

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,

Thank you for the wonderful gift of books
Thank You for the adventures they take us on, the new friends we meet within their pages, and the knowledge and wisdom we find in them.

Thank You for the joy of funny stories, and the comfort they bring on a rainy day.

Thank You for the endless stories and facts that await us, and for the way books help us with our learning and bring us knowledge.

May we always cherish the gift of reading, and may books continue to enrich our minds

We pray for children everywhere so that they may receive the education they need to help them reach the fullness of life God intends for them..

Amen.



TERM 3 DATES: Monday, 21 July - Friday, 19 September

TERM 3 DATES				
AUGUST:				
Monday, 25	School Assembly - Prep B & T presenting			
SEPTEMBER:				
Monday, 1	School Assembly - Year 5/6T presenting			
Thursday, 4	Father's Day Breakfast @ 7.30am			
Friday, 5	Father's Day Stall			
Thursday, 18	Last Day of term 3			
FRIDAY 19	PUPIL FREE DAY - NO SCHOOL			
SACRAMENT DATES:				
Friday, 17 October	Year 6 CONFIRMATION 7PM			





PLEASE JOIN US FOR A

FATHER'S DAY

Breakfaist



4TH | SEPTEMBER | 7.30AM - 9.30AM

FOLLOWED BY A MORNING OF FUN,
HANDS-ON ACTIVITIES IN
FAMILY GROUPS THAT ARE SURE TO
GET YOU MOVING, LAUGHING,
AND THINKING!



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ST PAUL'S PARENTS AND FRIENDS GROUP PRESENTS





FRIDAY 5TH SEPTEMBER ALL ITEMS \$5-\$10 DON'T FORGET GRANDAD!



A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRINCIPAL, MARIA MERCURI

We were very proud of our students yesterday, over 40 children represented St Paul's at the School Sport Victoria Coburg District Athletics Carnival. We are very lucky to be able to walk to the Coburg Athletics track. The weather was perfect for a day of sporting fun. Our students are to be commended on their behaviour, efforts and sporting conduct. We are very proud of them. They did extremely well in their events and the students who placed first and second will participate in the Inner North/Merri-Bek Division Athletics Championships to be held on Friday 12 September. Thank you to Mr Smith for preparing the students during PE lessons and to Miss Hine, Miss Fortunato, Miss Sharon and Mrs Christine for supporting them at the athletics.









What a wonderful celebration of reading we had at our Book Week Celebration this week. This week we hosted illustrator, Chris Kennett, where the students participated in a guided illustrating workshop creating their very own unique character - space cats and flying monkeys! Chris spoke about the amazing variety and genre of books that are available to children which capture their interest and reading style. The highlight was the Book Week Parade this morning. Our students looked absolutely amazing, showcasing their originality and creativity with costumes that ranged from Rainbow Fairies, Soccer Icons, Star Wars character to *Where's Wally?*! It was such a joy to see the love of books come alive through characters.

The teachers also got into the spirit, dressing up as Dr Seuss, Thomas the Tank to Scooby Doo characters and everything in between. Their enthusiasm made the day even more special.

Of course, none of this would have been possible without the creativity and effort of our talented parents. Thank you for supporting your children in bringing their favourite characters to life – it truly made the day one to remember!

Book Week is also an opportunity to celebrate our amazing **Librarian Angela Gangi**. Mrs Angela has a very contagious passion for reading and literacy. This comment from Year 3/4MP says it all: We want to say a big **THANK YOU** to our amazing librarian, Mrs. Angela! You don't just help us find books—you help us discover new worlds, cool facts and fun adventures.











Planning for 2026

Planning for 2026 has already begun. If your child is currently in Prep to Year 5 and you know they will not be returning to St. Paul's in 2026, please email Maria mmercuri@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au

PUPIL FREE DAY - FRIDAY 19 SEPTEMBER



STUDENT AWARDS

Weekly BE Rule

TO BE PRESENTED AT ASSEMBLY ON MONDAY, 25 August

This week's BE RULE is:

We are learning to

BE RESILIENT

by being honest and trying new things

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING

students:

Class	Name	
Prep B	Adele K	
Prep T	Dominic L Mabel P	
1/2C	Gabriela JH Matias M	
1/2K	George C Chloe M	
1/2M	Adam I Chloe S	
3/4MP	Ava B Tina N	
3/40	James OC Maya T	
5/6B	Matteo V Vivian W	
5/6T	Moira W Stefan C	
5/6H	Anthony F Rabin R	

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

CELEBRATING AUGUST BIRTHDAYS!

Wishing the following a blessed & joyful birthday!

**	AUGUST:	**			
Ms T	Ms Tess - 18th (staff)				
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,	Ava B - 23rd				
Т	Talia L - 25th				
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BOOK WEEK































BOOK WEEK































BOOK WEEK - AUTHOR VISIT































BOOK WEEK - AUTHOR VISIT - STUDENT FEEDBACK



Chris Kennett has been the best author to visit our school. I loved the Space Cat that we drew and created a story about the cat's adventures. I love the way he shared some of his childhood stories that were very funny. Ava (3/4MP)

I really enjoyed when we drew the monsters that were funny and cute. He is very talented when he uses the iPad to do his illustrations. Sophia (1/2K) I really enjoyed Chris Kennett's visit to St Pauls. He told us great stories about his childhood. I loved when we drew monkeys together as a cohort. Chris also helped me learn about our imaginations and confidence. I really enjoyed Chirs Kennett and I hoped he enjoyed it too.

Issac K (5/6H)

I really enjoyed the Chris Kennett visit because I learnt how to draw a cartoon like a monkey and it was very interactive. The fact or fiction was super fun as well and I had a great time!

Anica M (5/6H)

The visit with Chris Kennet was very interesting and interactive. I like it because he shared how he got into illustrating and told us his back story. He also shared some interesting facts about himself. Chris was funny because he told us about all the mishaps in his childhood. He has inspired me to write and illustrate and to believe in my dreams. Arion (3/4MP)

I really enjoyed drawing the monsters. Chris is very talented at doing his illustrations. My favourite part was listening to him read the book. (Ethan 1/2M)

I liked listening to the two books. Chris is very talented at his illustrations and good at thinking of new monsters to draw. James W (1/2K)

I thoroughly enjoyed Chris Kennett's visit and how he showed his work through teaching us how to draw in his style. His lesson was engaging and fun. I really enjoyed the trivia and his 'unlucky' child experiences. Aoibheann O'D (5/6H)

I thought that Chris Kennett was a funny illustrator and I loved how he showed us how to draw a 'Space Cat" Alessio 3/4MP)

Chris Kennett was super duper fun! He tried his very best to answer all of our questions. The drawing activities were great! He said he didn't enjoy reading when he was a boy but he was still reading things like magazine and comics. I really loved it when he told us about his life as a kid and all the accidents he had. Amelia (3/4MP)

I really enjoyed Chris' visit and his drawings. I found his childhood stories very interesting, especially the one where he fell out of his family's van! Louvelle (5/6H)



I really enjoyed the Chris Kennet visit because he told us funny stories about his life and he taught us how to use his cool drawing app. He told us that he used the photoshop app to draw pictures for his books. Daniel F (5/6H)

LITERACY

Congratulations to the following students for their consistent commitment to reading each week. Certificates will be awarded in their classroom this week.



50 nights

Sebastian V - 1/2K Alexander B - 1/2M



PREMIERS' READING CHALLENGE

What an amazing effort we have had for this year's Premier's Reading Challenge!
Congratulations to the following students who have recently completed the Challenge.
Certificates will be awarded at the completion of the Challenge in Term 4.

5/6B:

Anh L Dara J Sofia K Gwen S Henry V Thomas C DS

3/40:

Alexander P
Zoe C
Lucas V
Nikolaos K
Conor H
Joshua S
Charlotte F
John K
James O'B C
Charlie R
Lucas Z

OUR WHOLE
SCHOOL TALLY
TO DATE IS
900 BOOKS!

Samantha G-O

5/6T:

Anca M Angel T Emma H Isaac K Alexandra B Estelle J Valentina M Ryan B Leonard D

3/4MP:

Joshua N Harriet V

1/2K:

George C Gabriella C Phoebe L Anh P L

1/2C:

Gabriela J H Riva B Milania P Florence T

5/6H:

Isabella U Evab B

1/2M:

Archer U Henry D Luca L

Prep B: Edward P

Prep T: Luna B



SCHOOL COMMUNITY



Coffee Time at St Paul's!

We're excited to let you know that Gabe from **Bean Busker** will be joining us at St Paul's every **Friday morning**.

It's been a lovely way to start the day, whether it's a warm coffee or a hot chocolate, there's something for everyone.

Come along, say hello and grab a cup to kick off your Friday!





Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS) have informed me that MACSEYE will be our new Outside School Hours Care (OSHC) for our students and families. They will begin operating and providing OSHC from Term 4 of this year.

MACSEYE is a newly approved provider, set up by the **Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools (MACS)** to offer a range of early childhood and school aged care programs.

MACSEYE is committed to see every child and family flourish. Their programs are designed to foster a sense of identity, health and wellbeing.

As a Catholic provider, **MACSEYE** will have strong links with our school and local parish, working together to build a vibrant community of support for children and families.

MACSEYE is an approved registered provider and sets a high standard of quality in line with the National Quality Standards.

I am working closely with MACSEYE and have outlined our OSHC journey from the previous provider to the TheirCare. I am confident MACSEYE will provide a high-quality service for our students. I met with the coordinators last week and I outlined our expectations.

The attached flyer gives you an overview of **MACSEYE** – additional information on fees and how to enrol will be coming soon.

If you have any questions, please contact me mmercuri@spcoburg.catholic.edu.au
You can also email MACSEYE directly at contact@macseye.vic.edu.au or call 1300 501 029.

I would like to thank TheirCare for the wonderful service they have provided since 2023.

TheirCare will continue to provide Before and After Care service for Term 3 and the TERM 3 holiday program.

FROM THE OFFICE



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

First Aid Notifications

PLEASE NOTE: You will now be notified via email if your child attends First Aid. This will come from no-reply@nforma.com.au Please ensure you do not filter these emails into your 'Junk' folder.

Late Arrival

The gates close at 8.50am. Any child arriving after this time will need to be signed in via the iPad.

Early Dismissal

Please come into the office to collect and sign out your child via the iPad.

UNIFORM



WINTER UNIFORM - All children are expected to be in Winter uniform.

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:









SCHOOL WORL

Jewellery

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

Necklace that displays religious symbols eg: crucifix, etc

Watches - Smart watches must have connectivity switched off

Hair

Hair of shoulder, or longer, length must be tied back with hair accessories in school colours - black or blue hair ties.

Hair colour must be of natural colouring - no extreme hair colours

All hair accessories (eg. clips, ribbons, headbands) to be blue, black or white in colour.

Decorative hair accessories must not be worn.

Thank you for supporting our uniform policy.

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

To place an order, please visit: Spartan School World

Select your School in the FIND MY SCHOOL list

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 \$12.50
- Returns of incorrect sizes can be arranged directly through Spartan
- Free school Delivery weekly during school terms

Mercy College past students and staff are invited to join us in celebrating 60 years of Mercy College at our...

High Tea Alumni Reunion

Be part of a celebration that honours our past and looks toward the future. The afternoon will include College tours, student performances and plenty of opportunities to reconnect and create new memories.

Sunday 12 October 2025 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Mercy College, McAuley Hall 760 Sydney Road, Coburg 3058 Enter via Gate 3, Convent Court

RSVP by Friday 3 October 2025 via https://events.humanitix.com/mercy60

For further information, please contact the College on 03 9319 9299 or email alumnae@mercycoburg.catholic.edu.au







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Healthy & Yummy food provided each day



🍦 Bookings now open! 👙

Monday - Priday Hours of Piecs before Child Care Subsidy* Out-of-poetes few after Child

Before School Care (BSC)	7:00 AM - 8:45 AM	\$22.50	[13.25
After School Care (ASC)	3:30 PM - 6:00 PM	\$29.50	\$2,55
Pupil Free Day	7:00 AM - 6:00 PM	\$75.00	87.50
Holiday Program***	7:00 AM - 6:00 PM	\$75.00	\$7.50

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Cancellation Fees

(No Child Cere Subsidy applied to Cancellation Fees)

BSC/ASC within 48 hours of session start time: \$5.00

Holiday Program within 5 days of session start time: \$10.00

Same day cancellation fee is out-of-pocket session fee.

Late Booking Fees

(Child Care Subskly is applied to Late Booking Fem.)

BSC/ASC within 48 hours of session start time: \$5.00

Holiday Program: book less than 5 days from the session start

time fee is \$10.00

Late Pick-up Fees

(Child Gare subsidy does not apply to Late Pick-up Fees)

\$1 per minute after service close time.

To register visit theircare.com.au 🐬



Care Subsidia

Your service Coordinator will be available during session times

