St. Paul's Primary School



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TERM 3 WEEK 2: Monday 17^h July, 2023

DATES TO REMEMBER

17th – 18th July: MMA Camp - CYC the Island Camp – Phillip Island

Friday 21st July: NAIDOC Celebration Day – Whole School Assembly 2.30pm (Please note revised time)
Tuesday 25th July: School Closure Day – Staff participating in Math's Professional Development Activities

Friday 28th July: Prep Celebrating 100 Days of School; School Assembly SVK – 2.30pm

Monday 31st July: Year 1 and 2 Excursion to Werribee Zoo

July 31st – Aug 4th: Book Fair

Wednesday 2nd August: Prep Excursion to ACMI Friday 4th August: School Assembly JFC – 2.30pm

Tuesday 8th August: St Mary MacKillop/Grandparents Mass (9.15am), Open Classrooms and Morning tea

Wednesday 9th August: Reading Hour – 6.30pm – 7.30pm Friday 11th August: Book Week Parade – 8.50am

Monday 14th August: Tickets go on sale for 'Joseph'!! More information to follow next term.

Friday 18th August: Applications close for 2025 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 5s

September 12, 13 and 14: St Paul's Production of 'Joseph'

Dear Parents/Carers.

The Year 5 and 6 students had a wonderful time at camp last week. They participated in many activities – giant swing, flying fox and tree top challenge, just to name a few. I would like to thank Mrs Borg and Mrs Razi for all their work organising, and attending, the camps. Thanks to all the staff who attended the camps – Miss Capuano, Miss Kayla, Mr Adam, Ms Boulton, Miss Heidi, Miss Nadia, Mr Chris, Bu Santi, Ms Amy, Miss Peplow, Miss Cathy, Mrs Louise, Mrs Libby, Miss Emma, Ms Ngunsang, Mrs Nicole, Ms Christine and Miss Amanda. If it were not for these staff giving of their time so generously, there would be no camps. I would also like to thank the students for the way they mixed with, and supported, each other. I received lots of positive feedback from the Camp Manyung staff about how good the children were – I was very proud of every single one of them. Thanks also to the staff that remained at school and took on extra responsibilities during the camps.

Our Year 3 and 4 students left for their camp at Phillip Island – they are looking forward to seeing the penguins tonight. Please remember they will return to school at approximately 3.00pm tomorrow.

We look forward to our NAIDOC Celebration Day this Friday – please remember we are having a sausage sizzle for lunch (the canteen is closed all day). Your child will need to bring their lunch to school if they do not want a sausage for lunch.

I remind families that applications for **Year 7 in 2025** for Catholic Secondary Schools must be in **by Friday**, **18th August.** Our Year 5 students must enrol by this date if they wish to attend a Catholic Secondary School in 2025. Your child will not be accepted if the enrolment form is not handed in to the secondary school of your choice on time.

Please feel free to join us for a very special Mass the Feast Day of St. Mary MacKillop / Grandparents Mass on Tuesday, 8th August. The Mass will be held at St. Paul's Church and will begin at 9.15am. Grandparents will be able to visit the children in their classrooms after Mass and then join us for Morning Tea. Children will be bringing invitations home soon – please pass them on to their loved ones!!

If you have not enrolled your child in Prep for 2024, **please do so immediately.** Your child will be put on a waiting list if you do not apply immediately.

There is no school for children on Tuesday 25th July as all staff will be involved in Math's professional development.

I hope you all have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento

Principal

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR OUR SAUSAGE SIZZLE THIS FRIDAY, JULY 21ST

A reminder that the students will be provided with a sausage sizzle lunch this Friday. Please remember that children will only need to bring their snack and water bottle to school this Friday. **The canteen will be closed** <u>all day</u> – **there will be no lunch orders**. If your child does not want a sausage for lunch, they will need to bring their lunch to school. Children can wear plain clothes this Friday – Prep, Years 1&2 are asked to wear yellow; Years 3&4 to wear red; Years 5&6 to wear black.

As we will be catering for nearly 550 students and staff, we would be very appreciative of your help to cook and serve the sausages. If you are available to help us from 10.30am to 1pm, please leave your name and phone number at the office (Tel: 9363 1568).

JMA UPCOMING EXCURSION - Monday, July 31st

JMA will be attending an excursion to the Werribee Open Range Zoo as part of our Term 3 Inquiry unit 'What Do Animals Need To Survive?' Our aim is to familiarize the students with the habitats of animals. The students will participate in a session run by the zoo staff about animal habitats and attend a safari bus tour of the zoo. Buses will leave at 9am and return by 3pm. Please complete the consent form sent home previously and return it to school by Friday, July 21st. Thank you very much for your kind support.

2024 PREP ENROLMENTS

Enrolments for Prep 2024 are now open. We encourage any parents/carers who have not enrolled their child for Prep in 2024 to do so. Please contact the school office for an enrolment form.

WHAT IS THE NATIONALLY CONSISTENT COLLECTION OF DATA (NCCD)?

Schools must now complete the Nationally Consistent Collection of Data (NCCD) every year. It counts the number of students who receive additional adjustments or 'help' at school with their learning. This data provides information to the Federal Government and the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria about the number of students receiving adjustments which enable them to participate in education on the same basis as other students. An NCCD information sheet can be found on the Audiri (Skoolbag) App, on the school's website and at the front office. If you have any questions about the NCCD please contact Ms Kara or Mrs Garcia.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2023

The following dates are very important for <u>ALL</u> students who will be attending secondary school in 2025 – our current Year 5 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 5 Students

YEAR 7 PLACEMENT NOTIFICATION (STATE SCHOOL) FOR 2024

On Wednesday, 19th July, Grade 6 students will bring home a Year 7 (State School) placement notification letter. Please complete the Placement Acceptance slip and return to the school office or classroom teacher by **9**th **August**.

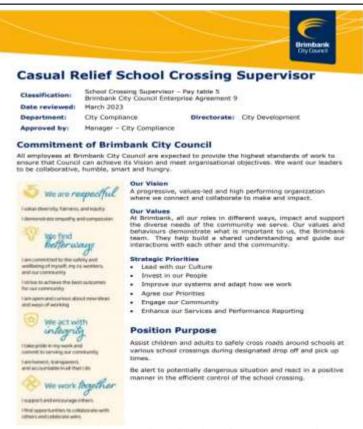
If your child has not been accepted in their 1st preference, and you wish to appeal, you must complete the enclosed appeal form and hand it back to the school by **no later than 28**th **July**.

If you have any queries or need assistance, please call Helen at the office.

<u>PREP UPCOMING EXCURSION</u> – Wednesday, 2nd August

To support our Inquiry Unit 'How to help our fairytale friends' the Preps will be going on an excursion to ACMI where they will engage in a fairy tale and fantasy workshop. Here, they will gain an understanding of a green screen and how it's used, engage in dramatic play and turn themselves into fairytale characters.

Please refer to the note sent home last week for more details. Please complete the permission slip and return it to school as soon as possible. Thank you for your kind support.



Anyone interested, can apply on-line by submitting an application via the Brimbank City Council's website, (Current Vacancies), or via the link https://brimbank.pulsesoftware.com/Pulse/jobs.







