

TERM 4

WEEK 6: Monday 11th November, 2024

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 13th November: 2025 Prep Orientation – 9.15am

Friday 15th November: Plain Clothes Day – Donations given for Christmas Raffle Hampers
Class Mass – MEM, MVN and MAK – 10.00am, School Assembly PMK – 2.30pm

Friday 22nd November: School Assembly PFT – 2.30pm

Wednesday 27th November: Carols Night 5.00pm – 7.00pm (including Prep Level presenting Week 1 of Advent)

December 2nd – 13th: Prep – 4 Swimming (No swimming December 6th and 9th).

Tuesday 3rd December: Second Hand Uniform Stall – 2.45pm – 3.15pm

Thursday 5th December: School Assembly - SMA – Advent II – 2.30pm

Friday 6th December: School Closure Day – Planning for 2025

Monday 9th December: 2025 Year 1 – 6 Orientation-Student Reports Sent Home- School Assembly - JMA Advent III – 2.30pm

Tuesday 10th December: Year 6 Graduation Mass St Paul's Church 6.30pm - students to wear full school uniform.

Wednesday 11th December: Year 6 Big Day Out – More information to follow

Monday 16th December: End of Year Mass 9.15am, St. Paul's Church - Thank You Morning Tea at St. Paul's School
School Assembly - MMA – Advent IV – 2.30pm

Tuesday 17th December: School Concludes for 2024 at 1.00pm – Children can wear plain clothes.

Dear Parents/Carers,

In some fantastic news, we are excited to announce that our school production for 2025 will be Shrek Jnr. The 2024 Year 4 and 5 students were very excited when they heard the good news recently. The dates for the production in 2025 will be September 16, 17 and 18.

I wish to thank all the Senior Staff and Students for their organisation of the Mission Day Fete that was held last Friday. It was an outstanding success – \$3834.70 was raised. This money will be going to the St Vincent De Paul Society and St Mary's House of Welcome and will be used to assist those who are struggling in our community. Thanks to those families and friends who joined us at the Mass to begin our Mission Day celebrations as well as the fete.

Thank you to those families who have settled their accounts for 2024. If you have not done so, could you please ensure that all accounts are paid as soon as possible. Please see me if you have any concerns about settling your account.

I hope you have all put November 27th in your diary as this is the day that we will be holding our Christmas Carols. They will commence at approximately 5.00pm. More information will be sent home shortly.

Today we celebrated Remembrance Day. On the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour we pause to remember the loved ones we have lost in war. We remember with sorrow those that have died. We remember with gratitude their courage and great sacrifice. We remember those left behind who endured the loss of loved ones. We pray to God for peace throughout the world.

On the second page of the newsletter, there is a note to be returned to school advising us if your children will not be returning to St. Paul's in 2025. Please return it to school promptly if your children are not returning next year.

There will be no school for children on Friday, December 6th as staff will be preparing for 2025.

I hope you have a good week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento

Principal

CHOIR CANCELLATION FOR WEEK 8

Please be advised that there will be **no Choir for Wednesday, 27th November (Week 8)** due to Carols Night. Please make sure you pick up your child, who is a choir member, promptly at 3pm on the day. Thank you very much for your kind support.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025

The following dates are very important for **ALL** students who will be attending secondary school in 2027 – our current Year 4 students. If applications for Catholic Secondary School are not in by Friday 15th August, 2025 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

15th August 2025: Applications close for 2027 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 4 Students

17th October 2025: Offers posted to prospective 2027 Year 7 applicants

7th November 2025: Final date for families to accept offers made by the Secondary School

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Thanks to those families who have already returned their raffle tickets and money. Tickets are \$1.00 each and there will be ten tickets in each booklet. You are encouraged to sell a complete book of tickets.

There will be a plain clothes day this Friday, 15th November. The children can wear plain clothes if they bring items from home to donate for the raffle. These donations will then be put into hampers. Some items that could be brought to school in return for wearing plain clothes could be: new toys, gifts, non-perishable foods, napkins, bon bons, wrapping paper, mince pies, Christmas cakes, coloured popcorn or anything else that would be suitable for hampers for our Christmas Raffle. Each classroom will have a box to collect the donations. If every family donated one item we would have a great collection. This year we will be donating approximately 10 - 15 of the hampers to the St Vincent De Paul Society. I am sure your donations will give great joy to families who will be struggling this Christmas. Please support us by donating goods to the raffle and buying tickets. The raffle will be drawn at the Carols on November 27th. All tickets and money should be returned to school by November 25th.



SWIMMING PROGRAM FOR PREPS, JUNIORS AND MIDDLES

The Prep, JMA and MMA students will attend an 8-day intensive swim program. It will commence on Monday, December 2nd, and conclude on Friday, December 13th. Please note that there will be **no swimming lessons on December 6th (School Closure Day) and December 9th (Orientation Day)**. Each lesson is 40 minutes and is run by trained Staff at the Sunshine Leisure Centre.

Please complete the permission note already sent home and return it to school by Friday, November 22nd. Thank you very much for your kind support.

SCHOOL SAVING BONUS INFORMATION FOR PARENTS/CARERS

Catholic school students receiving the means-tested Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF) are eligible for the Victorian Government's \$400 School Saving Bonus (SSB). Please note that

- Payments will be made directly to the school in November 2024 for eligible students expected to remain at that school in 2025. The government will email the families directly with further information in November 2024.
- There is no separate application process for eligible Catholic school students to receive the SSB.
- Additional payments will be made to schools next year for eligible students new to those schools in 2025, after schools submit the required information to the government.
- SSB payments are to be managed in consultation with the eligible student's family.

For more information please visit our Audiri App.

ARE YOU LEAVING ST. PAUL'S AT THE END OF 2024?

We have a waiting list for 2025 and need to know if your family is changing schools.

Trường đang có danh sách học sinh chờ cho niên học 2025 nên cần biết gia đình quý vị có chuyển trường cho con quý vị không.

PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE OFFICE IF YOU ARE NOT COMING BACK IN 2025.

Xin vui lòng nộp lại phần giấy này nếu con quý vị không học ở Trường St. Paul trong niên học 2025.

There is no need for any Grade 6 students to respond to this notice as we know that you will be at secondary school next year.

Học sinh Lớp 6 không cần phải điền vào phần này vì Trường đã biết học sinh sẽ lên học trường trung học vào năm sau.

Please print

My child(ren) will not be returning to St Paul's School next year.

Con/các con tôi sẽ không học ở Trường St. Paul vào năm sau.

SCHOOL ATTENDING IN 2025.....

Tên Trường sẽ học vào năm 2025

Child's name _____	Class (this year) _____
<i>Tên học sinh</i> _____	<i>Tên Lớp (niên học này)</i> _____
Child's name _____	Class (this year) _____
<i>Tên học sinh</i> _____	<i>Tên Lớp (niên học này)</i> _____
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HAYFEVER SUFFERERS

If your child has hayfever, please make sure the required medication is taken before they come to school. Should your child need to take any medication during school hours, please make sure you have completed the medication form and handed it in with the medication to the office. All medications are kept in the sickbay and your child will be called to the office to take the medication when required.



Lions Christmas Cakes



Large (1.5kg) - \$20.00

Small (1Kg) - \$16.00



Assisting projects of the

Lions Club of Sunshine

Please come to the School Office to place your orders with your cash payment.

We once again acknowledge and thank the Lions Club of Sunshine for their contribution to our graduation ceremony. Each year the Club makes a generous donation to be used for presentations to our outgoing Year 6 students.

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 the Audiri App:** Open Audiri app, click on **"Forms"** at the bottom, then **"Absentee Form"** and then fill in the form.
- 3. Email:** Send an email to 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.



Guiding children's growth

Newsletter

Camp Australia St. Paul's Primary School November Newsletter



Dear Parents and Families,

Please book your child/ren in as soon as possible.

This will guarantee a spot in our sessions. Often, if you book on the day, you may be rejected due to our compliance needs of staffing and ratio.

The Camp Australia Big Art Competition is happening from the 18th of October to 15th November 2024.

www.campaustalia.com.au/bigartcomp

The children celebrated Halloween, painting Halloween pumpkins and ghost crafts.

The children made bliss balls for our cooking experience, learning to follow recipe instructions and turn taking.

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 0401 362 738. 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 are now independently transitioning to After School Care so they will be ready for Term 1 in 2025.

We hope to see you soon!

Kind Regards Kylie, Irije & Alannah & Alice

The children have been doing beads, Bookmarks, drawing, Canvas art



Exciting
November
Activities

Canvas, Painting,
outdoor games,
Pancakes



Phone: (03) 9046 8200 <https://doxa.org.au/> Email: info@doxa.org.au

Please refer to our Audiri App for the 2025 Application Form.

To register and book, visit www.campaustalia.com.au

Your
OSHC.

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.

