

## TERM 2

## WEEK 9: Monday 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2026

### DATES TO REMEMBER

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June:** 2027 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 1.30pm

**Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> June:** Feast Day of Ss Peter and Paul Mass (9.45am) and Activities - the canteen will be closed all day

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> June:** School Assembly - SAS 2.30pm

**Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June:** End of Term II – 1.00pm – Canteen closed

**Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July:** Beginning of Term III 8.40am

**Mon 20<sup>th</sup> – Wed 22<sup>nd</sup> July:** SMA Camp – Lady Northcote Camp, Bacchus Marsh

**Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July:** School Assembly - JKC 2.30pm

**Monday 27<sup>th</sup> July:** 2027 Prep Information Session – St. Paul's School, 9.15am

**Friday 31<sup>st</sup> July:** Class Mass – MAR, MTC and MVN – 10.00am, School Assembly - SCL 2.30pm

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> August:** St Mary MacKillop/Grandparents Mass – 9.15am at St Paul's Church,  
Open Classrooms and Morning Tea, School Assembly - MVN 2.30pm

**August 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>:** Book Week – more information to follow

**Friday August 14<sup>th</sup>:** Feast of the Assumption Mass 10.00am St Paul's Church, School Assembly - SSR 2.30pm

**Friday August 14<sup>th</sup>:** Applications close for 2028 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 5 students

**August 17<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup>:** MAM & MVN Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury

**August 18<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>:** MEF & MAR Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury

**August 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup>:** MMB & MTC Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury

**Friday 21<sup>st</sup> August:** School Assembly - JJG 2.30pm

**Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> September:** Art Show – 5.00pm - More information to follow

Dear Parents/Carers,

Thank you to all those parents/carers who joined your child's teacher for Learning Conversations last week. The feedback from staff and families was very positive as all found these discussions very worthwhile. Please remember to make an appointment to speak to your child's teacher should you have any concerns at any stage during the year. Thanks also to the teachers for preparing so professionally for the conversations.

This Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>, our two Parish Schools will come together to celebrate the Feast Day of St. Peter and St. Paul. Both Schools will celebrate Mass together in St. Paul's Church at 9.45am and then acknowledge our two wonderful saints in different activities. **The canteen will be closed all day on Thursday – there will be no lunch orders. If your child does not want a sausage for lunch, they will need to bring their lunch to school.**

Please feel free to join us for a very special Mass for the Feast Day of St. Mary MacKillop / Grandparents Mass on Friday, 7<sup>th</sup> August. The Mass will be held at St. Paul's Church and will begin at 9.15am. Grandparents will be able to visit the children in their classrooms after Mass and then join us for Morning Tea. Children will be bringing invitations home early next term – please pass them on to their loved ones!!

If you have not enrolled your child in Prep for 2027, please do so as soon as possible. Your child will be put on a waiting list if you do not apply immediately.

The St. Paul's Annual Report to the School Community is available at the office or on the school website – [www.spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au](http://www.spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au). This is a report on all that took place at St. Paul's in 2025. Please feel free to take a copy or visit the website.

Term II concludes on Friday 26<sup>th</sup> June at 1.00pm. The children are able to wear plain clothes as it is the last day of term. After School Care will operate from 1.00pm until 6.00pm on this day. Term III commences on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> July at 8.40am.

Have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento  
PRINCIPAL

## **2027 PREP ENROLMENTS – ONLINE APPLICATIONS NOW AVAILABLE**

Enrolments for Prep 2027 are now open. All 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’. The first round of applications closed last Friday. We have already started interviewing families who have applied - they will be first to be offered a place at St Paul’s in 2027. If you have not already applied, your child may not receive a 2027 Prep placement and may be put on a waiting list – please enrol immediately.

## **SPORTS NEWS**

Congratulations to all our students who represented the Sunshine District in the Maribyrnong Division Cross Country at Keilor Park recently. They were Rupert Szulik [MAR], Oscar Brooks [SSR], Jonathan Lasuba [SCK], Jake Rafoo [MVN], George Embeslidis [SRH], Sophia Gacad [SCK] and Mia Daskalakis [SED].

Particular congratulations go to Rupert who finished in the top 12 and qualified for the Western Region Cross Country. Mia in her first season of cross country running just missed out, finishing 13<sup>th</sup>.

## **FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART MASS**

Thank you to those families who donated non-perishable food items for the St. Vincent De Paul Society last week. Your generous donations will be of great help to those in the local community who are in need. Thanks also to those family and friends who joined us at Mass on Friday to honour the Feast of the Sacred Heart.

A special thank you to the Liturgy Committee who were involved in the organisation of the Mass and took on roles within the Mass. Helen and Peter from the St Vincent De Paul Society will be collecting the donations this week – they are very grateful for all the donations from the St Paul’s Community as they know they will be a great help for those in need.

## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR THE SAUSAGE SIZZLE LUNCH - Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June 2026**

St. Paul’s and St. Peter’s students will gather together on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> June, to celebrate St. Peter’s and St Paul’s Feast Day. We will begin with Mass at St Paul’s Church at 9.45am, a Sausage Sizzle lunch and fun activities with a sporting group in the gym in the afternoon.

As we will be catering for nearly 1,000 students and teachers, we would be very appreciative of your help to cook and serve sausages. **If you are able to help from 10:30am until 1:00pm, please leave your name and number at the office.**

As lunch will be provided, please remember that children will only need to bring their snack and a drink to school on Thursday, June 18<sup>th</sup>. **The canteen will be closed all day – there will be no lunch orders. If your child does not want a sausage for lunch, they will need to bring their lunch to school.** Thank you in advance for your support.

## **REMINDER OF DROP OFF & PICK UP ZONE**

Please ensure you use the drop off zone correctly in the morning. **Children must not leave the car on the driver’s side of the car as this will mean they are walking into oncoming traffic.** Please remember that you are not to leave your car in the drop off zone while you visit the office. You will need to park in the church car park or in the street and then walk to the school. Please ensure you park appropriately around the school.

When collecting your children in the afternoon, **please do not stop in the middle of the Links Street and open the car door for your child to enter the car.** This is very dangerous and may result in your child being injured. The crossing supervisor in Links Street has let the school know that this is a regular occurrence. We have contacted the council and asked them to send parking officers to school to fine any drivers who do not obey road rules.

## **FEES/LEVIES**

Your child’s levies are now overdue. Please pay all levies promptly. The third instalment of the school fees is due on 7<sup>th</sup> August. You can pay your school fees and levies with a credit card or by direct debit from a nominated bank account or from your Centrelink payments. If you would like this to happen, please come to the office to complete a form.

## **CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSION FUND (CSEF)**

Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund is Government Funding to assist families to cover the costs of school excursions, camps and sporting activities. Centrelink health care card holders and Pensioner Concession card holders may be eligible for a payment of \$400 per child. If you think you qualify for the CSEF, please contact the office for a form. Please complete and return the CSEF form to school, along with a copy of your Centrelink Card. Please submit your CSEF application form to school by **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> June.**

## **IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2026**

The following dates are very important for **ALL** students who will be attending secondary school in 2028 – our current Year 5 students. If applications for Catholic Secondary School are not in by Friday 14<sup>th</sup> August, 2026 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

**14<sup>th</sup> August 2026:** Applications close for 2028 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 5 Students

**16<sup>th</sup> October 2026:** Offers posted to prospective 2028 Year 7 applicants

**6<sup>th</sup> November 2026:** Final date for families to accept offers made by the Secondary School

## Article from eSafety Commissioner: Screen Time for Your Child: 7 Tips

There is a lot of conflicting advice and emerging research around screen time. But, the right amount of screen time can depend on a range of factors like your child's age and maturity, the kind of content they are consuming, their learning needs and your family routine. It can be easy to focus only on the clock and how long your child is spending in front of the screen, but the quality and nature of what they are doing online, and your involvement are just as important.

1. Be involved
2. Work with your child to set some boundaries for screen use
3. Be clear about the consequences of not switching off
4. Set device-free zones and times at home
5. Ask your child to explain their screen use
6. Use tech tools to help manage access
7. Lead by example

## ST PAUL'S NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK

On Friday May 29<sup>th</sup> 2026, St Paul's acknowledged National Reconciliation Week. This day was an opportunity for all students to learn about our shared history, celebrate First Nations cultures, and work together as one community to build a fairer, more inclusive future. As part of our day, all students took part in planting their own native hibiscus flower. This flower represents the profound resilience, strength, and spiritual healing of those forcibly removed from their families. Members of our Social Justice Committee were a great help on the day and have committed to watering each class's flowers so that they will grow and can be planted along the DCG. We hope that when they bloom, it will be a continued reminder to the students, staff and families at St Paul's, of the part we play in creating a more inclusive future.

## TEETH ON WHEELS' VISIT TO ST PAUL'S

Teeth on Wheels will be visiting St. Paul's Primary School, commencing **22/06/2026**. Please scan the QR code on the brochure below to complete your child's consent form by no later than **15/06/2026**. The Teeth on Wheels team will then be in contact to confirm and schedule your child's appointment.

**Child Safe Standard 5**

Equity is upheld and diverse needs respected in policy and practice.

**MACS CARE**  
Play your part visit: [care.macs.vic.edu.au](http://care.macs.vic.edu.au)

"No one is exempted from striving to ensure respect for the dignity of every person"

Pope Leo XIV, May 2025

**Last chance to register your child!**

Sign Up Today!

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a positive dental experience

**Learning Can Be Fun with Teeth On Wheels!**

At Teeth On Wheels, we believe fostering healthy habits should be fun and engaging for children. Our program brings a vibrant, interactive dental experience to your child's school, teaching them the importance of oral health in an enjoyable way. Good oral hygiene doesn't just mean a sparkling smile, it sets the foundation for lifelong health, boosting confidence, communication, and overall well-being. By making dental care accessible and enjoyable, we help children develop positive habits that benefit them for years to come.

Phone: (03) 93381191  
Email: [info@teethonwheels.com.au](mailto:info@teethonwheels.com.au)

## Winter Wonderland

### School Holiday Program

Prep to Grade 6

Play, Create, Explore, Have fun!

### How to Book

**Step 1:** Check if your child is enrolled at this school

- If your child attends OSHC at the school hosting the holiday program, go straight to Step 3 to start booking.
- If your child attends OSHC at a different school or does not attend OSHC, go to Step 2 and complete the enrolment form. This includes children attending MACSEYE OSHC at other schools.

**Step 2:** Complete the enrolment form by **19 June**

- Scan or click the QR Code and complete the enrolment form.
- Once your enrolment is confirmed, we will email you a unique link to download the Xplor Home App.

**Step 3:** Book your days

- Book holiday program days via the Xplor Home App.

**Important**

- New enrolments must be submitted by **19 June**.
- Walk-ins cannot be accepted.
- The enrolment process must be completed before your child attends the program. This includes ensuring all medical and supporting documents have been provided.

St Peter's OSHC  
6:30am - 6pm  
2A Kileen St, Sunshine West  
Contact details during service hours:  
0493 180 796  
[sp.sunshineoswest@macseye.vic.edu.au](mailto:sp.sunshineoswest@macseye.vic.edu.au)

MACseye  
[macseye.vic.edu.au](http://macseye.vic.edu.au)

For full details of the upcoming winter holiday program, please refer to the recent posting on Audiri App.

Brimbank/Melton

# WINTER DISCO

June 19 / 6-8PM

\$10 Entry / Grades 3-6

St Albans Community Centre  
33 Princess St, St Albans

Hot & Cold Food Onsite / Prizes & Fun Galore!  
Doors Close at 6:30PM

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.

