

TERM 4

WEEK 9: Monday 28th November, 2022

DATES TO REMEMBER

Monday 28 th Nov - Wed 7 th Dec:	Prep, Juniors and Middles Swimming Program (No swimming December 8 or 9).
Friday 2 nd December:	School Assembly - Seniors – Advent II – 2.30pm
Wednesday 7 th December:	Year 6 Big Day Out – More information to follow
Thursday 8 th December:	Carols Night 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Friday 9 th December:	School Closure Day – Planning for 2023
Monday 12 th December:	Year Six Graduation Mass 7.00pm St. Paul's Church–students to wear full school uniform
Tuesday 13 th December:	Middle and Senior Choir
Wednesday 14 th December:	End of Year Mass 9.15am St. Paul's Church Thank You Morning Tea at 10.30am at St. Paul's School Year 1 – 6 Orientation for 2023, Reports Sent Home
Friday 16 th December:	School Concludes for 2022 at 1.00pm – Children can wear plain clothes

Dear Families,

A huge thank you to Effie Ross for her co-ordination of the Second Hand Uniform Stall this year. Thanks to Effie, Tana Degala and Tanya Parry, who worked in the stall last week. In some wonderful news, we have been able to donate money/gift cards to 3 very important community groups. This has come from sales at the stall. We have donated \$1000 to Gastroparesis Australia for the research of better treatment options and eventually a cure for this disease. We have donated \$1000 to the Abbey Solo Foundation – a foundation which was established to honour the life of Abbey who died at the age of 9. Abbey was a student at Mother of God in Ardeer. Money raised by the foundation will be used to keep families together when a child is in hospital. We will also be providing gift cards to our families in need. The funds from the stall have helped us to support this great causes.

This Sunday we light the second Advent Candle. I ask you to say the following Advent prayer with your family.

Lord, our God, we praise You for Your Son, Jesus Christ, for He is Emmanuel, the Hope of all people. He is the Wisdom that teaches and guides us. He is the Saviour of us all. O Lord, let your blessing come upon us as we light the second candle of the Advent wreath. May the wreath and its light be a sign of Christ's promise of salvation. May He come quickly and not delay. Father, may we, your people, who look forward to the birthday of Christ experience the joy of salvation and celebrate that feast with love and thanksgiving. We ask this in His holy name. Amen.

Our Christmas Carols will be held on Thursday 8th December commencing at approximately 5.00pm. We hope you can join us as we celebrate Christmas as a school community. Please note if we are on the DCG the gate on Links Street will be open to enter the school – otherwise the pedestrian gate on Glengala Road will be open.

The Year Six Graduation Mass will be held on Monday 12th December at St. Paul's Church commencing at 7.00pm. This is a celebration of all that our Year Six students have achieved in their time at St. Paul's. Please join us in our celebration. All Year Six students are to be wearing their **full summer school uniform**.

We will be celebrating our End of Year Mass on Wednesday, 14th December at 9.15am at St. Paul's Church. Family and friends are very welcome to attend. After Mass there will be a morning tea to thank all those who have volunteered at St. Paul's this year.

Please note that there will be no school for students on Friday, December 9th as all staff will be planning for 2023.

I hope you have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento
PRINCIPAL

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Thank you to those families who have returned their raffle tickets already. Thanks also for the wonderful donations for our hampers for the raffle and for the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Thanks to Effie Ross, Stephanie Martinez, Tana Degala, Milvyn Espiga, Sadija Sabanagic and Tanya Parry for giving of their time and organising the hampers last week. They look fantastic.

The raffle will be drawn at the Carols Night on December 8th. All tickets and money should be returned to school by December 5th.



P-4 SWIMMING PROGRAM – THIS WEEK AND NEXT WEEK

The 8-day intensive swim program for Preps, Juniors and Middles commenced today and will continue until Wednesday, December 7th. **Students need to wear bathers underneath their school uniform and bring clean underwear, a singlet, thongs and a fresh dry towel in a plastic bag DAILY.**

Parents are welcome to attend the sessions. You may help change your own child and, if you have a current Working with Children Check Card, you may help other children. If you are able to assist other children, please bring your WWCC to show the teacher.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR GRADE 6 STUDENTS

- **Tuesday, 29th November** – Caroline Chisholm Catholic College Orientation Day
- **Wednesday, 7th December** - Big Day Out
- **Friday, 9th December** - Marian College Orientation Day
- **Monday, 12th December** - Grade 6 Graduation Mass, St. Paul's Church, 7pm
- **Tuesday, 13th December** – State Secondary Schools Orientation Day

CANTEEN UPDATE

Due to problems with suppliers, hot food will be limited in the canteen for the remainder of the year. **The last day the canteen will be open for 2022 is Thursday, 8th December.** We thank Marlene Haber, Jacqui Batty and all the volunteers for their work in the canteen this year.

WHAT IS ON OFFER?	MALMSBURY CAMP	CITY CAMP
During the summer and term 1 holidays, Doxa will be running camps in both the city and our bushland camp in Malmsbury. They will cater for children aged 10 to 12 years and will be free for participants registered with the Victorian Government Positive Start Programme.	Our Malmsbury Camp is located in an idyllic bush setting in Central Victoria where campers will have exciting outdoor adventures. Onsite there are all sorts of facilities including a giant swing, a climbing wall and trampolines and we visit stand out local attractions such as the steam train.	Located in the heart of the Melbourne CBD, our City Camp will offer participants the opportunity to discover all the things that our vibrant city has to offer. From the large iconic attractions to the hidden gems of Melbourne's laneways, sporting activities, and even an amazing race, the experience they have will be like no other.
DATES FOR BOTH OUR MALMSBURY & CITY CAMP	TRANSPORT	FURTHER INFORMATION AND BOOKINGS
January 9 to January 13 5 days and 4 overnights	We will provide buses to and from central pick up points at the Southern Cross Station in Melbourne and the regional towns of Ballarat, Bendigo, Geelong and Traralgon or you can pick up and drop off your child from the camp.	For further information, to book or help to register for a free camp with The Victorian Government Positive Start, email: info@doxa.org.au or phone: Marianna Anthony on (03) 9046 8200 or see our website: doxa.org.au/holiday-camps
January 16 to January 20 5 days and 4 overnights		
April 11 to April 14 4 days and 3 overnights		
April 17 to April 21 5 days and 4 overnights		

SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2023

The dates for the celebration of the Sacraments and the Family nights in 2023 are:

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| Sacrament of Penance Family Night (Year 3) | Thursday, February 16 th at 7.00pm – St. Paul's School |
| Sacrament of Penance (Year 3) | Wednesday, March 8 th at 7.00pm – St. Paul's School |
| Sacrament of Confirmation Family Night (Yr 5 and 6) | Tuesday, March 7 th at 7.00pm - St. Paul's School |
| Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 5 and 6) | Thursday 30 th March at 7.00pm – St Paul's Church |
| Sacrament of Eucharist Family Night (Year 3) | Thursday, May 4 th at 7.00pm - St. Paul's School |
| Sacrament of Eucharist (Year 3) | Friday, May 19 th at 6.30pm – St. Paul's Church |

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2023

The following dates are very important for **ALL** students who will be attending secondary school in 2025 – our current Year 4 students. If applications for Catholic Secondary School are not in by Friday 18th August, 2023 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

18th August 2023: Applications close for 2025 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 4 Students

20th October 2023: Offers posted to prospective 2025 Year 7 applicants

10th November 2023: Final date for families to accept offers made by the Secondary School



to the following students who received awards at Assembly on Friday.

PLC	Jordana Tang
PMD	Emily Parry
PLH	Minh Phan
JJM	William Espiga
JRC	Emmanuel Mwamba
JTC	Michael Rao
JKL	Lumiere Bongwa
JMK	Quincy Bol
JPF	Phong Ta
MCD	Clara Nario
MCK	Jack Meilak
MEM	Kendall Ilijoski
MGC	Emily Tran
MGO	Annabel Nguyen
MSG	Elshadie Mulatu
SAF	Heran Gebretsadik
SCC	Sophie Pham
SCF	Amelia Fastuca
SCR	Angela Fautuaalii
SHB	Tubesta Assefa
SVJ	Sofia Ramos

CAROLINE CHISHOLM CATHOLIC COLLEGE UNIFORM FOR SALE

CCCC uniform for sale at reduced prices (girls and boys) in excellent condition.

For more information if interested, contact Marlene (0408 104 187)



Lions Christmas Cakes

Large (1.5kg) - \$19.00

Small (1kg) - \$15.00

Assisting projects of the **Lions Club of Sunshine**

Please come to the School Office to place your orders with your cash payment.

The Lions Club will be selling Christmas Trees at Bunnings Sunshine on December 3rd & 4th from 10am to 2pm and December 10th & 11th from 10am to 2pm.

We once again acknowledge and thank the Lions Club of Sunshine for their contribution to our graduation ceremony. Each year the Club makes a generous donation to be used for presentations to our outgoing Year 6 students.



You are invited to
**St Paul's Primary School's
2022 Christmas Carols**

Date: Thursday 8th December

Time: 5:00pm till 7:00pm

Location: Weather permitting to be held on the school oval, if wet weather conditions then inside the gym.

- * Please note that all students must be accompanied by an adult.
- ** No bikes, scooters, skateboards permitted on the school grounds.
- *** Enter via Glengala Rd gate.

The evening will include an Advent assembly by our preps and all of the students in the school performing carols.

You are invited to sing along with us. We look forward to celebrating with you!

"May we be in this world a ray of light which shone forth from Bethlehem, bringing joy and peace to the hearts of all men and women." -Pope Francis



MERRY CHRISTMAS

Welcome to our Christmas Market

CHRISTMAS CARDS	\$2.00
TRAVEL MUGS	\$5.00
BATH BOMBS	\$3.00
SLIME	\$3.00
POTS	\$5.00
WRAPPING PAPER	\$2.00
CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS	\$2.00
NECKLACES	\$3.00

All money raised is going towards
Saint Vincent de Paul Charity