St. Paul's Primary School





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TERM 4 WEEK 6: Monday 10th November, 2025

DATES TO REMEMBER

Tuesday 11th November: Remembrance Day Ceremony – 11.00am Wednesday 12th November: 2026 Prep Orientation – 9.15am Friday 14th November: School Assembly – PMF – 2.30pm Tuesday 18th November: Term 4 Learning Walk, 2.30pm – 3.30pm

Friday 21st November: Class Reconciliation – SRC, SAK, SKL – 10.00am, School Assembly – JTH – 2.30pm

Plain Clothes Day for Donations for Christmas Hampers

Monday 24th November: Year 5 Excursion to Altona Beach – Surf Life Saving Victoria program

Wednesday 26th November: Carols Night 5.00pm – 7.00pm

Friday 28th November: Year 6 Transition for Sunshine Cluster – St Paul's, St Peter's and St Bernadette's

JMA and MMA Excursion to Sun Theatre to watch 'The Pout Pout Fish'

Monday 1st December: Prep – 4 Swimming begins (No swimming December 5th and 8th).

Friday 5th December: School Closure Day – Planning for 2026

Monday 8th 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 - Grade 6 Students to wear full school uniform.

Wednesday 10th December: Year 6 Big Day Out

Friday 12th December: School Assembly - MMA - Advent IV - 2.30pm,

Monday 15th December: End of Year Mass 9.15am, St. Paul's Church, Thank You Morning Tea at St. Paul's School 10.30am

Tuesday 16th December: School Concludes for 2025 at 1.00pm – Children can wear plain clothes.

Dear Parents/Carers,

We recently welcomed back several members of staff who have been on leave. It is great to have Mrs Amanda Gallus, Miss Vivienne Nguyen, Miss Kayla Lacey and Mrs Annamaria Schembri back at St Paul's – we hope they enjoyed their time travelling. Congratulations to Miss Heidi Gebbo and her partner Ryan as they became engaged recently. We wish them a long and happy life together

Recently, you would have received a MACS Risk Commitment Statement. MACS states the following: "Managing risk effectively is an important instrument for enabling our shared purpose to form lives of faith, hope and love in the light of Jesus Christ. It is critical to our continued growth and to support our vision to equip our young people with the knowledge and skills to live meaningful lives and enrich the world around them." Please know that we take risk management seriously at St Paul's as we want to ensure all in our community remain safe when involved with our school.

Tomorrow, we celebrate Remembrance Day. On this day in 1918, the First World War Ended. On the 11th day of the 11th month at the 11th hour we pause to remember the loved ones we have lost in war. We remember with sorrow those that have died. We remember with gratitude their courage and great sacrifice. We remember those left behind who endured the loss of loved ones. We pray to God for peace throughout the world.

Thank you to those families who have settled their accounts for 2025. If you have not done so, could you please ensure that all accounts are paid as soon as possible. Please see me if you have any concerns about settling your account.

I hope you have all put November 26th in your diary as this is the day that we will be holding our Christmas Carols. They will commence at approximately 5.00pm. More information will be sent home shortly.

The Year Six Graduation Mass will be held on Monday 8th December at St. Paul's Church commencing at 6.30pm. This is a celebration of all that our Year Six students have achieved in their time at St. Paul's. Please join us in our celebration. **All Year Six students are to be wearing their full summer school uniform.**

We will be celebrating our End of Year Mass on Monday, 15th December at 9.15am at St. Paul's Church. Family and friends are very welcome to attend. After Mass there will be a morning tea to thank all those who have volunteered at St. Paul's this year.

There will be no school for children on Friday, December 5th as staff will be preparing for 2026.

I hope you have a good week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento

PRINCIPAL

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2026

The following dates are very important for <u>ALL</u> students who will be attending secondary school in 2028 – our current Year 4 students. If applications for Catholic Secondary School are not in by Friday 14th August, 2026 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

14th **August 2026:** Applications close for 2028 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 4 Students **16**th **October 2026:** Offers posted to prospective 2028 Year 7 applicants

6th November 2026: Final date for families to accept offers made by the Secondary School

CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Thanks to those families who have already returned their raffle tickets and money. Tickets are \$1.00 each and there are ten tickets in each booklet. You are encouraged to sell a complete book of tickets.

There will be a plain clothes day on Friday, 21st November. The children can wear plain clothes if they bring items from home to donate for the raffle. These donations will then be put into hampers. Some items that could be brought to school in return for wearing plain clothes could be: new toys, gifts, non-perishable foods, napkins, bon bons, wrapping paper, mince pies, Christmas cakes, coloured popcorn or anything else that would be suitable for hampers for our Christmas Raffle. If every family donated one item we would have a great collection. This year we will be donating approximately 10 - 15 of the hampers to the St Vincent De Paul Society. I am sure your donations will give great joy to families who will be struggling this Christmas. Please support us by donating goods to the raffle and buying tickets. The raffle will be drawn at the Carols on November 26th. All tickets and money should be returned to school by November 24th.



SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL - THANK YOU

The second hand uniform stall was recently opened for the last time this year. Special thanks to Tania Ramos and Tana Degala for all their organization and work to ensure the stall could open in 2025. Thank you to all families who supported the stall - \$4360 was raised in 2025 - this will go to support charities and those in need in our community. At this time of year, we ask all families who are leaving St Paul's, and other families who may have spare uniforms at home, to donate them to the second hand stall. In particular donations of dresses or jackets in size 10 or above would be greatly appreciated for 2026.

RESPECT VICTORIA CAMPAIGN

Respect Victoria's What Kind of Man Do You Want to Be? campaign is back on socials, online, radio, press and more this month. Respect Victoria sat down with men from the previously released and extremely popular What Kind of Man Do You Want to Be? campaign to talk about how their views are evolving.

LINKS TO WATCH 'SHREK'

Please note that you can view the recording as often as you like – you will be unable to record the shows due to copyright restrictions. https://vimeo.com/manage/videos/1126770716/8f5ec4bffb (Year 5 Performance)

https://vimeo.com/1126782946/39a16ea6bb?share=copy (Year 6 Performance)

NO HAT - NO PLAY - SUMMER UNIFORM

A reminder that from September 1st 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 vi có chuyển trường cho con quý vi không.)

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

(Xin vui lòng nộp lai phần giấy này nếu con quý vi 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 (<i>Con/các con tôi sẽ không học ở Trường St. Paul vào năm học sau)</i> SCHOOL ATTENDING IN 2026. (<i>Tên Trường sẽ học vào năm 2026)</i>	
Child's name (Tên học sinh)	Class/this year (Tên Lớp/năm nay)
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to the following students who received awards at the Assembly on Friday, 31st October 2025.

PET Grace Tran

PMF Linda Nguyen

PMK Sarah Nguyen

JCL Delanie Zea

JKL Brandon Siisii

JTH Jacob Basco

JEF Lucas Nierva

JRB Amara Nguyen

JSM Owen Nguyen

MAM Materankay Kamara

MEM Marley Tere

MLD Elia Turchi

MAR Landon Carter

MGR Jacob Koutsodimitropoulos

MVN Joyce Huynh

SAK Sririta Herbert

SKL Kayla Tran

SRC Arthur Luu

SAS Jacob Stojanovski

SCC Damon Tang

SHG Alex Tran

TEETH ON WHEELS' VISIT TO ST PAUL'S

Teeth on Wheels will be visiting St. Paul's Primary School, commencing **08/12/2025**. Please scan the QR code on the brochure below to complete your child's consent form by no later than **02/12/2025**.

The Teeth on Wheels team will then be in contact to confirm and schedule your child's appointment.



SPORTS NEWS

Well done to Oscar Brooks [MGR] who came 6th in the Long Jump in the State Athletics Championships last Thursday at Lakeside Stadium. Oscar has done a lot of work on his technique and to be one of the best long jumpers in the state, in his age group, is a fantastic achievement. We look forward to Oscar's sporting exploits in the years to come.

SWIMMING PROGRAM FOR PREPS, JUNIORS AND MIDDLES

The Prep, JMA and MMA students will attend an 8-day intensive swim program. It will commence on Monday, December 1st, and conclude on Friday, December 12th. Please note that there will be no swimming lessons on December 5th (School Closure Day) and December 8th (Orientation Day). Each lesson is 40 minutes and is run by trained Staff at the Sunshine Leisure Centre.

Please complete the swimming permission note recently sent home and return it to school **by Friday, November 21**st. Thank you very much for your kind support.



Dear Families

We have been busy with many fun and engaging activities, sidewalk chalk drawing, canvas painting, dance and musical games.

The Prep children have been transitioning to the OSHC service when the school bell has gone.

It's great to see them becoming confident and independent.

Please make sure your child is booked and informed if they are attending After School Care so they can arrive safely at the service.

If your child /children are booked but due to changed circumstances are picked up early, please inform the educators at OSHC on 0401 362 738 by text or phone call

Upcoming free Camp Australia Webinar for families Building confidence and Courage is on Tuesday 25th of November.

Camp Australia Big Art competition is continuing.

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!

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



Activities coming up

- Canvas Painting
- Indoor games
- Drawing
- Soccer

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.