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TERM 3 WEEK 2: Monday 22nd July, 2024

DATES TO REMEMBER

Saturday 27th July: Final Round of the Indonesian Speaking Competition

Wednesday 31st July: PRB and PMK's Excursion to ACMI

Thursday 1st August: PFT's Excursion to ACMI

Friday 2nd August: Class Mass – All SMA Classes – 10.00am, School Assembly SHG – 2.30pm

Thursday 8th August: St Mary MacKillop/Grandparents Mass (9.15am), Open Classrooms and Morning Tea

Friday 9th August: 100 Days of Prep Celebrations, School Assembly JEF – 2.30pm

August 15th and 16th: School Closure Days – No School for Students

Friday 16th August:
August 20th – 21st:
August 21st – 22nd:
August 22nd – 23rd:

MAK & MVN Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury
MGR & MAM Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury
MEM & MET Attending Camp at Camp Doxa, Malmsbury

Friday 23rd August: Class Reconciliations – SHG, SRC, SKL – 10.00am, School Assembly SAS – 2.30pm

Thursday 29th August: Father's Day Breakfast – More information to follow Friday 30th August: Father's Day Stall, School Assembly JKL – 2.30pm

Friday 6th September: Class Reconciliations – SCC, SAK, SAS – 10.00am, School Assembly MET – 2.30pm

Thursday 12th September: Art Show (More information to follow)

Dear Parents/Carers,

We welcome back Miss Lisa Peplow from leave – we hope she had a great time overseas.

The Year 5 and 6 students had a wonderful time at camp last week. They participated in many activities – the giant swing, archery, canoeing, just to name a few. Thanks to Mrs Razi and Ms Capuano for all their work organising and attending the camp. I would like to thank all the staff who attended the camp – Miss Heidi, Miss Kayla, Mr Killender, Ms Christine, Mr Adam, Mr Chris, Miss Cathy, Miss Rebecca, Ms Teagan, Mrs Louise C, Ms Lopez, Miss Sarah, Mrs Nicole, Mrs Kaylene, Miss Amy, Mrs Louise S and Ms Ngunsang. If it were not for these staff giving of their time so generously, there would be no camps. I would also like to thank the students for the way they mixed with, and supported, each other. I received lots of positive feedback from the Lady Northcote Camp staff about how good the children were – I was very proud of every single one of them. Thanks also to the staff that remained at school and took on extra responsibilities during the camp.

I remind families that applications for Year 7 in 2026 for Catholic Secondary Schools must be in by Friday, 16th August. Our Year 5 students must enrol by this date if they wish to attend a Catholic Secondary School. Your child will not be accepted if the enrolment form is not handed in to the secondary school of your choice on time.

Please feel free to join us for a very special Mass for the Feast Day of St. Mary MacKillop / Grandparents Mass on Thursday, 8th 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 soon – please pass them on to their loved ones!!

If you have not enrolled your child in Prep for 2025, please do so immediately. Your child will be put on a waiting list if you do not apply immediately.

There is no school for children on Thursday 15th and Friday 16th August as all staff will be working on Understanding Scripture in the New Testament as well as renewing their First Aid Level 1 qualifications.

I hope you all have a great week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento

Principal

MMA CAMP

Dear MMA Parents/Families.

A reminder that MMA Camps will take place in Malmsbury over three separate camps: Please ensure that students are at school by 8.40am on the day of their camp.

- 20/08/2024 21/08/2024: MAK & MVN
- 21/08/2024 22/08/2024: MGR & MAM
- 22/08/2024 23/08/2024: MEM & MET

Your child will need their overnight bag and a sleeping bag. They will need their lunch, snack and water bottle in a separate labelled plastic bag. All medication together with the completed medication form must be given to the MMA teachers on the morning before your class departs.

At our MMA Term 3 Camp, the students will be viewing a movie. One of the options is 'Kung Fu Panda 4' which is PG. If you do not consent to your child viewing the movie please let your child's teacher know.

Thank you,

MMA Staff

NAPLAN REPORT

Year 3 and 5 students who participated in the NAPLAN assessments in March, will have received a sealed envelope today. In the envelope is your child's NAPLAN report, a brochure explaining the report and a Principal's letter. If you have any questions regarding NAPLAN please feel free to contact your child's teacher.

PREP EXCURSION TO ACMI

To support our Inquiry Unit 'How to help our fairytale friends' the Preps will be going on an excursion to ACMI where they will engage in a fairy tale and fantasy workshop. Here, they will gain an understanding of a green screen and how it's used, engage in dramatic play and turn themselves into fairytale characters.

Please note that PRB and PMK will be going on Wednesday, 31st July, and PFT on Thursday, 1st August.

Please refer to the excursion note sent home with your child last week for the full details. Please complete and return the permission slip as soon as possible. Thank you very much for your kind support.

IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2024

The following dates are very important for <u>ALL</u> students who will be attending secondary school in 2026 – our current Year 5 students. If applications for Catholic Secondary School are not in by Friday 16th August, 2024 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

16th **August 2024:** Applications close for 2026 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.

CHILDREN'S ABSENCES FROM SCHOOL

There are various ways that you can contact the school to advise that your child is absent from school.

- **1. Contact the office:** Call 9363 1568, select **1** and then advise that your child is absent on this day. Please include your name, the child's name, the class, the date and the reason for the absence.
- Via Audiri App: Use the 'Absentee Form' in this app. This form can be found under the section 'Forms'.
- **3. Email:** Send an email to office@spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au or your child's class teacher on their school email address.
- **4. Written Note:** A written note may be sent in advance if you know your child will be absent. If he/she is going on an extended holiday, a written note must be provided.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT ALERT – WHOOPING COUGH (PERTUSSIS)

The Victorian Health Department recently issued a public notice in relation to an increasing number of cases of whooping cough (pertussis) in Victoria, particularly among children aged 10-12. Pertussis is a highly contagious respiratory illness known for causing a cough, and can lead to life threatening infections in babies. Many babies who get pertussis catch it from older children and adults who might not even know they are infected

Pertussis usually begins with cold-like symptoms, such as a dry cough (occurring in bouts), characteristic 'whooping' sound when breathing in, tiredness, runny nose, and low-grade fever. Please speak to your doctor (GP) and seek a diagnosis if your child is exhibiting any of these symptoms. Early identification and separation are crucial in preventing the spread to other children. Pertussis is mostly spread to other people by droplets from coughing or sneezing, so good hygiene practices and immunisations help prevent the spread. Immunisations are particularly important for infants and pregnant women. If pertussis is diagnosed, your GP will advise on appropriate treatments. If you have any questions, please speak to your GP. Read the full alert here: Increasing pertussis (whooping cough) cases in Victoria | health.vic.gov.au .

FINAL ROUND OF THE INDONESIAN SPEAKING COMPETITION THIS SATURDAY, 27TH JULY.

Good luck to the following students who will be participating in the final round of the Indonesian Speaking Competition at Melbourne High School this Saturday. They are Zion & Moza Tjenderasa, Jayden Zea, Titus Patin, Yianna Apostolikas, Olivia Vu, Ismahan Seid, Pumy Piyathunga, Hana Nguyen, Aaron Tran. Giulietta Matina.

Please refer to the reminder letter sent home today for the time of your competition and the direction instructions.











Design a poster celebrating the diverse natural landscapes found across Indonesia and you could win a prize and have your work showcased online

· Theme: Indonesia's Natural Beauty

- Year levels: Prep Year 8

 Entry fee: FREE for 2024 financial members of VILTA

 Non-digitally created poster, individual entries only

 Maximum three (3) selected entries from each year level

 Posters will be judged by a jury of experts from the Indonesian Consulate General and
 - the event coordinators

 VILTA will showcase winning posters on its website and on social media

 Prizes for 1st-3rd for each year level

Poster Judging Criteria: • 30% – jury votes • 20% – relevance and clarity of connection to the theme 30% – creativity and originality 20% – overall presentation and neatness

Teachers should upload students' entries at: https://forms.gle/b8Ete35jPtr4AYkA9 by Friday 2 August, 2024

MORE INFO: IBU ASTRID DUX AXD@STBEDES.CATHOLIC.EDU.AU 0404414128



Poster requirements: A4 or A3 size, non-digital, any materials (paint, crayons, markers, collage, etc.

Prizes: \$50 voucher (1st); \$40 voucher (2nd); \$30 voucher (3rd)

Winners announced: 12th August 2024

Coordinators: Ibu Astrid Dux & Ibu Santi Sherry



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Camp Australia St. Paul's Primary School July Newsletter





Dear Parents and Families,

Welcome back for term 3!

The children have been doing a wide-range of activities (Lego, Painting, play dough, gardening and indoor /outdoor games in Before and After School Care.

Please book in advance as the After Care Program is increasing in enrolments.

If your child/children will be attending the After school Care program please ensure they know to come as its very important for children to arrive safely at the service If your child/children has a booking and will not be attending due to a change in circumstances, please inform the Coordinator on 0401 362 738. This can be done via phone call, or text message, if your circumstances do change, please ensure you also make the school aware.

Prep 2024 Students I Each year, we follow a prep process to ensure continuity between our routines and the school. After school Care educators will collect prepa rom line/ classroom and transition children to After School Care.

We hope to see you soon!

Kind Regards Kylie, Irije & Alannah & Alice

To register and book, visit www.campaustralia.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.

