

## TERM 3 WEEK 1: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> July, 2024

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon 15 <sup>th</sup> – Wed 17 <sup>th</sup> July:	SMA Camp – Lady Northcote Camp, Bacchus Marsh
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> July:	School Assembly JTH – 2.30pm
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> July:	Final Round of the Indonesian Speaking Competition – <b>please note the correct date</b>
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> July:	PRB and PMK's Excursion to ACMI
Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> August:	PFT's Excursion to ACMI
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> August:	Class Mass – All SMA Classes – 10.00am, School Assembly SHG – 2.30pm
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> August:	St Mary MacKillop/Grandparents Mass (9.15am), Open Classrooms and Morning Tea
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> August:	100 Days of Prep Celebrations, School Assembly JEF – 2.30pm
August 15 <sup>th</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> :	School Closure Days – No School for Students
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> August:	<b>Year 7 2026 Catholic Secondary School Applications Close</b>
August 20 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> :	MAK & MVN Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury
August 21 <sup>st</sup> – 22 <sup>nd</sup> :	MGR & MAM Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury
August 22 <sup>nd</sup> – 23 <sup>rd</sup> :	MEM & MET Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> August:	Class Reconciliations – SHG, SRC, SKL – 10.00am, School Assembly SAS – 2.30pm
Thursday 29 <sup>th</sup> August:	Father's Day Breakfast – More information to follow
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> August:	Father's Day Stall, School Assembly JKL – 2.30pm
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> September:	Class Reconciliations – SCC, SAK, SAS – 10.00am, School Assembly MET – 2.30pm
Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> September:	Art Show (More information to follow)

Dear Parents/Carers,

On Friday I attended the funeral of Mr Paul Hogan – he was a past principal and educator in Catholic schools for over 35 years. He was working part time at St Anne's, Sunbury as well as Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools. He died on June 28<sup>th</sup> after a tragic accident while working at St Margaret Mary's Spotswood. I ask you to keep Paul, his wife Rosie and their family, MACS staff and all in the St Margaret Mary's and St Anne's school communities in your thoughts and prayers at this sad time.

A big welcome back to Term 3. As usual, there is a great deal happening this term. Our SMA students left for Lady Northcote Camp this morning - they will return to school at 2.30pm on Wednesday afternoon. Please remember there is no school for SMA students on Thursday this week, unless you have indicated your child will be attending school. Our MMA students have their camps in five weeks at Camp Doxa in Malmsbury. We have a very special Mass on August 8<sup>th</sup> – the Feast of St. Mary of the Cross MacKillop and our Grandparents' Mass – we look forward to inviting our grandparents to our school after Mass to visit the classrooms and stay for morning tea. We have our Art Show on September 12<sup>th</sup> – and our Father's Day Breakfast on August 29<sup>th</sup> and the stall on August 30<sup>th</sup>. More information relating to these special events will follow.

Miss Sarah Mercieca will be commencing leave this Friday and will return to school on Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> September – we wish her all the best on her overseas trip. Mr Luke Nulty and Mr Vaughn Steward began working at St Paul's today – I know they will be warmly welcomed by all in our community.

There is no school for children on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> and Friday 16<sup>th</sup> August as all staff will be working on Understanding Scripture in the New Testament as well as renewing their First Aid Level 1 qualifications.

I would like to thank you all for keeping me in your thoughts and prayers recently. I am back to good health after a bit of a scare.

Have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento  
Principal

## **SS PETER AND PAUL FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS**

During the last week of Term II, we celebrated the feast day of Ss Peter and Paul. The students from St. Peter's and St. Paul's joined together to celebrate this special occasion. It was great to have both schools present at this Mass. Thanks to Father Joseph for celebrating Mass with us. Thanks to Miss Peplow for organising the Mass and to Ms Cathy for all her organization of this special day. Thanks to Mr Chris, Mr Adam, Mr Turner and Mr Daniel for cooking the sausages and to the following people for their help with the sausage sizzle – Michael Roumen, Vanessa Rizk, Matt Caruana, Anna Le and Marlene Haber. Apologies if we have not acknowledged anyone who assisted on the day.

## **LIBRARY NEWS**

Congratulations to the winners of the free book raffle @ the end of term 2! Because there were only 5 children who read about the raffle in the newsletter, I decided they could all win a free book!

Congratulations again to Rebecca Le, Teresa Kam and Sophia, Giulietta and Antonino Matina, I hope you enjoyed your books over the break. Look out for future raffles and good luck all.

Ms Michele

## **TERM TWO LEARNING WALK**

Thank you to all those who attended the Learning Walk in the last week of Term 2. It was great to see so many in our community visit their child's class to see the wonderful work they had completed. No doubt you would have been very proud of your child's achievement. Thanks to Miss Janelle Micallef for organising this event and to all the staff for supporting the Learning Walk.

## **PREP EXCURSION TO ACMI**

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 excursion note to be sent home with your child tomorrow for the full details. Please complete and return the permission slip as soon as possible. Thank you very much for your kind support.

## **SPORTS NEWS**

Congratulations go to Kylie Ngo who competed in the Western Region Cross Country Championships at Brimbank Park late last term. She managed to slice over two minutes off her personal best. Great effort Kylie!

## **MMA CAMP**

A kind reminder that if you haven't returned the Grades 3&4 camp notes for your child, please do it immediately so that your child can attend Camp Doxa, Malmsbury in August. Please refer to the camp notes sent home last term. Please see below the dates when the Middles classes go on camp:

- **20/08/2024 – 21/08/2024: MAK & MVN**
- **21/08/2024 – 22/08/2024: MGR & MAM**
- **22/08/2024 – 23/08/2024: MEM & MET**

## **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

## **CHILD SAFETY AROUND ST PAUL'S**

A reminder to all families to use the school crossing or the pedestrian lights when crossing Links Street and Glengala Road. This will ensure all in the community are safe. Please make sure **you drive as far forward as possible in the drop off zone** before stopping for your children to get out of the car. When leaving the drop off zone in the morning, please turn left out of the school driveway as Links Street is a one way street in the morning and afternoon. I also ask families not to leave their cars unattended in the drop off zone in the morning. This causes congestion. If you wish to visit the school office before 8.45am you must park in Links Street and walk to school. It is unsafe to park in the visitor parking bays and cross the drop off zone without using the crossing that is supervised by staff. A reminder that no child should be left unattended in a car. Please follow all road regulations to ensure the streets around St Paul's remain safe for all.



## 2024 POSTER COMPETITION - LOMBA POSTER

The VILTA Poster Competition is being held again in 2024 to commemorate Hari Kemerdekaan Republik Indonesia ke-79 and will be open to students in Prep-Year 8.

**Who can participate:** Students in Prep-Year 8 (individual submissions only) - one student one poster

**Theme:** Indonesia's Natural Beauty

**Poster requirements:** A4 or A3 size, non-digital, any materials (paint, crayons, markers, collage, etc.)

**Judging criteria:** Relevance to the theme, creativity and originality, overall presentation and neatness

**Submissions close:** 2nd August (submission form link will be sent out in July newsletter)

**Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place in each year level**

**Prizes:** \$50 voucher (1st), \$40 voucher (2nd), \$30 voucher (3rd)

**Winners announced:** 12th August

Posters may be published on the VILTA website, social media and publications.

Good luck and have fun creating your posters!

Coordinators: Ibu Liz Formby & Ibu Santi Sheny

Submission form link will be sent out in July newsletter



Some of the winning entries from the 2023 Lomba Poster

## SUNSHINE HEIGHTS FOOTBALL CLUB NIGHT MATCH

Attention families,

The Sunshine Heights Football Club Under 12's team will be playing under the Friday night lights on 19/07/2024 against the Wyndham Suns. We invite all local families to come down to Ainsworth Reserve (2 Vernon Crescent Sunshine West) to support our little dragons.

The Auskick program starts at 5:30pm, with the night match kicking off at 6:30pm.

A sausage sizzle will be available for purchase.

It would be great to see many of the St Paul's families and teachers join us and cheer on several of the grade 4, 5 and 6 students who will be playing.



## Book a Tour

Before enrolments close  
for Year 7, 2026 on

16th August, 2024



Book a tour by  
scanning the QR code  
or visiting [cccvic.edu.au](http://cccvic.edu.au)



Program spotlight

Your OSHC.

## 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:

15/7/2024 - 19/7/2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>Quiet Reading</b> Leta relax with a good book. Reading and storytelling with babies and children promotes brain development and imagination.</p>	<p><b>Cleaning and upcycling</b> Collect rubbish from the school yard and create an object with a group.</p>	<p><b>Football Skills Comp.</b> Children engaging in a football kicking competition - distance, skills, height competitions.</p>	<p><b>Writing songs</b> Writing and singing own song or a song of their choice.</p>	<p><b>Threads and beads</b> Holding and stringing the beads will strengthen your child's hand muscles, finger strength, and overall fine motor skills.</p>
<p><b>World Food word search</b> This task children can complete independently. It's also a chance for them to think about and reflect on world food day.</p>	<p><b>Colours As Cultural Symbols</b> This craft teaches children what the colours of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander flags mean.</p>	<p><b>Food for Thought</b> For children to make a connection between healthy and unhealthy snacks.</p>	<p><b>Favourite food activities</b> This is a few activities all ages can do, drawing or crafting their favourite foods to show off!</p>	<p><b>Don't Touch the Colours</b> Using critical thinking the children draw with 3 colours and don't let them touch.</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.

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

by Camp Australia

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.

