



ST. PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER – FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thursday 17th May 2018

Dear Families,

By the time you read this, NAPLAN 2018 will be completed. The Grades Three and Five students have approached the tests with confidence and enthusiasm, and from what the teachers have observed, seem to have done well. When the results are published (sometime in August), the teachers will analyse the data to identify where our strengths and challenges are and use these to continue providing the best possible learning environment for your children.

To ensure that children are learning, we also need them to be safe and happy. The wellbeing of all children (in particular), teachers, staff, families and visitors to St. Paul's is something we take very seriously and value highly. From 8.40am when classroom doors open, the teachers take responsibility for their students. Between 8.40am and 9.00am the teachers welcome the students and begin to settle them for the day ahead. This is a crucial time in getting all children settled and focused. The teachers are busy taking notes and mail, organising tables, bags and books. Chatting to students about their night or weekend if it is Monday morning and saying hello to parents and younger siblings. Parents, we encourage you to take your children to their classrooms, to pop in and say hi to the teacher and even have a look at their work on display or in their books. It is okay to ask briefly how your child is doing generally, however, if you want a more detailed explanation of how your child is progressing, where their challenges are and what you can do at home to assist them further, then you will need to make an appointment with the teacher.

Appointments can be made after school on Mondays and Thursdays. This is the best time.

Appointments can also be made before school, Monday to Friday between 8.30am and 8.40am. I need to emphasize here that these meetings can only be 10 minutes as the teachers need to devote their full attention to the students at this time. We all know the chaos involved at home in getting one, two or more children ready for school. Bags here, lunch boxes there, socks anywhere. This is what our teachers have to manage each morning with 25 individual children; bags, lunches, books and even socks! So when dropping off or picking up your children, of course pop into the room and say hi to the teacher, but I ask that if you want to have a conversation with the teacher about your child, then please make an appointment. The teachers are only too happy to accommodate you.

In regards to safety, you will have noticed all new line markings, speed humps and parking bumpers in the car park areas. I insist that you follow the directional arrows for entering and exiting the car park and that you adhere to the 5 km an hour speed limit. I also insist that you follow the designated pedestrian paths when entering and exiting the school.



Too many times, I have witnessed parents, grandparents and other family members leading children through the gates of the basketball and netball courts while cars are coming in and out. This is extremely dangerous! Unless your car is parked on the basketball/netball court, then you should walk around and use the main entry from where you can safely use either of the designated and supervised crossings. The safety of all St. Paul's community members is paramount and I thank you for supporting and working with us on this important matter.

PRINCIPAL UPDATE:

Mr Daly has enjoyed the sights of San Francisco and is now hard at work (not in Alcatraz!!) at the International Conference On Thinking. Hopefully he will bring many new ideas back to us to further enhance the best possible learning environment that we can provide for the children here at St. Paul's.

WONDERFUL NEWS

It is with great happiness that I can finish with the announcement of some wonderful news. Mrs Ashleigh Cahill and her husband Michael are expecting the birth of their first child. All things going to plan, Mrs Cahill will continue to work up until the second last week of Term Three, with the expected birth date being early October. We wish Ashleigh and Michael all the very best of luck over the next few months as they prepare for the welcome addition to their family. We wish them every blessing and happiness upon the birth of their child and this new and exciting chapter in their lives.



Have a good weekend and the next week to come.

Matthew Stead

Acting Principal

URGENT REQUEST

As of the first day of Term 3, Monday 16 July, all excursion and school activity permission forms will be sent out to families, through CareMonkey. It is therefore, essential that all children have a CareMonkey Profile, in order for parents to be able to give permission for their children to attend excursions or take part in school activities, requiring parent permission or consent. We ask all families to set up a CareMonkey profile for their children IMMEDIATELY.

Email invitations are continuing to be sent to all families for whom we have an email address, to download the CareMonkey app. Thank you to those parents who have responded to the email and have set up a profile for their children. If you have not yet responded to the email please do so as soon as possible. **Please check your email inbox or spam for the CareMonkey email.** Thank you for your support in ensuring your children are safe and cared for at all times.



STUDENT ABSENCES

Following a review of the Attendance Guidelines by the Minister for Education in Term 4, 2017 **'schools must advise parents/guardians of unexplained absences, on the same day, as soon as practicable, including for post-compulsory aged students'**. All schools must fully implement the changes to the Attendance Guidelines by the end of Term 2, 2018. These changes will help ensure the safety of school-aged children during school hours and that schools are supported in their duty of care obligations.

If your child is going to be absent from school for any reason, we ask that you log onto the Skoolbag app, then go to eForms, hit Absentee Form and complete the details of the absence then hit Submit. All Absentee Forms are sent to the Principal. They are then forwarded to the classroom teacher and the office. As of early Term 2, if your child is away and we have not been notified, you will receive an SMS message asking you to contact the school. If we do not hear from you within a certain time (to be notified) we will call your emergency contacts. If we cannot reach the emergency contacts we are mandated by legislation to call the police. If you have not yet downloaded the Skoolbag app, we ask that you do this as soon as possible. These practices are to ensure the safety of your children.

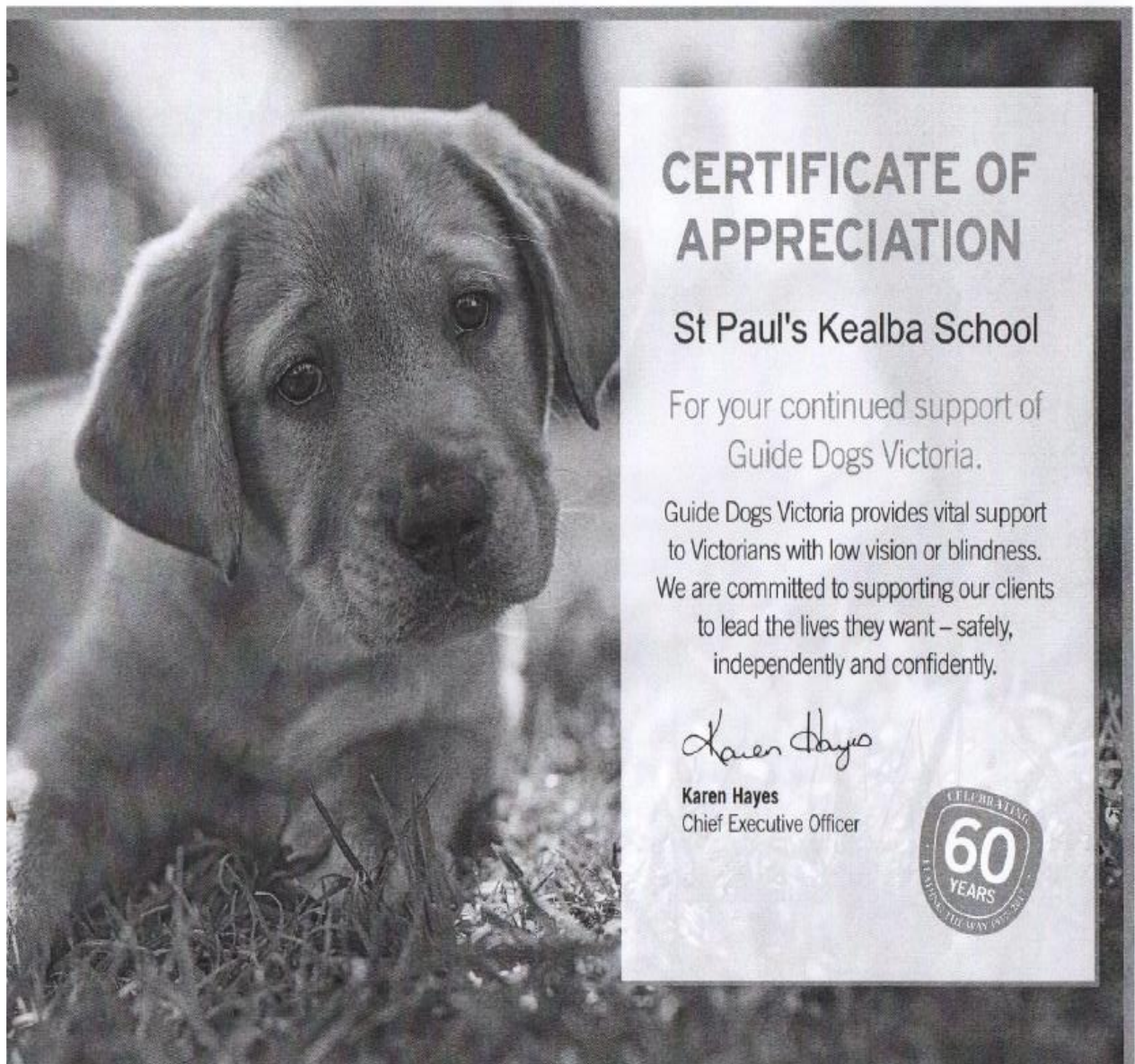
Full implementation of the new Attendance Guidelines is required by the end of Term 2, 2018. St. Paul's is currently exploring an automated SMS notification service, to inform parents of an unexplained student absence. **Parents and guardians are asked to notify the school immediately a student absence is known, preferably the day before but definitely before 8.50 am on the day of the absence.**



Guide Dog Fundraiser Result



I recently received an email from Caroline Pearce, a lady who is the education consultant for Guide Dogs Victoria and she wanted to congratulate and thank **ALL** children of St Paul's who made a donation to keep the program alive. Children from grade 3-6 were able to donate **\$129.30**. Every cent counts so thank you once again, to all people who donated. We received a certificate of appreciation from the organisation. Remember if you would like to more information on how you could help support the Guide Dogs Association, please explore their website <https://www.guidedogsvictoria.com.au/> or contact Mrs Calvano at icalvano@spkealba.catholic.edu.au.



FAMILY PORTRAIT

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for \$15

20 minute portrait session

20 minute viewing / selection session

8"x12" print

Glass bottle frame + print of your choice

Complimentary retouching
(Remove unwanted dribble or bumps!)

Opportunity to purchase the BEST value
packages & lowest cost options!

We also have the best value digital files available!

St Pauls Primary School Family Portrait Fundraiser

The easiest way to have boutique portraits, book now to secure your session!

WHEN: Sunday 3rd of June

WHERE: Indoors at the school

TO BOOK: head to www.averandline.com.au/book

enter the password **hooray2** and select your school + session time
then pay your \$15 online

BOOK BY: Monday 28th of May

CONTACT: Evelyn on ParentsGroup@spkealba.catholic.edu.au

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How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

For iPhone and iPad users:

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. You will see your school appear, click "Get" then "install".
4. The app is FREE to download.
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



For Android users:

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you by tapping the on/off switch.



Please Note: Some brands of Android phones need the setting in "Notification Manager" changed to "Allow" instead of "Notify" in order for the push notifications to work. The phone must also be running at least version 4 system software to run the app.

For Windows 8.1 Phone and Windows 8.1 or 10 device users:

1. Go to the Windows Store on your 8.1 Windows Phone or Windows 8.1/10 Device
2. Search for "Skoolbag" in the keyword app search
3. Install the Skoolbag app
4. Find your school either by using the keyword search or location service.
5. Click the "Pin" icon to pin the school tile to your Windows Phone home screen.
6. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup"
7. Toggle the Push Categories that are applicable to you by tapping the on/off switch.

Please Note: The Skoolbag Windows App is for 8.1 version Windows Phones, or Windows 8.1 and 10 devices.



2018 IMPORTANT DATES

TERM 2	TERM 3
<p>APRIL</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> THURS 24 - FIRST COMMUNION FAMILY NIGHT 6PM <p>JUNE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> THUR 7 - WHOLE SCHOOL MASS - FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART 9.30AM MON 11 - QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY SAT 16 - SACRAMENT OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2PM MON 25 - REPORTS SENT HOME THURS 28 - LEARNING CONVERSATIONS 2.30PM TO 8.00PM - EARLY DISMISSAL 1.50 PM FRI 29 - ST. PAUL'S FEAST DAY - WHOLE SCHOOL MASS 12.00PM FRI 29 - EARLY DISMISSAL 1.50PM END TERM 	<p>JULY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MON 16 - TERM 3 COMMENCES FRI 27TH DIVISIONAL GRAND FINALS <p>AUGUST</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> WED 15 - FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION 9.30AM WHOLE SCHOOL MASS THURS 23RD DISTRICT ATHLETICS <p>SEPTEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> THUR 13 - WHOLE SCHOOL MASS 9.30AM THURS 20 - WHOLE SCHOOL CIRCUS PERFORMANCE - EVENING FRI 21 - EARLY DISMISSAL 1.50PM END TERM
TERM 4	
<p>OCTOBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> MON 8 - TERM 4 COMMENCES FRI 12TH DIVISIONAL GRAND FINALS MON TO FRI 15, 16, 17, 18 19 - SCHOOL REVIEW WED 24 - CEM/VRQA COMPLIANCE REVIEW WED 24 - WHOLE SCHOOL MASS 9.30AM WED 31 - YR 4 CAMP <p>NOVEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> THURS, FRI 1, 2 - YR 4 CAMP MON 5 - SCHOOL CLOSURE REPORT WRITING TUES 6 - MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY WED, THURS, FRI 21, 22, 23 - YR 5 CAMP SAT 24 - STATE ELECTION <p>DECEMBER</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FRI 7 - CHRISTMAS FUN DAY, CARNIVAL AND CAROLS THURS 13 - YR 6 GRADUATION 7PM FRI 14 YR 6 FINAL DAY WED 19 P - 5 STUDENTS FINAL DAY 1.50PM DISMISSAL THURS 20 - STAFF FINAL DAY 	



A School Prayer

We give you our school.
We give you all the teachers and staff who work here,
We give you all the children who study here.

We pray our school would be place of great discovery,
adventure and creativity.

May it be a place where we love to learn and where we
learn to love,

A place where every one is respected and all are deeply
valued.

We ask all this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.



MASS TIMES

ST PAUL'S CHURCH

SUNSHINE AVENUE

KEALBA

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	No Mass
Wednesday	9.30 am
Thursday	9.30 am
Friday	No Mass
Saturday	5.00 pm (Latin) 6.30 pm
Sunday	8.00 am (Maltese) 10.00 am

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 6.00 pm

ST MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH

ODESSA AVENUE

KEILOR DOWNS

Monday	9.30 am
Tuesday	9.30 am
Wednesday	No Mass
Thursday	No Mass
Friday	9.30 am
Saturday	5.00 pm
Sunday	9.00 am 11.00am 5.30pm

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 4.30 pm



LUNCH ORDERS WITH FLEXISCHOOLS

A large number of families have now logged on to www.flexischools.com.au, created an account and are ordering lunches online. Cinzia Brancatisano, Canteen Manager, is happy to answer your questions regarding the account setup procedure and the new online ordering process. Snack items and drinks for the recess break (2nd break), need to be ordered online at the same time as the lunch order, as there are no counter / window sales during winter.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!!!!

I am asking for any parents, grandparents or guardians who have any free time to come and help and be part of a great volunteer team to provide lunch for our precious children. We desperately need volunteers on MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY each week. If you are interested, please complete the section below and return it to the school, as soon as possible.

Please note that you must have a current 'Working With Children Check' registration to be able to assist in the canteen.

CANTEEN VOLUNTEER:

I

Eldest Child..... Grade.....Teacher.....

I am available to work on the following day(s).....

Contact No.....



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SUNDAY 20 MAY

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CRCNK Enrolment Year 7, 2020

Enrolment is currently open for Grade 5, 2018 students

Enrolment Closes 3 August, 2018

Offers posted to families Friday, 9 October, 2018
Final date for acceptance Friday, 2 November, 2018

College Tour Dates Term 2

Wednesday, 9 May 9.15am – Full
Thursday, 24 May 9.15am
Thursday, 31 May 9.15am

Bookings required

Please phone
9361 5900
or email
office@crcnk.vic.edu.au



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380 SYDENHAM ROAD, SYDENHAM



FAMILY TOURS

Thursday 31 May & Thursday 26 July

Commencing at 9.30am followed by morning tea

**Register with Mrs Gina Zumbo on 9361 0000 or
enrolments@crcsydenham.net**



Have you decided where your child will go to school in Year 11 and 12? Now is the time with growing population in the area and families requesting tours.

At Catholic Regional College Sydenham we serve the Catholic Parishes of this region and as the preeminent Catholic senior secondary College in the Archdiocese we are proudly Catholic. We are already planning for your child and their future pathway so why not come along and see where their education will lead your family. Join the Principal and School Captains for a tour followed by morning tea at Catholic Regional College Sydenham.





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ENROLMENTS FOR YEAR 7 2020
ARE NOW OPEN

Call to book a personal school tour or
request an enrolment pack

on 9366 2544

or echalmers@crcstalbens.catholic.edu.au



Key Dates: Enrolments for Year 7 2020

Friday 31st Aug 2018: Applications for Year 7 2020 close.

Friday 19th Oct 2018: Offers of places posted to families

Friday 2nd Nov 2018: Final date for acceptance of offers made.

SCHOOL YARD 1979



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CLASS
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CRC ST ALBANS
CELEBRATING
40 YEARS

2018 marks the 40th anniversary of the
Federation of Catholic Regional College.

We would like to reconnect with past
students and families to preserve
the stories and memories from
your time spent here at the College.

If you would like to share your stories or
memorabilia please contact us.

Call Jill on 9366 2544

or email:

40years@crcstalbens.com.au