



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

PRAYER

Dear Lord,

We thank You and praise You for the most precious gift of the Holy Eucharist. We ask You to bless all those who are preparing to receive your Body and Blood for the first time. You have provided for us richly through the gift of Your Body and Blood in the Eucharist.



Dates To Remember:

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

MAY:

- Sunday, 21:** Sacrament of Eucharist, 2.00pm
- Monday, 22:** Victoria Police visit to Years Prep - 2
- Wednesday, 24:** National Simultaneous Storytime
- Wednesday, 24:** Sausage Sizzle Wednesday
- Thursday, 25:** Italian Day
- Friday, 26:** National Sorry Day
- Thursday, 27 - 3 June:** National Reconciliation Week

JUNE:

- Monday, 12:** King's Birthday Public Holiday
- Thursday, 22:** St Paul's Feast Day
- Friday, 23:** Student reports sent home
- Friday, 23:** Last Day of Term 2 - 1.00pm finish

ASSEMBLY
MONDAY,
22 MAY
PREP B & D
PRESENTING

St Paul's acknowledges that our school is on the land of the Wurundjeri people of the Kulin Nation and pay our respects to their elders, past, present & future

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A message from our Acting Principal, Stephanie Stedman

Sacrament of Eucharist

Come, Lord Jesus, fill my heart with your love at my First Communion!

Dear Families,

We pray for our Year 4 students as they prepare for the **Sacrament of Eucharist** on Sunday, 21 May at 2.00pm. This sacrament is one of love, as the children prepare to receive the Body and Blood of Jesus our Lord and Saviour. Over the past few weeks, students have been working alongside their teachers and RE leader, Mrs Simpson to learn about this sacrament and the scripture stories associated with receiving the Eucharist. We wish all the candidates preparing to receive their First Eucharist the very best for this coming Sunday. All candidates, their families and teachers will be in our prayers.

'This is My Blood of the Covenant, which is poured out for many for Forgiveness of Sins'
Matthew 26:28

Walk Safely to School Day - Today we celebrated Walk Safely to School Day. It was great to see the children walk, ride or scoot to school especially on this very cold Autumn morning. Each child received a piece of fruit upon their arrival at school as a reward for their efforts.



We would like to extend a very big thank you to Jimmy Gakis (Michaela's dad) who donated fresh fruit for the children to enjoy. Walk Safely to School day is a community initiative that promotes the health and wellbeing of children and raises awareness of the importance of health, road safety, transport and the environmental benefits. We thank all children and families who participated as well as Mrs Brunina Moreno who organised this important event.

Cross Country Congratulations to all our children who attended District Cross Country on Wednesday. Our students certainly did us proud and reflected the true quality of sportsmanship by cheering and encouraging all those who participated. St Paul's was proudly represented. Congratulations to Daniel F, Summer Z, Eloise S, Caitlyn O'BC and Jake E who made it through to the next round.



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Staff Leave

This week our Principal, Ms Maria Mercuri commenced her Long Service Leave. Maria will be on leave for the remainder of Term 2 as her and her husband travel abroad to the UK and Spain. We wish Ms Maria a wonderful, safe trip and look forward to hearing all about her travels upon her return.

For any general questions or matters of concern, please do not hesitate to contact me. During Ms Maria's absence, I will not only be in the role of Acting Principal, I will also continue in my role of Wellbeing Leader. I can be contacted on the following email address sstedman@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

Mrs Kim Simpson will replace me in the role of Acting Deputy Principal. She is also available for any queries and can be contacted on ksimpson@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

Wishing everyone a blessed week ahead. May you stay warm and enjoy the weekend with family.

Stephanie

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! MAY BIRTHDAYS!



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

Jack M - 16th
Adam I - 17th
Estelle J - 18th
Caitlyn O'B-C - 19th
George T - 20th
Alessia M - 21st

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Let's take action to be
Happier and Kinder, Together

MEANINGFUL MAY

Let's find ways to be part of something bigger

Meaningful May 2023

MONDAY

1 Do something kind for someone you really care about

8 Set yourself a kindness mission to help others today

15 Do something to contribute to your local community

22 Find a way to help a project or charity you care about

29 Today do something to care for the natural world

TUESDAY

2 Focus on what you can do rather than what you can't do

9 What values are important to you? Find ways to use them today

16 Show your gratitude to people who are helping to make things better

23 Recall three things you've done that you are proud of

30 Share a quote you find inspiring to give others a boost

WEDNESDAY

3 Take a step towards an important goal, however small

10 Be grateful for the little things, even in difficult times

17 Find a way to make what you do today meaningful

24 Make choices that have a positive impact for others today

31 Find three reasons to be hopeful about the future

THURSDAY

4 Send your friend a photo from a time you enjoyed together

11 Look around for things that bring you a sense of awe and wonder

18 Send a hand-written note to someone you care about

25 Ask someone else what matters most to them and why



FRIDAY

5 Let someone know how much they mean to you and why

12 Listen to a favourite piece of music and remember what it means to you

19 Reflect on what makes you feel valued and purposeful

26 Remember an event in your life that was really meaningful



SATURDAY

6 Look for people doing good and reasons to be cheerful

13 Find out about the values or traditions of another culture

20 Share photos of 3 things you find meaningful or memorable

27 Focus on how your actions make a difference for others



SUNDAY

7 Make a list of what matters most to you and why

14 Get outside and notice the beauty in nature

21 Look up at the sky. Remember we are all part of something bigger

28 Do something special and revisit it in your memory tonight



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 email office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au Uniforms are packed and processed on Wednesday only.

Winter Uniform

ALL STUDENTS IN Winter Uniform FROM MONDAY 8 MAY.

Spartan World is our uniform supplier.

www.spartanschoolworld.com.au

online shop 1800 815 557

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.




STUDENT OF THE WEEK

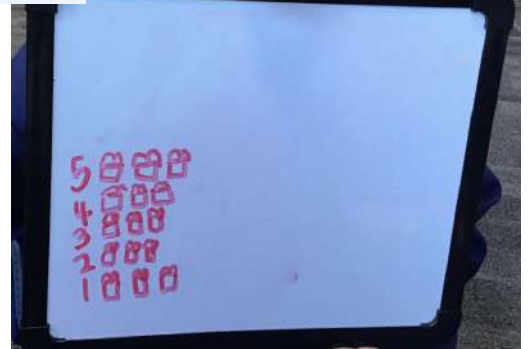
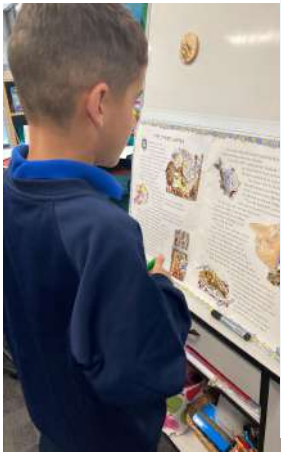
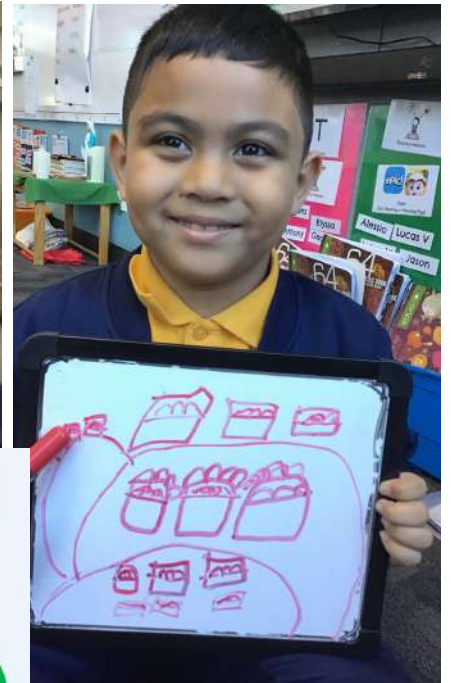
TO BE PRESENTED AT ASSEMBLY ON MONDAY, 22 MAY

B E R E S P E C T F U L R E S I L I E N T S A F E P R E P A R E D R E S P O N S I B L E	Class	Name	Awarded for...	B E R E S P E C T F U L R E S I L I E N T S A F E P R E P A R E D R E S P O N S I B L E
	Prep D	Henry D	For being RESPONSIBLE by working hard to follow our class and school rules, and doing his best at all times. Well done!	
		Sasha M	For being PREPARED for her learning by listening, following instructions and doing her best during her learning tasks. Great work!	
	Prep B	Pablo R	For being RESPECTFUL and showing kindness and lovely manners to all of his teachers and friends. Well done!	
	1/2 A	Louis N	For being a RESPONSIBLE student who applies his best efforts into his learning tasks, Well done Louis!	
		Sophie E	For moving SAFELY through the school and being considerate of others. Well done!	
	1/2 G	Scarlett J	For being RESPECTFUL in her interactions with her classmates. Scarlett is kind and gentle in her friendships and loves to share her respectful actions with all. Fantastic Work!	
		James O'B-C	For being RESILIENT! James models resilience whenever he chooses to play by himself, developing his soccer skills. He takes pride in himself and his passion for soccer. Way to go James!	
	1/2 P	Harriet V	For being PREPARED during literacy, working hard on improving her reading and thinking of amazing adjectives to describe storybook characters. Well done!!	
		Lucas Z	For being PREPARED by practising for the Mathethon and achieving an amazing result! A great effort Lucas - keep working hard!!	
	3/4 DM	Tyra W	RESPONSIBLE - for being a responsible learner who works hard and tries her best during every learning opportunity. Well done!	
		Sofia K	RESILIENCE - demonstrating courage and being open to new strategies to handle problems she encounters. Keep it up Sofia!	
	3/4 M0	Dara J	Being RESILIENT and trying really hard at Cross Country.	
		Kiki T	Being RESPONSIBLE and doing a great job on your reading assessment with Miss Melissa.	
	3/4 ST	Henry V	For showing RESILIENCE by having a positive attitude when trying new things! Well done Henry.	
		Daniel F	For being RESPONSIBLE by trying his best in all areas of his school work. Great work Daniel!	
	Senior H	Isla C	For always being RESPECTFUL to your teachers and peers.	
		Sadie E	For being PREPARED for your learning and always doing your best!	
	Senior ML	George W	For being RESPECTFUL . George, you are always respectful to your classmates and teachers and your kindness towards everyone is appreciated.	
		Mia M	For being PREPARED and ready to apply yourself for all learning opportunities in class. Keep up the great work Mia.	
	Senior O	Elli T	For being PREPARED with her learning and working efficiently to complete tasks in the allocated time.	
		Matthew S	For being PREPARED and showing enthusiasm towards participating in the Mathethon.	

YEAR 1/2

What a week of learning in 1/2! We completed our Mathathon and can't wait for the new equipment we can get for our learning spaces. We have been focusing our reading on narratives and developing an interesting storyline, characters and settings. Mathematics skills were challenged exploring division and how to make equal fair shares and efficient ways of working out our thinking. We are developing our brains working on what a healthy Growth Mindset looks and sounds like.

$$5+10=15$$




INQUIRY

In Grade 1/2 Inquiry unit 'Fun & Working Together,' students have been learning about how to work together by demonstrating kindness, inclusivity and being open to different ideas shared by others. They are sharing their learning of how to be a good friend in a short video created using Stop-Motion.



Stop-Motion is an animation technique that makes still objects look like they are moving. 'Wallace and Gromit', 'Lego Movie' and 2022's Pinocchio' by Guillermo del Toro, all use Stop-Motion animation. Stop Motion works just like flip books; the students take a series of photos of characters in slightly different poses or positions and then the photos play in a reel. Students can add voice overs or text to their animation to really bring it to life! Check out 1/2P learning to use the Stop-Motion app!



PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Interschool Sport - Coburg District Interschool sport began last week with our senior students competing in the winter sports of Football, Soccer & Netball.

Our students competed against Coburg Primary School with the following results:

Football: Coburg PS def St. Paul's 78-6

Girls Soccer: St. Paul's def Coburg PS 5-0

Mixed Soccer: St. Paul's def Coburg PS 3-1

Girls Netball: St. Paul's def Coburg PS 13-0

Mixed Netball: St. Paul's drew Coburg PS 7-7

CROSS COUNTRY

On Wednesday 17th of May, our best distance running students participated in the Coburg District Cross Country Championships. We had a record 28 students participate, with 5 of them finishing in the Top 10 in their respective races who will now go on to represent St. Paul's in the Division Cross Country Championships on May 31.

Daniel F. 9/10YO Boys 2Km: 6th Place

Summer Z. 11YO Girls 3Km: 3rd Place

Eloise S. 12YO Girls 3Km: 9th Place

Caitlyn O'B-C. 12YO Girls 3Km: 6th Place

Jake E. 12YO Boys 3Km: 9th Place



Congratulations and well done to everyone who participated.



SCHOOL COMMUNITY

NATIONAL Volunteer WEEK



Happy National Volunteer Week! We're so thankful for the generous volunteers, parents & grandparents who donate their time and energy to make the St Paul's community a better place! Without your help, our school would not have the additional resources that it does. Not only that, you put the biggest smile on our students' faces when you walk in the door! A heart felt thank you from us - we very much value **ALL** that you do!



A time to say **Thanks** to all our wonderful and supportive parent community!

ATTENZIONE !!!!!!!

Italian Day Celebration



ITALIAN DAY: Thursday 25th May!



Children need to wear their sports uniform.

They can add the Italian colours, eg. ribbons, a hat, an Italian scarf, soccer shirt/shorts a flag or anything your imagination can think of.

The day will be filled with lots of fun activities. A performance from a “Spectacular Spettacolo”, a soccer clinic, Italian games, art activities and lots of conversation in Italian, “speriamo”!!!!!!

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY!

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MOTHER'S DAY - THANK YOU!

Thank you **ALL** for making the Mother's Day events so successful!
All funds will be contributed to improving our school.

Mother Day Stall – We had so much support from our school community with volunteers on the day and some amazing mums that made items to sell:

- Beautiful bracelets and glasses chains from Luniva Collection
- Yummy cookies from Biscotti & Co
- Support from Brunswick Pharmacy
- Flowers from Helen Bye Florist



This event wouldn't have been possible without: **Anthina**, Vilenna, **Annette**, Christina, **Sonia**, Alexis, **Carmel**, Joan, **Rozi** and Marcelle.



Mother's Day Raffle

Thank you to all that brought a ticket and congratulations to the lucky winners!

Stefan C (Yr 3) Riva B (Prep),

Azriel A (Yr 4),

Leo & Gab G (Yr 5 & Yr 2)

and **Alexandra B (Yr 3)**, who won 1st Prize of the Parliament House High Tea.

A special mention to:

- **Anthony Cianflone MP** for the donation of a high tea for 2 at Parliament house
- **Biscotti & Co** for the beautiful cookie hamper

Thank you again families for all your support.

Audrey and Stella – St Paul P&F Presidents



SCHOOL COMMUNITY

MERCY COLLEGE

ARTS IN MOTION DANCE PROGRAM FOR YEARS 4-6 GIRLS



An exciting versatile four week dance program which will develop students' confidence, fitness levels, creativity, expressive skills and more.

WHEN

Wednesday 31 May and
Wednesday 7, 14, 21 June 2023

4.00PM - 5.00PM

WHERE

Mercy College, 760 Sydney Road,
Coburg 3058

COST

\$20

BOOK NOW

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Don't forget to dress comfortable!



Page Against the Machine

Page Against the Machine is an international event which brings readers of all ages and backgrounds together to enjoy the simple pleasure of reading.

Join Stig Wemyss, beloved narrator of audio books such as the Treehouse series and Boy Swallows Universe, for an afternoon of antics!

Afterwards, settle in for a reading session at the library!

Saturday 27 May

1:00-3:00pm

Brunswick Library

Programmed by Melbourne UNESCO City of Literature in association with Norwich UNESCO City of Literature and The Book Hive. Supported by the UNESCO Cities of Literature.



Scan the QR code
to register now.



Merri-bek Language Link

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عربي	Arabic	9280 1913	नेपाली	Nepali	9280 0751	National Relay Service:		

13 36 77 or relayservice.com.au



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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PARISH NEWS

CHILDREN'S PRAISE AND WORSHIP

All children from St Paul's & St Oliver's
School and Parishes are invited to join our
Praise and Worship
on Saturday 20th May
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.
Bring a plate to share.

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

