

## TERM 3

## WEEK 8: Monday 8<sup>th</sup> September, 2025

### DATES TO REMEMBER

Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September: School Assembly – MAM – 2.30pm

September 11, 15, 16 and 17 – Dates for Production – **Tickets on sale now**

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September: End of Term III – 1.00pm. Children can wear their favourite football colours

Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October: Beginning of Term IV - 8.40am

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October: Whole School Sports – More information to follow

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October: School Assembly – PMK – 2.30pm

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October: National Teachers Day - Day for Daniel (Activities for Day for Daniel – Nov 7<sup>th</sup>)

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October: Feast Of All Saints/St Anthony Claret Mass 10.00am at St Paul's Church

Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October: School Assembly – PET – 2.30pm

Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November: Melbourne Cup Eve – No School for Students

Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November: Melbourne Cup Day – No School for Students

Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November: Day for Daniel Activities and Assembly

Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November: Carols Night 5.00pm – 7.00pm

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December: Graduation Mass, 6.30pm, St Paul's Church

**PLEASE NOTE: TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED FOR 'SHREK Jnr'**

**GO TO <https://www.trybooking.com/DEABW> TO BOOK TICKETS OR USE THE QR CODE.**



Dear Parents/Carers,

After many months of preparation, the first performance of "Shrek, the Musical" takes place on Thursday night. The whole school community is very excited. So much work has been put into preparing for this night. I know you will be very proud of your children. I look forward to seeing you at the performances on September 11<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>. Tickets are still available - please click on <https://www.trybooking.com/DEABW> to book your tickets.

In some staff news, Miss Kathy Ly will be on leave starting Monday 15<sup>th</sup> September as she prepares to celebrate her wedding to her finance Ben – we wish them all the very best for their big day on September 20<sup>th</sup>. Kathy will return to school on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> October after her honeymoon. Miss Stephanie Rixon will be replacing Kathy during her absence.

It was great to see so many members of our community at the Father's Day Breakfast last week. I hope all the Fathers had a great Father's Day yesterday and that you were all spoilt, just as I was!!

A reminder that the MACSSIS survey is open for the next two weeks. Thanks to those families who have completed the survey. The survey, which is completed by students in Years 4-6, staff and families, is a great opportunity for all members of the school community to share their thoughts about St Paul's and contribute to future planning to make our school even better.

On the second page of the newsletter, there is a note to be returned to school advising us if your children will not be returning to St. Paul's in 2026. Please return it to school promptly if your children are not returning next year as we are planning for 2026.

***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.***

Please note the St Paul's Sports Day will be held on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October – more information will follow next term.

There will be no school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November (Cup Eve) and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November (Cup Day). Term III concludes on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 1.00pm. The children can wear their favourite footy colours on this day. After School Care will operate from 1.00pm until 6.00pm on this day. Term IV commences on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October at 8.40am.

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.**

### SPORTS NEWS

On August 22<sup>nd</sup> St Paul's students competed at the Sunshine District Athletic Sports at Newport Athletics Track. A large number qualified for the Western Region Athletic Sports this Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>, at Keilor Park Athletics Track.

They are our sprinters in the 100 Metres; Kayla Tran [SKL], Oscar Brooks [MGR], Vicente Espiga [SHG] and Elnathan Bongwa [SAS] and our 200 metre runners Sienna Sposato [MVN], Sophia Gacad [SRC] and Ethan Le [SHG].

Our field event representatives are Elyana Asqedom [SCC] in Discus, Braxton Rowland [MAR] and Kim Le [MAR] in High Jump, Kayla Tran [SKL], Oscar Brooks [MGR], Emily Cook [SAK] and Elnathan Bongwa [SAS] in Long Jump and Liam Parry [SAS] in Shot Put.

Our Cross-Country stars Raphael Montes [SRC] and Alex Briffa [SCC] are representing us in the 1500 metres.

We had great success in the relays with the following teams qualifying for the Region Athletics. They are;

- 9/10 Girls 4 X 100 Metres Relay: Kayla Tran [SKL], Kayla Hoang [SAK], Sienna Sposato [MVN] and Sofia Ruano Castillo [MVN].
- 9/10 Boys 4 x 100 Metres Relay: Oscar Brooks [MGR], Dylan Trieu [MVN], Oliver Shapland [MAM] and Braxton Rowland [MAR].
- 11 Girls 4 x 100 Metres Relay: Emily Cook [SAK], Sophia Gacad [SRC], Fiona Pham [SAS] and Gabriella Del Cid [SHG].
- 12/13 Boys 4 x 100 Metres Relay: Louis Tran [SAS], Ethan Le [SHG], Min Tuta Thura [SHG] and Elnathan Bongwa [SAS].

**Good luck to all our competitors!**

### AT THE HEART OF OUR FAMILY



The winner for the Family Home Learning Task is...

Amelie Le-Huynh from MEM!

Congratulations, your family can enjoy a \$100 voucher for Hoyts Cinemas!

Thank you to each and every single family that participated in our competition. All Heart tasks are displayed in our front office.

### NO HAT – NO PLAY

A reminder that from September 1<sup>st</sup> all children should be wearing the St. Paul's hat when they are outside. Any students not wearing the hats will be required to sit in the shaded area of the yard. No other hats are permitted to be worn. We encourage families to apply sunscreen to their children at home before they leave for school. One of the requirements of being a Sun Smart school is that children and staff wear hats from September to April when outdoors.

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### MACSSIS

Imagine if, in about 30 minutes,  
you could help **improve your  
child's school.**

The MACSSIS family survey is open  
Monday 1 September – Friday 19 September 2025.



**Please help us improve our school - complete the MACSSIS Survey!**  
Your opinions are important and we value your feedback. Check your email for the link to the survey. If you did not receive an email with the link, please contact the office.



**SPECIAL OFFER!**  
For New Students in 2025.  
Get **two FREE** lessons  
when you sign up for a full-term of instrumental music lessons, for any instrument of your choosing!

HOW TO CLAIM:  
Simply write "FREE LESSON" in the notes section of the application form to receive the Free Lesson!  
T&C's apply. Get in touch for more information.  
 [admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au](mailto:admin@primarymusicinstitute.com.au)  [www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au](http://www.primarymusicinstitute.com.au)

### ARE YOU LEAVING ST. PAUL'S AT THE END OF 2025?

We have a waiting list for 2026 and need to know if your family is changing schools.

*(Trường đang có danh sách học sinh chờ cho niên học 2026 nên cần biết gia đình quý vị có chuyển trường cho con quý vị không.)*

**PLEASE RETURN THIS SLIP TO THE OFFICE IF YOU ARE NOT COMING BACK IN 2026.**

*(Xin vui lòng nộp lại phần giấy này nếu con quý vị không học ở Trường St. Paul trong niên học 2026.)*

There is no need for any Grade 6 students to respond to this notice as we know that you will be at secondary school next year.

*(Học sinh Lớp 6 không cần phải điền vào phần này vì Trường đã biết học sinh sẽ lên học trường trung học vào năm sau.)*

### Please print

My child(ren) will not be returning to St Paul's School next year *(Con/các con tôi sẽ không học ở Trường St. Paul vào năm học sau)*

**SCHOOL ATTENDING IN 2026**.....

***(Tên Trường sẽ học vào năm 2026)***

Child's name *(Tên học sinh)* ..... Class/this year *(Tên Lớp/năm nay)* .....

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## FATHER'S DAY STALL

The Father's Day Stall was a great success last Friday. Thanks to Kayla Strinovic and Tana Degala for all their work organising the stall and selling the items. Thanks also to Tania Ramos, Anna Le, Mae Il Basco, Lisa Giordmaina and Grace Samone for helping in the stall on Friday. It is great to see so many people helping to make the Father's Day Stall such a great success - \$3994 was raised – Thank you.

## FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Thank you to all of the dads, uncles, father figures and families for attending our Father's Day Breakfast on Thursday morning. It was lovely to see so many people enjoying their time together. We managed to cook and serve over 450 egg and bacon rolls! Thanks to Mrs Schembri for all she did to organise the breakfast, and to all of the St. Paul's Staff for supporting the event and making their way to school nice and early to celebrate and help serve families.



We would like to thank Mr Rob for cooking the bacon and eggs along with our community and family helpers, Joe and Hayden Micallef, Michael Roumen, Tana Degala, Milvyn Espiga and Kevin Carrodus. We thank them for giving up their time and supporting such a wonderful event.



## LUCE AT THE ZOO

Luce joined the Year 4 adventure to Melbourne Zoo. Students explored the animals' homes, what they love to eat, and how they can help keep God's amazing creations safe and happy.

Luce, the Jubilee mascot of Hope, had a wonderful time!



## SHG TERM 3 LETTER FROM LUCE

Hi everyone!

**What's Up, Duloc?** Sorry... I mean the St. Paul's community! It's me, Luce!

I have had such a wonderful time visiting a **Big, Bright, Beautiful** classroom this week... SHG! From the very first moment I walked in, I felt like I was stepping into the **Story of My Life**. I was welcomed with big smiles and felt included straight away. It didn't take long before I was learning, laughing and enjoying all the different activities.

I'm not really a **Morning Person**, but one of my favourite parts has been seeing the lovely smiles on the students' faces when they walk into the classroom. Every day has felt like a **Travel Song**... full of fun, adventure and surprises around every corner. I've been seeing how the students work together. They encourage each other, share ideas and celebrate achievements, which makes the classroom such a positive place to be. They are also really funny... I cannot believe how much I have laughed this past week!

Lately, SHG has been extremely busy practising for their 2025 Shrek Jr Musical Production. They have been working so hard, and it looks amazing! Watching their rehearsals has been like seeing **This Is How a Dream Comes True**. So much talent, teamwork and excitement all in one show. I can tell it is going to be a performance to remember. **I'm a Believer** that the students in SHG are extremely talented, have great teamwork and are having lots of fun.

Being part of SHG has taught me about teamwork, confidence and always trying your best. It's even inspired me to **Make a Move**! I am confident now to step out of my comfort zone and give everything a go. I am so grateful for this experience and I will always remember my time in the SHG classroom (and I think I'll have a few Shrek songs stuck in my head too!). **I Know It's Today**... oOoOoOo

I wish I could stay here **FOREVER**!

From your friend,  
Luce

P.S. The words in bold are titles of Shrek songs in the 2025 Shrek Jr Musical Production! We hope you enjoyed reading!



*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.*

