



ST PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

St Paul's Primary School is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community

A Student's Prayer for a New School Year.

Lord Jesus, I ask for Your help as I begin this new school year.

Allow me to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before me.

Open my eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings.

Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers.

Give me a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with my studies and courage to accept new opportunities.

Help me to be attentive to my teachers and let me experience Your presence in my new friends.

Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year!

Amen

Dates To Remember:

Term 1: Monday, 30 January - Wednesday 5 April

FEBRUARY:

Monday, 13: School Assembly - Year 5/6 presenting
Thursday, 16: Parent Cyber Safety Information Session @ 7.00pm
Wednesday, 22: Ash Wednesday Mass 10.00am

MARCH:

Monday, 6: Whole School Athletics Day
Tuesday, 7: School Photo Day
Monday, 13: Labour Day Public Holiday
Monday, 27: Prep Fire Education Incursion
Tuesday, 28: Sacrament of Penance- Family Night
Friday 31: Colour Fun Run

APRIL:

Wednesday 5: Last Day of Term 1 for students - 3:30pm finish
Thursday, 6: Student Free Day - Staff First Aid Training for staff
Friday 7: April Good Friday
Sunday 9: April Easter Sunday
Monday, 24: Term 2 Commences
Tuesday, 25: Anzac Day Public Holiday

**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
2.45PM MONDAY 13
FEBRUARY:**

**YEAR 5/6H
PRESENTING!**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A message from Principal, Maria Mercuri

Cyber Safety On **Thursday, 16 February**, Susan McLean, an expert in Cyber Safety, will be hosting a parent information session at St Paul's school to inform parents of the importance of keeping our children safe online. Susan was a member of Victoria Police for 27 years and is widely known as the 'Cyber Cop.' Susan is delivering a **parent information session at 7.00pm on Thursday, 16 February, 2023**. Please register to attend [Cyber Safety Parent Information Session](#). It will be great to see many parents at this session on a topic that is an important part of our children's lives.



Specialist Learning Programs This week children participated in Specialist lessons. We are very fortunate to offer an extensive range of weekly Specialist Learning Programs which include: **Italian, Physical Education, Visual Arts, Performing Arts**, and I am happy to announce we have introduced **STEM** to our weekly specialist program. Our STEM teacher is Mr Alex Conway. Alex had his first lessons with all grades this week and has shared some photos in this newsletter. Children also visit the **Library** each week to borrow books and experience the magic of our library with Miss Angela. Our Specialist program compliments the core areas of literacy and numeracy and ensures all children have an opportunity to enrich and broaden their interests and creativity.

School Tours - Prep 2024 - I have already had interest in School Tours for Prep 2024. I am excited to offer personalised tours to new families and share our wonderful school. Tours are available during February, March and April. Please let family and friends, with children ready to start school, know that they can contact our office to book a tour on 9354-8970 or contact me directly: principal@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

Sibling Enrolments for 2023

Do you have a child commencing Prep in 2024? Please enrol your child by the end of February so we can determine how many places will be available to new families in for 2024. Collect your enrolment forms from the school office.

Can your business advertise a flyer?

We would love your support in promoting 2024 enrolments to the community. Please contact the office if you can advertise a flyer.



Parent and Friends we had our first Parents and Friends meeting on Thursday. It was great to see some of our new Prep parents join the meeting. We have two events planned for term one. We will commence our first Wednesday Sausage Sizzle Lunch on March 8 and Colour Fun Run on Friday March 27. We will share more information about these soon and call for volunteers.

Save the Date



**Friday 27 March
from 3:45**

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

WELLBEING

A Positive Approach to Supporting Student Behaviour

As we continue to settle into the new school year, classroom teachers are also continuing to build **Consistent Predictable Routines** into their daily classroom practice. A part of this routine and structure is about sending a consistent message when supporting student behaviours. We approach the management of student behaviours at St Paul's in a positive manner. Students are rewarded and praised for demonstrating the BE Rules in their daily school interactions.

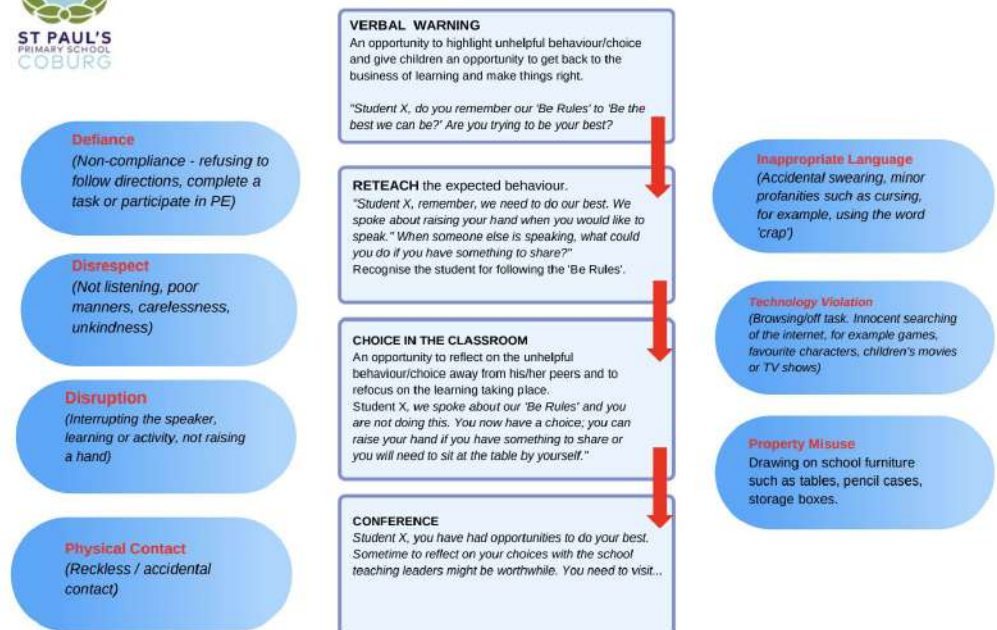
Responding to Student Behaviours

At St Paul's we respond to student behaviours using a 'learning' approach. The Behaviour Management Flowchart is displayed in each classroom and teachers respond to students behaviours by following a sequence of steps. The students are also familiar with the process and how their teacher will respond to their behaviour.



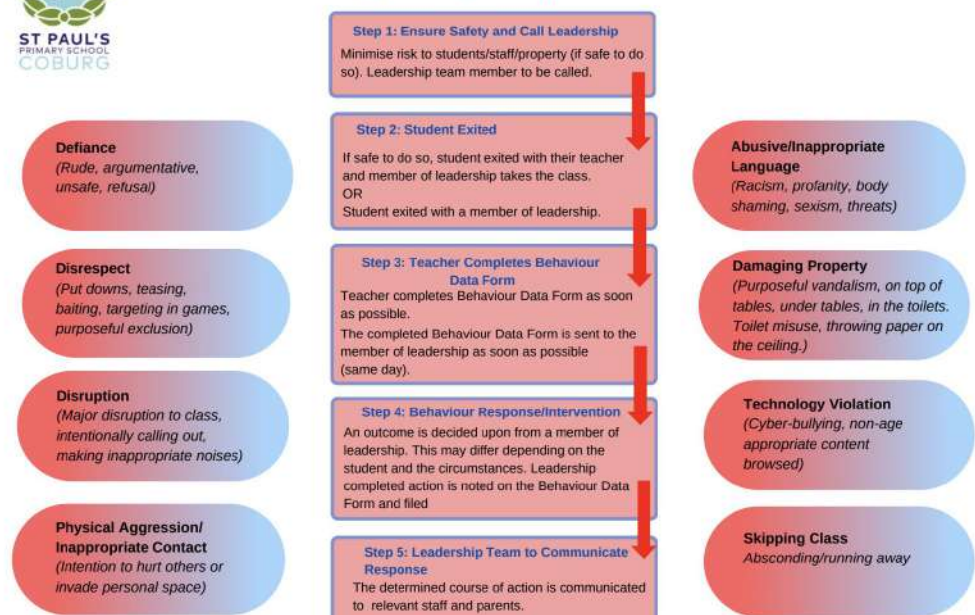
Behaviour Management Flowchart

Teacher Managed Low Level Behaviours



Behaviour Management Flowchart

Leadership Managed High Level Behaviours



GROWING UP ONLINE



We are offering a **free parent education session** with Australia's leading expert in **online safety** for young people

Gaming- when it becomes a
problem

Cyberbullying

What to do
when there is a
problem...

The latest apps, &
platforms

Tips, parental
controls & restriction
codes

Know how to
keep your child safe

& more...

16 FEB 2023 7PM

Presented by 'Cyber Cop' Susan McLean, an **ex-police officer** dedicated to keeping kids safe online. She's written policies for state & federal governments, works with AFL, Department of Education, National Centre Against Bullying, eSafety Commission & provides educational programs to schools nationwide




FROM THE OFFICE

REPORTING ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school, you can report it in the following ways:

Skoolbag App  : Using Forms

Email:  office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

Phone:  93548970 Option 1: Leave a message

**Report
Student
Absence**

SECOND HAND UNIFORM

Second hand uniform is available via email only. office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

Please email the office with your uniform item requests. The office will get back to you via email if the items are available.

Items are \$10 a piece in cash only.

CLASSROOM CUISINE

Classroom Cuisine is our online lunch order system. It is a convenient and user friendly service providing high quality school lunches at an affordable price.

Classroom Cuisine delivers lunches to St Paul's on **FRIDAY**.

The menu is available online. **Please visit the website below and register your child and order lunches-**

classroomcuisine.com.au

FROM THE OFFICE

Photo day is Tuesday, March 7, 2023. Online ordering is ready for families to begin purchasing. Below is the information on how to Order Photos. Photo envelopes will be distributed to the classes in the coming weeks.



Dear Parents and Students,

St Paul's Primary School PHOTO DAY IS 07-03-2023

School photo order envelopes have been or will be distributed to every student and it is important that the order instructions (below) are followed.

**** IMPORTANT PLEASE NOTE – ONLINE ORDERING FOR SIBLING PHOTOS WILL CUT OFF ON 06-03-2023 ****

ONLINE ORDERING Your child's school photos are now available for secure online purchase, please note if you are ordering online, you do not need to return an envelope to the school

4 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Step 1 [Click Here](#) - For online ordering process for your school.
- OR - Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [SLD N5N REH]
- Step 2: Enter your student's details
- Step 3: Choose the package that best suits your needs (all orders will be returned to the school for collection)
- Step 4: Pay for the photos via the shopping cart (upper right corner of the page)

****Online Orders have a 1.5% merchant fee applied when using Visa, Mastercard or PayPal.**

Please Note: If you miss photo day, portrait and group packages can still be ordered online for 7 days afterwards with no late fees. After that time, late orders will require separate processing and handling and therefore will incur a \$15 late fee per package.

FAMILY / SIBLING PHOTOS No envelope required if ordering online

3 EASY STEPS TO ONLINE SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERING

- Go to www.advancedlife.com.au before photo day and enter your school code [SLD N5N REH]
- Family/Sibling photo orders online close on [6/03/2023]
- Orders can be placed by returning an envelope up until photo day with exact cash amount.

ORDERING USING AN ENVELOPE

ENVELOPES WILL BE HANDED TO EACH CHILD, PLEASE SEE THE SCHOOL OFFICE IF YOU HAVE NOT RECEIVED ONE

Step 1: Student Details: Complete the student details section on the front of the order envelope.

Please use black or blue pen.

Step 2: Purchase Details: Complete the purchase details on the front of the envelope.

Step 3: Payment Method: Select your payment method.

Credit Card – Online Only at www.advancedlife.com.au

Cash – Please enclose correct money – as change is not available

Please Note: A portrait and a class group photograph will be taken of every student at the school, regardless of purchase. Photographs of your children taken as part of a class group are only permitted to be distributed within their own class. Your child's name will appear on the class group photo. If you Do Not wish your child to be photographed, please contact your school office with your instructions prior to Photo Day.

Please feel free to contact us via email or phone should you have any queries regarding your child's school photo order.

info@advancedlifevic.com.au or 03 9852 1133

Advancedlife Team

STUDENT OF THE WEEK

TO BE PRESENTED AT ASSEMBLY ON MONDAY, 13 FEBRUARY

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RESILIENT
SAFE
PREPARED
RESPONSIBLE

Class	Name	Awarded for...
Prep D	James W	For being a responsible member of Prep D by following our school rules and always doing his best. Great job!
	Olivia W	For being a respectful member of Prep D through her positive attitude and wonderful manners. Well done!
Prep B	Matias	For his wonderful start to Prep and for modelling kind and respectful behaviour.
	Chantelle	For starting Prep in a happy & positive manner. Congratulations Chantelle!
1/2 A	Anthony F	For being resilient and making a wonderful start to the school year. Well done!
	Ava B	For being prepared each day to put her best effort into all classroom activities. Well done!
1/2 G	Eve T	For being prepared for her learning day with a positive growth mindset, big smile and enthusiastic attitude.
	Maiya T	For being resilient. Well done Maiya on settling back into the routines of Active Learning school life so quickly. Your big smile every morning makes me smile.
1/2 P	Alannah	For always being respectful towards others, working collaboratively and being inclusive of others. Well done!
	Yianni K	For being PREPARED by engaging in all tasks with great enthusiasm and working collaboratively with his peers.
3/4 DM	Azriel A	Be Respectful - For always being polite and showing great manners to students and teachers.
	Chloe H	Be Responsible - For responsibility engaging in all classroom activities to the best of her abilities.
3/4 ML	Stefan C	Being Resilient by trying hard each day to be independent and overcome fears.
	Talia L	Being Responsible by following instructions and using initiative.
3/4 ST	Christopher M	Being responsible during learning time by following the Be Rules! Great work Chrispher!
	Shannabelle W	Being responsible by always trying her best and always willing to help out in class! Well done Shannabelle!
Senior H	Matilda Z	For being Prepared by being ready for learning and focussed during class! Well done!
	Julius C	For being Resilient by having a great start to the year, making lots of friends and learning all about our St Paul's School!
Senior ML	Whole class	For demonstrating the BE RULES, particularly RESILIENCE in learning their new classroom rules and routines and making new friends. You have all and made a wonderful start to the year! Keep up the great work!
Senior O	Eloise S	For being prepared and asking questions to further her learning
	Summer Z	For an amazing start to the school year and being a respectful member of Senior O

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DREP

This week in Prep we started to focus on our reading and writing skills. We met Milo the Monkey who is teaching us about all the letters and sounds of the alphabet!

This week our letter/sound was Mm. On Friday, we made Milo the Monkey biscuits as part of our Literacy lesson. We had a marvelous time munching on our monkey biscuits.

Can you think of any words that start with m?

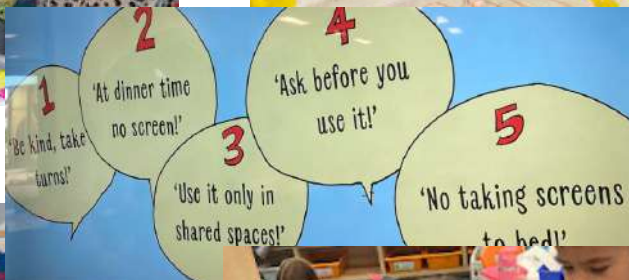


Mm



YEAR 1/2

What a busy week we have had in 1 /2! We focused on Internet Safety and the safe use of all of the devices we use at home and school. We have completed our Prayer Cloths ready for blessing at our whole school Mass celebration. It was very exciting to commence library borrowing again, reflecting on how we respectfully care for the books we borrow and the joy they bring.



YEAR 3/4

You can represent a number using exactly 15 base ten blocks. What could the number be?



We made 1455 using 1 thousand, 4 hundreds, 5 tens and 5 ones.

The smallest number you can make is 15. With 15 ones.



We made 2004 using 1 thousand, 10 hundreds and 4 ones.



We made 465 with 4 hundreds, 6 tens and 5 ones.

SENIORS

Our Year 6 students
have LOVED
receiving and
wearing their new
bomber jackets with
their personalised
names!

You look fantastic
Year 6's!



YEAR 6



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

SAVE THE DATES:

TERM 1		
DATE	TIME	EVENT
Friday 10 Feb	10am	BEGINNING OF SCHOOL MASS At this mass every class will present their prayer cloth for a blessing. School leaders will receive their badges. Parents welcome
Mon 20 Feb	2:45pm	Let's talk about our Faith? Assembly presented by Senior H . Parents are welcome in the Hall.
Mon 20 Feb		Project Compassion compassion begins and will continue through Lent. Children may donate coins.
Wed 22 Feb	10am	Whole school is attending ASH WEDNESDAY Mass . Parents welcome
Friday 3 Mar	10am	CLASS MASS - Year 3 and 4 - Parents welcome
Friday 10 Mar	10am	CLASS MASS - Seniors and Prep buddies - Parents welcome
Friday 17 Mar	10am	CLASS MASS - Year 1 and 2 - Parents welcome
Mon 27 Mar	2:45pm	Let's talk about our Faith? Assembly presented by Year 1/2 A . Parents are welcome in the Hall.
Tues 28 Mar	6:45pm	SACRAMENT OF PENANCE FAMILY NIGHT for Year 3 Families
2 April		Palm Sunday
Mon 3 Apr	2:45pm	Let's talk about our Faith? Assembly presented by 3/4 DM . Parents are welcome in the Hall.



This year's theme reminds us that what we do today can have an impact For All Future Generations. This message invites us to step up for those who do not have the essential resources they need for their survival and those whose needs at this time are far beyond ours. By putting compassion into action, we can make a difference today, For All Future Generations.

We will have collection boxes in each classroom through Lent. Students may donate coins and we will send all money raised to CARITAS. Together we will support people living in some of the most vulnerable communities across the world.

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

YEAR 3

This year your child will prepare to experience God's love and forgiveness through the Sacrament of Penance. This Sacrament is open to all year 3 students who have received the Sacrament of Baptism. To assist us in the preparation of this sacrament please complete the form emailed to you this week. If your child **will not** receive the Sacrament this year, please complete the first 3 questions only.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE FAMILY NIGHT (children and parents online)
SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (children only)
SACRAMENT OF PENANCE SERVICE (children and parents in the church)

Tuesday 28 March 6:45pm
Thursday 4 May 11:40am
Thursday 4 May 6:45pm



NUMERACY PARENT UPDATE

As you are aware St Paul's School currently partners with Essential Assessment to complement student learning in Numeracy.

As part of this initiative, we are able to provide you access to the Essential Assessment **parent platform**.

The Essential Assessment **parent platform** allows our school to **share your child's progress** as we work through **each topic of their learning** throughout the year.

This information provides a summary of the specific Numeracy skills that we are currently developing with your child and also provides practical examples of these skills to assist with their continued learning.

WHAT TO DO?

This platform can be accessed at the following location with your unique school code and parent pin. Please follow the steps below

Go to:

www.essentialassessment.com.au/parent

Enter our school code



Schoolcode: SPSC3058

Enter your personal parent pin



Parent Pin:

Your child may access the My Numeracy program through Essential Assessment from home at any time. Please encourage them to do so.

Teachers are able to see the work children do from home.

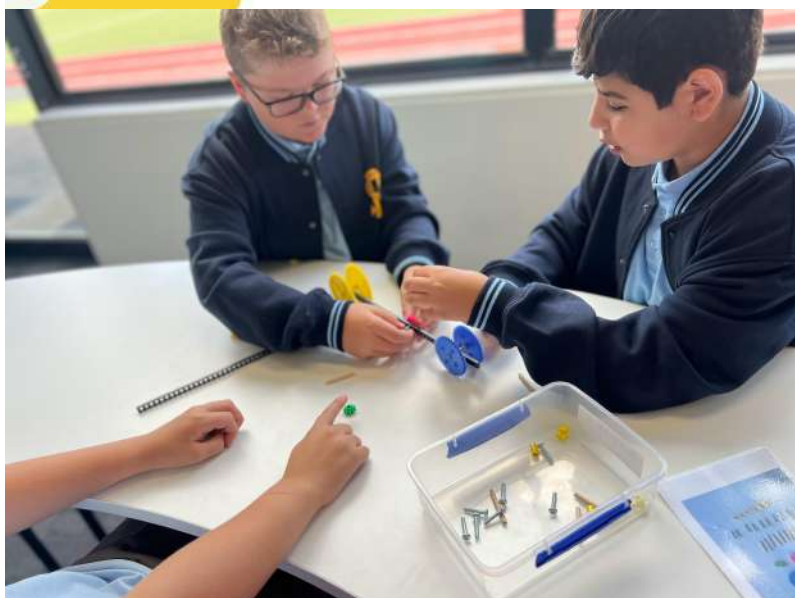
Your child's 2023 learning will be available on Parent update in one week.

If you have any question about Parent Update, Parent Pin or any other Mathematics concerns please email Kim Simpson Numeracy Leader at ksimpson@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

STEM

STEM IS BACK!!!

Grade 5/6 ML kicking off STEM for 2023, by learning about gears, pulleys, and axles!





PARADE COLLEGE OPEN DAY



Sunday February 26

10am - 2pm
Bundoora Campus

Discover a World of Opportunities



ParadeCollege



@paradecollegepc



ParadeCollege



MERCY COLLEGE YEAR 4 EXPLORE DAY

Wednesday 22 March 2023

We invite all Year 4 girls to join us for a day of learning and fun activities to experience what it's like to be a Mercy student for a day!

We ask that students come dressed in comfortable clothing, suitable for a sport activity and bring a water bottle and pencil case containing pens and pencils. Morning tea and lunch will be provided.

To RSVP, please email student and staff numbers, dietary requirements and any medical information to registrar@mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au by Monday 6 March 2023.

mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au

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CHOOSING A SECONDARY SCHOOL FOR YOUR CHILD INFORMATION EVENING

Deciding on where to send your child can be daunting.

Marcellin College is hosting an information evening on *Choosing a Secondary School for Your Child*. The evening will cover a host of topics to assist you in making an informed decision.



Join us on Thursday, 2 March 2023 at 7pm
Marcellin College
SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER
For more information visit marcellin.vic.edu





**Want to prepare
your kids for a
healthier future?**

BETTER HEALTH PROGRAM

Is your child...


- 🍀 Aged 7-13 years old?
- 🍀 Above a healthy weight?
- 🍀 In need of support to improve eating and activity habits?

Better Health Program is a **free**, 10-week, online program for children and families.

There are weekly online sessions, **free** resources, including a fitness tracker, and weekly coaching calls. These are with a qualified health coach who gives you professional advice and helps keep you on track!

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Sign up today!

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