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TERM 2	WEEK 3: Monday 5 <sup>th</sup> May, 2025	
DATES TO REMEMBER		
Tuesday 6th May:	Mother's Day Breakfast 7.30am	
Thursday 8 <sup>th</sup> May:	Sacrament of Confirmation Family Night – 6.30pm, St Paul's School	
Friday 9th May:	Mother's Day Stall, Assembly – MLD 2.30pm	
	Applications for Year 7 in Government Secondary Schools due to St Paul's Office	
Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> May:	2026 Prep Information Session – St Paul's School, 1:30pm	
Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> May:	Class Reconciliation - MAR, MGR and MVN 10.00am, School Assembly – SCC – 2.30pm	
Tuesday 20th May:	School Closure Day – Professional Practice Day for Staff – no school for students	
Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May:	Sacrament of Confirmation 6.30pm St Paul's Church	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May:	First Round of the Indonesian Speaking Competition	
Friday 23 <sup>rd</sup> May:	School Assembly JRB – 2.30pm	
Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> May:	National Reconciliation Week Celebrations, School Assembly – SHG – 2.30pm	
Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> June:	School Assembly – JCL – 2.30pm	
Monday 9 <sup>th</sup> June:	King's Birthday Public Holiday – No school for students	
Friday 13 <sup>th</sup> June:	School Assembly – MEM – 2.30pm	
Thursday 19 <sup>th</sup> June:	Learning Conversations – Online on Google Meet 1.30pm – 7.00pm-School Finishes at 1.00pm	
Friday 20 <sup>th</sup> June:	Class Mass – MEM, MAM and MLD, School Assembly – MAR – 2.30pm	
Monday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June:	International Day of Families – More information to follow	
Wednesday 25 <sup>th</sup> June:	2026 Prep Information Session – St Paul's School, 1:30pm	
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> June:	Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass – 10.00am at St Paul's Church	
Thursday 3rd July:	Feast day of St Peter and St Paul Mass and Activities (More information to follow)	
Friday 4 <sup>th</sup> July:	End of Term II – 1.00pm. Children can wear plain clothes.	

Dear Parents/Carers,

We welcome back Miss Rachael Barr after her leave – we thank Miss Stephanie Rixon for taking JRB during Rachael's absence.

From 7.30am tomorrow morning, we welcome our mums, grand mums, aunties, carers and other special women to our shared pancake breakfast celebrating Mother's Day. *Please note that you will be unable to attend if you have not RSVP'd as we have already placed the order for the pancakes.* Thanks to Mrs Annamaria Schembri for all she has done to organise the Mother's Day Breakfast. On Friday 9<sup>th</sup> May, children are able to purchase a gift for a special woman in their life from the Mother's Day Stall. If you are able to help in the stall, please return the tear off slip from the newsletter by tomorrow.

Congratulations to our children who received the Sacrament of Eucharist last Friday evening. The children participated reverently in the celebration. Many thanks to Miss Lisa Peplow, Miss Ellen McKitterick, Miss Amanda Mach and Mrs Linda Della-Vedova, for the way they prepared the children. Thanks also to the school choir for singing so well – they sounded beautiful. Thanks to Mrs Michele Micallef and Ms Lynette Grixti for leading the choir. Thanks the St. Paul's staff for their assistance prior to and on the day. Thanks to Father Rene for leading us in a very beautiful liturgy. We hope all the children will remember this special day and that they will attend Mass with their family and receive the Eucharist many more times.

The children's reports will be sent home on Monday 16<sup>th</sup> June. Learning Conversations (Parent Teacher Interviews) will be held on Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> June between 1.30pm and 7.00pm. Children will be dismissed at 1.00pm to allow conversations to begin at 1.30pm. **Please note the interviews will be held online via Google Meet.** More information will be sent home next week.

All children should be wearing their winter school uniform by **May 1**<sup>st</sup>. Students can choose to wear Winter or Summer uniform depending on the weather. We allow some flexibility with this over the next couple of weeks. Hats are only compulsory from September to April.

There will be no school on Tuesday, May 20th as all staff will be participating in Professional Practice activities.

Have a great week. Yours sincerely, Damian Casamento PRINCIPAL

## 2026 PREP ENROLMENTS – ONLINE APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

Enrolments for Prep 2026 are now open. This year, there is a change to the way we will accept enrolments. All enrolments must be completed online – you need to go to our website - <u>www.spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au</u>, click on 'Enrolment Information' and then 'Apply Now'. There will be several information sessions for 2026 Prep Parents/Carers. The next session will be held on Thursday, 15<sup>th</sup> May at 1:30pm. Anyone wishing to attend any information sessions also needs to book online. Again, go to our website, click on 'Enrolment Information' and 'Book a Tour'. All this information will be provided in a separate letter – there will also be QR Codes for you to click on to book school tours and complete an enrolment form. Please contact the office on 9363 1568 if you have any questions or need any help.

## FREE SOFTBALL PROGRAM

Students in Grade 4, 5 and 6 are being given the chance to take part in a free Softball program running from 3.00-4.00 at St Paul's Primary School on the D.C.G. **The program commences on Wednesday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**, and continues for the following three Wednesdays.

This is a fantastic chance for your child to:

• Develop their softball skills.

- Connect with other children.
- Demonstrate teamwork and sportsmanship.
- Participate in a fun and supportive environment. Being healthy, active and positive

The program is free and all equipment is provided but **you must register at the following link** <u>https://www.softballvic.org.au/events/292975</u>. For any further information please contact Mr Chris.

### APPLICATION FOR YEAR 7 PLACEMENT 2026 FORM (GOVERNMENT SCHOOL)

Last term, our Year 6 students who will *not* be attending a Catholic/Private secondary school in 2026 received an *Application for Year 7 Placement 2026 Form*.

To assist with this process, an information pack has been emailed to all families.

Please note, the cut-off date for completing your child's application form is this Friday, 09/05/2025 – these need to be returned to St Paul's Office by this date as they are submitted to the secondary school of your choice by St Paul's.

#### MOTHER'S DAY STALL

The **Mother's Day Stall will be held this Friday 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.

am able to assist with the Mother's Day Stall on Friday, 9th May 2025

(Please tick the box if you can help)  $\Box$ 

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

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

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(Tên người giúp)(Điện thoại)

INFORMATION SESSION FOR PREP FAMILIES – Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> May Please join us for an information session about Reading and Maths so that you can support your children at home with their learning. Date: Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> May Time: 9am or 2pm Where: St Paul's School (Please note both sessions will cover the same content.)

# **IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025**

The following dates are very important for <u>ALL</u> students who will be attending secondary school in 2027 – our current Year 5 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 5 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

# 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 \$154. 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. It is important that you submit this CSEF form to be assessed for the school bonus of \$400 per child at Catholic schools. Therefore, please submit the CSEF form ASAP.

### TEETH ON WHEELS' VISIT TO ST PAUL'S

Teeth on Wheels will be visiting St. Paul's Primary School, commencing **17/06/2025.** Please scan the QR code on the brochure below to complete your child's consent form by no later than **11/06/2025**.

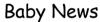
The Teeth on Wheels team will then be in contact to confirm and schedule your child's appointment.





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

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SAS Afomiya Tefera SCC Michael Boilu	SKL	Ariela Jackson
SCC Michael Boilu	SRC	Lucas Dang
	SAS	Afomiya Tefera
SHG Jordan Andemariam	SCC	Michael Boilu
	SHG	Jordan Andemariam





Congratulations to the Kayembe Family (Joy SKL, Esther MGR, Abram JEF & Keren JCL) on the safe arrival of their baby brother Adam on Saturday, 26<sup>th</sup> April 2025. We wish the Kayembe Family much love and happiness.





Vanesa Josevski, mother of Maxi (JTH), has recently published her first children's picture book called 'Max and Baby!' It is a warm and heartfelt story inspired by her own children, celebrating the magic of sibling love and early family life. The book is now available for purchase through Vanesa's website, <u>www.vanesajosevki.com.au</u> and via her Instagram account, @josevskivanesa.author

For easier access, please feel free to use the attached QR code that links directly to the website, where families can learn more about the book or purchase a copy.

**Reading Buddies** 



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For ages: 6-12 years **Duration: 1 hour** Help develop your children's reading skills and confidence with our friendly Reading Buddies program. Come to the library and practise in a 15-minute weekly reading session with one of our friendly library staff. Deer Park Library – Thursdays, 4pm – 5pm St. Albans Library - Tuesdays, 3.30pm – 4.30pm Sunshine Library - Wednesdays, pm – 5pm

🔒 brimbanklibraries.vic.gov.au

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.

