

## TERM 3

## WEEK 4: Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August, 2025

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**August 11<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>:** Book Week – Book Fair  
**Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> August:** Reading Hour – 6.30pm – 7.30pm  
**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> August:** Book Week Parade – 9.00am - Gym  
**Friday August 15<sup>th</sup>:** Book Fair – 8.30am – 9.30am, Feast of the Assumption Mass – 10.00am St Paul's Church  
**Friday August 15<sup>th</sup>:** Applications close for 2027 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges—our current Year 5 students  
**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> August:** Class Mass – MVN, MGR, MAR – 10.00am, School Assembly – 'Shrek' Performance – 2.30pm  
**Monday 25<sup>th</sup> August:** 2026 Prep Information Session – St Paul's School, 1.30pm  
**Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August:** MVN, MAR and MGR attend excursion to Melbourne Zoo  
**Friday 29<sup>th</sup> August:** MEM, MLD and MAM attend excursion to Melbourne Zoo, Assembly – JKL - 2.30pm  
**Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September:** Prep Twilight Night, 6.00pm – 7.30pm  
**Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September:** Learning Walks 2.30pm – 3.30pm  
**Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> September:** Father's Day Breakfast – 7.30am  
**Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September:** Father's Day Stall, School Assembly – MVN 2.30pm  
**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September:** School Assembly – MAM – 2.30pm  
**September 11, 15, 16 and 17 – Dates for Production – Tickets on sale Wednesday August 13<sup>th</sup> (Please note new date)**  
**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September:** End of Term III – 1.00pm. Children can wear their favourite football colours

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to those who were able to join us at the Feast of the Saint Mary MacKillop/Grandparents Mass and Morning Tea last Wednesday. The Mass provided us with the opportunity to acknowledge the very special caring qualities St Mary MacKillop had and celebrate that she is our first Australian saint. It also gave us the chance to thank our grandparents or special family members for all they do for us. It was great to see so many visitors walking through the classrooms to see the work their grandchildren were doing. We know they were very proud!! Thanks to Miss Lisa Peplow for organising this special celebration.

This week we celebrate Book Week. Throughout this week, the children will be able to purchase books from the Book Fair. The Book Week Parade takes place this Thursday, 14<sup>th</sup> August at 9.00am in the gym. The children can dress up as their favourite book character. We also have Reading Hour tomorrow night commencing at 6.30pm. Thanks to Ms Michele, Ms Cook, Mrs Kylie and Ms Karen for all their work to help us celebrate Book Week.

On Friday, we celebrate the Assumption of Mary into Heaven. On this feast day we remember God's faithfulness to Mary; and Mary's faithfulness to God as Catholics believe Mary was physically 'taken up' into heaven at the end of her life. It is believed that her soul and her body remained united. We pray to Mary, the Mother of Jesus, who has a special place in our lives. Mary's assumption into heaven is seen by many as a fulfilment of Jesus' promise to all faithful servants; that one day, we too will be received into the kingdom of God. Please join us for Mass at 10.00am on Friday at St Paul's Church.

**I remind families that applications for Year 7 in 2027 for Catholic Secondary Schools must be in by this Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> August. Our Year 5 students must enrol by this date if they wish to attend a Catholic Secondary School in 2027.**

On Thursday, September 4<sup>th</sup> at 7.30am there will be a breakfast to celebrate Father's Day. Bacon and eggs will be served. Please keep this date free. An invitation was sent home today – please RSVP by Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> August. The Father's Day Stall will be held on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> September. The price of gifts will range from \$1 - \$10.

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 - [www.spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au](http://www.spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au), 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.**

## ST PAUL’S BOOK WEEK – Monday 11<sup>th</sup> August to Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August

Please note that our book week is on this week. Please refer to the note sent home last week for more information about how to buy from the book fair. Below is the timetable of the Book Week Events 2025.

Monday, Aug 11 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Book Fair Opens 8:30am and 3:00pm in the library</li><li>• Book Fair during library lessons</li></ul>
Tuesday, Aug 12 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Book Fair Opens 8:30am and 3:00pm in the library</li><li>• Book Fair during library lessons</li><li>• <b>Reading Hour 6:30pm - 7:30pm</b> (children's reading activities &amp; parent library lesson!!)</li></ul>
Wed, Aug 13 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Book Fair Opens 8:30am and 3:00pm in the library</li><li>• Book Fair during library lessons</li></ul>
Thu, Aug 14 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Book Fair Opens 8:30am and 3:00pm in the library</li><li>• <b>BOOK WEEK PARADE 9:00am in the Gym</b></li><li>• Book Fair during library lessons</li></ul>
Fri, Aug 15 <sup>th</sup>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Book Fair Opens 8:30am and ENDS @ 9.30am</li></ul>

## 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 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

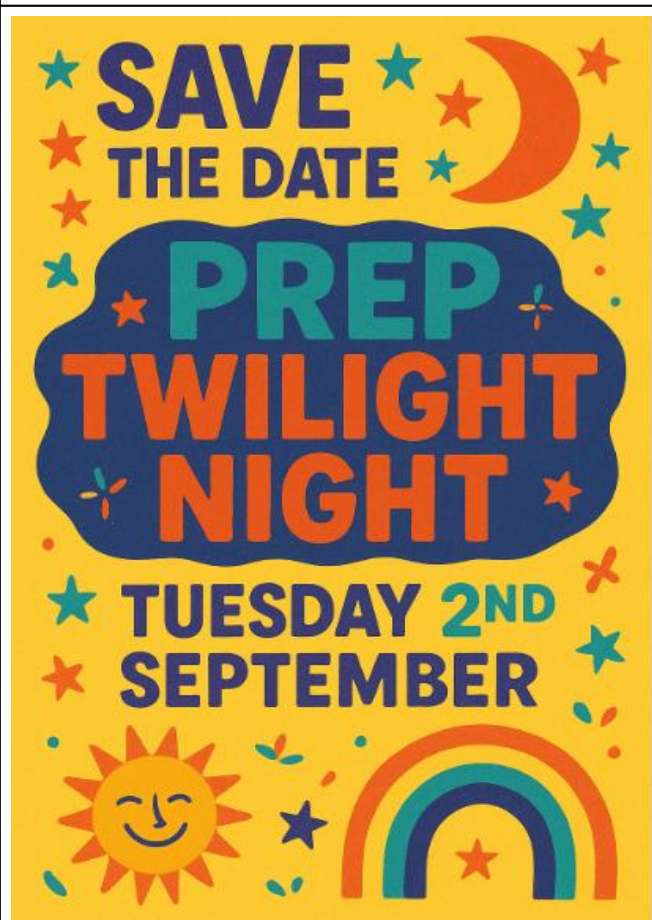
**7<sup>th</sup> November 2025:** Final date for families to accept offers made by the Secondary School

## MMA UPCOMING EXCURSION

MMA will be going to Melbourne Zoo as part of the Inquiry unit ‘How do living things depend on each other and the environment to survive?’ Our aim is to familiarise students with animals in their habitats and identify how they depend on each other and their environment to survive.

- MVN, MGR, MAR (Grade 4s) will go on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> August
- MEM, MLD, MAM (Grade 3s) will go on Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> August

*Please complete the consent form and return it to school by this Friday, 15<sup>th</sup> August.*



## FATHER’S DAY BREAKFAST AND STALL

The Father’s Day Breakfast will be held on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> September, from 7.30am - 8:30am. Please note that children attending the breakfast must come to school with a family member. Please return the tear off slip on the invitation sent home today indicating how many will be attending this special breakfast and whether you can help with cooking. **Please RSVP by Monday, 25<sup>th</sup> August with any dietary requirements.**



The Father’s Day Stall will be held on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> September. Prices of gifts range from \$1 to \$10. If you are able to help with selling the gifts please indicate on the slip below and return to the school office.

**I am able to assist with the Father’s Day Stall on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> Sept**  
(Please tick the box if you can help).

*Tôi có thể giúp Gian hàng Mừng Ngày Của Cha vào thứ Sáu (05/09)* ☐  
(Xin đánh vào ô vuông nếu quý vị có thể giúp).

You must have a current Working With Children Check Card to assist with the Father’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 Cha.*

Helper’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_





### Dates that tickets are available for:

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> September      Tuesday, 16<sup>th</sup> September  
Monday, 15<sup>th</sup> September      Wednesday, 17<sup>th</sup> September

### HOW TO ORDER YOUR TICKETS:

**Tickets go on sale at 9.30am on 13/8/25.**

**Step 1:** Use the website link,  
<https://www.trybooking.com/DEABW> or  
the QR Code



to log on to the online booking site.

**Step 2:** Select the date that you wish to attend.

**Step 3:** Follow the prompts to select the seats you would like to purchase.

When booking seats, please do not leave a space between your seat and others that have previously been booked. We want to ensure that every ticket is sold.

**Step 4:** Follow the prompts for online payment.

\*\* If you would like assistance with making your booking, we will have computers and staff available to assist you upon request.

### 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 Audiri App:** Use the 'Absentee Form' in this app. This form can be found under the section 'Forms'.
- 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.

### ATTENTION! ... IMPORTANT SHREK INFORMATION ... ATTENTION!... IMPORTANT SHREK INFORMATION...

Dear Parents and Carers,

The separate information note sent home today will help you decide which nights to purchase your Shrek tickets this Wednesday!

The extras with siblings in the senior grades have been matched to the corresponding performances and the remaining children have been assigned to either night to balance the numbers.

**No student in the show requires a ticket.**

**We have included the choir permission note again as very few were returned when sent out a couple of weeks ago.**

Please support our children by encouraging friends and family to come along as they have been working extremely hard and deserve as much support as possible. We are sure you're going to be as proud of them as we all are!

Exciting times ahead,

Ms Lynette Gixti and Ms Michele Micallef (Co Arts Leaders)

### 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:

11/8/2025 - 15/8/2025

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
<b>Adaptability   33</b> <b>Yoga</b> Children have the opportunity to move their bodies and stretch in a guided yoga session.	<b>Creative Think...   41</b> <b>Science Competition</b> Competition challenging the children to design a Science innovation with the theme: Powering Future Industries.	<b>Patience   31</b> <b>Tape Heart Painting</b> Our tape resist heart painting is a fun and simple twist on the typical tape art projects for kids.	<b>Communication   14</b> <b>Handball drills - AFL</b> Children use hand eye coordination and ball control skills.	<b>Eco-Responsible   24</b> <b>We Recycle Because...</b> Create a display in your OSHC room to discuss the importance of recycling.
<b>Cooperation   41</b> <b>Science Week: LEGO Solar System</b> Children can learn about the Solar System. Then using their imagination and creativity, can make a LEGO solar system.	<b>Communication   11</b> <b>Quiet Reading</b> Lets relax with a good book. Reading and storytelling with babies and children promotes brain development and imagination.	<b>Health and Well...   12</b> <b>Shipping</b> To encourage children's physical development and coordination, whilst encouraging healthy lifestyles and healthy play.	<b>Creative Think...   41</b> <b>Portraits of Our Educators Art Gallery</b> Children draw portraits of their educators, enhancing observation and artistic skills.	<b>Creative Think...   13</b> <b>9+ Big Art Titanic</b> Recreate the movie "Titanic" with this Big Art activity as children paint the titanic ship.



#### 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

To register and book visit [www.campastralia.com.au](http://www.campastralia.com.au)

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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.

