

## TERM 4

## WEEK 1: Monday 6<sup>th</sup> October, 2025

### DATES TO REMEMBER

- Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> October:** JMA Excursion to Melbourne City – **Return to school at 5pm**
- Friday 17<sup>th</sup> October:** Whole School Sports – More information to follow
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> October:** 2026 Prep Transition – 9.15am
- Friday 24<sup>th</sup> October:** Class Reconciliation – SCC, SAS, SHG – 10.00am, School Assembly – PMK – 2.30pm
- Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October:** 2026 Prep Transition – 9.15am
- 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  
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
- Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> November:** 2026 Prep Transition – 9.15am
- Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> November:** Prep Excursion to Cooper Settlement Farm
- Friday 7<sup>th</sup> November:** Day for Daniel Activities and Assembly
- Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> November:** 2026 Prep Orientation – 9.15am
- Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November:** School Assembly–PMF–2.30pm
- Friday 21<sup>st</sup> November:** Class Reconciliation – SRC, SAK, SKL – 10.00am, School Assembly – JTH – 2.30pm
- Monday 24<sup>th</sup> November:** Year 5 Excursion to Altona Beach – Surf Life Saving Victoria program
- Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> November:** Carols Night 5.00pm – 7.00pm
- Monday 1<sup>st</sup> December:** Prep – 4 Swimming begins (**No swimming December 5<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>**).
- Friday 5<sup>th</sup> December:** School Closure Day – Planning for 2026
- Monday 8<sup>th</sup> December:** 2026 Year 1–6 Orientation - Student Reports Sent Home, School Assembly - JMA Advent III–2.30pm  
Graduation Mass, 6.30pm, St Paul's Church - Students to wear full school uniform.
- Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> December:** Year 6 Big Day Out
- Friday 12<sup>th</sup> December:** School Assembly - MMA – Advent IV – 2.30pm,
- Monday 15<sup>th</sup> December:** End of Year Mass 9.15am, St. Paul's Church, Thank You Morning Tea at St. Paul's School 10.30am
- Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> December:** School Concludes for 2025 at 1.00pm – Children can wear plain clothes.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Welcome back to Term 4!!!! As is the case every term, there is a great deal happening in all levels. We look forward to your continued involvement and support throughout Term IV. In some exciting news, I would like to congratulate Miss Melissa Dvorscak and her fiancé, Michael, as they are expecting their first child early next year – we wish them all the best for the next few months and look forward to meeting their baby next year. Melissa will be commencing Maternity Leave at the end of the 2025 school year.

Congratulations to all involved with our production 'Shrek'. It was a huge success. So many people contributed to this success – most importantly the students. We are fortunate to have so many talented students attending St. Paul's. I have written a separate letter thanking everyone involved.

I have updated the 'Dates to Remember' for the remainder of the year. As you can see, there is a great deal on in the next ten weeks. I ask you to attend as many school functions as you can. It is a great way to build community and for you to enjoy your child's educational experiences. We look forward to your attendance at these events.

Our whole school sports day is fast approaching and will take place on Friday, October 17<sup>th</sup>, on the D.C.G. Students are encouraged to wear their house colours with their sports uniform. Parents are more than welcome to attend to support their children and their house. A sausage sizzle lunch will be provided for students and as such, the canteen will be closed all day. If your child does not eat sausages, please provide them with lunch.

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.

There will be no school on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November (Cup Eve) and Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> November (Cup Day).

I hope you have a great week

Yours sincerely,  
Damian Casamento  
PRINCIPAL

### **ST PAUL'S SPORTS DAY – Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> October**

On Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> October, we will be holding our annual St Paul's Athletic Sports on the wonderful D.C.G at our school. The activities commence at 9.00am with individual running races for Prep and Juniors. At approximately 10.00am we will have field events for Preps and Juniors and sprints for Middles followed by a recess break at 11.00am. At 11.40am SMA students will take part in sprints and students of other year levels will have various fun activities. Presentations will take place at 12.30pm followed by a sausage sizzle. **Please note the canteen is not open on this day so if your child does not eat sausages you will need to provide lunch for them.** Children, parents and carers are encouraged to wear the colours of their children's houses. Children should still wear their sports uniform but may include a coloured Tee Shirt, ribbons or similar.

As we will be catering for over 500 students and staff, we would be very appreciative of your help to cook and serve sausages. **If you are able to help from 10:30am until 1:30pm on this day, please leave your name and mobile number at the office.**

### **DISCOVERY DAY AT MARIAN COLLEGE FOR OUR YEAR 4 GIRLS – This Friday, 10<sup>th</sup> October**

The Year 4 girls are invited to a Discovery Day at Marian College on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> October. This Discovery Day lets students dive into various subjects, gaining hands-on experience and insight into secondary education. They'll be guided by Marian's educators and students in leadership, getting a taste of the dynamic learning environment they provide. Students will be provided with a Marian backpack to take home the products and experiments made on the day. The back packs will also include an envelope for you containing a letter from the Principal, Marian College flyers, copy of the Marian News and enrolment information.

### **JMA EXCURSION TO MELBOURNE CITY – Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> October**

JMA will be attending an excursion to the city as part of our Term 4 Inquiry unit 'Melbourne in my future eyes!' Our aim is to familiarise the students with the design of some Melbourne landmarks including the Eureka Skydeck, MCG, Shrine of Remembrance, Royal Botanic Gardens, Federation Square, and Flinders Street Station. The excursion is also a vital part of the Outdoor Education Program at St. Paul's. **This is an extended day and the students will return to school by 5.00pm.**

They are to wear sport uniform and school hat. They will need to bring their own bag or backpack clearly marked with their name that they can carry with them throughout the day. They will need to pack their snack, lunch, a drink bottle with water and snacks to last them the day. Please note that students are unable to buy food or drinks from the excursion venue and parents are unable to purchase items for their child from the venue.

### **DAY FOR DANIEL AT ST PAUL'S – Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> November**

On Friday 7<sup>th</sup> of November, St Paul's will be participating in the registered event 'Day for Daniel'. On this day, students are encouraged to wear something **RED**. This day supports our St. Paul's Child Safety Awareness Programs that are based on the Resilience, Rights and Respectful Relationships (RRRR) learning materials. Students will be working on a series of lessons delivered by their classroom teachers.

### **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.

### **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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## HOW TO ENCOURAGE GOOD BEHAVIOUR: 15 TIPS

A positive and constructive approach is often the best way to guide your child's behaviour. This means giving your child attention when he behaves well, rather than just applying consequences when he does something you don't like. For further information visit

[http://raisingchildren.net.au/articles/encouraging\\_good\\_behaviour.html/context/1758](http://raisingchildren.net.au/articles/encouraging_good_behaviour.html/context/1758)

There are also translations in Vietnamese, Arabic, Hakha Chin, Persian, simplified Chinese available online.



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## GETTING ORGANISED FOR SCHOOL

### Planning ahead for school mornings: the night before

The first step in your morning routine for school is to think about what you need to do and work out a plan for doing it. You'll probably find that you and your child can do many things the night before.

Here are some ideas:

- Try to find out the night before (or even earlier) if there is something special going on at school the next day.
- Organise lunches and set the breakfast table ready for the morning rush. Breakfast is one of the most important meals of the day and helps your child to concentrate better at school.
- Get your child to have a bath or shower the night before. This means you won't have to worry about this in the morning.
- You may know something is going to come up that could cause conflict, like your child not wanting to eat breakfast, or wanting to wear sneakers rather than school shoes. Talk about it the night before when everybody has time and you're all less likely to be stressed.
- Think about having a weekly schedule or calendar with reminders of what your child needs to take to school each day – for example, library books, sports clothes, show and tell, and so on.
- Think about getting ready for your day the night before as well, to help ease time pressure in the morning.
- Try to read school newsletters and check bags for notes the night before. You could also try to prepare clothes, sign school notes, and get school bags ready the night before.

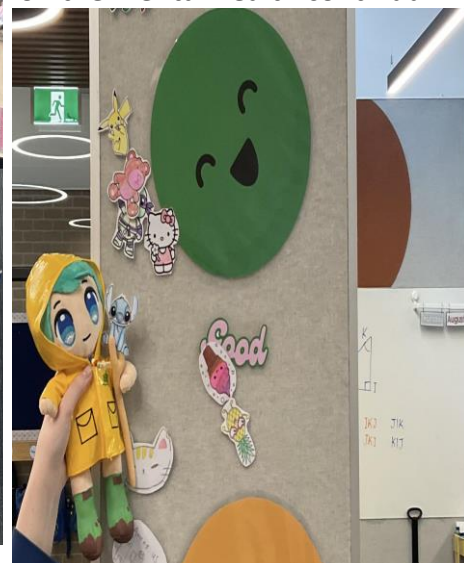
## SOME PHOTOS OF LUCE'S VISIT TO SAK IN WEEK 6, TERM 3

### Luce visiting SAK's My Manga Academia



Luce makes sure Milly stays on track with her reading.

### Luce doing her morning check in on the mental health continuum.



Love Luce ✨

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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.*

