



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 Jesus Christ,

On Palm Sunday, as we remember Your triumphant entry into Jerusalem,
let us also remember the path that lay before You.

Fill our hearts with the humility and faithfulness that You displayed.

Teach us to follow your example of selfless love, to praise

You in our hearts and with our lives, as we carry our crosses daily.

Hosanna in the Highest!"



KEY DATES

Term 1: Wednesday, 31 January - Thursday, 28 March

TERM 1:

MARCH:

WEEK 9

Monday 25: Year 1/2M - **ASSEMBLY**

Monday, 25 March - Wednesday, 27 March:

ST PAUL'S - "THE WAY OF THE CROSS" - STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT SCHOOL

Parents invited from 8:30 am - 8.50am each morning.

Tuesday 26: Holy Week & Easter Musical Play in the Church @ 9.15am

Wednesday 27: Learning Showcase - all classrooms open from 2.45pm

Thursday 28: Last day of Term 1 (1pm finish)

**MONDAY,
25 March
ASSEMBLY
YEAR 1/2 M
PRESENTING**

TERM 2:

APRIL:

Monday 15: School Resumes for term 2

Friday 24: Wednesday hot lunch - Burgers

Thursday 25: ANZAC DAY HOLIDAY (NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL)

Friday, 26: PUPIL FREE DAY (NO STUDENTS AT SCHOOL)

**Thursday, 28 March - Last day of term 1 -
School finishes at 1pm - TheirCare available**



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, MARIA MERCURI

Next week is the last week of term 1 before our two week break. We have a few whole school events to share with families to celebrate term 1 learning and Easter. Please join us:

ST PAUL'S - "THE WAY OF THE CROSS" - STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT SCHOOL Monday, 25 March - Wednesday, 27 March. 8:30 am - 8.50am each morning. Each class at St Paul's has created their own Stations of the Cross artwork. We invite children and families to walk around to each Station of the Cross to view and pray together.

Holy Week & Easter Musical Play in the Church Tuesday 26 March @ 9.15am. Our children will be presenting the Easter story in a play and song.

Learning Showcase Wednesday, 27 March from 2.45pm- 3.15pm in your child's classroom. Parents are invited to visit their child's classroom to see and hear about all the wonderful term 1 learning.

This is the final newsletter for the term. This term we have enjoyed a very successful start to the 2024 school year. Children have experienced many valuable learning opportunities. We would like to thank you for everything that you have done to contribute to making this term a success. Thank you for supporting your children at home. Thank you for reading the many communications that we send out and supporting the many events and activities that have taken place this term. We hope that you have the opportunity to rest, relax and enjoy the Easter holidays together.

Final Day of Term 1 - A reminder to all our families that school will finish at 1pm on Thursday, 28th March.

Term 2 - School begins on Monday, April 15.



Our **year 3/4 children** had a wonderful experience on Monday. They participated in the **Life Saving Victoria Education Program**. Children learnt lots of important water

safety messages from Lifeguards at Sandridge beach Port Melbourne. As we have heard in the news lately there have been many tragic drownings in open water. This Life Saving Victoria gave our children some extremely valuable information, about rips, currents and how to do CPR, to help keep them safe near water. Here are some of their comments:



We learnt how to use Life jackets. The neck pillow helps you float. You can use the light to be seen.



We learnt how to save people with things we bring to the beach, such as cricket wickets, bike helmet or an esky.

We learnt about Rip Currents, there are three types of rip currents. You can escape rip currents by moving to where the waves are.



*How to surf and how to be safe while surfing:
I mastered surfing!
I kept falling off!
I could go on my knees*



We learnt to body surf.



We played Flags, Lifesavers used this method to save people



Wishing you a very blessed Happy and Holy Easter and restful holiday break. Have a great weekend

Maria Mercuri

ST PAUL'S LEARNING SHOWCASE

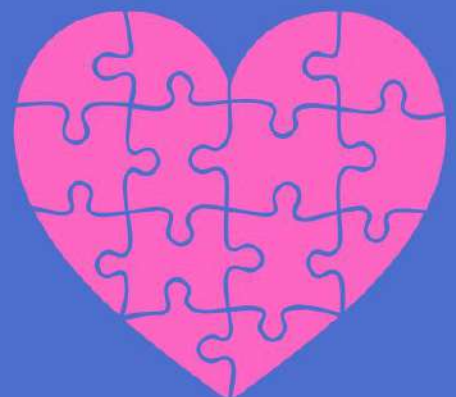
*Wednesday March 27th
2:45 -3:15*

We are thrilled to invite you to our Learning Showcase taking place next Wednesday, March 27th from 2:45 - 3.15.

This event will be held in our classrooms, where you will have the opportunity to witness first hand the incredible progress and achievements of your child.

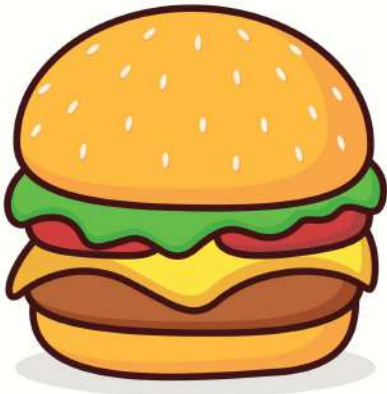
This is an excellent opportunity for you to engage with your child's learning experience and gain insight into their daily activities. We encourage you to join us for this special event.

At 3:15 we will ask parents to move outside ready for dismissal.



HOT LUNCH WEDNESDAYS

BURGER LUNCH COMING YOUR WAY!
WEDNESDAY 24TH APRIL



- Cheese burger
- Cheese & lettuce
- Veggie burger

All \$6

April 24th	Burgers
May 15th	Sausage sizzle
June 5th	Lebanese pastries
July 24th	Sausage sizzle
August 7th	Pizza
September 4th	Sausage sizzle
October 16th	Pies & sausage rolls
November 13th	Sausage sizzle



We are seeking 4 volunteers on a rotating schedule to be available between 12.30 pm-2pm to assist on the day.

If you can assist on any of the above dates & times please email: -

office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

The children love seeing their mums and dads at school and this reinforces the connection between the home and school.

Please Note - *If we are unable to fill the volunteer numbers, unfortunately we will not be able to run the Hot Lunch Wednesday's.*



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



Wishing the following a
blessed & joyful
birthday!

MARCH:

Olivia C - March 23
Selena M - March 24
Emilia G - March 25
Anton M - March 27
Alexander N - March 27
Mariella S - March 27
Isaac K - March 28
Dylan S C - March 31
Scarlett J - March 31



STUDENT OF THE WEEK

TO BE PRESENTED

MONDAY,

25 March ASSEMBLY

YEAR 1/2 M

PRESENTING

This week's **BE RULE** is:

BE RESPECTFUL

We are learning to be **respectful** by
keeping indoor and outdoor learning
areas clean

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE

FOLLOWING STUDENTS!



Class	Name
Prep T	Lexi M Sebastian
Prep B	Oliver
1/2 F	James W George
1/2 K	Charlie Amelia L
1/2 M	Pablo Joshua S
3/4 O	Gabe G Ava B
3/4 M	Dara J Ramon
3/4 SP	Shivans A Emily H
5/6H	Alessio N Jennelle B
5/6 MR	Massimo M Hugh
5/6 A	Mia M Olivia H

St Paul's Primary School

EASTER Egg Raffle

Raffle to be drawn March 27th

\$2 a ticket

Thank you to:

Anthony Cianflone MP

Biscotti and Co



La Botte



Bishwaka family

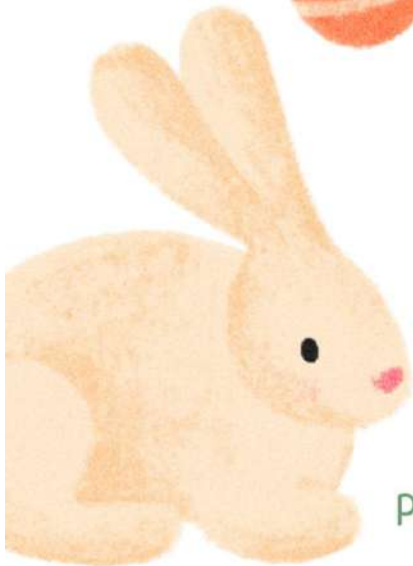


Morrissey family

Alternative Distributions



Please return your tickets by Tuesday 26th March



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

HOLY WEEK EVENTS

Dear Parents,

You are invited to the following events:

Tuesday, 26 March - 9:15pm

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER MUSICAL PLAY - "THAT WE MIGHT LIVE"

This will be performed by the students in the Church. This is a whole school musical and dramatic interpretation of the events leading up to and including Jesus' death and resurrection. All families are welcome to join us in the church

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Doors open at 8:30 am - 8.50am each morning

Each class at St Paul's has created their own Stations of the Cross. The children and teachers worked together to make a representation of the Station in a way that is meaningful to them. We invite children and families to walk around to each Station of the Cross to view and pray together.

We kindly ask parents to leave the building at 8.50am when learning begins.

Please come along as we celebrate these events as a School Community.

If you have any questions please contact me

ksimpson@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

Kind regards,

Kim Simpson.

Education in Faith Leader

FROM THE OFFICE

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

CSEF is provided by the Victorian Government to assist eligible families to cover the costs of school trips, camps and sporting activities.

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

The annual CSEF amount per student is:

- \$150 for primary school students
- \$250 for secondary school students



Please contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form.

REPORTING ABSENCES

If your child is absent from school, please let the school, know. You can report absences in the following ways:

- Online form
- Email: office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au
- Phone: 9354 8970 Option 1: Leave a message with the reason



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.

SECONDHAND UNIFORMS - \$10 an item - Packed and processed on Wednesday only

Email - office@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

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

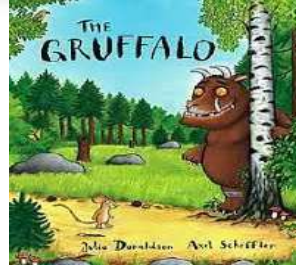
1st Saturday of every month: 9am - 12pm



- 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.

PERFORMING ARTS

Preps have been using their voices and bodies in different ways acting out characters and animals from two popular children's story books 'We're Going on a Bear Hunt' and 'The Gruffalo.'



1/2s have been acting out traditional fairy tales using short scripts. They have created their own stick puppets from the 'Three Little Pigs' and are having a go at puppeteering!



3/4s have been working cooperatively together in partners and small groups to create ensembles, tableaux and freeze frames. They have been practising their acting skills through short script work.



Seniors have been participating in Theatre Sports Games and Activities. They have continued practising the dramatic elements and have incorporated props to enhance improvisation performances to their classmates.



VISUAL ARTS

Prep to Year 6 artists completed the collaborative collage artwork inspired by Robert Reed. They mixed and created colours which represented a special memory. Students cut out geometric shapes from their hand painted paper which they used to collage.



St Paul's Neighborhood
Collage artwork incorporating the surrounding bluestone wall & the Peppercorn tree. Students created wonderful texture using paper. Artwork Inspired by Romare Bearden's collage 'The Block.'



Year 3/4 artists have been learning about different collage techniques. This week they were introduced to collage artist Robin Brooks. She sees her landscape-inspired collage artwork as a means of creating more empathy toward the natural world.



Senior artists have been creating Notan collage. They experimented with organic shapes and explored positive and negative space.



ITALIAN

Attenzione attenzione!!

Coasit Melbourne is organizing a photography competition for all age groups to enter.

Something fun the whole family can be involved in during the holidays.



Calling all budding photographers aged 5 to 18!

Take part in our photography competition that invites you to delve into the theme of:

Italy and All Things Italian.

Participants are encouraged to interpret the theme broadly and think about what Italy, Italian culture and Italian-Australian culture means to them. We want to see your unique perspective through the lens!

Submissions close Friday 12 April, so grab your cameras and unleash your creativity. In bocca al lupo! 📷

For more information and to submit your photo:

<https://www.coasit.com.au/events/events-archive/984-through-young-eyes-italy-all-things-italian>

PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Our Physical Education Program was not quite the same this term without Mr Mac. He was away recovering from eye surgery. We still managed to practise our ball skills with Mrs Salina. Mr Mac will be back in term 2.



FAMILY TOURS TERM 2 DATES



Discover a World of Opportunities at Parade College



Term 2

- Tuesday 23 April
- Tuesday 30 April
- Wednesday 8 May
- Tuesday 14 May
- Thursday 23 May
- Thursday 6 June
- Friday 14 June
- Wednesday 19 June

■ Tours commence at 9:15am and conclude at 10:45am

Visit www.parade.vic.edu.au to book a Family Tour today



PARADE COLLEGE

YEAR 7 INFORMATION EVENING



Wednesday 29 May @ 7pm

Optional Family Tours commence at 5:45pm

Visit www.parade.vic.edu.au to book

EASTERN SPORTS CAMPS PRESENTS

April School Holiday Camps

RAN BY EXPERT SECONDARY PE STAFF

BOYS AND GIRLS AGE 6- 14

10TH & 11TH APRIL - 9AM TO 3PM

COST:

1 DAY : \$80

2 DAY : \$160



AFL



SOCCER



BASKETBALL



Multi sport camp



Marcellin College - 160 Bulleen Rd Bulleen 3105

Contact us: easternsportscamps@gmail.com or phone

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