



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



Dear Lord,

As teachers, students, and families begin this new year,
please grant us patience, wisdom, and protection.

We pray that you would fill our hearts with excitement for the year ahead
and calm our worries with your love.

May the presence of your spirit fill our hearts.

May we face 2024 with serenity, confidence and courage.

Help us to remember that you are always with us.

AMEN



Dates To Remember:

Term 1: Wednesday 31 January - Thursday, 28 March

FEBRUARY:

Wednesday, 7:	Prep Rest Day
Thursday, 8:	Parents & Friends meeting @ 2.30pm
Friday, 9:	Beginning of the Year school mass @ 9.15am
Tuesday, 13:	Parent Teacher Get to Know your child meetings
Wednesday, 14:	Parent Teacher Get to Know your child meetings
Wednesday, 14:	Ash Wednesday mass
Wednesday, 14:	Prep Rest Day
Thursday, 15:	Parent Teacher Get to Know your child meetings
Friday, 16:	Summer Interschool Sports - Round 1
Wednesday, 21:	Prep Rest Day
Tuesday, 27:	School Photo Day
Wednesday 28:	Prep Rest Day

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

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, MARIA MECURI



It was great to see all the children return to school on Wednesday after six weeks of holidays. They were eager to connect with their friends, share their holiday stories and ready to begin another year of learning and growing. All the teachers were on the playground ready and excited to greet each child and there was a contagious beginning of year vibe in our school.

We especially welcome our **Prep children** to our St Paul's school community. It was very special to watch them nervously walk into school with their brand new uniforms (some oversized!) and settle into their activities. Parents were taking many photos to capture this special moment, and looked just as nervous, as their beautiful daughter/son made the big step to school life.

We welcome each family to St Paul's and thank you for trusting us with your child.



2024 LEARNING FOCUS

I begin each year with the message that St Paul's staff have a strong focus on learning and wellbeing. We continue to place all our teaching resources into supporting our students literacy and numeracy learning needs as well as their social and emotional learning needs. Your child can expect to be working with their classroom teacher along with support teachers in their learning during the week. If you have any questions please speak to your child's teacher, or our learning leaders:

Dina Rubini - Literacy Leader/Learning & Teaching Leader drubini@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au or

Kim Simpson - Numeracy Leader ksimpson@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

WELLBEING



Our children's wellbeing is always our top priority. We want to support our children to be happy, resilient young people and develop life strategies that will stay with them throughout their lives. We are fortunate to have Mr Edward Faraci as our school Counsellor at St Paul's on Monday and Tuesday and Mrs Stephanie Stedman as our Wellbeing Leader. Both teachers are experienced in supporting students social and emotional needs. Please let your child's teacher know if you have any concerns or contact:

Stephanie Stedman - Wellbeing Leader sstedman@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au or

Edward Faraci - School Counsellor efaraci@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

COMMUNICATING WITH YOUR CHILD'S TEACHER



Please let your child's teacher know anything important!

Teachers dismiss their class each afternoon from the playground or the classroom. They are available for a quick chat for any important information that needs to be shared. If you would like to make a longer appointment, please arrange a time with your child's teacher. Teachers can also be contacted via email, which will be shared next week in the Year Level Term newsletter .

You will meet your child's teacher in a few weeks at Parent Teacher Get To Know Your Child Meeting. This will be an opportunity for parents to share any important information with the teacher. More information to come next week.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, MARIA MECURI

Beginning Of School Year Mass
Friday, 9 February - 9.15am

Next Friday, 9 February we will have our **Beginning Of School Year Mass** to celebrate our new school year. Parents are most welcome to attend. Mass will begin at **9:15am in the Church**. All children will receive a blessing and Year 6 student leadership badges will be presented at this mass.



Welcome to St Paul's:

Staff

Kirsty Looker - Year 1/2

Laura Fortunato - Year 1/2

Dina Rubini - Literacy Leader / Learning & Teaching Leader

Nicki Hunt - Learning Diversity Leader

Student Joshua B (Year 6)

Working Together for our Children

Parents & Friends - Please join us for our first meeting
for the year.

Thursday, 8 February @ 2.30pm

St Paul's Staffroom
Everyone Welcome!



Parents &
Friends

All families are reminded they can stay up to date with school events by reading the Newsletter weekly and staying connected through our online platforms:

- Audiri,
- Facebook,
- Seesaw and
- Instagram

Stay Connected at St Paul's Primary School

 spcoburg.catholic.edu.au



ST PAUL'S
PRIMARY SCHOOL
COBURG



Audiri

Our main form of communication. Keep up to date with timely notifications and latest news



Seesaw

Access your child's Online Learning Log (OLL) and receive important homeroom information



Instagram

Stay up to date with our learning adventures by following us at: [stpaulspcoburg](https://www.instagram.com/stpaulspcoburg)



Facebook

Stay up to date with our learning adventures by following us at: [stpaulprimaryschoolcoburg](https://www.facebook.com/stpaulprimaryschoolcoburg)

**Have a great week
Maria Mercuri**

ST PAUL'S WONDERFUL 2024 STAFF

WE ARE HERE FOR THE WELLBEING AND LEARNING NEEDS OF YOUR CHILDREN

Maria Mercuri	Principal
Stephanie Stedman	Deputy Principal - Student Wellbeing
Kim Simpson	Numeracy / Religious Education Leader
Dina Rubini	Literacy Leader / Learning & Teaching Leader
Nikki Ryan	Digital Technologies - ICT
Nicki Hunt	Learning Diversity Leader
Brunina Moreno	Family and School Community Engagement Leader
Polly Hine	Sustainability & Indigenous Leader
Miss Sophie Taylor Mrs Brunina Moreno	Prep T Prep B
Mr Dominic Mioni Miss Laura Fortunato Miss Kirsty Looker	1/2 M 1/2 F 1/2 K
Mrs Stef Marin & Miss Pat Villa Mrs Melissa Murphy Miss Olivia Boyd	3/4 SP 3/4 M 3/4 O
Miss Polly Hine Miss Alex McCalman Mrs Maria Bonarrigo & Mrs Lisa Rivellese	5/6 H 5/6 A 5/6 MR
LEARNING SUPPORT OFFICERS Sharon Mclean Laura Nicolo Michelle Lavecchia Georgia Doslov Christine Marchionni Elicia Purdevski Patricia Boyle	SPECIALISTS Franca Erneste - Visual Arts Leah Marino - Performing Arts Gareth McLean- Physical Education Tina Sbaraglia - LOTE-Italian Jorge Ibarra De La Pena- STEM
OFFICE Jo Villella Marilena Servello	LEARNING ENHANCEMENT Nikki Ryan Jorge Ibarra De La Pena
LIBRARY WEBSITE SOCIAL MEDIA Angela Gangi	COUNSELLING Edward Faraci

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

2024 SCHOOL HOURS & DAILY SCHEDULE

8.30am	Gates Open
8.30 - 8:47am	Children socialise in the playground
8:47am	Children enter the classroom
8:50am	Attendance Roll & Prayer
9.00 - 11am	Learning session 1
11 - 11.10am	Eating time
11.10 - 11.40am	Recess Time
11.40 - 1.40pm	Learning session 2
1.40 - 1.50pm	Eating
1.50 - 2.30pm	Lunch Time
2.30 - 3.25pm	Learning session 3
3.25pm	Dismissal

School begins at 8:50am -

All children are expected to be at school at by 8.50am. The attendance roll will be marked at this time and if a child is not present when the attendance roll is marked, they will be marked as **late**. The beginning of the day routine sets the children up for a successful day of learning, consistency and friendship. Please make every effort to ensure that your child is in the classroom by 8.50am each morning. **Children who are not at school by 8.50am will be marked as late.**

School ends at 3:25pm -

The end of the day routine in the classroom is just as important as the beginning of the day. It is important that children are at school until the end of the day to conclude learning and receive any important end of day messages. Please do not schedule regular after school activities within school hours where possible. **Children who leave before 3:25 pm will be marked as absent.**

UNIFORM

SUMMER UNIFORM - As part of the Summer Uniform and **SUNSMART** all children must wear their hat. **'No Hat, No Play.'**



Please ensure your child has a school hat for outdoor play and activities. Hats can be purchased from the office for \$11.30. (Limited stock)

School Shoes: 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:



Earrings Only stud earrings can be worn. For safety reasons no dangling earrings to be worn.

Hair Ties Reminder: Long hair should be tied back in black or blue hair ties. All hair accessories (eg. clips, ribbons, headbands) to be blue, black or white in colour.

SECOND HAND UNIFORMS

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

NEW UNIFORMS CAN BE PURCHASED FROM 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.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Wishing the following a
blessed & joyful birthday!

JANUARY:

Adrian F - 1st
Alexander P - 1st
Massimo M - 2nd
Isaac S - 2nd
Gwen S - 2nd
Patricia B - 8th (staff)
Donna K - 11th
Angel T - 13th
Ms Kirsty L - 13th (staff)
Louvelle Y - 13th
Isla C - 14th
Anthony F - 14th
Mrs Maria B - 14th (staff)
Jennelle B - 19th
Nonso I - 19th
Lucas Z - 21st
Ms Alex M - 21st (staff)
Mr Dominic M - 21st (staff)
Ms Marilena S (staff)
Ethan D G - 23rd
Thomas T - 23rd
Miguel S - 24th
Sebastian M - 25th
Ethan M - 26th
Mrs Franca E - 27th (staff)
Sofia H - 28th
Eloise M - 28th
Chloe M - 30th
Martin O'B-C - 30th
Agam S - 30th



FEBRUARY:

Chante O-Di P - 4th



We're getting ready for FUN!



TheirCare are proud to work in partnership with St Paul's Primary School Coburg to provide quality Outside School Hours Care to your school community, commencing in Term 4 2023.

Learn more at www.theircare.com.au
or call 1300 072 410

Our school has partnered with Their Care to provide exceptional **Outside School Hours Care** services for our school community.

The program is available for all children at St Paul's Primary School Coburg from **7:00am** until **8:45am** in the morning and from **3:30pm** until **6:00pm** each school day.

During **School Holidays & Pupil Free Days** the service will operate from **7:00 am** until **6:00pm**.

Families wishing to use this service can visit the TheirCare website: www.theircare.com.au

Families are eligible for a Government Rebate called the **Child Care Subsidy** which can reduce the cost per session by up to 90%.

More information can be obtained by contacting the school or ringing **TheirCare Support Team** on 1300 072 410.

TheirCare provides a stimulating and safe environment for all children. During sessions, children develop **life-skills, friendships, confidence** and **creativity** through play-based programs.

FROM THE OFFICE

2024 SCHOOL FEES

We are currently finalising the School Fees on the System.

Fee Payment Plans / Options will be sent home next week.



CLASSROOM CUISINE

Classroom Cuisine is our online lunch order system. It is convenient and user friendly service and provides 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



**ZOOPER
DOOPER
DAY!**

Every Friday

\$1.00 EACH

**PURCHASE
VIA CDF PAY**

Brought to you by our student
leaders and the P&F committee

LUNCH ITEM ONE

SALADS

- Greek Style Salad with Feta and Olives (V, GF)
- Pic(k)nic Box – Vegetarian (V, GF)
- Pic(k)nic Box with Ham (GF)
- Pic(k)nic Box with a Whole Egg (GF)
- Steamed Veg: Corn wheels, Broccoli & Carrot
- Mexican Inspired Salad (V, GF)
- Tuna Mix with Brown Rice & Quinoa Cakes (V, GF)
- Main course of Fresh Fruit Salad (V,GF)

SUSHI/RICE PAPER ROLLS

- Teriyaki Chicken Hand Rolls (2)
- Cooked Tuna Hand Rolls (2)
- Avocado Hand Rolls (2)
- Cucumber Hand Rolls (2)
- Vegetarian Hand Rolls (2)
- Tofu Hand Rolls (2)
- Rice Paper Rolls – Vegetarian (2)

BAKERY

- Cheese and Bacon Roll
- Cheese and Vegemite Scroll (w/m)
- SCROLL with Ham & Cheese
- Semi Dried Tomato and Olive ROLL
- Topped with Only Cheese Roll
- GOZLEME - Lamb & Beef (H)
- GOZLEME – Mushroom & Spinach (NO CHEESE) (Vegan)
- GOZLEME - Spinach and Cheese (V, H)

BAKED FRESH PIZZAS

(PLEASE NOTE: Baked this morning -Served at room temp)

- Margherita Pita Pizza
- Ham and Pineapple Pizza Slice

SANDWICHES, ROLLS & WRAPS

- Turkey, Cranberry, Lettuce and Cheese Sandwich
- Gluten Free Ham & Cheese Sandwich (GF)
- Simple Salad Roll (V)
- Cucumber & Ham Sandwich (GF)
- Vegemite Sandwich (2)
- Mild Salami and Salad Roll
- Plain Cheese Sandwich (2)
- Roast Beef, Fruit Chutney, Cheese and Lettuce Roll
- Cheese and Salad Roll
- Wholegrain ROLL with Cheese and Tomato
- WRAP (GF, DF) Ham and Salad
- Wholegrain Ham and Cheese Sandwich
- Chicken MAYO and Lettuce Roll (H)
- Garden Salad Wrap (GF,DF,V)

LUNCH ITEM TWO/THREE

FRESH FRUIT & VEG

- Freshly chopped Strawberries with Grapes
- Fresh Fruit Combo
- Celery & Carrot Sticks with Sultanas
- Chopped Carrot, Cucumber, Red & Yellow Capsicum
- Apple pieces with Lemon Juice, Cinnamon & Brown Sugar
- Sugar Snap Peas, Beans & Cherry Tomatoes
- Cantaloupe & Honeydew pieces
- Freshly chopped Watermelon Pieces
- Edamame (Lightly Salted)
- Cherry Tomatoes with Tasty Cheese & Rice Crackers
- Freshly chopped Orange Segments
- Whole Fruit – Banana

YOGHURT/BOWLS

- Dairy Farmers - Strawberry Yoghurt
- Dairy Farmers – Classic Vanilla Yoghurt
- Chia Bowl with Banana, Coconut & Strawberries
- Stewed Rhubarb & Apple with Custard (V)

BAKED GOODS

- Choc Chip Cookie
- Cornflake Cookie
- Finger Bun with Sprinkles
- Hedgehog Slice
- Choc Cup Cake (GF,DF)
- Blueberry Muffin
- Hot X Bun
- Jam Drop Biscuit (GF, NF, H)

DIPS & CRACKERS

- Tzatziki Dip with Rice Crackers
- Avocado Dip with Rice Crackers
- Spring Onion Dip with Rice Crackers
- Spicy Capsicum Dip with Rice Crackers

POPCORN/SNACKS

- Dried Fruit Medley with Yoghurt Sultanas
- Popcorn - Lightly Salted
- Popcorn - Slightly Sweet, Lightly Salted
- Roasted Chick Peas.
- Lime & Black Pepper Chick Peas
- Balsamic & Sea Salt Fav'va Beans

DRINKS

- Nippy's Chocolate Milk
- Full Cream Milk
- Apple Juice
- Orange Juice
- Strawberry (Lactose Free) Milk
- So Good Soy Milk

Healthy, Interesting & Affordable Lunches Delivered to School!

More information about Our Offering including
Pricing, Ingredients and Portion Size is available on the Our Menu Page at

www.classroomcuisine.com.au