

## TERM 1 WEEK 6: Monday 4<sup>th</sup> March, 2024

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> March:	Sacrament of Penance 6.30pm St. Paul's School Library ( <b>note change of venue</b> )
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> March:	International Women's Day, School Assembly SCC – 2.30pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March:	Labour Day Public Holiday – School Closed
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup> March:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup> March:	Preps Attend School today and all future Wednesdays
March 13 <sup>th</sup> – 25 <sup>th</sup> :	NAPLAN
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup> March:	Class Prayer Service JLH, JEF & JKL – 10.00am, School Assembly JRC – 2.30pm
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup> March:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 1.30pm
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March:	Class Reconciliation MGR, MET & MAM – 10.00am, School Assembly JTH – 2.30pm
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup> March:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 1.30pm
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March:	Easter Assembly 12.00pm, End of Term I – 1.00pm Children can wear plain clothes
Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> April:	Term II Commences at 8.40am
Wednesday 17 <sup>th</sup> April:	School Photos – More information to follow
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> April:	Indonesian Day – More information to follow
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> April:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> April:	ANZAC Day Public Holiday
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> April:	School Closure Day – Staff developing skills/programs for students with additional needs
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> April:	Sacrament of Eucharist Family Night – 6.30pm – St Paul's School
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May:	International Day of Families – More information to follow
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May:	Mother's Day Breakfast – 7.30am
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> May:	Mother's Day Stall
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> May:	Class Reconciliation MEM, MVN & MAK – 10.00am, School Assembly SKL – 2.30pm
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> May:	2025 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 1.30pm
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May:	School Assembly SRC – 2.30pm
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> May:	Sacrament of Eucharist Mass – 6.30pm – St Paul's Church
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May:	Celebration of National Sorry Day, School Assembly MAK – 2.30pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> September:	Art Show (More information to follow)

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to welcome Mr Daniel Collison to St Paul's. Daniel will be working as a Learning Support Officer for the remainder of the year. I know he will be welcomed by all in our school community.

International Women's Day is celebrated each year on March 8<sup>th</sup>. On Friday, we are provided with the opportunity to join voices with people around the world and shout our message for equal rights loud and clear: "Women's rights are human rights!" We celebrate all women, in all their diversities. We embrace their facets and intersections of faith, race, ethnicity, gender or sexual identity, or disability. We celebrate those who came before us, those who stand beside us now, and those who will come after. It's a time to celebrate the achievements of women, whether social, political, economic or cultural as well as an opportunity to show women the respect that they deserve in society but do not always receive. I thank God for all the women in my life and all they do for me and for their loved ones.

There will be no school on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March as it is the Labour Day Public Holiday. In Term II, there will be no school for students on Thursday, 25<sup>th</sup> April (ANZAC Day) and Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> April as all staff will be further developing their skills and programs to ensure students with additional needs can reach their full potential.

Term 1 concludes on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> March at 1.00pm. The children may wear plain clothes on this day. Term 2 commences at 8.40am on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April.

Have a great week.

Yours sincerely,  
Damian Casamento  
PRINCIPAL

## **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE – THIS WEDNESDAY MARCH 6<sup>TH</sup> – 6.30PM, ST PAUL’S SCHOOL**

We ask the community of St. Paul’s to pray for the children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Penance on Wednesday night this week at St Paul’s School at 6.30pm. The children have been very well prepared by Miss Peplow, Miss Eanya, Miss Ellen, Miss Amanda, Mrs Rhiannon, Mrs Gualtieri, Ms Amanda, Mrs Kylie and Miss Vivienne. We know that God will continue to guide all the students in their lives, no matter what they do. Please note the Sacrament will be celebrated in the school library, **not at the Parish Church.**

## **NAPLAN 2024**

NAPLAN online testing begins next week for students in Year 3 and Year 5. Tests for both Year 3 and Year 5 students will be conducted on the following days

- Writing - Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> March
- Reading - Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> March
- Conventions of Language - Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March
- Numeracy - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> March

If a student is away on the day of a test there will be opportunities for them to do the missed test on another day until Friday March 22<sup>nd</sup>.

A brochure further explaining NAPLAN is being sent home today to families of Year 3 and Year 5 students. Should you have any questions, please contact your child’s teacher or the school office. Information and demonstration tests can also be found on the following website: <https://www.nap.edu.au/naplan/for-parents-carers>

## **RAFFLE TICKETS FOR EASTER – DONATIONS FOR OUR PRIZES OF HAMPERS**

Raffle tickets for our Easter Raffle were sent home last week. The tickets are \$1 each. The raffle will be drawn on Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> March. Please donate Easter Eggs, chocolates, lollies and gifts to the school for our prize hampers by March 18<sup>th</sup>. Tickets and money are due back by Monday 25<sup>th</sup> March. Thank you for your ongoing support.

## **CANTEEN**

You can now use cash as well as CDFPay to pay for lunch orders – scan this QR Code to access CDFPay. Volunteers are needed to assist in the canteen, especially FRIDAYS (12pm – 1.30pm) to put lunches into the baskets. We would be very grateful to have your assistance even if it can be for only a couple of hours any day during the week. Please see Marlene or Jacqui in the canteen if you can help.



## **SCHOOL PHOTOS – WEDNESDAY 17TH APRIL**

School photos will be taken on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April this year – this is in the first week of Term 2. Children will need to be in their full summer school uniform. More information will follow later in the term.

## **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](http://www.spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au) and download a form. There will be several information sessions for 2025 Prep Parents/Carers. The next session will be held on Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> March, 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.

## **IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2024**

The following dates are very important for **ALL** students who will be attending secondary school in 2026 – our current Year 5 students. If applications for Catholic Secondary School are not in by Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August, 2024 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

**16<sup>th</sup> August 2024:** Applications close for 2026 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 5 students

**18<sup>th</sup> October 2024:** Offers posted to prospective 2026 Year 7 applicants

**8<sup>th</sup> November 2024:** Final date for families to accept offers made by the Secondary School

## **CHILDREN’S ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL**

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

- 1. 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.
- 2. Via Audiri App:** Use the ‘Absentee Form’ in this app. This form can be found under the section ‘Forms’.
- 3. 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.
- 4. 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.

## **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, 28<sup>th</sup> June.**



# Newsletter

Camp Australia St. Paul's Primary School March 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 9<sup>th</sup> 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 for our Before School Care open morning next Thursday between 8:15am to 8:45am 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!

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 its 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.

Open Morning Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> of March Before School Care from 8:15am to 8:45am all families welcome to visit the service and ask any questions!

Prep 2024 Students! Each year, we follow a prep process to ensure continuity between our routines and the school. Before School Care procedure educators will transition preps to prep line/ classroom. After school Care educators will collect preps from line/ classroom and transition children to After School Care.

**Exciting March Activities!**  
Paper mache, Lego Creations, Gardening, Art and Craft, Outdoor Games and more!

We hope to see you soon!

Kind Regards Kylie, Irije & Alannah & Alice

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

Your OSHC.

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

- PFT In Woo Cho
- PMK Charlie Bonett
- PRB In Oh Cho
- JMC Amara Nguyen
- JRC Eden Beckam
- JTH Jordan Caruana
- JEF Tyson Nguyen
- JKL Marley Tere
- JLH Milla Stepanovski
- MAK Sririta Hebert
- MAM Lydia Mihtsuntu
- MEM Peniel Haile
- MET Ivan Khamis
- MGR An Pham
- MVN Jai Marotta
- SAK Ava Borg
- SAS Shanel Rafoo
- SCC Matilda Nguyen
- SHG Paul Stamatakis
- SKL Gabriel Fifita
- SRC Saad Ali

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This research project has been approved by the Human Research Ethics Committee of The University of Melbourne. Ethics ID: 27008

*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.*

