

TERM 3

WEEK 5: Monday 10th August, 2026

DATES TO REMEMBER

August 10th – 13th: Book Week – Book Fair open from Monday to Thursday this week

Tuesday 11th August: Book Week Activity - Curl up and Read – 8.45am

Thursday 13th August: Book Week Parade – 9.00am – 10.00am – Marian College Gym

Friday August 14th: MEF, MAM, MMB Attending Musical Matinee Performance at CCCC

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

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

August 17th – 18th: MAM & MVN Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury

August 18th – 19th: MEF & MAR Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury

August 19th – 20th: MMB & MTC Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury

Friday 21st August: 100 Days of Prep, School Assembly - JJG 2.30pm

Friday 28th August: Class Mass – SCL, SAS, SSR, SCK, SED and SRH – 10.00am, School Assembly - MTC 2.30pm

Monday 31st August: Term 3 Learning Walk – 2.30pm – 3.20pm

Tuesday 1st September: Prep Twilight Night - 6pm – 7.30pm

Wednesday 2nd September: Father's Day Breakfast – 7.30am

Friday 4th September: Father's Day Stall, School Assembly – MAM - 2.30pm

Thursday 10th September: Art Show – 5.00pm - More information to follow

Friday 18th September: End of Term III – 1.00pm. Children can wear their favourite football colours

Monday 5th October: Beginning of Term IV - 8.40am

**A reminder that applications for Year 7 in 2028 for Catholic Secondary Schools must be in by this Friday, 14th August.
Your child will not be accepted if the enrolment form is not submitted by Friday.**

Dear Parents/Carers,

I would like to welcome back from leave Miss Eanya Tone and Ms Ellen McKitterick. We congratulate Ellen and Steven on their beautiful wedding – we hope they have a long and happy life together.

Thank you to those who were able to join us at the Feast of the Saint Mary MacKillop/Grandparents Mass and Morning Tea last Friday. The Mass allowed us to acknowledge the 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, Mrs Annamaria Schembri and Ms Cathy Doran for organising this special celebration.

On Saturday, August 15th, 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 this Friday 14th August to celebrate the Feast of the Assumption. It will be held at St Paul's Church and will commence at 10.00am.

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, 13th August at 9.00am in the gym. The children can dress up as their favourite book character. We also have our Curl Up and Read session tomorrow morning at 8.45am. Thanks to Ms Cook, Mr Sean and Ms Karen for all their work to help us celebrate Book Week.

If you have not enrolled your child in Prep for 2027, please do so without delay. Your child will be put on a waiting list if you do not apply immediately.

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, click on ‘Enrolment Information’ and then ‘Apply Now’. The first round of applications closed last term. 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 your child immediately if you have not done so.

ST PAUL’S 2026 BOOK WEEK CELEBRATIONS – This Week

- **Book Fair:** Monday 10th August - Thursday 13th August
Held in the library before and after school. Children will also be able to purchase books during their library lesson that week.
- **Curl up and Read:** Tuesday 11th August @ 8.45am
Families are invited to join 'curl up and read' session in the classroom. Children can bring soft toys/pillows to curl up and read.
- **Book Parade:** Thursday 13th August @ 9am at the Marian Gym
Students are encouraged to dress up as their favourite book character.



MACSSIS

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

The MACSSIS family survey is open
Monday 31 August – Friday 18 September 2026.



The 2026 MACS School Improvement Survey (MACSSIS) will be opened to families in the coming weeks. It is an annual process whereby schools ask for and listen to the thoughts and feelings students, families and staff have about how their school can improve. These surveys help inform the ongoing improvement of schools across the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

The survey is available online and can be accessed from Monday 31st August until Friday 18th September 2026. Participation is completely voluntary but we invite and encourage **all** families to complete the survey. There are no ‘right’ or ‘wrong’ answers and all responses are completely anonymous.

The survey is available in English, Arabic, Assyrian, Chaldean, simplified and traditional Chinese, Dinka, Falam, Hakha Chin, Karen, Tagalog, Vietnamese and Zomi.

In the coming weeks, families will receive an email with details for how to access your survey. If you have changed your email address please inform the school as soon as possible so we can update our records. If you require any further information, please contact the school office.

FEES/LEVIES

Your child’s school fees and levies are now overdue. Please pay them promptly. 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. Please contact the office if you need to arrange a payment plan.

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 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 5 Students

EVERY DAY COUNTS – SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Coming to school every day is vital, but if for any reason your child must miss school, there are things we can do together to ensure they don’t fall behind:

- Speak with your classroom teacher and find out what work your child needs to do to keep up.
- Develop an absence learning plan with your teacher and ensure your child completes the plan.

Remember, every day counts. If your child must miss school, speak with your classroom teacher as early as possible.

FATHER'S DAY BREAKFAST AND STALL

The Father’s Day Breakfast will be held on Wednesday, 2nd 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 already sent home indicating how many will be attending this special breakfast and whether you can help with cooking. **Please RSVP by Monday, 24th August with any dietary requirements.**

The Father’s Day Stall will be held on Friday, 4th 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.



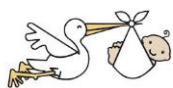
I am able to assist with the Father’s Day Stall on Friday 4th Sept
(Please tick the box if you can help).

Tôi có thể giúp Gian hàng Mừng Ngày Của Cha vào thứ Sáu (04/09) ☐
(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: _____
(Tên người giúp đỡ) (Điện thoại)

Baby News



Congratulations to the Coutts Family
(Laukau MAM & Saikolo JEM)
on the safe arrival of their baby nephew & cousin
Charles on Saturday, 18th July 2026.
We wish the Coutts Family much love and happiness.

Melbourne Archdiocese
Catholic Schools

Child Safe Standard 7

Processes for complaints
and concerns are child-
focused.

MACS
CARE

Play your part visit: care.macs.vic.edu.au
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*"Speak up for
those who
cannot speak for
themselves;
ensure justice"*

Proverbs 31:8

AUSSIES OF THE MONTH 2026

Congratulations to

Jordan Caruana (MAM)
Lucy Dinh (SCL)
Joyce Huynh (SCL)

who were recently named St. Paul's Aussies of the
Month for July for their contributions
to Specialist classes.

Well done to Jordan, Lucy and Joyce on
this well-deserved recognition!

INDONESIAN NEWS – SPEAKING COMPETITION

Congratulations to all the students who took part in the recording for the
final stage of the Indonesian Speaking Competition!

Thank you to all the students who dedicated their time to practising and
preparing for this competition and gave their very best performance.
Everyone should be very proud of their achievements and of their ability
to showcase their Indonesian Speaking skills, especially as many of you
learn Indonesian as a second language. Once again, well done and
congratulations to all the participants! You should all be very proud of
yourselves and of everything you have achieved.

Big congratulations to

Levels	class	Name	Results
Level I	JJG	Benicio Akol	High Distinction
		Joseph Grima	Distinction
		Abigail	Distinction
Level II	JCT	Katie Dao	Credit
		Moza Tjenderasa	High Distinction
	MAR	Gemma Giordmaina	High Distinction
		Amelie Le-Huynh	Distinction
		Jordana Tang	Credit
Level III	MVN	Olivia Vu	High Distinction
		Kayla Hoang	High Distinction
	SSR	Rachele Turchi	Credit
		Elizabeth Ramos	Credit



Outside School Hours Care (OSHC)

Introducing MACSEYE:
A new high-quality OSHC Service
connected to your school

MACSEYE offers a safe, inclusive and engaging
environment where children can relax, explore their
interests and connect with friends.

We provide a variety of fun activities, cosy quiet spaces
and healthy food options. Our supportive educators are
dedicated to nurturing each child's wellbeing.

Available for children aged 5-12 years, Monday through
Friday during school terms.

St Paul's,
Sunshine West

Before School

7am - 8.45am
Recurring: \$32.30
Pay as little as \$12.12*
Flexible: \$37.30
Pay as little as \$17.12*

After School

3pm - 6pm
Recurring: \$35.40
Pay as little as \$3.54*
Flexible: \$40.40
Pay as little as \$5.81*

*The Child Care Subsidy can provide up to
90% off your fees. Check your eligibility at
Services Australia.

Enrol now



Click the QR code to
complete the online
enrolment form.

1 Make sure you have key information and documents
ready before you complete the enrolment form.

MACseye

macseye.vic.edu.au



LOCATION
Barclay Reserve,
5 Talmage Street
Albion

COME & TRY BASEBALL & TEE-BALL

No Experience Necessary!

**Sunday 30th August &
Sunday 13th September**

Juniors
ages 5-18
10am - 12pm

Womens
ages 15+
12:30pm - 2pm

For more info contact junior.coordinator@sunshinebaseball.com.au
or visit our website at sunshinebaseball.com.au

*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.*

