

TERM 1 WEEK 3: Monday 12th February, 2024

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 14 th February:	Ash Wednesday Mass 10.00am St. Paul's Church
Friday 16 th February:	First Assembly for 2024 – Presentation of SRC for 2024 – 2.30pm
Tuesday 20 th February:	Sacrament of Reconciliation Family Night 6.30pm St. Paul's School
Thursday 22 nd February:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am
Friday 23 rd February:	School Assembly MGR – 2.30pm
Monday 26 th February:	School Closure Day – No School for Students
Thursday 28 th February:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am
Friday 1 st March:	Class Prayer Service JRC, JTH & JMC – 10.00am, School Assembly MEM – 2.30pm
Monday 4 th March:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am
Wednesday 6 th March:	Sacrament of Penance 6.30pm St. Paul's Church – Year 3 Students
Friday 8 th March:	School Assembly MAK – 2.30pm
Monday 11 th March:	Labour Day Public Holiday – School Closed
Tuesday 12 th March:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am
Wednesday 13 th March:	Preps Attend School today and all future Wednesdays
March 13 th – 25 th :	NAPLAN
Friday 15 th March:	Class Prayer Service JLH, JEF & JKL – 10.00am, School Assembly JRC – 2.30pm
Monday 18 th March:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 1.30pm
Friday 22 nd March:	Class Reconciliation MGR, MET & MAM – 10.00am, School Assembly JTH – 2.30pm
Wednesday 27 th March:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 1.30pm
Thursday 28 th March:	Easter Assembly 12.00pm, End of Term I – 1.00pm Children can wear plain clothes
Monday 15 th April:	Term II Commences at 8.40am
Wednesday 17 th April:	School Photos – More information to follow

Dear Parents/Carers,

This Wednesday we celebrate Ash Wednesday which marks the beginning of Lent. Lent is a period of preparation for Easter and lasts for forty days. We remember how Jesus spent forty days in the desert praying and fasting. Lent is a time for us to come to know Jesus more closely. People often think of Lent as a time for giving things up, but perhaps this year we can think of Lent as a time to show Love and learn more about the Love Jesus Christ has for us and how we can live out the St. Paul's Core Values - Respect, Diversity, Learning and Care and Compassion. I encourage families to contribute to Project Compassion during the Season of Lent. I hope you can join us this Wednesday for our Ash Wednesday Mass. It will commence at 10.00am and will be held at St. Paul's Church. All children will be walking to the church. During Mass St Paul's staff will use ash to mark a cross on each child's forehead to show that we are in the beginning of Lent.

We will be presenting our SRC from each class at our assembly on Friday. I know many children have prepared a speech to read to their class explaining why they should be the SRC rep for their class. I congratulate all of these students on this great achievement as it can be very difficult to speak in front of their peers. I am very proud of all of these children – no doubt you as parents are too. Please join us at 2.30pm.

A reminder of the Sacrament of Reconciliation Family Night that will be held at St. Paul's School next Tuesday, 20th February, commencing at 6.30pm. Children who are receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation, and at least one parent, are to attend. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated on Wednesday, 6th March at 6.30pm at St. Paul's Church.

There will be no school for children on Monday February 26th as staff will be further developing their knowledge of the ways children think and practising these thinking strategies in the classroom. There will be no school on Monday 11th March as the school will be closed for the Labour Day Public Holiday.

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.

Have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento

PRINCIPAL

2025 PREP ENROLMENTS

Enrolments for Prep 2025 are now open. We encourage any parents/carers who have not enrolled their child for Prep in 2025 to do so. Please contact the school office for an enrolment form or go to www.spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au and download a form. There will be several information sessions for 2025 Prep Parents/Carers. The first session will be held on Thursday, 22nd February, at 9.15am. Please let any interested people know of this date. Please ask them to contact the office to advise if they will be attending the session.

SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2024

The dates for the celebration of the Sacraments and the Family nights in 2024 are:

Sacrament of Penance Family Night (Year 3)	Tuesday, February 20 th at 6.30pm – St. Paul's School
Sacrament of Penance (Year 3)	Wednesday, March 6 th at 6.30pm – St. Paul's Church
Sacrament of Eucharist Family Night (Year 3)	Tuesday, April 30 th at 6.30pm - St. Paul's School
Sacrament of Eucharist (Year 3)	Friday, May 17 th at 6.30pm – St. Paul's Church

Please note that St Paul's School will not be celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation in 2024.

FEES/LEVIES

Your child's levies are now due. Please pay all levies promptly. 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

You can now use cash as well as CDFPay to pay for lunch orders - see below for more info on how to use CDFPay. Volunteers are needed to assist in the canteen especially FRIDAYS. 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.

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 (ASCIA) 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 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 and Irije Demeri are the co-ordinators of the program. They can be contacted on 0401 362 738.

FIRST AID

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



CDFpay is one way for you to order your child's lunch at St Paul's – you can also pay by cash for your child's lunch order. Please log onto <https://spsunshinewest.cdfpay.org.au> to create your account if you are a new parent.

Please make sure you click on the tab that says 'New Parent Account' 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 2024.

If you have any difficulty setting up an account, please contact the school office on 9363 1568 for assistance.



CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSION FUND (CSEF)

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund is Government Funding to assist families to cover the costs of school excursions, camps and sporting activities. Centrelink health care card holders and Pensioner Concession card holders may be eligible for a payment of \$150. If you think you qualify for the CSEF, please contact the office for a form. Please complete and return the CSEF form to school, along with a copy of your Centrelink Card as soon as possible. **The CSEF program for 2024 closes on Friday, 28th June.**

SPORTS NEWS

SWIMMING

If you have a child who is a member of a swimming squad you may wish to nominate them for the Maribyrnong Division Swimming Sports on Thursday March 7 at Oak Park Sports and Aquatic Centre, 563a Pascoe Vale Rd, Pascoe Vale. Your child is able to nominate for two individual events. You will need to be able to transport your child to and from the event.

FOOTBALL

Registration to trial for SSV 12 Years and Under 'Team Vic' boys and girls Australian Football, mixed Netball, boys and girls Soccer, boys and girls Basketball and Hockey is done through an online process managed by School Sport Victoria. The online Registration process is at www.ssv.vic.edu.au/team-vic. Team Vic 12 Boys and Girls Cricket also follows this process. Follow this link <https://www.ssv.vic.edu.au/team-vic/pages/cricket.aspx> to find all of the information and the RED buttons when you are ready to go ahead and register. Students and families must consult with their Principal to ensure they have the skill level to trial and represent their school at a national championship level. It is imperative that teachers decide on a child's capability of representing their school at a state level trial. Registration for a Division trial incurs a NON-REFUNDABLE \$25 fee. Confirmation to attend a trial will occur before the end of Term 1, 2024. Once registered, the parent will receive an email confirming payment and a form which will require the Principal's signature.

For more information please see Mr Chris.



OPEN NIGHTS 'NEW MEMBER OFFER'

MONDAY 05 FEB - SATURDAY 10 FEB

WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT TAEKWONDO?

Introducing friends & family to Hall's Taekwondo. Check us out at **OPEN NIGHTS & SATURDAY**.

If you 'Join the Club' take advantage of Hall's Taekwondo special **Open Nights Offer - this week only!**

NEW MEMBER OFFER:
ONE FREE UNIFORM
 MORE THAN \$30 VALUE- ALL WELCOME!

VISITING TIMES:
 MONDAY 05 FEB - THURSDAY 08 FEB: 4pm - 7pm
 and SATURDAY 10 FEB: 8am - 10am

PROGRAMS TO SUIT EVERYONE

- Enroll from three to 80 years of age at our Hall's Taekwondo centres.
- Student performance is based on a strong link between physical, intellectual, emotional and social skills. The essence of the sport will also be reflected in our age specific Taekwondo programs demanding students to reach their full potential.
- Highly qualified instructors work together as a strong team to ensure students are taught the best in several aspects of traditional and competitive Taekwondo in sparring, patterns and self defence. But most that, at Hall's Taekwondo you're not just doing Taekwondo. Our format includes a range of creative martial art activities including boxing, wrestling and ground self defence.

CLASS HIGHLIGHTS:

- See Taekwondo students in action
- Share our resources
- Participate in games
- Book your session
- Instructors & Faculty S.A.A.'s

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Newsletter

Camp Australia St. Paul's Primary School February Newsletter



Dear Parents and Families

Welcome to the 2024 school year! We are looking forward to launching our exciting new initiative – Big Art Fridays! This will be beginning on Friday 9th February, so please keep your eye out for further information.

If you wish to come and take a look at our service, please come in Before School Care as our Educators will have time to discuss the program and help you with any question you may have relating to the service. Our Educators are on site between 7:00am – 9:00am each morning, so please pop by or give us a call!

Exciting February Activities!

Hama Beads, Lego Creations, Gardening, Art and Craft, Outdoor Games and more!

If you register your child for the service and they have any medical needs (ADHD, ASD, Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Allergies etc.) all Medical Management Plan documents and your child's medication need to be completed and provided prior to your child attending their first session. This is to ensure your child's safety, we will be unable to accept your child into care if their Medical Management Plans or their Medications are expired.

If your child/children will be attending the After school Care program please ensure they know to come as it's very important for children to arrive safely at the service. If your child/children has a booking and will not be attending due to a change in circumstances, please inform the Coordinator on 0401362738. This can be done via phone call, or text message. If your circumstances do change, please ensure you also make the school aware.

Prep 2024 Students! Each year, we follow a prep process to ensure continuity between our routines and the school. In Before School Care, our educators will help transition preps by taking them to their prep line or classroom. In After School Care, our educators will collect preps from their classroom line or the classroom, then bring them straight to our OSHC room.

We hope to see you soon!

Kind Regards Kylie, Irije & Alannah & Alice

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.



Find out more and book now at www.campaustralia.com.au




WANT TO PLAY AFL FOOTY?

Join us for our Come and Try sessions, presented by AFLVictoria. Boys and Girls aged between 7-12. These sessions are jam packed with exciting fun football activities.

Albion Football Club is the only club in the area to offer U10 and U12 Girls only teams along as U10 and U12 mixed teams

U10G: Born between 1/1/2014-30/04/2017
 U10M: Born in 2014 or 2015
 U12 Born in 2012 or 2013

Female and Male Accredited Coaches and hold a current Working with Children's Check




JOIN US FOR OUR FREE 3 WEEK PROGRAM!
 STARTS ON SUNDAY FEBRUARY 11TH FROM 10:00 AM TO 11:00 AM AT PARSONS RESERVE SUNSHINE.
 REGISTER VIA PLAYHQ
[HTTPS://WWW.PLAYHQ.COM/AFL/REGISTER/BF02BF](https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/bf02bf)

HAVE ANY QUESTIONS PLEASE GET IN CONTACT WITH PHILOMENA 0448714749 OR ALBIONFCJUNIOR@YAHOO.COM

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2024 Sacramental Program: Reconciliation and Eucharist – Non Year Three students


If your child is in Years Four, Five and Six, is baptised in the Catholic faith and has not received the following Sacraments, please complete the form below and return it to the school office. Any questions, do not hesitate to ask for Lisa Peplow in the school office.

Please Note: Children need to receive Penance and Eucharist in order to receive Confirmation in 2025

Name of Child Class

My child is baptised and is **ELIGIBLE** to receive the Sacraments of (please **TICK**)

Reconciliation (Penance) - Wednesday 6th March, 6:30pm St. Paul's Church
 Eucharist - Friday 17th May, 6:30pm St. Paul's Church



Parents Name Signature

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.

