

## TERM 3 WEEK 4: Monday 31<sup>st</sup> July, 2023

### DATES TO REMEMBER

July 31 <sup>st</sup> – Aug 4 <sup>th</sup> :	Book Fair
Wednesday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August:	Prep Excursion to ACMI
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> August:	Class Mass – ALL SMA Classes – 10.00am, School Assembly JFC – 2.30pm
Tuesday 8 <sup>th</sup> August:	St Mary MacKillop/Grandparents Mass (9.15am), Open Classrooms and Morning tea
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> August:	Year 5 Excursion to Caroline Chisholm Catholic College
Wednesday 9 <sup>th</sup> August:	Reading Hour – 6.30pm – 7.30pm
Thursday 10 <sup>th</sup> August:	Second Hand Uniform Stall – 8.45am–9.15am
Friday 11 <sup>th</sup> August:	Book Week Parade – 8.50am
Monday 14 <sup>th</sup> August:	Tickets go on sale for 'Joseph' from 9.30am onwards
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> August:	Applications close for 2025 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 5s
Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> August:	School Assembly SAS – 2.30pm
Monday, 21 <sup>st</sup> August:	The Wonder of Living Family Night for Years 5&6 Parents/Carers, 7pm
Tuesday 29 <sup>th</sup> August:	Second Hand Uniform Stall – 2.45pm–3.15pm
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> September:	St Paul's Children to attend 'Joseph' Matinee at Marian College – 10.00am (TBC)
September 12, 13 and 14:	St Paul's Production of 'Joseph'
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup> November:	Carols Night 5.00pm – 7.00pm
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup> December:	Graduation Mass
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> December:	School Concludes for 2023 at 1.00pm

Dear Parents/Carers,

We have appointed Miss Amanda Mach to St Paul's as a classroom support teacher as well as providing release for teachers when required. I know all in the community will welcome Amanda to St Paul's School.

Last Wednesday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, the Church remembered St. Joachim and St. Anne, the parents of the Virgin Mary. Despite the importance of their role as the maternal grandparents of Jesus, we do not know too much about them. Joachim was a shepherd from Jerusalem who was married to Anne. They did not have any children, and they were a rather elderly couple when, one day, while Joachim was at work in the fields as usual, an angel appeared to announce the birth of a child, and Anne also had the same vision - they called their little girl Mary, which means "loved by God", and then they moved to Nazareth, where they educated Mary, teaching her the law of the Lord. Last Wednesday gave us the opportunity to remember our Grandparents, whether they are living or are no longer with us. I know my grandparents loved me very much and all of them gave so much help to my parents, and in turn my parents and my wife's parents have given us so much support with our children. We look forward to our special Mass on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> August at 9.15am where we will remember St. Mary MacKillop as well as our Grandparents. Family and Grandparents are welcome to join us at Mass, and after Mass, visit the classrooms and join us for morning tea.

Over the next couple of weeks, we celebrate Book Week. This week, the children will be able to purchase books from the Book Fair. Thanks to Ms Michele, Ms Christine and Ms Karen for organising the Book Fair. I hope to see many of you at the Reading Hour next Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August from 6.30pm – 7.30pm as well as the Book Week Parade on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August at 8.50am. The children can dress up as their favourite book character.

I remind families that applications for **Year 7 in 2025** for Catholic Secondary Schools must be in **by Friday, 18<sup>th</sup> August**. Our Year 5 students must enrol by this date if they wish to attend a Catholic Secondary School in 2025.

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.

Some families have asked for end of year dates – please see the 'Dates to Remember' for these dates.

I hope you all have a great week.

Yours sincerely,  
Damian Casamento  
Principal

## 2023 BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS – Weeks 4 & 5

- **Book Fair** - Open on Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> July, and ends on Friday, 4<sup>th</sup> August, at 1.30pm. The sale of books during the book fair helps earn new books for the library. Please note this is a voluntary event.
- **Reading Hour** – Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> August, at 6.30pm. Parents/Carers and students are invited to participate in reading activities in the library and other classrooms. **Please RSVP the slip at the bottom if you can come.**
- **Book Week Parade** – Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> August at 8.50am. Students are encouraged to come dressed as their favourite book character, favourite book or a costume inspired by this year's book week theme 'Read, Grow, Inspire!'. Please refer to the hard copy sent home last week or posting on Audiri and Seesaw for some costume ideas and inspiration.

**Thank you for your wonderful support of our Library program, and keep reading!**

## PREP UPCOMING EXCURSION – This Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> 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.

Children are to wear full sports uniform and bring along their snack, lunch and a water bottle.

## BERITA INDONESIA - INDONESIAN NEWS

Terima kasih - Thank you to every family/guardian and the students who participated in the final Indonesian speaking competition on Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2023. It was a tight competition with 196 primary school students competing from 14 government and private schools. We are very proud of our students' achievements by participating to show their ability to speak Indonesian and for reaching the final stage. I hope to see you all continue this experience again next year.

I would like to congratulate Zion Djenderasa (JKL) for being our First winner. Zion and his family have been invited to attend the Award ceremony, which will be held at the Melbourne High School on Friday, 11<sup>th</sup> August, at 6pm.

Terima kasih - Bu Santi

## ST PAUL'S PRODUCTION TICKETS ON SALE – Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> August

Kindly be advised that hard copies of the note regarding our production tickets have been sent home to all the families today. Please refer to the note for the full details of how to book your tickets.

You will need to book all tickets for 'Joseph And The Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat' online from the *TryBooking.com* website. The website will be available for bookings from **Monday, 14<sup>th</sup> August 2023, from 9.30am onwards.**

Please contact the office if you need assistance with making your ticket booking.

## 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.

## YEAR 5 EXCURSION TO CAROLINE CHISHOLM CATHOLIC COLLEGE – Wednesday, August 9<sup>th</sup>

Year 5 students will be attending an excursion to Caroline Chisholm Catholic College in Braybrook to watch their school production of 'Chicago'.

Year 5 students will travel by bus to CCCC at 11.45am and return by bus to St Paul's school at 3pm. The students are asked to wear their full winter uniform and carry a small bag with their packed lunch (**no lunch orders for Year 5 students**).

## MMA UPCOMING EXCURSION – Tuesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> August

MMA will be attending an excursion to Melbourne Zoo as part of our Term 3 Inquiry unit '*How do living things depend on each other and the environment to survive?*' Our aim is to familiarise students with animals in their habitats. Students will learn about the work the zoo does to protect these animals from environmental issues and become aware of actions they can take to positively influence their community.

Please complete the permission slip from the note sent home today & return it to school by 11<sup>th</sup> August.

## READING HOUR – Wednesday, 9<sup>th</sup> August, at 6.30pm.

Parents/Carers and students are invited to participate in reading activities in the library and other classrooms. We have a special guest this year - Corinne Fenton author of 'Lionel and Me', one of the picture books nominated for this year's Children's Book Council awards. Corinne will read a story and share her passion for reading with students and families.

If you are planning to attend, please fill in the slip at the bottom of the newsletter and return it to school by Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August.



## Reading Hour RSVP

Student /Family Name : \_\_\_\_\_ Class : \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Adults and \_\_\_\_ children will be attending the Reading Hour on Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> August.



PHOTO TAKEN ON NAIDOC CELEBRATION DAY REPRESENTING THE ABORIGINAL FLAG



**IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2023**

The following dates are very important for **ALL** 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 18<sup>th</sup> August, 2023 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

**18<sup>th</sup> August 2023:** Applications close for 2025 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 5 Students

**20<sup>th</sup> October 2023:** Offers posted to prospective 2025 Year 7 applicants

**10<sup>th</sup> November 2023:** Final date for families to accept offers made by the Secondary School

**ST. PAUL'S SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL**

Please note that the next date for the selling from the St. Paul's Second Hand Uniform Stall in Term III is Thursday, 10<sup>th</sup> August from 8.45am – 9.15am. The final date for Term III will be Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> August from 2.45pm – 3.15pm. The cost of all items of clothing is \$5.00. Families are encouraged to make donations of school uniforms to the second hand uniform stall. Please wash any donations before taking them to the school office. Please make sure they are in good condition ie not damaged or have faded logos. Thanks to Effie Ross for all her work co-ordinating the stall.

**Your OSHC.**

Program spotlight

## St Paul's Primary School

Your OSHC by Camp Australia provides enriching experiences for children during term – before school, after school and on pupil free days. At Your OSHC we give children a supportive space to continue their development, build confidence and socialise with their friends.

**What's coming up at Your OSHC this week:** 31/7/2023 - 4/8/2023

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>11:00am - 12:00pm</b></p> <p><b>plasticine faces</b> making faces from plasticine showing different emotions</p>	<p><b>10:00am - 11:00am</b></p> <p><b>Sponge painted ice creams</b> Let's make an ice cream with sponge painting</p>	<p><b>10:00am - 11:00am</b></p> <p><b>Our OSHC Family tree</b> Create a family tree to proudly display in our service.</p>	<p><b>10:00am - 11:00am</b></p> <p><b>Group numbers game</b> Children work together to get into number groups under a time limit.</p>	<p><b>10:00am - 11:00am</b></p> <p><b>Memory Tag</b> Children will play a group game of memory tag.</p>
<p><b>12:00pm - 1:00pm</b></p> <p><b>Decorating Gingerbread</b> The gingerbread man is an old fairy tale about a magical character who comes to life after being tossed into the oven.</p>	<p><b>1:00pm - 2:00pm</b></p> <p><b>Night at the Museum</b> 1 child will be the museum wacher while the others freeze!</p>	<p><b>3:00pm - 4:00pm</b></p> <p><b>silent ball</b> Children will pass the ball around while being silent.</p>	<p><b>10:00am - 11:00am</b></p> <p><b>Deep breathing &amp; Relax</b> Deep breathing exercises and relaxation techniques for our mental and spiritual wellbeing</p>	<p><b>10:00am - 11:00am</b></p> <p><b>Cube Sports - Soccer</b> Children to enjoy physical activity.</p>

**Register for Your OSHC**

Once registered, you'll be able to easily make and manage your bookings online via our Parent Portal.

Register now

**Stop by and say hi!**

Please feel free to visit the program with your children to meet the team and see what happens in our great program each school day.

**Visit our blog**

New articles are added each week for parents and cover various topics to help families.

Visit our blog

To register and book visit: [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)

*The St Paul's Community acknowledges the Wurundjeri people as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we teach, learn and pray. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship that Aboriginal and Torres Strait people have to Country and pay our respects to Elders, past and present as we commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.*

