

## TERM 2

## WEEK 2: Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 2024

### DATES TO REMEMBER

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
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> May:	Prep Excursion to Brimbank Traffic School
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> May:	International Day of Families – Canteen will be closed all day.
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May:	Teeth on Wheels visiting.
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> May:	Mother's Day Breakfast – 7.30am – <b>RSVP to school by April 29<sup>th</sup>.</b>
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May:	JMA Excursion to Sovereign Hill – <b>Students are to return to School at 5pm (Extended day)</b>
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
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> May:	MMA Excursion to NGV
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
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May:	SMA Excursion to Werribee Zoo
Friday 31 <sup>st</sup> May:	School Assembly MAM – 2.30pm
Monday 10 <sup>th</sup> June:	King's Birthday Public Holiday
Thursday 20 <sup>th</sup> June:	Learning Conversations – Online 1.30pm – 7.00pm – School Finishes at 1.00pm (More information to follow)
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> September:	Art Show (More information to follow)

Dear Parents/Carers,

We welcome back from leave Mrs Annamaria Schembri – we hope Annamaria and her family had a wonderful time travelling.

This Thursday, we will commemorate ANZAC Day. This date, April 25<sup>th</sup>, is the anniversary of the day Australian and New Zealand soldiers landed on Gallipoli in 1915 as part of the Allies' invasion. ANZAC Day is a time for us to recognise more than 1.5 million men and women who have served Australia in all conflicts, wars and peacekeeping operations. It's also a time to remember some 102,000 Australians who lost their lives as a result of that service. Not only do service men and women lose their lives, but so many innocent adults and children do as well. We pray for peace in the world.

I want to congratulate all the children for the way they listened to the photographers last Wednesday when the school photos were being taken. The School Pix Co-ordinator said how well behaved the children were on the day. I am always so proud when I hear this kind of feedback.

What a fantastic day we had on Friday, celebrating 'Hari Indonesia' - Indonesian Day! The children participated in lots of interesting activities in their classrooms. The children were able to have a becak ride around the playground. In the afternoon, we were treated to a fabulous performance of Wayang Kulit (shadow puppetry) and Indonesian Gamelan music and dance, which was performed by our middle and senior students. Thanks to Ibu Santi for all her work organising the day and to the children and teachers for supporting the day through their enthusiastic participation.

There will be no school for students this 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.

Have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento  
PRINCIPAL

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH – Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>**

St Paul's School will be celebrating the International Day of Families on Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Children are encouraged to come to school in their cultural dress and participate in the cultural dress parade. The students will be provided with a sausage sizzle lunch on this day. As we will be catering for nearly 550 students and teachers, 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.**

As lunch will be provided, please remember that children will only need to bring their snack and water bottle to school on Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>. **The canteen will be closed all day – 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.**

## **JMA EXCURSION TO SOVEREIGN HILL – Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

As part of our Inquiry Unit of work, 'Then and Now', JMA students will be attending an extended day excursion to Sovereign Hill on Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> May. The excursion will inform students of the history of Victoria as well as being a vital part of the Outdoor Education Program at St. Paul's. **Buses will leave at 9.00am and return to school by 5.00pm.**

Please refer to the excursion note for full details and return the completed permission slip to school as soon as possible.

## **SUNSHINE DISTRICT CROSS COUNTRY COMPETITION**

Last Friday 15 students from Year 3-6 competed in the Sunshine District Cross Country races at Sassella Park in Deer Park. In wet conditions, the children did very well. I wish to congratulate all the children for the way they competed and tried their best. Well done to Oscar Brooks [MVN], Isaac Uk [MVN], Sophia Gacad [MET], Jedidiah Araya [SAS], Riley Scott [SAK], Robbie Greto [SCC], Kylie Ngo [SRC], Elyana Asqedom [SAS], Cieanna Bugeja [SAK], Jack Meilak [SAK], Vinh Tran [SAK], Zane Saliba [SKL], Victoria Apostolikas [SHG], Elyse Nguyen [SRC], Rebecca Le [SCC] - we are all very proud of them.

Thanks to Mr Chris Bye for all his organisation and to Miss Heidi Gebbo and Mrs Kaylene Di Lorenzo for their assistance on the day. Mr Chris will provide more information next week about where the children finished and who will go on to the next level.

## **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 this Wednesday, 24<sup>th</sup> April, 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

## **MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST AND STALL**

There will be a **Mother's Day Breakfast on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May, commencing at 7.30am.** Please keep this day free. Please note that children attending the breakfast must come to school with a family member. Please return the tear off slip on the invitation sent home today indicating how many will be attending this special breakfast. **Please RSVP by Monday, April 29<sup>th</sup>.**

The **Mother's Day Stall will be held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> May.** The price of gifts will range from \$2 - \$10. If you are able to help with selling the gifts please indicate on the slip below and return to the school office.

**I am able to assist with the Mother's Day Stall on Thursday, 9<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

(Please tick the box if you can help).

**Tôi có thể giúp Gian hàng Mừng Ngày Của Mẹ vào thứ Năm (09/05)**

(Xin đánh vào ô vuông nếu quý vị có thể giúp).

You must have a current Working With Children Check Card to assist with the Mother's Day Stall.

Quý vị phải có Thẻ Làm Việc với Trẻ Em còn hiệu lực để có thể phụ giúp cho Gian hàng mừng Ngày của Mẹ.

Helper's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_

(Tên người giúp) (Điện thoại)



**It's Walk to School Day on the 10<sup>th</sup> May - we are encouraging students to walk to school if they can.**



# Baby News



Congratulations to the Girmay Family (Abanoub MEM) on the safe arrival of his twin baby sisters Hana and Sara on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> April 2024. We wish the Girmay Family much love and happiness.

## 2024 INDONESIAN DAY

Selamat Siang,

Recent Indonesian Day celebrations were held at St. Paul's and the event was a colourful display of Indonesian culture, filled with engaging activities and dance performances. The day kicked off with a dynamic dance workshop, where students had the opportunity to learn traditional Indonesian dance and gamelan musical instruments under the guidance of talented Indonesian teachers. Senior and Middle students were enchanted by the complex sounds of the gamelan ensemble, experiencing firsthand the unique harmony and complexity of this traditional Indonesian music.

Other grades experienced the art of mask-making and kite-making expressing their creativity through vibrant colours and intricate designs. Other senior groups had the chance to test their skills in Sepak Takraw, a thrilling Indonesian foot volleyball game that combines elements of soccer and volleyball.

One of the highlights of the day was the captivating dance story performance, where our talented students brought Indonesian folklore to life through graceful movements and expressive storytelling. We look forward to more opportunities to celebrate and explore the diverse cultures that enrich our community learning.



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## 2024 INDONESIAN LANGUAGE SPEAKING COMPETITION

We are excited to announce the upcoming Indonesian Speaking Competition first round, scheduled between May 15<sup>th</sup> - 30<sup>th</sup>. The Sayembara Lisan is an Indonesian Oral Language Speaking Competition run annually by VILTA (Victorian Indonesian Language Teachers' Association). This competition will provide an opportunity for all students to showcase their language skills. Registration details and competition guidelines will be announced soon at school. Stay tuned for more information!

Terima kasih - Bu Santi

Outside School Hours Care  
**Newsletter**  
22/04/2024  
St. Pauls Primary School West Sunshine

**Camp Australia**  
Building Leaders. Growing Dreamers.

Your OSHC. **ROCKETEERS**

**ANZAC Day**  
in After School Care  
22-26 April  
[Book now](#)

Dear Families  
The children will be making Poppies for ANZAC day, Lest WE Forget Angel, colouring sheets and painting.  
We will also be tending to our Garden, weeding and planting seedlings.

Regards  
Kylie, Irije  
Alice and Alannah

Activities coming up  
Gardening  
Painting  
Soccer

Make a booking  
Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with your OSHC and Rocketeers.  
[Book now](#)

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 [pa.campaustralia.com.au](http://pa.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](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)

Join us for our upcoming **Open Day 2024**  
Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May, 2024  
11.00am - 2.00pm  
204 Churchill Avenue

**CAROLINE CHISHOLM**  
Catholic College

**Parent Information Night**

Caroline Chisholm Catholic College will be holding a Parent Information Night for families interested in joining our school community.

Year 8-10 our Acting Principal, Mrs Laura Rudolph, as she unpicks who we are, what we offer, and what our plans for the future are.

Information about enrolments for Year 7 2025 will also be available.

We have two information sessions available to choose from -

**Session 1:** Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024 4.30pm - 5.30pm  
Gates open at 4.15pm

**Session 2:** Tuesday, 4<sup>th</sup> June 2024 7.00pm - 8.00pm  
Gates open at 6.45pm

**Location:** Our Auditorium, Corner of Denkey Street & Churchill Avenue, Braybrook. Enter via Gate 3.

**RSVP:** Please RSVP by Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> May 2024, by scanning the QR code.

For any questions regarding the events please contact [registrar@ccc-vc.edu.au](mailto:registrar@ccc-vc.edu.au) or call us on 0298 5311.

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.

