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eNEWS – FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Thursday 13th December 2018

Dear Community,

As the school year draws to a close and this being the final newsletter for 2018, it is appropriate that we look back in gratitude for all that has been achieved in 2018, as well as looking forward to 2019, with a sense of hope for what may be possible.



This is a time to express our gratitude and a time bid farewell, a time to celebrate achievements and a time to look to the future with hope, a time to complete the year's work and a time to plan for what a new year may bring; it is a time of hope, joy, peace & love – it is Advent!

And so with that 'spirit' of Advent very much in our minds, it is timely that we say, "Thank you", to all the members of our 'St. Paul's Family', who have, in so many ways, contributed to ensuring we have had a year of goals achieved & challenges met together.



*Thank
you!*



It takes a whole village to raise a child

- African proverb

May your Christmas be a time of hope, joy, peace & love, with family and friends and may the New Year bring you opportunities, experiences, happiness & good health.



Denis J. Daly

Principal

FAREWELL MR STEAD!

It is with a degree of sadness that we bid farewell to Mr. Matthew Stead, Deputy Principal & Religious Education Leader. Whilst we are saddened at the news of Matthew's departure from St. Paul's, we are also pleased for him and proud of him, at his appointment as Principal of St. Augustine's Primary School in Yarraville. Matthew has served the St. Paul's community for the past eleven years, as classroom teacher, Maths Leader, Religious Education Leader & Deputy Principal. We wish Matthew well in his appointment as Principal and hope he leave St. Paul's with many fond memories.



FINAL DAY

School finishes for Prep – Yr. 5 students on **Wednesday 19 December at 1.50 pm**. There will be **no After School Care Program on that day**. Children must be picked up on time.

2019 DATES TO ADD TO CALENDARS & DIARIES

TERM 1:

- Tuesday 29 January: Staff return
- Wednesday 30 January: Staff planning & preparation
- Thursday 31 January: Students return – 8.50 am start for Yr. 1 – Yr. 6 students; 9.30 am start for Prep students
- Wednesday 20 February – Friday 22 February: Yr. 6 Urban Experience (Camp)
- Wednesday 6 March: Ash Wednesday – Lent begins (Whole School Mass 9.30 am)
- Thursday 7 March: School Photos
- Friday 8 March: School Closure – Staff Professional Development
- Monday 11 March: Labour Day Public Holiday
- Tuesday 12 March: Preps commence full time
- Thursday 27 March: Sacrament of First Reconciliation – 7.00 pm in St. Paul's Church
- Friday 5 April: Term 1 Ends – 1.50 pm finish

Term 2 – Term 4 2019 dates will be supplied at the beginning of the 2019 School Year.

Year 6 BIG DAY OUT!!



Last week, the Year 6s were fortunate enough to spend the day at Luna Park in St Kilda. It was a day of celebration where students got to experience a range of rides, eat lots of sugary foods and spend quality time with their friends. It is a unique experience designed for the Senior children as they are preparing to leave St Paul's Kealba and begin a new chapter of their lives in high school. Many thanks to all the teachers who assisted in organising the day and allowing it to run as smoothly as it did. Here are some highlights of the day.







CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) 2019:

The State Government will be again providing funding for students, for camps, sports and excursions. To be eligible a parent or legal guardian of a student must hold a current Centrelink Health Care Card or Pensioner Concession Card.

Eligibility Date:

The parent's or legal guardian's Concession Card must be valid with Centrelink on the first day of either Term One (29 January 2019) or Term Two (23 April 2019).

The payment amount for a primary school student is \$125.00 per year which is paid directly to the school. The amount is credited to excursions.

Processing of Application Forms (blank Application Form attached) will commence on 31st January 2019. Funding closes on 28 June 2019.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES 2018

MASS TIMES

Saturday 22nd December 2018 – Fourth Sunday of Advent

5.00 p.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

The Celebrant will be the new Archbishop of Melbourne, Most Rev. Peter A. Comensoli

5.00p.m. St. Paul's Church (Latin)

6.30 p.m. St. Paul's Church

Sunday 23rd December – Fourth Sunday of Advent

8.00 a.m. St. Paul's Church (Maltese)

9.00 a.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

10.00 a.m. St. Paul's Church

11.00 a.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

5.30 p.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

Monday 24th December – Christmas Eve

5.00 p.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

6.30 p.m. St. Paul's Church

8.00 p.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

9.00 p.m. St. Paul's Church

12 Midnight St. Mary MacKillop Church (*Carols at 11.30 p.m.*)

Tuesday 25th December – Christmas Day

8.00 a.m. St. Paul's Church (Maltese)

9.00 a.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

10.00 a.m. St. Paul's Church

11.00 a.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

Please Note: There is no evening Mass on Christmas Day

Monday 31st December – New Year's Eve

6.00 p.m. St Paul's

Tuesday 1st January – New Year's Day

11.00 a.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

CONFESSION TIMES

Tuesday 18th December

10.00 a.m. - 11.00 a.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

7.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

Wednesday 19th December

10.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. St. Paul's Church

7.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m. St. Paul's Church

Thursday 20th December

10.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. St. Paul's Church

7.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m. St. Paul's Church

Friday 21st December

10.00 a.m. – 11.00 a.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

7.00 p.m. – 8.00 p.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

Saturday 22nd December

4.00 p.m. – 4.45 p.m. St. Mary MacKillop Church

6.00 p.m. -6.25 p.m. St. Paul's Church

Monday 24th December

11.00 a.m. – 12 Noon St. Paul's Church

Please Note: There are no Confessions during the Christmas Masses

2018 CALENDAR

TERM 4

DECEMBER

- THURS 13 - YR 6 GRADUATION (7.00 PM)
- FRI 14 - YR 6 FINAL DAY
- MON 17 – DAY 4 PREP ORIENTATION & ‘STEP UP DAY’
- WED 19 - P - 5 STUDENTS FINAL DAY (1.50 PM DISMISSAL)
- THURS 20 - STAFF FINAL DAY



NOT RETURNING TO ST PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL IN 2019

If your child/children will not be returning to St. Paul's in 2019, would you please complete the section below and return this to the School Office. **This does not apply to the current Grade 6 children.**

This information is required, as transfer documentation must be completed between this school and the new school your child/children will be attending in 2019.

Your co-operation regarding this matter would be appreciated.

CHILD/CHILDREN NOT RETURNING IN 2019

Name of Child: _____ **Grade:** _____

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Name of Child: _____ **Grade:** _____

The above named will not be returning to St. Paul's Primary School, Kealba, in 2019.

New School attending: _____

Address _____

N.B.: PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM AS SOON AS POSSIBLE

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE INFORMATION FOR PARENTS

Every Victorian child should have access to the world of learning opportunities that exist beyond the classroom. The Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund helps ensure that no student will miss out on the opportunity to join their classmates for important, educational and fun activities. It is part of making Victoria the Education State and the Government's commitment to breaking the link between a student's background and their outcomes.

CAMPS, SPORTS & EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF)

School camps provide children with inspiring experiences in the great outdoors, excursions encourage a deeper understanding of how the world works and sports teach teamwork, discipline and leadership. All are part of a healthy curriculum.

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:

- \$125 for primary school students
- \$225 for secondary school students

MORE INFORMATION

For more information about the CSEF visit:
www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

HOW TO APPLY

New applicants should contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or download from www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

If you applied for the CSEF at your child's school in 2018, you do not need to complete an application form in 2019 unless there has been a change in your family circumstances.

You only need to complete an application form if any of the following changes have occurred:

- **new student enrolments;** your child has started or changed schools in 2019 or you did not apply in 2018.
- **changed family circumstances;** such as a change of custody, change of name, concession card number, or new siblings commencing at the school in 2019.

Check with the school office if you are unsure.



المساعدة المالية معلومات للوالدين

يجب أن يتمكن كل طفل في فيكتوريا من الوصول إلى عالم الفرص التعليمية الذي يوجد خارج الصف الدراسي. يساعد صندوق المخيمات والرياضة والرحلات (Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund) على ضمان عدم تفويت أي طالب الفرصة للانضمام إلى زملائه في الأنشطة الهامة والتعليمية والممتعة. إن هذا هو جزء من جعل فيكتوريا ولاية التعليم والفرص الحكومة بقطع الصلة بين خلفية الطلاب وتناجحهم.

كيفية طلب

إستأجروا مكتب المدرسة للحصول على إستمارة طلب CSEF أو قوموا بحصولها من www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

معلومات إضافية

لمعرفة المواعيد النهائية لتقديم طلبات CSEF والحصول على معلومات إضافية حول الصندوق قوموا بزيارة www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

صندوق المخيمات والرياضة والرحلات (CSEF)

وفر المخيمات المدرسية للأطفال التجارب القيمة في الهواء الطلق الرابع، وتتيح الرحلات على لهم استحقاق لتكثيف حول العلم، وعلم الرياضة حول الجماعي والإضبط والقيادة. إن هذه جميعها هي جزء من المنهج المدرسي.

سهم وافر CSEF من قبل حكومة فيكتوريا لمساعدة الأسر المالية لتغطية تكاليف الرحلات والمخيمات والأنشطة الرياضية المدرسية.

إنكم ستكون بطاقة التغطية الخاصة الخاصة لإخصار المليون سارية المفعول أو كعملة والتي تبني الملائمة. لقد شجعوا مؤلفي الحصول على CSEF. يوجد أيضا فئة الإجازات الخاصة لتغطي التجهيز والأسر المتأجلة. يتم دفع المخصصات إلى المدرسة لاستخدامها في ما يخص بطلبات المتعلقة بالمخيمات والرحلات والأنشطة الرياضية لتصلح طلبكم.

إن مبلغ CSEF الموزع لكل طلب هي:

- 125 دولار لكل طالب المدارس الإبتدائية
- 225 دولار لكل طالب المدارس الثانوية





TRỢ GIÚP TÀI CHÁNH THÔNG TIN CHO PHỤ HUYNH

Mọi trẻ em ở Victoria đều nên có được thật nhiều cơ hội học tập bên ngoài lớp học. Quỹ dành cho Cắm trại, Thể thao và Du ngoạn (Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund) giúp đảm bảo là không có em nào bị lỡ mất cơ hội cùng các bạn trong lớp tham gia các hoạt động quan trọng, mang tính giáo dục và vui nhộn. Điều này nằm trong kế hoạch làm cho Victoria trở thành Tiểu bang Giáo dục và cam kết của Chính phủ nhằm phá vỡ mối liên hệ giữa nguồn gốc với thành quả học tập của học sinh.

QUỸ DÀNH CHO CẮM TRẠI, THỂ THAO & DU NGOẠN (CSEF)

Đi cắm trại với trường sẽ cho các em những trải nghiệm lý thú ở bên ngoài, các cuộc du ngoạn khuyến khích tìm hiểu sâu sắc hơn về hoạt động của thế giới còn thể thao dạy các em kỹ năng làm việc theo nhóm, kỷ luật và lãnh đạo. Tất cả đều nằm trong khuôn khổ một chương trình giảng dạy lành mạnh.

CSEF sẽ được Chính phủ tiểu bang Victoria cung cấp nhằm trợ giúp các gia đình hội đủ điều kiện để trang trải chi phí cho các hoạt động du ngoạn, cắm trại và thể thao ở trường.

Nếu quý vị có thể giám gia hợp lệ được cấp dựa trên trải nghiệm tài chính hoặc là cha mẹ nuôi tạm thời (foster parent), quý vị có thể hội đủ điều kiện để được nhận CSEF. Ngoài ra còn có một tiêu chuẩn cần nhắc đặc biệt dành cho các gia đình tâm trú và tị nạn. Khoản phụ cấp này được trả cho trường để sử dụng cho các chi phí liên quan tới các hoạt động cắm trại, du ngoạn hoặc thể thao phục vụ lợi ích con em quý vị.

Số tiền CSEF hàng năm cho mỗi học sinh là:

- \$125 cho học sinh tiểu học
- \$225 cho học sinh trung học

LÀM THẾ NÀO ĐỂ XIN

Liên lạc với văn phòng của trường để lấy đơn xin CSEF hoặc tải từ www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

ĐỂ CÓ THÊM THÔNG TIN

Để biết ngày hết hạn nộp đơn xin CSEF và có thêm thông tin về quỹ, hãy vô trang mạng www.education.vic.gov.au/csef





CAMPS, SPORTS AND EXCURSIONS FUND (CSEF) APPLICATION FORM

School Name

School REF ID

Parent/legal guardian details

Surname

First name

Address

Town/suburb State Postcode

Contact number

Centrelink pensioner concession OR Health care card number (CRN)

- - - OR

☐ Foster parent* OR ☐ Veterans affairs pensioner

*Foster Parents must provide a copy of the temporary care order/letter from the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS).

Student details

Child's surname	Child's first name	Student ID	Date of birth (dd/mm/yyyy)	Year level
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I authorise the Department of Education and Training (DET) to use Centrelink Confirmation eServices to perform an enquiry of my Centrelink customer details and concession card status in order to enable the business to determine if I qualify for a concession, rebate or service. I also authorise the Australian Government Department of Human Services (DHS) to provide the results of that enquiry to DET.

I understand that:

- DHS will use information I have provided to DET to confirm my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund and will disclose to DET personal information including my name, address, payment and concession card type and status.
- this consent, once signed, remains valid while my child is enrolled at a registered Victorian school unless I withdraw it by contacting the school.
- I can obtain proof of my circumstances/details from DHS and provide it to DET so that my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund can be determined.
- If I withdraw my consent or do not alternatively provide proof of my circumstances/details, I may not be eligible for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund provided by DET.
- Information regarding my eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund may be disclosed to the Victorian Department of Health and Human Services and for State Schools Relief for the purpose of evaluating concession card services or confirming eligibility for assistance.

You are able to request access to the personal information that we hold about you, and to request that any errors be corrected, by contacting your child's school.

Signature of applicant

Date / /



CSEF ELIGIBILITY

Below is the criteria used to determine a student's eligibility for the Camps, Sports and Excursions Fund (CSEF).

Criteria 1 – Eligibility

To be eligible* for the fund, a parent or legal guardian of a student attending a registered Government or non-government Victorian primary or secondary school must:

- on the first day of Term one, or;
- on the first day of Term two,
 - a) Be an eligible beneficiary within the meaning of the State Concessions Act 2004, that is, be a holder of Veterans Affairs Gold Card or be an eligible Centrelink Health Care Card (HCC) or Pensioner Concession Card (PCC) holder, OR
 - b) Be a temporary foster parent, and,
 - c) Submit an application to the school by the due date.

* A special consideration eligibility category also exists. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Parents who receive a Carer Allowance on behalf of a child, or any other benefit or allowance not income tested by Centrelink, are not eligible for the CSEF unless they also comply with one of (a) or (b) above.

Criteria 2 - Be of school age and attend school in Victoria

School is compulsory for all Victorian children aged between six and 17 years of age inclusive.

For the purposes of CSEF, students may be eligible for assistance if they attend a Victorian registered primary or secondary school. Typically, these students are aged between five and 18 years inclusive.

CSEF is not payable to students attending pre-school, kindergarten, home schooled, or TAFE.

Eligibility Date

For concession card holders CSEF eligibility will be subject to the parent/legal guardian's concession card being successfully validated with Centrelink on the first day of either term one (29 January 2019) or term two (23 April 2019).

PAYMENT AMOUNTS

CSEF payment amount

The CSEF is an annual payment to the school to be used towards camps, sports and/or excursion expenses for the benefit of the eligible student.

- Primary school student rate: \$125 per year.
- Secondary school student rate: \$225 per year.

The CSEF is paid directly to your child's school and will be allocated by the school towards camps, sports and/or excursion costs for your child.

For ungraded students, the rate payable is determined by the student's date of birth. For more information, see: www.education.vic.gov.au/csef

Year 7 government school students who are CSEF recipients are also eligible for a uniform voucher. Secondary schools are required to make applications on behalf of parents so please register your interest at the school.

HOW TO COMPLETE THE APPLICATION FORM

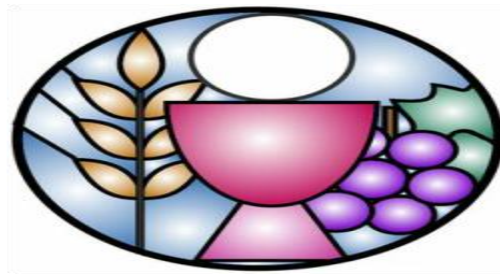
NOTE: ALL SECTIONS MUST BE COMPLETED BY PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN

1. Complete the PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN DETAILS section.
Make sure that the Surname, First Name, and Customer Reference Number (CRN) details match those on your concession card. You will also need to provide your concession card to the school.
If you are claiming as a Foster Parent or a Veteran Affairs Pensioner, you will need to provide a copy of documentation confirming your status as a temporary Foster Parent or provide your Veterans Affairs Pensioner Gold card to the school.
2. Complete the STUDENT'S DETAILS section for students at this school.
3. Sign and date the form and return it to the school office as soon as possible. The CSEF program for 2019 closes on 28 June, 2019.

CSEF payments cannot be claimed retrospectively for prior years.

Queries relating to CSEF eligibility and payments should be directed to the school.

May God's blessing go with us today,
 at the end of this school year we pray.
 that you keep us safe and give us rest
 so we start again renewed and refreshed.
 Full of health, full of fun
 ready to come and learn again.



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.

Enclosed in your child's School Report is the 2019 Canteen Price List.

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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