



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 PRAYER FOR THE END OF TERM

We thank you Lord, for this term.

For the challenges, the successes, and the mistakes from which we have learnt.

Be with us as we spend our time with family and friends.

Give us strength and courage to do what is right;

to be witnesses of our faith.

These holidays, help us to appreciate what others do for us,

to give time and effort to help others,

to be peacemakers in our family.

Keep us safe in our activities; give us good rest and good fun.

Bring us back refreshed and ready for a new term.

We thank you for our classmates, teachers, parents and a community that cares for us.

May we always be conscious of you in our lives. Amen

Dates To Remember:

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

JUNE:

Thursday, 22: St Paul's Feast Day - 'Busking For Change' class performances

Thursday, 22: St Paul's Playgroup

Friday, 23: Student reports sent home

Friday, 23: Last Day of Term 2 - 1.00pm finish

JULY:

Term 3: Monday, 10 July - Friday, 15 September

Monday, 10: Term 3 commences

MONDAY,
19 JUNE
NO
ASSEMBLY

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

A message from our Acting Principal, Stephanie Stedman

END OF TERM 2

Dear Families,

It is hard to believe that we're approaching the end of another term. As always, the school term has been jammed packed with rich, valuable experiences that have enabled learning and created life long memories. I would like to congratulate our students for their immersion and curiosity towards learning. Their perseverance and application has not gone without notice. Some of the highlights have included Senior Camp, Interschool Sports, Reconciliation, Eucharist, Mathethon, Mother's Day, Italian Day, Transit Police, Cross Country, Sausage Sizzles, and Simultaneous Story Time, just to name a few.

I would also like to extend thanks to our parents and extended family members, who continue to be such a valued part of our community. It is so lovely to wander through the school, seeing helpers in the classrooms, at year level events and overall, engaged in their children's learning. Together, parents, students and staff make St Paul's the vibrant learning community that it is. We thank you for your ongoing support. **Please note that the school Term will end on Friday 23 June at 1pm.**

SCHOOL REPORTS and PARENT TEACHER CONVERSATIONS

Reports will be available via the parent portal next Friday, 23 June. Parents will be provided with a link in the coming week to access their children's reports. Due to a few of our teachers being on leave, our Parent Teacher Learning conversations will take place in early term three. We will advise families of the details upon our return to school. As usual, parents are invited to contact classroom teachers any time to discuss their child's learning and experiences at school.

ST PAUL'S DAY On **Thursday 22 June** we celebrate **St Paul's Feast Day**. Students will explore the story of the patron saint of our school through various learning activities and participate in a Liturgy in their year levels. Unfortunately, we were unable to have a liturgy in the Church due to Fr James being away. Together the children will share their learning and enjoy a shared lunch provided by the school. In the spirit of St Paul, the children have been learning an Indigenous song. These will be performed for families in the Peppercorn Courtyard. Details will be shared via SeeSaw as well as further details in the coming pages. We will be fundraising for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. Acts of kindness will also be recognised on St Paul's day.

WINTER COLDS As we head into the coldest part of winter, we ask that families monitor their children's health and not send them to school if they are presenting cold and flu, or covid like symptoms. Keeping your child at home when they are sick minimises the spread of infection and supports the rest of the community to remain healthy. We thank you for your understanding.

WELCOME BACK MS MARIA This term, our principal Ms Maria has been travelling abroad and enjoying a well deserved break. We look forward to her return in Term 3 and can't wait to hear all about her travel adventures.

SAFE and HAPPY HOLIDAYS As this is the final newsletter for Term 2, I would like to wish all of our community a safe and happy holidays. May you enjoy a restful break and valuable time with your family. For those of you who are travelling, stay safe and enjoy. May God bless you and your family, we look forward to seeing you in Term 3.

Stephanie

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We're thrilled to announce that we have been successful in receiving a 2023 Woolworths Junior Landcare Grant for our whole school project, **Bush Tucker**.

We will be creating a sensory garden with native plants used by First Nations peoples as part of wider native garden project. The children will be involved in researching, designing, planting, harvesting and learning about the properties of each plant. It will also be a beautiful place for the wellbeing of all students.

The expected outcomes of the project include exploring how plants are grown, prepared, used and regarded as food and medicine in First Nations cultures and will be part of the student's Inquiry next term. The children and teachers are looking forward to the learning from this project. Thank you to Ms Danielle & Ms Nikki for their dedication and commitment to this project.

PLAYGROUP The playgroup has had a busy term and the children have been engaging in a lot of sensory play, water play, playdough and sand play. At the end of each session, we have introduced a 10 minute group time with group songs and puppets. Families and children continue to build relationships and connect with one another. Next Thursday, the playgroup children will celebrate the end of term with a teddy bears picnic. Playgroup will resume, Thursday 13 July at 9.30am. It has been wonderful to see the families and children join our St Paul's community. We look forward to seeing you again next term. A special thank you is extended to Rita, our playgroup teacher who shares her love of learning and engagement with the children.



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! JUNE BIRTHDAYS!



Wishing the following students a
blessed & joyful birthday:

Channelle M - 12th

Celine M - 15th

Chloe H - 19th

Katelyn M - 21st

Loriana - 24th

Joyful June - Let's look for what's good.

Joyful June 2023

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

SUNDAY



1 Decide to look for what's good every day this month

2 Say positive things in your conversations with others

3 Re-frame a worry and try to find a helpful way to think about it

4 Take a photo of something that brings you joy and share it

5 Think of 3 things you're grateful for and write them down

6 Get out into green space and feel the joy that nature brings

7 Do something healthy which makes you feel good

8 Find joy in music: sing, play, dance, listen or share

9 Ask a friend what made them happy recently

10 Bring joy to others by doing something kind for them

11 Eat good food that makes you happy and really savour it

12 Write a gratitude letter to thank someone

13 Take a light-hearted approach. Choose to see the funny side

14 Share a happy memory with someone who means a lot to you

15 Look for something to be thankful for where you least expect it

16 Speak to others in a warm and friendly way

17 Take time to notice things that you find beautiful

18 Look for something good in a difficult situation

19 Get outside and find the joy in being active

20 Rediscover and enjoy a fun childhood activity

21 Send a positive note to a friend who needs encouragement

22 Watch something funny and enjoy how it feels to laugh

23 Create a playlist of uplifting songs to listen to

24 Bring to mind a favourite memory you feel grateful for

25 Show your appreciation to people who are helping others

26 Make time to do something playful, just for the fun of it

27 Be kind to you. Do something that brings you joy

28 Notice how positive emotions are contagious between people

29 Share a friendly smile with people you see today

30 Make a list of the joys in your life (and keep adding to it)



ACTION FOR HAPPINESS

Happier · Kinder · Together

FROM THE OFFICE

STUDENT ABSENT / LATE NOTIFICATIONS

For a child's absence please notify the office or the classroom teacher no later than 9.30am. If you have not notified the the office you will receive a text message, please respond accordingly.

There are 3 ways in which you are able to record an absence:

- Audiri app (Skoolbag app) - Forms
- Phone - 93548970 follow the prompts
- Email - office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

UNIFORMS

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

- \$10 an item
- Email - office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au
- Packed and processed on a Wednesday only

NEW UNIFORM - SPARTAN WORLD UNIFORM SUPPLIER

Website: www.spartanschoolworld.com.au

Phone: online shop 1800 815 557

Email: onlineorders@spartanss.com.au

Shop: Spartan School World 97 Main Road, Lower Plenty
Monday, Wednesday, Friday: 12pm - 5pm
1st Saturday of every month: 9am - 12pm



- Spartan deliver to school or home for a delivery fee of \$9.95.
- Returns of incorrect sizes can be arranged directly through Spartan.
- Orders from Spartan are dispatched on Wednesday and 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 updated for the app to work properly and to communicate effectively between school and home.







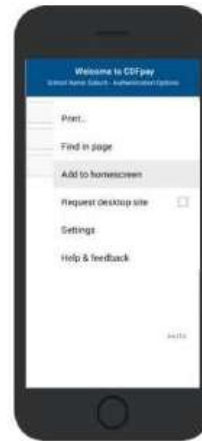
Adding Icon to Apple iPhone

- ⇒ Browse to <https://spcoburg.cdfpay.org.au> in Safari.
- ⇒ Or scan QR Code using your phone camera to browse to URL.
- ⇒ In Safari  tap the **BOOKMARK ICON**.
- ⇒ Choose the **ADD TO HOMESCREEN** icon.
- ⇒ You can then place the icon on your desired screen.



Adding Icon to Android Phone

- ⇒ Browse to <https://spcoburg.cdfpay.org.au> in Chrome.
- ⇒ Or scan QR Code using your phone camera to browse to URL.
- ⇒ In Chrome  tap the Menu option .
- ⇒ Choose the **ADD TO HOMESCREEN** icon.
- ⇒ You can then place the icon on your desired screen.



Create your CDFpay Account

- ⇒ Browse to <https://spcoburg.cdfpay.org.au>
- ⇒ Select **New Parent Account**.
- ⇒ Enter your full **Full Name**, **Email**, **Password** choose **Next**
- ⇒ Check your Email inbox for a **Email Verification** link.
- ⇒ Login with your new CDFpay account.



Verify your Account & Add Children

- ⇒ To add a child to your account, type **First and Last Name**.
- ⇒ Select **Class/Room** for your child.
- ⇒ Choose **Add Another Student** if required.
- ⇒ You are now ready to place orders using **CDFpay**.



ST PAUL'S FEAST DAY CELEBRATIONS

THEME: MISSION TOGETHER

THURSDAY, 22 JUNE

We have a very special day planned for St Paul's Day!

- ★ Fun Learning Activities
- ★ St Paul's Day Liturgy
- ★ 'Working Together in Love' Art Activity
- ★ Special Assembly - STUDENTS ONLY
- ★ St Paul's Kindness Day Award
- ★ FREE Sausage Roll & Donut Lunch



We will be supporting the ILF's '[Busking For Change](#)' - Come & see us perform!

What is Busking for Change?

Busking for Change is a new fundraising activity to engage our students in a multi-literacy activity incorporating song, music, movement and language. It is also a fundraiser for the Indigenous Literacy Foundation (ILF).



Busking for change Performance Timetable

Now that our students have mastered their song, they will 'busk' or perform their rendition of their songs collectively to their friends, family, and school. The students will sing one of their songs in Kriol. At the end of their performance they will ask for a small donation that will be forwarded to the Indigenous Literacy foundation. Thank you for your support! The children are very excited to 'busk' and perform to you!

Date	Class	Time/Location
Monday 19th June	Preps	3:15pm (Peppercorn Courtyard)
Tuesday 20th June	Year 3/4s	3:15pm (Peppercorn Courtyard)
Wednesday 21st June	Year 1/2s	3:15pm (Peppercorn Courtyard)
Thursday 22nd June (St Paul's Day)	Year 5/6s	3:15pm (Peppercorn Courtyard)

'Let us not grow tired of doing good' St Paul (Galations 6:9)

**TERM TWO:
A WALK DOWN
MEMORY LANE**

PROBLEM SOLVING

PERSEVERANCE

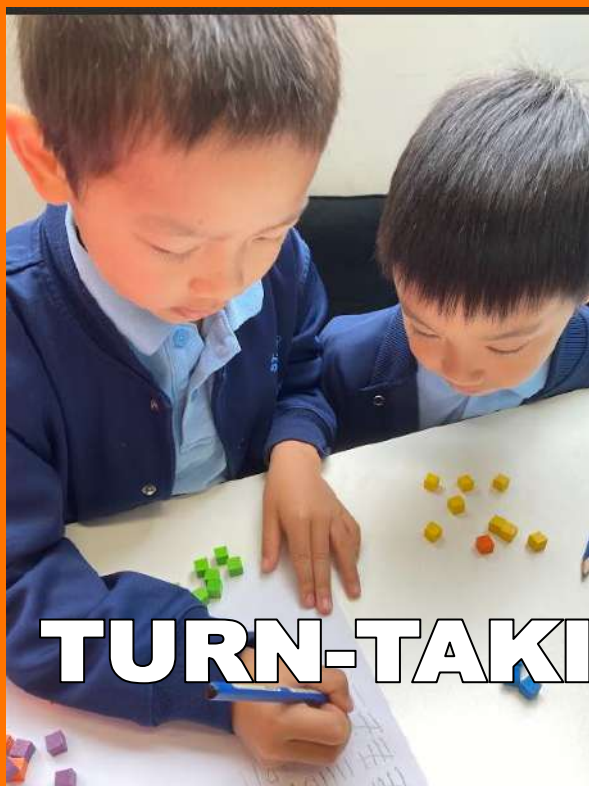
CREATIVITY

COLLABORATION

**GROWTH
MINDSET**

TURN-TAKING

FUN



PERFORMING ARTS

SENIORS

This term the Seniors have been '**Dancing through the Decades**'. Dancing their way from the 1970's to the 2000's, looking at key dance styles from each decade. Throughout the term they have developed their understanding of the evolution of dance over time.



1970's - Disco



1980's - Hip Hop



1990's - Pop



2000's - Dance Craze

Hello from Mr Faraci , School Counsellor

Go W.E.S.T.!

Dear Families,

The school holidays are fast approaching and I thought it might be a nice opportunity to talk about the children living out a W.E.S.T. philosophy at St Paul's.



W.E.S.T. is an acronym that stands for:

- Welcome
- Encourage
- Sorry
- Thanks

Perhaps you might consider talking to your children about the W.E.S.T. acronym and how this can be a part of your child's day to day interactions with others?

Consider discussing the following questions with your children:

- ★ How do you take time to **WELCOME** others? Do you go out of your way to say hello or invite someone into your game or group?
- ★ How do you **ENCOURAGE** others? Do you remember to offer someone a sincere compliment instead of just thinking good thoughts?
- ★ Do you say **SORRY** when you need to? Do you accept responsibility for your own actions as opposed to blaming others for your behaviour?
- ★ How do you thank others? Do you take the time to acknowledge and say **THANK YOU** for the hard work others do for you?



Remember:

Adopting a W.E.S.T. approach helps bring out the best in yourself and will inspire the best in others.

Wishing you a safe and happy holiday break together.

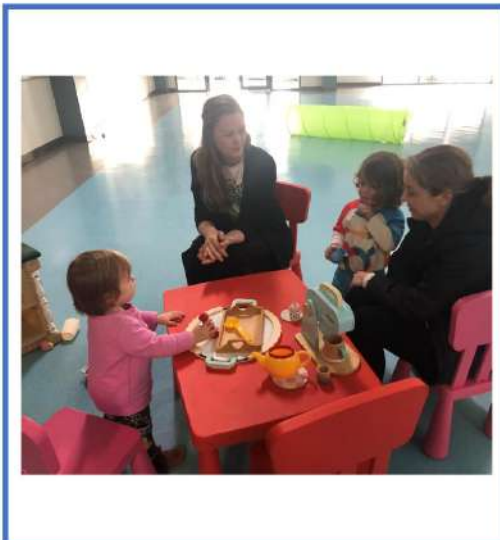
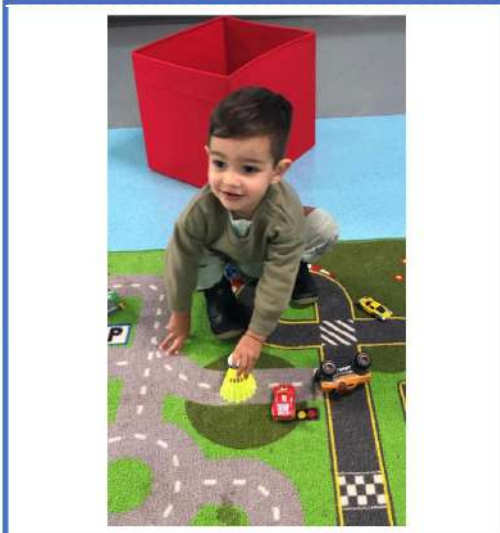
One more week to go!

Regards,

Edward Faraci

PLAYGROUP

We have had a great term at Playgroup! Friendships are forming & the children are enjoying the fun activities. Rita Ravida, former Newlands Kindergarten teacher, is doing a fantastic job co-ordinating the sessions each week. Contact Rita at playgroup@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au if you would like to join us!



SUSTAINABILITY

Ms Franca is upcycling plastic bottle top lids to use for her art lessons. This includes milk bottles, soft drink bottles, juice or any other type. If you use any plastic bottle before the end of term, please bring in the lid and take it to the green collection box outside the Art room.

Thanks for your support!



**LET'S KEEP
COLLECTING!**



Don't forget that we are still collecting bread bags! Please bring in all your bread bags before the end of Term 2! The collection finishes at the end of term.

1 week to go!

SCHOOL COMMUNITY



Parents & Friends

The Parents and Friends Committee is a highly valued and effective committee within our school. Its primary aim is to support the school wherever possible.

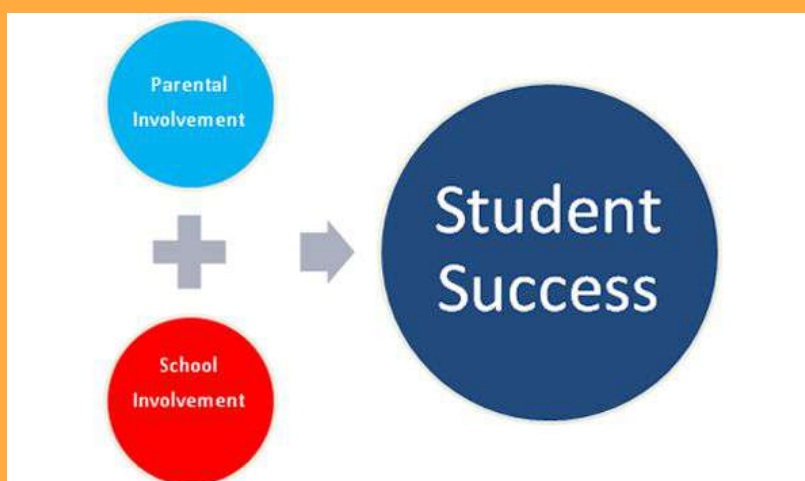
It has two main functions:

- Raising funds for the provision of learning, equipment and facilities;
- Strengthening the bonds of the school community.

The Parents and Friends committee meets regularly and welcomes any parents who would like to get more involved in this space.

Contact Brunina Moreno bmoreno@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

Parent involvement and participation is warmly invited and actively encouraged at St Paul's. You can participate in a variety of ways such as school council, parents and friends, excursions, volunteering in the classrooms and just by staying up to date with school news and happenings through Skool Bag App, Seesaw, School Newsletter and our social media.



INSTRUMENTAL MUSIC PROGRAM FOR SCHOOLS



abc
music group

Interested in Music Lessons for
your child? Look no further!

ABC Music Group offers Keyboard, Guitar & Violin Lessons at St Paul's Coburg.

1) GROUP LESSONS

The students can attend group lessons for 30 minutes weekly during school hours. Groups of up to four students are great for beginners or students who prefer learning with others. Every effort is made to group students of similar ages/experience levels to aid learning,

*** Group Lessons (4 students per group) fees are \$14.99 per lesson**

2) PAIRED LESSONS

The students can attend paired lessons for 30 min weekly during school hours. Paired lessons allow students of varying abilities to play together as an ensemble/ band and gain valuable music skills of rhythm, timing and melody. *Playing a musical instrument is one of the activities that is learned and enjoyed better in a group environment, builds self-esteem, teamwork and encourages children to progress as their friends and form "their own band"*

*** Paired Lessons (2 students per group) fees from \$26.90 per lesson**

3) PRIVATE LESSONS

Private lessons are also available and cost \$44.99 per 30min lesson. These are ideal for advanced students, or those looking to take AMEB exams.

****All our lessons include music theory and note reading***

For all inquiries use the contact details below

E: info@abcmusicgroup.com.au

Online enrolments for term 3 are now open and will close on July 9th

<https://www.abcmusicgroup.com.au/enroll-now/>

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SCHOOL COMMUNITY

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BAKE
SWEETS
SHOW**

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30 JUNE - 2 JULY
MELBOURNE CONVENTION
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50% OFF

**TICKETS TO THE
SWEETEST SHOW**

CELEBRITY MEET & GREETs

Celebrity Guests include Manu Feildel, Kirsten Tibballs, Monica Cavallaro, Tigga Mac and more....

FUN ON STAGE

Watch & learn from your favourite culinary superstars. Live cooking & baking demonstrations by celebrity chefs.

CAKE COMPETITION OF THE YEAR

Visit the "Art of Cake" competition co-hosted by ACDN, where you can view amazing works of art crafted from cake. We have categories ranging from fairy-tale, fantasy & folklore to Is it Cake where we try to fool you. Kids are encouraged to enter the cake decorating competition in our Bakemania categories.

So many exhibitors with yummy treats, exciting goods and new product launches.

Kids Zone brought to you by Bake Me Up and Cake Angels packed with face painting, fairy floss, cupcake make and take, and non-stop fun! Join us here for fun and to support an amazing charity.

Watch competitors battle it out in the Kitchen Arena to be named 'Australian Food Champion' in the Australian Qualifying Rounds of the World Food Champion.

For discounted tickets, visit www.cakebakeandsweets.com and enter the code **MELEDU23** at checkout.

