



# 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 BLESSING FOR YOUR FAMILY

May the Lord bless you and keep you.

May the Lord show you his kindness.

May he have mercy on you.

May the Lord watch over you  
and give you peace.

AMEN

## Dates To Remember:

**Term 2: Monday, 24 April - Friday, 23 June**

### MAY:

Tuesday 2:	Prep 2024 Open Evening 6 - 7.00pm
Thursday, 4:	Sacrament of Penance Year 3
Monday 8:	All children in Winter Uniform
Thursday, 11:	Mother's Day Celebration 8.30 - 11.00am
Friday, 12:	Mother's Day Stall & Raffle
Friday, 12:	Sacrament of Eucharist Reflection Day
Tuesday, 16:	Sacrament of Eucharist Family Night-online
Friday, 19:	Walk Safely To School Day
Sunday, 21:	Sacrament of Eucharist, 2.00pm
Monday, 22:	Victoria Police visit to Years Prep - 2
Wednesday, 24:	National Simultaneous Storytime
Thursday, 25:	Italian Day
Friday, 26:	National Sorry Day
Thursday, 27 - 3 June:	National Reconciliation Week

### JUNE:

Thursday, 22:	St Paul's Feast Day
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**ASSEMBLY  
MONDAY, 1  
MAY  
YEAR 3/4DM  
PRESENTING**

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**Welcome Back to school!** I hope everyone had a restful break from the school routine of school uniforms and preparing lunch boxes and were able to enjoy family time together. We are sharing lots of information with parents, please make sure you have the Seesaw and Skoolbag apps as well as regularly checking emails, so you don't miss anything. Term 2 is a short, nine weeks, but it is already off to a great start:

**Remembering ANZAC Day at St Paul's** On Monday we gathered as a school community to remember ANZAC Day. Students and staff gathered together in the hall to commemorate all Australians and New Zealanders who served and died in all wars, conflicts, and peacekeeping operations and the contribution and suffering of all those who have served. Thank you to Mrs Stedman who put a lot of time and careful consideration into preparing this meaningful tribute. Our tribute was also picked up by RSL Vic.



**Year 5/6 Camp** - Our Year 5/6 children are enjoying a three day camp on the Mornington Peninsula. They are participating in a variety of exciting activities; including horse riding and rock climbing. By all reports the children are having an awesome time. I want to especially thank the teachers for attending the camp and giving up time to ensure our children have this amazing experience. Thank You to: Mrs Stedman, Ms Emilie, Mrs Maria, Mrs Leah, Mr Alex, Mr Faraci, Mrs Christine, Miss Olivia and Miss Hine.



**Playgroup** On Thursday we re-launched our playgroup. We had many excited toddlers and babies and their parents in our hall mingling and playing together. Our playgroup is led by the very popular Rita, who for many years was Newlands Kindergarten teacher.



**Mother's Day** is fast approaching. Join us for a shared Mother's Day activity and **MOTHERS' DAY MORNING TEA** to celebrate and thank mothers for all that they do for us on **Thursday 11 May**. Classrooms will be open from **8.30am - 10am** for Mother's Day activity followed by morning tea. **10:00am - 11:00am** to enjoy a delicious morning tea including a barista on site. **Mothers stall** will be held on **Friday 12 May**.

**RSVP by 8 May at [Mother's Day Reply](#)**

# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

**Winter Uniform** - The first two weeks of Term 2 are a time of transition where students are able to wear either summer or winter uniform. From **Monday, 8 May**, all students are required to be dressed in their winter uniform.

For details of our uniform supplier, Spartan School World, please refer to the Office page in this newsletter.



**We need a volunteer** - We need a parent volunteer for one hour a week to fill out Second Hand Uniform orders. If you can spare an hour, that works with your own schedule, please email [office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au) and let us know.

**Good Luck** to Emily H (3/4D) who will be representing St Paul's PS in the Northern Star interschool Chess Tournaments for Schools on May 29.



## PREP 2024 OPEN EVENING

**Tuesday  
May 2**  
**6 - 7.00pm**

*Wellbeing  
and learning  
for all*



**Call our office to book your place!**

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## ST PAUL'S OPEN DAY

We are holding **Open Evening** for prospective 2024 Prep families, on **Tuesday 2 May from 6-7pm**, for families who can't make the day sessions.

If you know any families with children ready to begin school next year, please let them know about our **Open Evening**.



# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



April  
Birthdays!

Wishing the following students & staff  
a blessed & joyful birthday this week:

Chelsea Y - 25th  
Ms Leah Marino (staff) - 28th  
Nicholas Z - 29th  
Rabin R - 30th

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Let's take action to be

Happier and Kinder, Together

## Active April

Let's find ways to get moving and stay active and healthy.

**Active April 2023**

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
 <p>1. Listen to your body and be grateful for what it can do.</p>	 <p>2. Eat healthy and natural food today and drink lots of water.</p>	 <p>3. Turn a regular activity into a playful game today.</p>	 <p>4. Do a body-scan meditation and really notice how your body feels.</p>	 <p>5. Get natural light early in the day. Dim the lights in the evening.</p>	<p>6. Commit to being more active this month, starting today.</p>	<p>7. Spend as much time as possible outdoors today.</p>
<p>10. Have a day with less screen time and more movement.</p>	<p>11. Set yourself an exercise goal or sign up to an activity challenge.</p>	<p>12. Move as much as possible, even if you're stuck inside.</p>	<p>13. Make sleep a priority and go to bed in good time.</p>	<p>14. Relax your body &amp; mind with yoga, tai chi or meditation.</p>	<p>15. Get active by singing today (even if you think you can't sing!).</p>	<p>16. Go exploring around your local area and notice new things.</p>
<p>17. Be active outside. Dig up weeds or plant some seeds.</p>	<p>18. Try a new online exercise, activity or dance class.</p>	<p>19. Spend less time sitting today. Get up and move more often.</p>	<p>20. Focus on eating a rainbow of multi-coloured vegetables today.</p>	<p>21. Regularly pause to stretch and breathe during the day.</p>	<p>22. Enjoy moving to your favourite music. Really go for it.</p>	<p>23. Go out and do an errand for a loved one or neighbour.</p>
 <p>24. Get active in nature. Feed the birds or go wildlife-spotting.</p>	<p>25. Have a 'no screens' night and take time to recharge yourself.</p>	<p>26. Take an extra break in your day and walk outside for 15 minutes.</p>	<p>27. Find a fun exercise to do while waiting for the kettle to boil.</p>	<p>28. Meet a friend outside for a walk and a chat.</p>	<p>29. Become an activist for a cause you really believe in.</p>	<p>30. Make time to run, swim, dance, cycle or stretch today.</p>

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS Happier · Kinder · Together



# FROM THE OFFICE

## UNIFORMS

### Second Hand Uniforms

We are very well stocked with good quality second hand uniforms. Each item is selling for \$10. If you would like to purchase any items please contact Jo at [office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au](mailto:office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au)

### Winter Uniform

ALL STUDENTS IN Winter Uniform FROM MONDAY 8 MAY.

Spartan World is our uniform supplier.

[www.spartanschoolworld.com.au](http://www.spartanschoolworld.com.au)

online shop 1800 815 557

[onlineorders@spartanss.com.au](mailto:onlineorders@spartanss.com.au)

or a shop front located at:

**Spartan School World 97 Main Road, Lower Plenty, Vic 3093**

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 12pm - 5pm**

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

**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.



**School Shoes Reminder:** Black shoes - all black soles - are part of the St Paul's uniform. Children can wear runners on their sports day. Some black school shoes examples include:



### SKOOLBAG APP UPDATE

Please make sure that your SkoolBag App is always up to date. Each update is necessary for the app to work properly and to communicate effectively between school and home.





# FROM THE DEPUTY PRINCIPAL

## ANZAC DAY - LEST WE FORGET



Dear Families, welcome to Term 2. I hope everyone has had a restful break and ready for a great term of learning ahead.

At the end of last term the students at St Paul's engaged in some learning about our ANZAC's and the significance and importance of ANZAC Day.

Anzac Day is a commemoration of the anniversary of the landing of Australian and New Zealand troops at Gallipoli, Turkey on 25 April in 1915. The students remembered and recognised the service and sacrifice of members of the Australian Defence Force and those who went to war. In particular, this year the focus has been on the Vietnam war as 2023 marks 50 years since the end of the war.



On the final day of Term 1, our senior leaders attended a commemorative service at the Shrine of Remembrance to mark the 100th anniversary of LEGACY.

The LEGACY promise was made in the trenches is still being upheld today, that no veteran's family is disadvantaged due to their loved ones' service to our country.



# STUDENT OF THE WEEK

TO BE PRESENTED AT ASSEMBLY ON MONDAY, 1 MAY

Class	Name	Awarded for...
Prep D	Harrison G	For being <b>RESPECTFUL</b> by speaking kindly to others, making good choices and using his manners at all times. Well done!
	Archer U	For being <b>RESPONSIBLE</b> by following our school rules, making good choices and doing his best at all times. Well done!
Prep B	Olivia C	For being <b>RESILIENT</b> & trying her hardest with her writing & spelling. Well done!
	Gabriela H	For being <b>PREPARED</b> and ready to learn & trying her best. Keep up the good work. Well Done!
1/2 A	Poppy V	For being <b>RESILIENT</b> & having a positive attitude and making a great start to the Term. Well done!
	Daniel R	For being <b>RESPONSIBLE</b> in the classroom and applying his best efforts into learning tasks. Well done!
1/2 G	Christian R-S	For being <b>RESPECTFUL</b> in all his interactions with others. Christian waits his turn, listens to others and is a very caring friend. Super effort!
	Arion T	For being <b>RESPECTFUL</b> with his classmates, teachers and school community. Arion is thoughtful and reflective in all his interactions with others.
1/2 P	Lucas Z	For being <b>PREPARED</b> by always being ready to learn, applying his best effort in all subject areas and presenting work of a high standard. Keep it up Lucas!.
	Alexander P	For being <b>RESPONSIBLE</b> by always following the school 'BE' rules, making good choices and striving to achieve his best at all times. Well done Alexander!
3/4 DM	Tom T	For being <b>RESPONSIBLE</b> by making good choices during learning time to be the best student he can be.
	Valentina M	For being <b>PREPARED</b> and applying herself in class for all learning opportunities.
3/4 ML	Elyssa D	Being <b>PREPARED</b> by always going to the toilet before learning time and clarifying what she needs to do.
	Isaac S	Being <b>RESPONSIBLE</b> by giving an awesome effort at the job of Line Marshall. Very impressive!
3/4 ST	Natasha C	Being <b>RESPONSIBLE</b> during learning time by following the Be Rules! Great work Natasha!
	James T	For being <b>RESPONSIBLE</b> by making good choices for his learning during class time. Well done James!

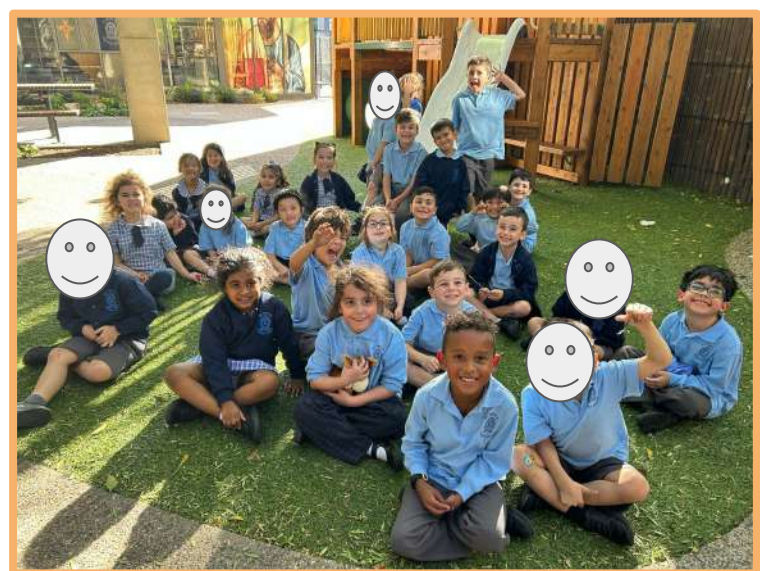
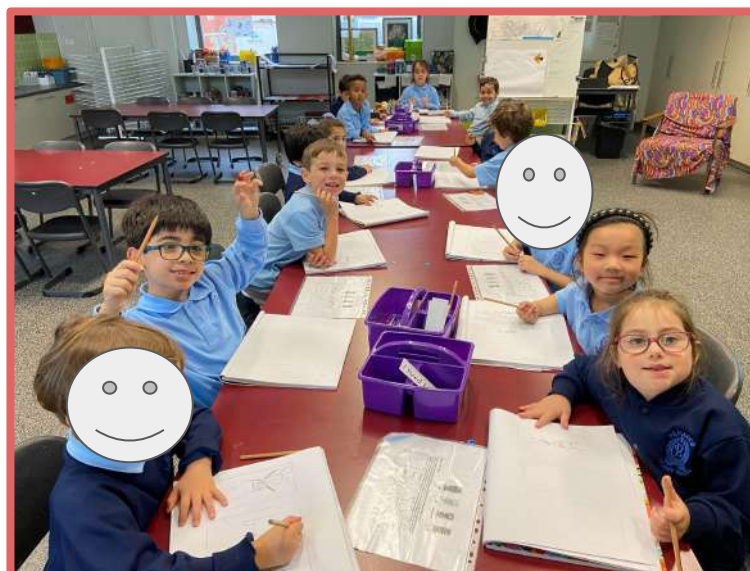


# DREP



Welcome to Term 2 Preps!

We are so excited to be back at school and we have been superstars! this week!







Join us to celebrate

# Mother's Day

**THURSDAY, 11TH MAY, FROM  
8:45am - 11:00am**

8:45am - 10:00am

Classroom visits with your children.

10:00am - 11:00am

Enjoy a delicious morning tea in the O'Connell Building  
(sweet and savoury delights, and a Barista on site).



# MOTHER'S DAY STALL...

ST PAUL'S PARENTS AND FRIENDS

## MOTHER'S DAY STALL



Luniva Collection



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*Many gifts to choose from for Mum and Grandma  
including some from local and school family  
businesses*

*Prices ranging from \$3 to \$15*

**FRIDAY 12TH MAY 2023  
IN THE LIBRARY**

*Please bring a reusable bag to bring home your goodies.*



# Fundraising Mathethon

Please help our students develop their numeracy skills while raising money for classroom math equipment

### How a mathathon works?

Students are sponsored to answer as many questions as possible in a 2 minute period. The Mathethon will be held at school.

#### Fundraising element:

Students are asked to get sponsors for the number of questions they will answer correctly during the two-minute challenge.

They are sponsored on a 'per question answered correctly' basis. (Eg 10 cents sponsored per correct answer and 25 correct answers achieved, then the sponsor pays  $10 \times 25 = \$2.50$ ).

**When? : May 15 to May 19**

**St Paul's Mathethon Sponsorship Form will be sent home next week.**

## Mathethon

Learn maths

Have fun

**Raise Money for Classroom Math Equipment**



# LIBRARY

Hello from the library! We have many exciting events planned for this term as well as many new book releases from our favourite authors! Please feel free to contact me regarding any books or areas of interest your child may be interested in reading! Ms Angela



## Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge 2023

The Victorian Premiers' Reading Challenge is now open and St Paul's PS is excited to be participating! For those families new to St Paul's, we have participated in the PRC for over 12 years & our highest whole school book tally is over 2000 books!

Students from Prep Year 2 are challenged to read 30 books.

Students from Year 3 - 6 are challenged to read 15 books.

All students will receive a log in for the PRC

All children who meet the Challenge will receive a certificate of achievement signed by the Victorian Premier and former Premiers.

Please note the PRC is not a competition; but a personal challenge for children to read a set number of book by early September. A message from the Premier can be found [here](#)



**National Simultaneous Storytime** (NSS) is held annually by the Australian Library and Information Association (ALIA). Every year a picture book, written and illustrated by an Australian author and illustrator, is read simultaneously in libraries, schools, pre-schools, childcare centres, family homes, bookshops and many other places around the country. Now in its 23rd successful year, it is a colourful, vibrant, fun event that aims to promote the value of reading and literacy, using an Australian children's book that explores age-appropriate themes, and addresses key learning areas of the National Curriculum for Foundation to Year 6.

**The Speedy Sloth** is the official storytime book for National Simultaneous Storytime 2023!

Our Prep & Year 1/2 students will visit Coburg library for NSS this year!

## Author Pen Pals

This term, our Year 5/6 students are lucky to join a special program called Author Pen Pals.

Author Pen Pals has been created for 2023 to connect Australian authors and illustrators with Australian schools. Building connections between authors and schools encourages and supports students literacy and who doesn't love to receive a letter in the mail!

The authors assigned to our school include Mary Anastasiou, Kylie Miller, Nikki Rogers, Anna Manuel and Leanne Murner.

We're looking forward to the letters and updates!





# SCHOOL COMMUNITY

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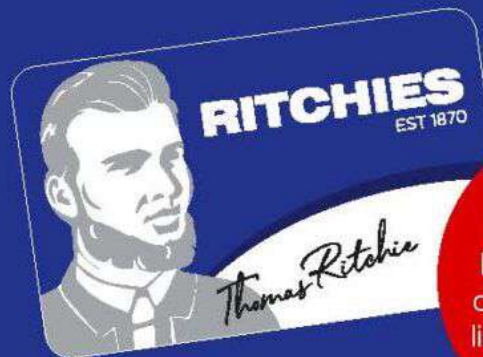


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## DISCOVER MERCY OPEN DAY

Meet our Principal, explore the facilities and chat with our students and staff.

Sunday 28 May 2023 : 10.00am  
Monday 29 May 2023 : 9.30am and 6.00pm

760 Sydney Road, Coburg - Entry via Gate 1  
Presentation and tour takes approximately 90 minutes.

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# Year 7 Information Evening All Year 4 - 6 Families Welcome Wednesday May 31

## What Makes Parade College Unique?

Tours of the College commence at 5.45pm

Presentation to commence at 7pm



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