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#### WEEK 8: Monday 25th November, 2024 TERM 4 **DATES TO REMEMBER** Wednesday 27th November: Carols Night 5.00pm – 7.00pm (Including Preps presenting Week 1 of Advent) December 2<sup>nd</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>: Prep – 4 Swimming (No swimming December 6<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>). Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December: Year 6's Transition Day at St Paul's - joined by St Peter's and St Bernadette's Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December: Second Hand Uniform Stall – 2.45pm – 3.15pm Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> December: Last day of Canteen for 2024, School Assembly - SMA – Advent II – 2.30pm Friday 6<sup>th</sup> December: School Closure Day – Planning for 2025 Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December: 2025 Year 1 – 6 Orientation-Student Reports Sent Home School Assembly - JMA Advent III - 2.30pm **Tuesday 10th December:** Year 6 Graduation Mass St Paul's Church 6.30pm Students to wear full school uniform. Wednesday 11th December: Year 6 Big Day Out – More information to follow Monday 16<sup>th</sup> December: End of Year Mass 9.15am, St. Paul's Church Thank You Morning Tea at St. Paul's School following Mass School Assembly - MMA – Advent IV – 2.30pm Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December: School Concludes for 2024 at 1.00pm – Children can wear plain clothes.

Dear Parents/Carers,

Next Sunday is the first Sunday of Advent. On Sunday, the first Advent Candle on the Advent wreath will be lit. Advent is a time when we prepare for the birth of Jesus on Christmas Day. It is a time to think about the true meaning of Christmas. Are we ready for Christmas? I encourage all families to participate in the Advent liturgies at St. Paul's Church over the coming weekends. In this way we will be ready for the coming of Jesus Christ. Our Prep students will be leading our Week 1 of Advent assembly during our Carols on Wednesday night.

Our Christmas Carols will be held this Wednesday commencing at approximately 5.00pm. We hope you can join us as we celebrate Christmas as a school community. Please enter the school via the pedestrian gate on Glengala Road which will be open just before 5.00pm.

Thank you to those families who have settled their accounts for 2024. 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.

The Year Six Graduation Mass will be held on Tuesday, 10<sup>th</sup> 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, 16<sup>th</sup> 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 6<sup>th</sup> as staff will be preparing for 2025.

The 2024 school year concludes on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 1.00pm. The children are able to wear plain clothes to school. After School Care will operate from 1.00pm until 6.00pm on this day.

I hope you have a good week.

Yours sincerely,

Damian Casamento Principal

## CHOIR CANCELLATION FOR THIS WEEK

Please be advised that there will be **no Choir this Wednesday**, 27<sup>th</sup> November due to the Carols Night. Please make sure you pick up your child, who is a choir member, promptly at 3pm on the day. Thank you very much for your kind support.

## **IMPORTANT DATES FOR 2025**

The following dates are very important for ALL students who will be attending secondary school in 2027 – our current Year 4 students. If applications for Catholic Secondary School are not in by Friday 15th August, 2025 your child will not be enrolled in your school of choice.

15th August 2025: Applications close for 2027 Year 7 students in Catholic Secondary Colleges – our current Year 4 Students 17<sup>th</sup> October 2025: Offers posted to prospective 2027 Year 7 applicants

7<sup>th</sup> November 2025: Final date for families to accept offers made by the Secondary School

## CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

Thank you to those families who have returned their raffle tickets and money to school. Thanks also for the wonderful donations for our hampers for the raffle and for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.

The raffle will be drawn at the Carols Night on November 27<sup>th</sup>. All tickets and money should be returned to school by November 25<sup>th</sup>.



### 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 2<sup>nd</sup>, and conclude on Friday, December 13<sup>th</sup>. Please note that there will be no swimming lessons on December 6<sup>th</sup> (School Closure Day) and December 9th (Orientation Day). Each lesson is 40 minutes and is run by trained Staff at the Sunshine Leisure Centre. Please refer to the permission note for the full details and the swimming timetable.

### LIBRARY NOTICE

Dear families.

As this is the last week of borrowing during library lessons, we ask that you help your children locate and return all books they have previously borrowed and not yet returned. We have a large number of books that have been overdue for quite some time despite us sending multiple reminder notices home with the students. Please check your child's library bag weekly for any communication from us. If you need a reminder of the books and/or amount please email Ms Karen kmartin@spsunshinewest.catholic.edu.au.

If you cannot find these library books please pay the amount indicated on the letter sent home in the next two weeks. Our system will record this payment and it will be refunded to you should the book turn up at a later date. Students will have a library lesson next week but they will not be borrowing so at the end of this week you'll be able to wash their library bags and store them in their school bags ready for next year!

Thank you for your cooperation,

Ms Michele and Ms Cook

### **CANTEEN NEWS**

The last day the canteen will be open for 2024 is Thursday, December 5th. We thank Marlene Haber, Jacqui Batty and all the volunteers for their work in the canteen this year.

### ST. PAUL'S SECOND HAND UNIFORM STALL

Please note that the next date for the selling from the St. Paul's Second Hand Uniform Stall is Tuesday. December 3rd from 2.45pm to 3.15pm. The cost of all items of clothing is \$5.00. Families are encouraged to make donations of school uniforms to the second hand uniform stall. Please wash any donations before taking them to the school office. Please make sure they are in good condition ie not damaged or faded logos. Thanks to Effie Ross for co-ordinating the stall.

## SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2025

The dates for the celebration of the Sacraments and the Family nights in 2025 are: Sacrament of Penance Family Night (Year 3) Thursday, February 13th at 6.30pm – St. Paul's School Wednesday, February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6.30pm – St. Paul's Church Sacrament of Penance (Year 3) Thursday, March 27th at 6.30pm - St. Paul's School Sacrament of Eucharist Family Night (Year 3) Friday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> at 6.30pm – St. Paul's Church Sacrament of Eucharist (Year 3) Sacrament of Confirmation Family Night (Year 5 and 6) Thursday, May 8th at 6.30pm - St. Paul's School Thursday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> at 6.30pm – St. Paul's Church Sacrament of Confirmation (Year 5 and 6)



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We extend our condolences to the Samaras family (Eliyiana - PFT) following the recent passing of their grandfather. Please keep the family in your prayers.

# Congratulations!

to the following students who received awards at the Assembly on Friday.

PFI	Ethan vu	
PMK	Water Aggrey	

- PRB Kailani Nguyen
- JMC Karen Rao
- JRC Paycia Markjit Singh
- JTH Vasundera Rana
- JEF Winston Luong
- JKL Kiara Vu
- JLH Heiravel Torregosa
- MAK Lilly Caruana
- MAM Victoria Nguyen
- MEM Beny Majuec
- MET Sophia Gacad
- MGR Yianna Apostolikas
- MVN Elnatan Teklemedhen
- SAK Annabel Nguyen
- SAS Ivy Doman
- SCC Tony Bui
- SHG Chlolean Huynh
- SKL Aiden Rodriguez
- SRC Vamsi Rana



## Lions Christmas Cakes



Large (1.5kg) - \$20.00 Small (1Kg) - \$16.00



#### Assisting projects of the

### Lions Club of Sunshine

Please come to the School Office to place your orders with your cash payment.

We once again acknowledge and thank the Lions Club of Sunshine for their contribution to our graduation ceremony. Each year the Club makes a generous donation to be used for presentations to our outgoing Year 6 students.



## SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORT PROGRAMS 13–17TH & 20–24TH JANUARY 2025

MULTI-SPORT BASKETBALL	Scan the QR code for more information!
PLAY, SWIM & CF AFL	RAFT DIST
SOCCER DANCE	
CRICKET	

California Guiding children's growth

#### Dear Parents and Families

Please book your child/ren in as soon as possible.

This will guarantee a spot in our sessions. Often, if you book on the day, you may be rejected due to our compliance needs of staffing and ratio.

Last day of term 17<sup>th</sup> of December the After School Care service will operate from 1pm please book in advance if your child/children will attend.

The children are excited for our upcoming christmas craft experiences and will be cooking Bliss Balls.

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 0401362738. 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 are now independently transitioning to After School Care so they will be ready for Term 1 in 2025.

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.

