

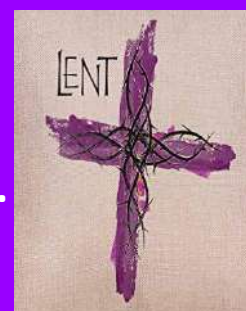


ST PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

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

Lord,

May this time of Lent be one of outward focus;
seeking you in those we often ignore.
Help us live a Lent focused on freedom and generosity.
Give us hearts hungry to serve you
and those who need what we have to give.



Dates To Remember:

Term 1: Monday, 30 January - Wednesday 5 April

MARCH:

Monday, 6: Whole School Athletics Day
Tuesday, 7: School Photo Day
Wednesday 8: SAUSAGE SIZZLE WEDNESDAY
Thursday 9: Prep Parent Coffee Chat in staffroom 8:40am
Friday, 10: Senior Inter School Sports vs St Fidelis
Monday, 13: Labour Day Public Holiday-NO SCHOOL
Monday, 20: 3/4 Life Saving Incursion
Monday, 27: Prep Fire Education Incursion
Wednesday, 29: Sacrament of Penance - Family Night 6.45pm
Friday 31: Colour Fun Run

APRIL:

Monday, 3: 3/4 Life Saving Excursion
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
Wednesday 26 -
Friday 28: Senior Camp

**NO SCHOOL
ASSEMBLY
MONDAY
6 MARCH:
DUE TO WHOLE
SCHOOL ATHLETICS**

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A message from Principal, Maria Mercuri

Family School Partnerships are a cornerstone of successful schools. At St Paul's we are committed to building and strengthening links with families and the local community to improve student learning and wellbeing outcomes. *"Each person's formation takes place within a process that is implemented over many years by several educators, starting with parents."* – Pope Francis (2014) We have been very fortunate to always have a staff member in this leadership role. Donna Ervin led this role for many years and built strong connections with families. We now have Mrs Brunina Moreno, as our Family and Community Engagement Leader (FACE). Brunina is our Prep teacher and will lead FACE this year. Brunina has shared some information in this newsletter, has some great ideas for our school and is looking forward to connecting with and getting to know St Paul's families.

ATHLETICS DAY - On Monday, 6 March we have our whole school **Athletics Day**. Our House Captains are ready to lead their teams with chants and cheering. We will be walking to Coburg Athletics track. All parents are invited to join and support their children in this fun action packed day. Please ensure that your child comes to school wearing sunscreen, has a packed lunch, snacks, water bottle and is wearing a hat. And of course ... children will be dressed in **sports uniform** on this day.

SCHOOL PHOTOS - On Tuesday, 7 March we have our **School Photos Day**. All children are required to wear their **summer school uniform**. If your child has PE/sport on this day, please pack runners in their school bag so that they can change into them.

CLASSROOM HELPERS TRAINING SESSION - We will have a Classroom Helpers training session on **Friday March 10 @ 9.15am** in the library for Prep- 2 parents. This session is for parents that would like to support in the classroom and have not been to our training session previously. A note was sent home today. Please contact Stephanie Stedman sstedman@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au if you have any questions.

Save the Date



Friday 31 March
from 3:45

We are looking forward to our annual super fun day -
Colour Fun Run on Friday March 31

Each year we look forward to this fun event.

Please sign up at <https://www.schoolfunrun.com.au/>

2023

**SCAN TO
SIGN UP**



FAMILY & COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT (FACE)



Dear St Paul's Community

My name is Brunina, I am the Family and Community Engagement Leader at St Pauls.

I have been fortunate to work in Family School partnership for many years. I am passionate about the work done in this area and believe that when schools, parents and caregivers work together we can make a real difference in the education of our children.

What does research tell us about this work:

Strong evidence suggests that parent engagement is associated with improvements in academic achievements for students of all ages. When educators and parents work together as partners, they create important opportunities for children to develop social, emotional, and academic competencies.

At St Paul's we believe parents play an important role as the first educators of children, and ongoing, active engagement of parents, families and communities has a major impact on a child's success at school.

I hope that we can continue to support and improve student learning through parent engagement at St Pauls this year.

Brunina Moreno
Family and Community Engagement Leader



Alone we can do so little;
together we can do so much.

—Helen Keller



Dear Prep Families
Please join Miss Danielle and Mrs Brunina
Thursday 9th March
for an informal coffee and chat.

Where: St Paul's staffroom

Time: 8:40 - 9:15

Hope to see you all ♥

FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

Wellbeing - The importance of Connecting with your Child

When you make time to connect, your child learns that they are important, loved and cared for. This helps them to thrive emotionally and physically! Connection with your child also helps you to acknowledge and respond to your child's experiences and emotions while building understanding. Connection helps children to learn:

- Confidence in their abilities and self-esteem;
- To cope with problems, disappointments and challenges;
- They are supported with any problem they have and can work out a solution without conflict or blame;
- They are loved and valued for who they are;
- To stay positive and accept that everyone makes mistakes and that you can learn from them;
- Social skills around communication, sharing, being a good friend and connecting with others.

Questions for your children that initiate conversation

"If I said yes to anything right now, what would you ask me?"

This question helps you get into your child's world and see what their biggest wish is!

"If you could be any animal, what would you be and why?"

Playful questions help you get to know your child more intimately and help them stay engaged in the conversation!

"If you could have any superpower, what would you have and why?"

This question uses playfulness to get on your child's level and learn more about their inner world!

"What was one kind thing you saw someone do today?"

This encourages kindness in your family and makes your child aware of ways they can be kind to others too!

"What's one new thing that you learned today?"

This helps your child develop a growth mindset and remember that we all learn and grow every day.

"What was one mistake that you made today?"

Normalize for your kids that we all make mistakes every day! Mistakes are how we learn and grow.

Behind every child who believes in himself is a parent who believed first

FROM THE OFFICE

2023 SCHOOL FEES

School Fee invoice statements have been emailed.

Please contact the office if you did not receive an email.

If you have not handed in a Payment Options Form please do so as soon as possible or collect one from the office. For any enquiries please contact Ms Jo or Ms Marilena in the office. office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

REPORTING ABSENCES

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

Skoolbag App



Email:



office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

Phone:



93548970 Option 1: Leave a message with the reason

**Report
Student
Absence**

UNIFORMS - SPARTAN SCHOOL WORLD

If you require school uniform, please go to the website www.spartanschoolworld.com.au

Visit the online shop or the shop located at:

97 Main Road, Lower Plenty, Vic 3093

Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 12pm - 5pm

1st Saturday of every month: 9am - 12pm

Spartan can be contacted Phone: 1800 815 557 or onlineorders@spartanss.com.au

Spartan will deliver to school for you to collect from the school office, or home delivery for \$9.95 extra. Returns of incorrect sizes can be arranged through Spartan.

Orders from Spartan are dispatched on Wednesday and are delivered to school on Thursday.

SECOND HAND UNIFORM is available via email only. office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

Items are \$10 a piece in cash only.

Please email the office with your uniform item requests.

The office will get back to you via email if the items are available.

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

Prayer Time

Our prayer time is a special part of our morning routine in prep. We are learning all about prayer and how when we pray we are talking to God.

Prep children are becoming familiar with;

What is prayer?

How do we pray at school?

Who is Jesus and why is he special?

How can we learn about belonging and loving from Jesus?



Dear Jesus,
Please show me how to spend this day.
Sharing your love in every way.
Help me to be kind to everyone.
To play, laugh and have lots of fun.
Shining your light and giving your grace.
Sharing your joy with a smile on my face.
Amen

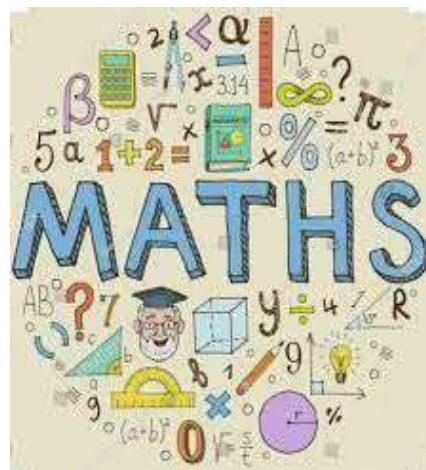
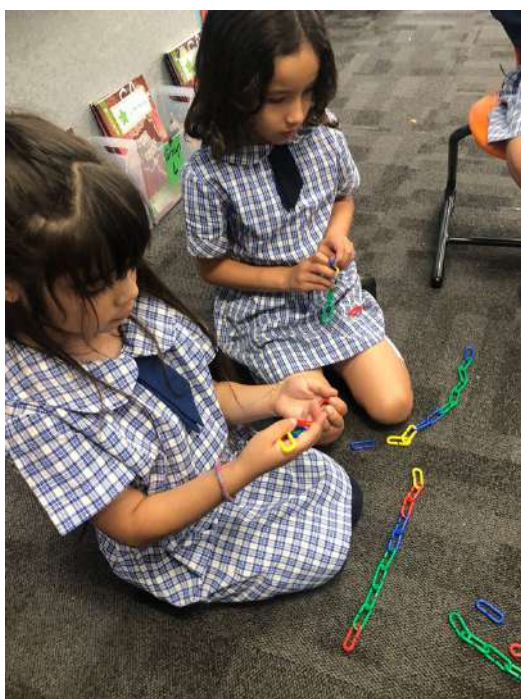


YEAR 1/2

This week has continued to be a busy one. The children have been working hard on their mathematical thinking skills, focusing on addition and subtraction and their relationship. We are learning that if I know 3 and 4 makes 7, then I also know 30 and 40 makes 70. If I understand $3+4=7$, then I must understand that $7-3=4$.

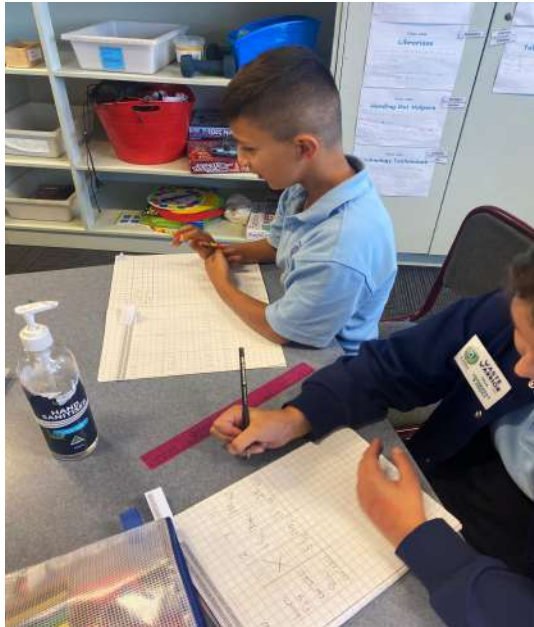
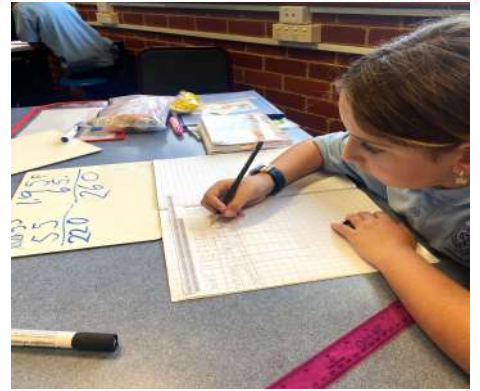
We have been focusing on the kind acts of the Good Samaritan and how we can follow in the ways of being a good and kind neighbour. Project Compassion has begun and each day we focus on an act of kindness as a class. The wonderful Waste Warriors received their badges at Assembly.

Please Remember - Sunday is Keep Australia Beautiful Day. How will you make our world a better place?



YEAR 3/4

This week in Maths the 3/4s were learning how to **“Make a Table or Chart”**. This will help us solve mathematical problems. Here was our problem:
How many hours will a car travelling at 65 kms per hour take to catch up with a car travelling at 55 kms per hour if the slower car starts one hour before the faster car?



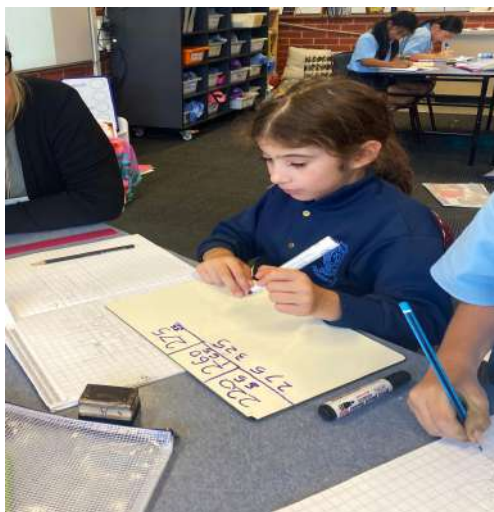
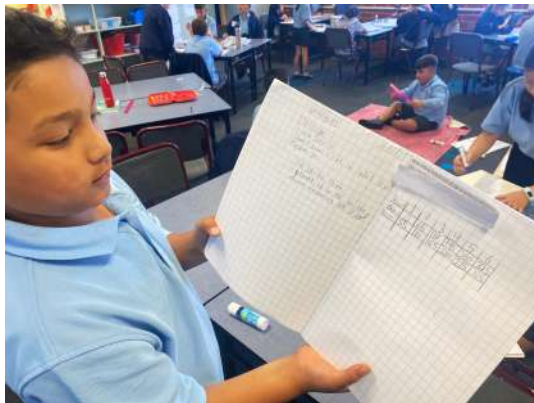
Make a Table or Chart

Draw a table with rows and columns. Sorting your ideas or information into a table may help you see the answer more clearly.

Sanvi was babysitting her nephew for a week. On the first day she made \$10 and then \$6 every day after that. How much did she make for the week?

Days	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
\$ made	\$10	\$16	\$22	\$28	\$34	\$40	\$46
	+6	+6	+6	+6	+6	+6	

Sanvi made \$46 babysitting her nephew for a week.



SENIORS

On Monday, the seniors had a fantastic incursion with Jaime and Gill from UPP, Unleashing Personal Potential. They learnt about building relationships, how to fill each others bucket and how to respond to others in an assertive way. It was a fantastic day where the children were fully engaged and were enthusiastic to participate in all the activities.





This term the Years Three to Six are practising their drawing skills..
Exploring & experimenting with a variety of techniques.

Visual Art



The Preps to Year Two are learning about line, geometric and organic shapes. They discovered lines have feelings!



SUSTAINABILITY

Bread Bags for Sports Equipment!

Please keep bringing in your bread bags so we can get new sports equipment for our play times! There are drop off bins in the junior and senior corridors.



**This Sunday,
5th March is
Clean Up
Australia day!**

DID YOU KNOW

It takes:

- **3-4 weeks to break down a banana**
- **1 month to break down a paper bag**
- **1 year to break down a sock**
- **40-50 years to break down a leather shoe**
- **200-500 years to break down a tin can**
- **400+ years to break down soft plastics!**



PARISH NEWS

CHILDREN'S PRAISE AND WORSHIP

All children from St Paul's & St Oliver's
School and Parishes are invited to join our
first Praise and Worship
on Saturday 11th March
from 2pm - 3pm
at St Oliver Plunkett's Church, Pascoe
Vale

Come and join in the Singing, Scripture
Verse and Sharing,
Join us for a cuppa after the service.

For more information please contact:
Parish Office: 9354-1564





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



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PARADE COLLEGE OPEN DAY



Sunday February 26

10am - 2pm
Bundoora Campus

Discover a World of Opportunities



Parade College



@parade.college



Parade College



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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BOOK A TOUR TO SEE OUR PROGRAMS FOR BOYS IN ACTION

9321 9200

www.sccmelb.catholic.edu.au

info@sccmelb.catholic.edu.au

273 Victoria St, West Melbourne

ENROLMENTS ARE NOW OPEN FOR
YEAR 7 IN 2024 AND 2025.
LIMITED PLACES FOR ENTRY IN 2023
ARE AVAILABLE AT OTHER LEVELS



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TALK AND TOUR

Be a Simonds Boy

2023 TOUR DATES

You and your son are invited to attend a Talk and Tour with the Principal, Peter Riordan. **Tours commence at 9.15am.** Bookings are essential. Contact the Registrar on 9321 9200 or book online.

Tours provide prospective families with a great opportunity to view the school in operation. You will have the chance to discover all that Simonds Catholic College has to offer and ask any questions you may have.

FEBRUARY 3, 7, 9, 15 & 21

MARCH 2, 7, 10, 23 & 29

APRIL 3 & 27 MAY 3, 16 & 29

JUNE 6, 13, & 21 JULY 13 & 26

AUGUST 4 & 21 SEPTEMBER 15

OCTOBER 11 & 19 NOVEMBER 8

additional tours may be added as required



KITCHEN KAPERS

at Mercy College

YEARS 4 TO 6 GIRLS AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAM



AN EXCITING 4 WEEK COOKING PROGRAM THAT WILL SPARK CREATIVITY AND NEW LEARNING EXPERIENCES.

When: Tuesday 14, 21, 28 March and Tuesday 4 April 2023

Time: 4.00pm - 5.00pm

Where: Mercy College, 760 Sydney Road, Coburg 3058

Cost: \$20.00

**Register via the QR code or visit
www.trybooking.com/CGHJT**



**For further information, please
contact the College on 9319 9299.**



Pentridge Market
11am - 4pm, 5th March 2023

