja (**JRC**)

#### **Year 2**

Mr Matthew Kowalczyk (**JMK**)  
Mrs Pauline Zammit and Mrs Michelle Favero (**JPF**)  
Miss Kathy Ly (**JKL**)

### **SPECIALISTS/SUPPORT TEACHERS**

Numeracy Support – 5-6  
Numeracy Intervention Teacher  
Literacy Support – 3-6  
Teacher Release/Classroom Support

Physical Education Teacher  
Library Teachers  
Visual Arts Teacher  
Performing Arts Teacher  
Indonesian Teacher  
Technology Teacher

School Administration

#### **Teacher Aides**

Mrs Jan Quinn  
Mrs Nancy Sacco  
Ms Louise Sposato  
Ms Rose Ramsay  
Mrs Chelsea Cole

Maintenance  
Canteen

### **POSITIONS OF LEADERSHIP**

Principal  
Deputy Principal  
Student Wellbeing Leaders

Religious Education Leader / Child Safety Officer  
Numeracy Leader  
Literacy Leader  
Learning Leader  
Physical Education Leader  
Learning Diversity Leaders  
Family Engagement in Learning Leader  
Technology Leader  
Arts Leader  
Prep Leader  
Junior Leader  
Middle Leader  
Senior Leader

### **COMMUNITY MEMBERS**

After School Care – Camp Australia

### **MMA (Year 3/4)**

Miss Genevieve O'Donnell (**MGO**)  
Mrs Stephanie Garcia (**MSG**)  
Ms Christine Sursock (**MCK**)  
Miss Kim Mullett (Terms 1–2)  
Mrs Kylie Ponce Rios (Terms 3–4)  
Miss Celeste D'Souza (**MCD**)  
Miss Ellen McKitterick (**MEM**)  
Mrs Jennifer Gualtieri and Miss Ellen Carroll (**MGC**)

### **SMA (Year 5/6)**

Mrs Claudia Razi (**SCR**)  
Mr Conor Fox and Mrs Annamaria Schembri (**SCF**)  
Mrs Vanessa Josifovski and Ms Jane Manton (**SVJ**)  
Miss Claudia Capuano (**SCC**)  
Ms Haido Borg (**SHB**)  
Mr Adam Fazekas (**SAF**)

Mr Conor Fox  
Ms Carmel Marozzi  
Ms Jane Manton  
Mrs Ha-Anh Nguyen  
Miss Ellen Carroll  
Mr Chris Bye  
Ms Michele Micallef  
Mrs Amanda Gallus  
Ms Lynette Grixti  
Ms Leonie McCormack  
Mr Joshua Turner

Ms Kerry Westgarth  
Miss Diana Nguyen  
Mrs Michelle Favero

Miss Nadia Juzva  
Ms Lan Nguyen  
Mrs Karen Martin  
Mrs Sandra Krolo  
Mrs Ashlea Niemi  
Miss Lisa Peplow  
Mrs Michelle Favero

Mr Joe Baldacchino  
Mrs Marlene Haber  
Mrs Jacqui Batty

Mr Damian Casamento  
Ms Cathy Doran  
Mrs Nicole Azarnikow  
Miss Rebeca Lopez  
Miss Lisa Peplow  
Mrs Libby Morganti  
Mrs Louise Collison  
Mrs Louise Collison  
Mr Chris Bye  
Ms Mareta Parsons and Mrs Kara Brizzi  
Ms Mareta Parsons  
Mr Joshua Turner  
Mrs Rhiannon Micallef  
Ms Laura Cook  
Miss Janelle Micallef  
Mrs Stephanie Garcia  
Mr Conor Fox

Miss Kylie Hayes



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

**For Android users and iPhone users:**

- Search **Skoolbag** in the Google play store or in the App store, and install it on your phone, PC or tablet.
- Opening this app, click on **“Add our school”**, then type **“ST. PAUL’S SUNSHINE WEST”** in the search line & click ‘search’. Once our school is found, you’ll be able to add it to your account!

- **To setup alerts:** Click on **“St Paul’s Primary”** at the top, then **“Groups”** and **“Add/Remove Groups”** and then choose your categories.
- **To update your changes:** Click on **“St Paul’s Primary”** at the top, then **“eForms”** and **“Change of Details”** and then fill up the form.
- **To report your child’s absence:** Click on **“St Paul’s Primary”** at the top, then **“eForms”** and **“Absentee Form”** and then fill up the form.

**LEARNING CONVERSATIONS**

Many thanks to the parents and teachers for making the Learning Conversations yesterday such a success. Unfortunately, the conversations were online, however it was still an ideal chance for teachers to meet parents and for an exchange of information to take place. The full day allowed for longer conversations. Thank you for the way you used the online booking system to make your appointments. Thanks also to Ms Trish Morris who made themselves available during the holidays to assist families with the bookings. Please remember to make an appointment to see your child’s teacher at any time if you have a concern.

**ANAPHYLAXIS**

There are several children at school who suffer from allergic reactions to various forms of food, plants, bites and stings. The Australian Society of Clinical Immunology and Allergy (ASCI) does not recommend the banning of particular items. This is based on the premise that for school age children, an essential step is to develop strategies for avoidance in the wider community as well as at school. All staff have undertaken anaphylactic training and will have it renewed this term. The school has a thorough policy, action plan and procedures for each child, including first aid response and medication storage, to ensure the wellbeing of all students. Please visit [www.allergy.org.au](http://www.allergy.org.au) for more information.

**BEFORE SCHOOL CARE**

The yard is supervised from 8.25am every morning. Parents are asked not to send their children to school before this time. Class teachers are at school but they are unable to supervise children because they will be preparing for the day’s activities. Before School Care Program operates every morning. Parents who need to drop off their children early will need to use this service. Kylie Hayes is the co-ordinator of the program. She can be contacted on 0401 362 738.

**FEES/LEVIES**

Your child’s levies are now due. Please pay all levies promptly. School fees are due on February 11<sup>th</sup>. Accounts will be sent home this week. 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.

**CANTEEN**

The canteen will open for lunches on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> February where the full menu will be available. Please note that only icypoles will be available to be purchased at recess and lunchtime for the first three or four weeks of the year. You will be able to use cash as well as CDF Pay to pay for lunch orders - see below for more information on how to use CDF Pay. A price list was sent home today. Volunteers are needed to assist in the canteen. We would be very grateful to have your assistance even if it can be for only a couple of hours per week. Please see Marlene or Jacqui in the canteen if you can help.

**IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2022**

The following dates are very important for **ALL** students who will be attending secondary school in 2024 – our current Year 5 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 5 Students
- 21<sup>st</sup> 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



We extend our condolences to the Scott family (Jayden – SCR, Riley – MSG) following the recent passing of their grandfather.

Please keep the family in your prayers.

**SACRAMENT DATES FOR 2022**

- Sacrament of Penance Family Night Wednesday, February 16<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm – Online – More information to follow.
- Sacrament of Penance (Year 3) Tuesday, March 15<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm – St. Paul’s School
- Sacrament of Eucharist Family Night Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7.00pm – St. Paul’s School
- Sacrament of Eucharist (Year 3) Saturday, May 21<sup>st</sup> at 12.00pm – St. Paul’s Church

**PLAY GROUP**

Please note that Play Group will start next Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> February. Play Group meets each Monday morning from 9:00 – 11:00am. Pre-school children and parents are most welcome.

**FIRST AID:**

We would appreciate any donations of boxes of tissues for our first aid supplies. Thank you for your continued support.





## CHILDREN'S ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

There are various ways that you can contact the school to advise that your child is absent from school.

- Contact the office:** Call 9363 1568, select 1 and then advise that your child is absent on this day. Please include your name, the child's name, the class, the date and the reason for the absence.
- Via the SkoolBag App:** Use the 'Absentee Form' in this app. This form can be found under the section 'eForms'.
- Email:** Send an email to [office@spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au) or your child's class teacher on their school email address.
- Written Note:** A written note may be sent in advance if you know your child will be absent. If he/she is going on an extended holiday, a written note must be provided.



**Guiding children's growth**

### What is OSHC and why is it right for your family?

OSHC stands for Outside School Hours Care. Camp Australia's OSHC service provides enrichment and care for primary school-age children outside school hours and during the school holidays. Depending on your school, it can cover Before School Care, After School Care and Vacation Care.

At Camp Australia, our vision is to support families in achieving their dreams and our promise is that we will Guide Your Child's Growth.

To do that we take a unique approach to OSHC based on over 30 years of experience.



**Enriching experiences that children love**

Our experienced educators involve your child in designing the experiences that make up our OSHC program. Our industry leading approach to program development ensures that your child is at the heart of what we do each day.

**A place for friendships to form**

OSHC is a great place for your child to meet new friends and bond over shared interests. We design programs that bring children together so they can connect and grow outside school hours.

**Easy, hassle-free care**

Our service is available to all families, no matter the need. Our extended hours offer peace of mind so you can manage work, health, study and more stress-free. Plus, our industry leading Parent Portal gives you unrivalled access to make and manage your bookings.

**FREE to Register**

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal at [pp.campaustralia.com.au](http://pp.campaustralia.com.au)

**Are you eligible for the Child Care Subsidy?**

The Child Care Subsidy can provide up to 85% off your fees. If you're unsure about your eligibility contact Centrelink on 13 61 50.

**Bookings now open for 2021. Secure your spot today.**


**Introducing our brand-new Parent Portal app for smartphone**

Earlier this year, we conducted customer focus groups to get direct feedback from parents regarding their experience with Camp Australia.

This research highlighted the need to have a streamlined way for parents to access their accounts and manage their bookings and enrolments, and informed the design for our brand-new Parent Portal app for smartphones.

- Easy booking features.
- Simple booking calendar overview.
- Track your spend.
- Contact your service Coordinator.
- Update your and your child's details.

Search for Camp Australia Parent Portal on the App Store or Google Play, download the app and register free with us now.



CDFpay is one way for you to order your child's lunch – you can also pay by cash. Please log onto <https://spsunshinewest.cdfpay.org.au> to create your account. Please make sure you click on the tab that says 'I am a new parent, Sign me up' and follow the steps.

**If you have already signed up before, please remember to go into your account and edit your child's class name for 2022.**

Please remember that you can use CDFpay online to order lunch for your child or you can pay cash lunch orders.

If you have any difficulty setting up an account, please contact the school office for assistance.



**Instrumental Music Lessons - on school campus**  
Places available for Term 1, 2022





**Small Group & Private Lessons**

- Primary Music Institute offer instrumental music lessons right here on school campus!
- To find out all about the music lessons please visit PMI's website. You can check which instruments are available, get up to date program details and apply for lessons online
- Please **ENROL TODAY** via PMI's website
- Lessons are held once per week on school campus – with lessons typically during school hours
- Only \$15 per child per small group lesson (2-5 students for 30 minutes)
- Private lessons (1-on-1) and pair lessons (max 2 students) are also available
- Online lessons (after hours) are also available direct to your home – contact us to find out more
- Instrumental music can improve your child's school results – including for reading, maths, coordination, IQ, abstract reasoning, performance confidence... and is great fun!

P: 1300 382 824 E: [admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au](mailto:admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au) [www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au](http://www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au)

### OPERATION SCHOOLS BACK

Local Police together with members of the Highway Patrol are running an operation to mark the start of the school year. Operation Schools Back will target the safety of students arriving and departing school with the major focus being the enforcement of the 40kmph school zones. Motorists are asked to be vigilant before and after school as there will be increased pedestrian, road and pushbike traffic. Please allow an extra 5 minutes to find a safe and legal park to ensure your children's safety.

### PHOTOGRAPHY & VIDEOING PROCEDURES FOR SCHOOL PERFORMANCES, ASSEMBLIES, SPORTING AND OTHER SANCTIONED SCHOOL EVENTS

St. Paul's Primary School allows members of the school community to take photographs and videos of their children at school assemblies, class presentations, performances, sporting events etc.

In accordance with the Privacy & Data Protection Act 2014 (Vic), Copyright Act 1968 (Cth) & Education Department guidelines, members of the school community are restricted to only photograph / video their children. These images must not be published on social media or in any other form without the prior consent of parents & guardians whose children may unintentionally appear in the images.

The school does not permit any member of the school community or invited guest to take photographs / videos of the bi-annual school production.

Note: The school does not own or control any photographs or video taken by members of the school community or invited guests.






**JUNIOR REGISTRATION COME & TRY**

**WEDNESDAY 16TH FEBRUARY**  
5:00-6:00PM AT AINSWORTH RESERVE

**GIRLS AND BOYS AGED 6-12**  
**MEMBERSHIP ONLY \$199**

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Marian College is continuing to accept applications for Year 7, 2023 and we have opened expressions of interest for Year 7, 2024.

Join us for an online College Tour with our Principal, Mr. Pisani. This is an excellent opportunity to get all the information you need to make a decision about your daughter's education.

**Term 1 dates:**  
9am Tuesday 8 February  
9am Tuesday 1 March  
9am Tuesday 5 April

To register for a tour, please visit the College website: [www.mariansvic.edu.au](http://www.mariansvic.edu.au) or phone the College office on 9363 1711.