

TERM 2

WEEK 6: Monday 26th May, 2025

DATES TO REMEMBER

Thursday 29 th May:	MMA Visit Polly Woodside, South Wharf, Melbourne
Friday 30 th May:	National Reconciliation Week Celebrations - Preps & 1/2s to wear Yellow , 3/4s Red and 5/6s Black School Assembly – SHG – 2.30pm
Wednesday 4 th June:	Second Hand Uniform Stall, 8.30am – 9am and 3pm – 3.30pm
Friday 6 th June:	School Assembly – JCL – 2.30pm
Monday 9 th June:	King's Birthday Public Holiday – No school for students
Friday 13 th June:	School Assembly – MEM – 2.30pm
Thursday 19 th June:	Learning Conversations – Online on Google Meet 1.30pm – 7.00pm - School Finishes at 1.00pm
Friday 20 th June:	Class Mass – MEM, MAM and MLD, School Assembly – SCC – 2.30pm
Monday 23 rd June:	International Day of Families – More information to follow
Wednesday 25 th June:	2026 Prep Information Session – St Paul's School, 1:30pm
Friday 27 th June:	Feast of the Sacred Heart Mass – 10.00am at St Paul's Church, School Assembly SAS – 2.30pm
Tuesday 1 st July:	Learning Walk – 2.30pm – 3.30pm
Thursday 3 rd July:	Feast day of St Peter and St Paul Mass and Activities (More information to follow)
Friday 4 th July:	End of Term II – 1.00pm. Children can wear plain clothes.
Monday 21 st July:	Beginning of Term III 8.40am
21 st – 23 rd July:	SMA Camp 1 (SAS, SCC, SHG)
23 rd – 25 th July:	SMA Camp 2 (SAK, SKL, SRC)
28 th – 29 th July:	MMA Camp - CYC the Island Camp – Phillip Island
September 11, 15, 16 and 17	New dates for Production – more information to follow.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Congratulations to Mrs Bec Gernon and her husband James as they are expecting their first child in October. We wish them all the best for the future and look forward to meeting their new arrival later in the year.

National Sorry Day is celebrated on May 26th and National Reconciliation Week is celebrated from May 27th until 3rd June each year. We are celebrating National Reconciliation Week this Friday, 30th May. National Sorry Day is a day to acknowledge the strength of Stolen Generations Survivors and reflect on how Australians can all play a part in the healing process for the people and nation. National Reconciliation Week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia. The theme for National Reconciliation Week 2025, *Bridging Now to Next*, calls on all Australians to step forward together, to look ahead and continue the push forward as past lessons guide us. For the work of generations past and the benefit of generations future, let's choose to create a more just, equitable and reconciled country for all.

The children's reports will be sent home on Monday 16th June. Learning Conversations (Parent Teacher Interviews) will be held on Thursday 19th 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.** Information to book an appointment was sent home recently – **bookings are now open.**

The St. Paul's Annual Report to the School Community is available at the office or on the school website – www.spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au. This is a report on all that took place at St. Paul's in 2024. Please feel free to take a copy or visit the website.

Term II concludes on Friday 4th July at 1.00pm. The children are able to wear plain clothes as it is the last day of term. After School Care will operate from 1.00pm until 6.00pm on this day. Term III commences on Monday 21st July at 8.40am.

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 - www.spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au, click on ‘**Enrolment Information**’ and then ‘**Apply Now**’. Please ensure you apply as soon as possible as we are interviewing 2026 Preps and Families over the coming weeks. If you don’t apply in the near future, you may be put on a waiting list.

UPCOMING LEARNING CONVERSATIONS – Thursday, 19th June 2025

Learning Conversations (Parent Teacher Interviews) will be held online via Google Meet on Thursday 19th June from 1.30pm. Please refer to the hard copies of the letter and the booking instructions sent home recently via your eldest children for the details. Children will be dismissed at 1.00pm to allow conversations to begin at 1.30pm.

Bookings are currently open and must be finalised before **2.00pm on Thursday, 12th June**, when bookings for this event will close. Interviews will run for ten minutes - however you will need to allow 10 minutes between each interview to ensure the interviews stay on schedule. Please go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and use the code ‘**nrp8a**’ to get access to the booking page.

For parents that do not have internet access, please call the school to arrange a time. Parents may send a note to school with the approximate times they require, or phone the school on 9363 1568 for support.

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MMA UPCOMING EXCURSION – This Thursday, 29th May

As part of our Inquiry Unit on the *First Fleet*, students will visit Polly Woodside, a historic tall ship located at South Wharf.

Students are to wear full sport uniform and pack their snacks, lunch and a bottle of water in a small bag/ backpack clearly labelled with their name. Please note that students are unable to purchase food from the venue.

*** No lunch orders at the school’s canteen for Middle students on the excursion day please.**

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Congratulations to our children who received the Sacrament of Confirmation last Thursday night. The ceremony was very moving with the children participating reverently in the celebration. The children were very well prepared by Miss Peplow, Mrs Razi, Ms Christine, Ms Capuano, Mrs Garcia, Mr Killender, Miss Heidi, Ms Anna and Miss Kayla. Thanks also to the school choir for singing so beautifully and to the St. Paul’s staff for their assistance prior to and on the night. Special thanks to Bishop Martin Ashe, Fr Rene and Fr Peter for celebrating this Sacrament of Confirmation with us. We hope all the children will remember this special day and remember that the Holy Spirit is always with them.

MAKE EVERY MINUTE COUNT!

School begins at 8:40am

Arriving at school on time supports your child in their learning. Being late to school disrupts the start of class and your child misses out on important learning.

ST. PAUL’S SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL

The St. Paul’s Second Hand Uniform Stall will be open this term on **Wednesday, 4th June from 8.30am – 9.00am and 3.00pm – 3.30pm.**

The cost of all items of clothing is \$5.00. Please note that all money raised is donated to charities as well as members of our community in need.

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 i.e. not damaged or have faded logos. In particular, we are looking for donations of winter uniforms for girls, size 8 and above.

Thanks to Tania Ramos and Tana Degala for their assistance co-ordinating the stall.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025

The following dates are very important for **ALL** 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 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 5 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

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.**

INDONESIAN SPEAKING COMPETITION – WELL DONE ALL!

Last Friday, 23rd May, 44 students from our school participated onsite and online in the Indonesian Speaking Competition, run by the Victorian Indonesian Language Teachers Association (VILTA).

All students had a valuable and challenging experience answering questions from native Indonesian speakers: Ibu Maria Nguyen and Ibu Nita Djenderasa (face-to-face), and Ibu Jatni from Melbourne High School (online).

Well done to all the students who participated, and congratulations to those who have made it through to the final round at **Melbourne High School, South Yarra on Saturday, 14 June 2025.**

I will share the scheduled times closer to the date.

Good luck!

Terima kasih – Bu Santi

THE FINALISTS

* **Level I (Prep – Year 2):** Moza Tjenderasa (JSM), Paycia Markjit Singh (JEF), Levi Tomlin (JSM), Marcus Leung (JRB), Delanie Zea (JCL), Massimo Ahmed (JCL), Joseph Grima (JCL), Petros Roumen (JCL), Jordan Caruana (JSM), Rose Deak (JSM).

* **Level II (Year 3-4):** Hanna Gobena (MAR), Dawt Ku N Cinzah (MAR), Kiara Sheriff (MEM), Melani Dao (MGR), Yenishka Karththikeyan (MAM), Hosanna Nkurunziza (MAM), Nathan Tran (MGR), Abanoub Girmay (MGR), Emily Jovancevska (MEM), Rachele Turchi (MAR).

* **Level III (Year 5-6):** Amira Balfas (SHG), Pummy Piyathunga (SCC), Giulietta Matina (SAS), Hana Nguyen (SAS), Olini Coutts (SAS), Ismahan Seid (SRC), Nyanjeth Alier (SRC), Ajoh Biar (SCC), Ayden Le (SCC).

Victoria Police

Brimbank PSA Neighbourhood Policing Forum

The Victoria Police Neighbourhood Policing Forum welcomes local services and community members to talk with police about what issues are important in your community.

The forum will explore topics including:

- Current crime trends and crime prevention
- Family violence
- Young people
- Road policing
- Drugs and drug related crime.

The Neighbourhood Policing Forum will be run by a Victoria Police panel and questions will be taken from the audience throughout the event.

Registration is a must.

To attend, please register by sending your details to:

BRIMBANK-LAC-OIC@police.vic.gov.au

(Ctrl + Click to follow link)
or scan the QR code.

To submit a question prior to the forum:

[BRIMBANK NHP questions](#)

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Event details

Date:
Wednesday 11th June 2025

Time:
5.30pm – 8.30pm
(Doors open 5:15pm)

Location:
Skylight (Club Italia Sunshine),
128-132 Furlong Road,
Sunshine, Vic 3020



Scan here to
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NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK 2025

Bridging Now to Next

27 MAY –
3 JUNE

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Program spotlight

St Paul's Primary School

Your OSHC.



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:

26/5/2025 – 30/5/2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
Creative Thinki.. 41 LEGO® Masters Challenge 1 Imagine the Unimaginable! We're going to mix cool stories with our building skills to create brand new worlds.	Confidence 11 Role Play Music Concert Kids will identify the musical instruments and try to play the music band. They will perform the band concert.	Creative Thinki.. 24 Flower garden craft Crepe paper flower gardens folding and gluing crepe paper to create flowers, using pipe cleaners as the stems.	Creative Thinki.. 43 Thumbelina Finger Prints Thumbelina was born of a flower just the size of your thumb- use your thumbs to make your own Thumbelina artwork!	Decision Making 31 Heart Wreath Craft This is such a lovely flower craft for Mother's Day.
Physical 22 Cricket Game Group Game	Confidence 14 Dolls and Role Play We will explore our social skills through playing dolls, dressing them, feeding them and providing for their needs.	Health and Well.. 32 Hand Hygiene Experiment Let's see how soap affects germs with this fun science experiment about hand hygiene!	Critical Thinking 41 Playdough Lego Pictures Creating pictures in playdough is a great sensory art activity for kids of all ages.	Creative Thinki.. 11 Sidewalk Chalk Drawing Sidewalk chalk drawing is a fun activity for all ages, all that's needed is chalk, a path, hose to wash away when finished.



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.campaustrelia.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.

