

## TERM 4

## WEEK 7: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2024

### DATES TO REMEMBER

<b>Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> November:</b>	<b>School Assembly PFT – 9.00am – Please note new time</b>
<b>Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November:</b>	<b>Carols Night 5.00pm – 7.00pm (Including Preps presenting Week 1 of Advent)</b>
<b>December 2<sup>nd</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>:</b>	<b>Prep – 4 Swimming (No swimming December 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>).</b>
<b>Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December:</b>	<b>Year 6's Transition Day at St Paul's – joined by St Peter's and St Bernadette's</b>
<b>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December:</b>	<b>Second Hand Uniform Stall – 2.45pm – 3.15pm</b>
<b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December:</b>	<b>Last day of Canteen for 2024, School Assembly - SMA – Advent II – 2.30pm</b>
<b>Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December:</b>	<b>School Closure Day – Planning for 2025</b>
<b>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December:</b>	<b>2025 Year 1 – 6 Orientation-Student Reports Sent Home School Assembly - JMA Advent III – 2.30pm</b>
<b>Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December:</b>	<b>Year 6 Graduation Mass St Paul's Church 6.30pm Students to wear full school uniform.</b>
<b>Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> December:</b>	<b>Year 6 Big Day Out – More information to follow</b>
<b>Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December:</b>	<b>End of Year Mass 9.15am, St. Paul's Church Thank You Morning Tea at St. Paul's School following Mass School Assembly - MMA – Advent IV – 2.30pm</b>
<b>Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December:</b>	<b>School Concludes for 2024 at 1.00pm – Children can wear plain clothes.</b>

Dear Parents/Carers,

I ask you to keep in your prayers Mrs Kylie Ponce Rios as her father passed away last week. We extend our deepest condolences to Kylie and her family at this sad time.

Our Christmas Carols will be held next Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> November, commencing at approximately 5.00pm. We hope you can join us as we celebrate Christmas as a school community. Please enter the school via the pedestrian gate on Glengala Road which will be open just before 5.00pm.

Marian College has advised that they need to use the gym this Friday, 22<sup>nd</sup> November, after 11.00am. As a result, PFT will hold their assembly at 9.00am in the gym. We apologise for any inconvenience.

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.

The Year Six Graduation Mass will be held on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> December, at St. Paul's Church commencing at 6.30pm. This is a celebration of all that our Year Six students have achieved in their time at St. Paul's. Please join us in our celebration. All Year Six students are to be wearing their full summer school uniform.

We will be celebrating our End of Year Mass on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> December, at 9.15am at St. Paul's Church. Family and friends are very welcome to attend. After Mass there will be a morning tea to thank all those who have volunteered at St. Paul's this year.

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

The 2024 school year concludes on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 1.00pm. The children are able to wear plain clothes to school. After School Care will operate from 1.00pm until 6.00pm on this day.

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 on Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> November (Week 8)** due to the 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 15<sup>th</sup> August, 2025 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

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

**17<sup>th</sup> October 2025:** Offers posted to prospective 2027 Year 7 applicants

**7<sup>th</sup> November 2025:** Final date for families to accept offers made by the Secondary School

## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Thank you to those families who have returned their raffle tickets and money to school. Thanks also for the wonderful donations for our hampers for the raffle and for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The raffle will be drawn at the Carols Night on November 27<sup>th</sup>. All tickets and money should be returned to school by November 25<sup>th</sup>.



## 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 2<sup>nd</sup>, and conclude on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. Please note that there will be **no swimming lessons on December 6<sup>th</sup> (School Closure Day) and December 9<sup>th</sup> (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 this Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>. Thank you very much for your kind support.

## SMA UPCOMING EXCURSION – This Friday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>

SMA will be attending an excursion to Altona Beach as part of our Outdoor Education Program. The aim of this excursion is to familiarise the students with important water safety skills and knowledge to help them stay safe in and around water. They will be travelling by bus.

SMA students are required to wear sports uniform. They will need to bring their own bag or backpack clearly marked with their name that they can carry with them throughout the day. They will need to pack appropriate swimwear (to be worn under school uniform), underwear, rashies, a hat, sunscreen, a drink bottle with water and wear closed toe shoes for the duration of the program.

Please note that students are unable to buy food or drinks from the excursion venue and parents are unable to purchase items for their child from the venue. **Students will eat their lunch before or after the excursion depending on the time they are leaving, no canteen lunch orders on the day please.**

	Departure Time	Return Time
Group 1 - SRC, SHG, SKL	9:15am	12:25pm
Group 2 - SAK, SAS, SCC	11:30am	3:00-3:10pm

## CANTEEN NEWS

**The last day the canteen will be open for 2024 is Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.** We thank Marlene Haber, Jacqui Batty and all the volunteers for their work in the canteen this year.

## ST. PAUL'S SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL

Please note that the next date for the selling from the St. Paul's Second Hand Uniform Stall is **Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> from 2.45pm to 3.15pm.** The cost of all items of clothing is \$5.00. Families are encouraged to make donations of school uniforms to the second hand uniform stall. Please wash any donations before taking them to the school office. Please make sure they are in good condition ie not damaged or faded logos.

Thanks to Effie Ross for co-ordinating the stall.

## SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2025

The dates for the celebration of the Sacraments and the Family nights in 2025 are:

**Sacrament of Penance Family Night (Year 3)**

Thursday, February 13<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm – St. Paul's School

**Sacrament of Penance (Year 3)**

Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm – St. Paul's Church

**Sacrament of Eucharist Family Night (Year 3)**

Thursday, March 27<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm - St. Paul's School

**Sacrament of Eucharist (Year 3)**

Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6.30pm – St. Paul's Church

**Sacrament of Confirmation Family Night (Year 5 and 6)**

Thursday, May 8<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm - St. Paul's School

**Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 5 and 6)**

Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6.30pm – St. Paul's Church

## 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



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### 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.

- 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.
- Via the Audiri App:** Open Audiri app, click on "Forms" at the bottom, then "Absentee Form" and then fill in the form.
- 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.
- 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.

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:

18/11/2024 - 22/11/2024

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<p><b>Creative Think.</b>   11</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>Creative Think.</b>   12</p> <p><b>BK Germ Blow Painting</b> This art project is so much fun for kids because they're making the germ art by painting with straw!</p>	<p><b>Adaptability</b>   14</p> <p><b>Team Soccer</b> Okay, get ready to be the best soccer player. With these tips you can become a great soccer player and win lots of games!</p>	<p><b>Empathy</b>   22</p> <p><b>Emoji emotions drawing</b> This activity helps children's thoughts and emotions contribute to the growth of a deep awareness of well-being.</p>	<p><b>Creative Think.</b>   11</p> <p><b>Sidewalk Chalk Drawing</b> Sidewalk chalk drawing is a fun activity for all ages, all that's needed is chalk, a path, hose to wash away when finished.</p>
<p><b>Cooperation</b>   3.3</p> <p><b>Running Relay Race</b> Compete as a team in an OSHC relay race. Pass the baton and race around the oval track.</p>	<p><b>Cooperation</b>   11</p> <p><b>Games Tournament</b> Grab some friends, make a team and challenge each other to a board game tournament.</p>	<p><b>Cooperation</b>   3.3</p> <p><b>30 Years Birthday Cake</b> Bake a delicious birthday cake to celebrate 30 Years of Camp Australia!</p>	<p><b>Communication</b>   4.4</p> <p><b>Go Fish</b> Go Fish card game</p>	<p><b>Creative Think.</b>   2.4</p> <p><b>Watercolour Nature Print</b></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.

Visit our blog

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6TH DECEMBER 6 - 8PM

GRADES 4 - 6 | \$10 ENTRY

St Albans Community Centre  
33 Princess Street, St Albans

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Hot food and lollies available to purchase!

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Contact: [matthew.mudie@police.vic.gov.au](mailto:matthew.mudie@police.vic.gov.au)

× NO Roller Skate Converting Shoes or Heels allowed



Tickets must be purchased via Trybookings

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.

