St. Paul's Primary School





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TERM 3 WEEK 3: Monday 4th August, 2025

DATES TO REMEMBER

Wednesday 6th August: St Mary MacKillop/Grandparents Mass (9.15am), Open Classrooms and Morning Tea

No Choir Rehearsal after school

August 7th and 8th: School Closure Days – No School for Students

August 11th – 15th: Book Week – Book Fair

Tuesday 12th August: Reading Hour – 6.30pm – 7.30pm Thursday 14th August: Book Week Parade – 9.00am - Gym

Friday August 15th: Book Fair – 8.30am – 9.30am, Feast of the Assumption Mass – 10.00am St Paul's Church Applications close for 2027 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges—our current Year 5 students

Friday 22nd August: Class Mass – MVN, MGR, MAR – 10.00am, School Assembly – 'Shrek' Performance –2.30pm Monday 25th August: 2026 Prep Information Session – St Paul's School, 1.30pm

Thursday 28th August: MVN, MAR and MGR attend excursion to Melbourne Zoo

Friday 29th August: MEM, MLD and MAM attend excursion to Melbourne Zoo, Assembly – JKL - 2.30pm

Tuesday 2nd September: Prep Twilight Night, 6.00pm – 7.30pm Wednesday 3rd September: Learning Walks 2.30pm – 3.30pm Thursday 4th September: Father's Day Breakfast – 7.30am

Friday 5th September: Father's Day Stall, School Assembly –MVN 2.30pm

Friday 12th September: School Assembly – MAM – 2.30pm

September 11, 15, 16 and 17 – Dates for Production – Tickets on sale August 11th.

Dear Parents/Carers,

We welcome back from leave Miss Diana Nguyen – we hope she had a great time with her family. Mrs Louise Collison will be on leave from next Friday and will return to St Paul's on August 26. We wish her all the best on her overseas travels.

The Year 3 and 4 students had a wonderful time at Phillip Island last week – no doubt the highlight was the penguin parade. It was beautiful night. I would like to thank Miss Ellen for all her work organising the camp. Thanks to all the staff who attended the camps – Miss Ellen, Miss Vivienne, Miss Amanda M, Mrs Della- Vedova, Miss Peplow, Ms Amanda R, Mrs Gualtieri, Mrs Rhiannon, Miss Eanya, Mr Adam, Mrs Louise, Ms Cathy, Mrs Nicole C, Mr Daniel, Mrs Libby, Ms Ha-Anh, Ibu Santi and Miss Emma. If it were not for these staff giving of their time so generously, there would be no camps. Once again the students are to be congratulated on the way they looked after each other and had lots of fun. Thanks also to the staff who remained at school and took on extra responsibilities during the camp.

On July 26th, the Church remembered Ss Joachim and Anne, the parents of the Virgin Mary. Despite the importance of their role as the maternal grandparents of Jesus, we do not know too much about them. Joachim was a shepherd from Jerusalem who was married to Anne. They did not have any children, and they were a rather elderly couple when, one day, while Joachim was at work in the fields as usual, an angel appeared to announce the birth of a child, and Anne also had the same vision. They called their little girl Mary, which means "loved by God", and then they moved to Nazareth, where they educated Mary, teaching her the law of the Lord. The Feast Day of Ss Joachim and Anne allows us the opportunity to remember our Grandparents, whether they are living or are no longer with us. I know my grandparents loved me very much and all of them gave so much help to my parents, and in turn my parents and my wife's parents have given us so much support. We look forward to our special Mass this Wednesday 6th August where we will remember St. Mary MacKillop as well as our Grandparents. Family and Grandparents are welcome to join us at Mass, visit classrooms and join us for morning tea. There will also be a Mass on Friday 15th August to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. It will be held at St Paul's Church and will commence at 10.00am.

There is no school for children this Thursday 7th and Friday 8th August as all staff will be further developing their understanding of the Child Safe Standards as well as renewing their First Aid Level 1 qualifications.

Have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento

PRINCIPAL

2026 PREP ENROLMENTS - ONLINE APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE

All 2026 Prep 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'. If you have not enrolled your child in Prep for 2026, please do so immediately. Your child will be put on a waiting list if you do not apply now.

CHOIR CANCELLED THIS WEEK

Please be advised that there will be **NO CHOIR this Wednesday**, **6**th **August**, due to the Staff Conference on Thursday and Friday. Thank you very much for your support.

ST PAUL'S BOOK WEEK – Monday 11th August to Friday 15th August

Please note that our book week will be held next week. Please refer to the note sent home today for more information about how to buy from the book fair. Below is the timetable of the Book Week Events 2025.

Monday, Aug 11 th	Book Fair Opens 8:30am and 3:00pm in the library
	Book Fair during library lessons
Tuesday, Aug 12 th	Book Fair Opens 8:30am and 3:00pm in the library
	Book Fair during library lessons
	• Reading Hour 6:30pm - 7:30pm (children's reading activities & parent library lesson!!)
Wed, Aug 13th	Book Fair Opens 8:30am and 3:00pm in the library
	Book Fair during library lessons
Thu, Aug 14 th	Book Fair Opens 8:30am and 3:00pm in the library
	BOOK WEEK PARADE 9:00am in the Gym
	Book Fair during library lessons
Fri, Aug 15 th	Book Fair Opens 8:30am and ENDS @ 9.30am

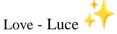
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Luce's Lookout: What I Saw in Your Classroom!

This week, I had the chance to work closely with my fellow Grade 5, SRC classmates as we got ready for our assembly about Camp Manyung in Mt Eliza!

I saw so much amazing teamwork in our classroom. People were sharing ideas, helping each other rehearse, and making sure everyone had a part to play. It was really exciting to watch everyone bring their camp memories to life in such creative ways.

I'm really proud of how our class worked together, listened to each other, and made our assembly something special. It reminded me what being in SRC is all about; encouraging leadership, collaboration, and celebrating everyone's voice.





INDONESIAN SPEAKING AWARD NIGHT

Last Friday evening, 1st August, we celebrated the annual Indonesian Speaking Competition Awards at Melbourne High School.

Congratulations to Moza Tjenderasa, Levi Tomlin, Hana Nguyen, and Giulietta Matina for securing first, second and third places in the Level 1 and Level 3 categories.

The event featured a range of performances and was attended by many Indonesian language students, along with their parents and teachers from schools across Victoria. It was a wonderful celebration of language learning and cultural appreciation.

Terima kasih - Bu Santi





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 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



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

> Leanna Vu PET

PMF Martin Ngo

PMK Siena Scimone

JCL Joseph Grima

JKL Aaryan Chaplin

JTH Linh Pham

JEF Alannah Luong

JRB Celine Giang

Victor Tran JSM

MAM Ariobarzan Babri

MEM Emily Jovancevska

MLD Rosie Le

MAR Wilson Whiting

MGR Lucy Dinh

MVN Allena Nguyen

SAK Isaiah Cofre

SKL Emma Vella

SRC Laura Vu

SAS Fiona Pham

Eden Caruana SCC

SHG Tekbiy Dyar

Outside School Hours Care

Newsletter



Camp Australia St.Paul's West Sunshine OSHC







Dear Families,

And that's not all. They will also have some great board games competitions. This is the perfect opportunity for your child to unleash their imagination and challenge themselves in a fun and supportive environment.

Big Art Fridays (Every Friday)

And don't forget, Fridays are for creativity! Every week in After School Care, we host Big Art Fridays, where children can dive into all kinds of artistic activities. From painting to creative writing, and everything in between, Fridays are a time for your child to showcase their individuality and express themselves in their own unique way. It's a great time to get together with friends and celebrate creativity!

Open morning at Before School Care on Thursday 14th of August and all families are welcome to visit the service between 8:15 am to 8:45 am and see the program in operation.

On Thursday 7th and Friday the 8th of August the OSHC service will be closed due to school closure days.

Book week 18th of August children are welcome to bring their favourite book to After School care.

All Educators have been updating their Child Protection Training.

If you have any questions or would like more information, feel free to reach out to the OSHC team. You can contact Kylie/Irije/Sarah on 0401 362 738. Let's make this week full of fun, creativity, and community spirit!

Activities coming up

- Model Magic
- **Painting**
- Lego Masters
- Outdoor games

Make a booking

Join in the fun of Outside School Hours Care activities and experiences with Your OSHC and Rocketeers.

Book now





Best regards, Kylie Hayes, Irije Demiri, Sarah Tanveer Service Leader

Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at pp.campaustralia.com.au or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.







Find out more and book now at www.campaustralia.com.au

Live Your Best Life in Love...

A Marriage Encounter weekend is for you...

Every married couple deserves this very special weekend.

Time-out to nurture your most precious relationship away from life's distractions. The two of you will come away from your weekend feeling more deeply connected and with tools to help keep your renewed intimacy alive.

No group sharing is required.

The weekend is based around Catholic values. Couples of all faiths are very welcome. Please check our website for details and to book your special weekend:

We have 2 further weekends on offer this year

October 3-5 at Tooleybuc Sporting Club / Tooleybuc Motor Inn a great weekend getaway

October 10-12 at St Paul's Retreat Centre, Wantirna South Starts Friday evening at 7pm and finishes Sunday afternoon around 4:30pm

Information/Bookings: Phone Mercy & James 0409 183 676 or Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website: wwme.org.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.



