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# eNEWS 2019 - Term 2 Edition 10

Thursday May 2, 2019

Dear Community,

This being the first edition of eNEWS for Term2, I would like to welcome all families back to school, for a new term of learning & growing together.

We return in the church's 'Season of Easter', a time of great hope & joy; hope & joy which came out of great horror & grief. A man (Jesus) was brutally murdered, nailed to a piece of wood (the cross), for no real reason, other than his message of love for all, was contrary to the messages of the religious authorities (the pharisees, sadducees & scribes) of the time; that man's body was placed in a grave (the tomb); his family (Mary) & friends (the disciples), were devastated and in fear for their own lives – they hid themselves away; and three days after his brutal murder, he rose from that grave (the Resurrection), with the message for those closest to him to spread, that he was to return to his father (God), to prepare a place for them after their death. This is the message of hope which still holds for us today, over 2000 years later, and into the future, that life does not end in death but is continued in our heavenly home with our God, who will welcome us into that 'home', with open arms.

Whilst the term holidays are behind us now, I do hope it was an opportunity for all of you to have some 'down time', out of the busyness which are our weekly work & school routines. Your children have returned with enthusiasm & happiness, ready to continue their learning and excited at the prospect of all the new term may hold for them. Like all of our school terms, Term 2 will be busy, as the calendar further into the newsletter shows but working together, as we do so well here at St. Paul's, will see everyone supported & encouraged, as we learn & grow together.

I hope Term 2 is full of rich & rewarding learning opportunities for all of us in our St. Paul's 'Family'.

Denis J. Daly Principal

#### **TERM 2 SCHOOL CLOSURES**

This term the school will be closed on *Monday May 27 & Tuesday May 28*, for staff professional learning. All staff will take part in our biennial conference (every two years), focusing on work health & wellbeing, under the theme of 'What Does It Take to Thrive at Work'. As a learning & teaching community, staff, like our students, continue their professional learning, throughout each school year, during planning conversations, at staff meetings, in professional learning team meetings and on school closure days.

### **MOTHERS DAY 2019**

This year we celebrate all of the significant & loved women in our lives – Mums, Step Mums, Grandmas, aunties & special women in our families – when we celebrate *Mothers' Day, on Sunday May 12*. The children will have an opportunity to purchase a gift for their Mums, Grandmas & other special women in their lives, at our annual *Mothers' Day Stall, next Thursday May 9*.

#### PARENTS GROUP MEETING

Our next Parents Group Meeting, will be held next **Tuesday evening**, **May 7**, at 6.30 pm, in the staffroom. Please come along and offer your ideas & support, as we work together to raise extra funds for our children & their learning, as well as plan social opportunities for our St. Paul's Family. Our fundraising efforts this year will be directed towards the purchase of S.T.E.A.M. resources (Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts & Maths), another class set (30) of Google Chromebooks (student laptops) and additions to & landscaping of our 'Tiny Town'.

# 2020 FOUNDATION (PREP) STUDENTS - ENROLMENTS DUE NOW

We are currently advertising for 2020 Foundation (Prep) Enrolment enquiries. To ensure that we set aside a placing for any of our existing families, who have a child eligible to enrol next year, we ask that you contact the school office to obtain an Enrolment Application form. Alternatively, an Enrolment Pack (including an Enrolment Application) can be downloaded from the school website at <u>www.spkealba.catholic.edu.au</u>. We would appreciate you completing the application and returning it to us as soon as possible.

# SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Year 6 Catholic students will receive the *Sacrament of Confirmation*, being confirmed by Bishop Mark Edwards, on *Friday May 10, at 7.00 pm in St. Mary MacKillop Church, Keilor Downs.* 

#### WALKATHON 2019

Our 2019 Walkathon, will be held on *Friday May 24*. Advertising material, sponsor sheets & volunteer/helper requests, will come home tomorrow.

# **PRIVACY POLICY & STANDARD COLLECTION NOTICE – UPDATES**

The school has recently reviewed and updated its Privacy Policy and Standard Collection Notice. The updated policy & notice can be accessed on the school's website and SkoolBag App; they were also emailed out all families on Monday. Alternatively, you may request a hard copy from the office.

#### **NAPLAN 2019**

This year's NAPLAN assessments will take place on the following dates, in the following learning areas: **Tuesday** May 14 – Literacy: Language Conventions & Writing; Wednesday May 15 – Literacy: Reading; and, Thursday May 16 – Numeracy.

#### SECONDARY COLLEGE ENROLMENTS

Parents & guardians of students in Years 4, 5 & 6 are reminded that considerable thought & planning need to be undertaken in selecting & applying for enrolment in Catholic, independent & state secondary colleges. It is too late to leave your thinking, choosing & applying until Grade 6, as most secondary colleges are accepting applications as early as Grade 4.

# SCHOOL PHOTO ORDERS

Photos are now available online for families to purchase.

Those who registered will have received an email with all the information they need to view and order their photos. There is an instructional video on the main ordering page if any families need some further assistance with the new ordering process. Included below is a YouTube link, explaining the ordering process. <u>https://youtu.be/bNqN-A5Fafg</u> If people have not previously registered, they can go to <u>www.order.arphotos.com.au</u> and use the individual code distributed on photo day to complete their order. For any that have lost their code, they can contact ARP directly on (03) 5243 4390 and the customer service team will be able to assist. There is a 10 day initial ordering period for free delivery back to the school. After this time, there will be a \$9.95 postage and handling fee on all orders, which will be sent home to a nominated address.

# SCHOOL UNIFORMS

All students should be in their winter uniforms by now (Terms 3 & 4). Just a reminder to all parents (especially our new Prep Families) that the Uniform shop is open on Friday mornings, from 8.30 am to 9.30 am for purchases, trying sizes and to place orders. Academy Uniform order forms with prices, can be downloaded via the Skoolbag App or are available in the office foyer. Alternatively you may visit their web site at www.academyuniforms.com.au

# SOCCER CHAMPIONS

A huge "CONGRATULATIONS" to our Senior girls & Senior boys soccer teams, on being 'crowned' champions of their respective Soccer Gala days last week - Wednesday April 24 for the boys and this week, Tuesday April 30 for the girls. What a great effort from all team members. We are so proud of you.



#### PARENTS GROUP EVENTS: TERM 2

The following are a list of events & activities to be organized by the Parents Group & supported by school staff, in Term 2:

- Family Entertainment Books Fundraiser: commenced Monday April 1. To order your Book or your Digital membership online visit: <u>www.entbook.com.au/94z4839</u> Alternatively, you may complete an order form, or purchase a book for \$70.00 cash, which are both available from the School Office.
- Walkathon: Friday May 24

# 2019 CALENDAR

# TERM 2

MAY

- MON. 6: FRI 10 PREP 2020 INTERVIEWS (NEW FAMILIES)
- TUES. 7: PARENTS GROUP MEETING
- FRI. 10: YR. 6 CONFIRMATION (ST. MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, KEILOR DOWNS)
- TUES. 14-THURS 16: NAPLAN
- FRI. 17: PREP 2020 ENROLMENT OFFERS POSTED OUT
- FRI. 24: WALKATHON
- MON. 27 & TUES 28: SCHOOL CLOSURES: STAFF CONFERENCE
- THURS. 30: FIRST HOLY COMMUNION FAMILY NIGHT
- FRI. 31: PREP 2020 ENROLMENT ACCEPTANCES DUE

#### JUNE

- MON. 10: QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
- SAT. 15: YR. 3 FIRST HOLY COMMUNION (ST. MARY MACKILLOP CHURCH, KEILOR DOWNS)
- THURS. 20: WORLD REFUGEE DAY
- FRI. 28: SCHOOL FEAST DAY CELEBRATION (FEAST OF ST. PAUL 29.06)
- FRI. 28: TERM 2 FINISHES AT 1.50 PM

# A Children's Prayer

Dear Child Jesus,

The day with Thee Is through for me.

I pray Thee keep Me safe in sleep, And that I dream of Thee.



# 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:**

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

Contact No.....



#### Bookings available to start between 6pm & 7.30pm 3 course dinner \$35 or 2 course \$25

#### Available on the following days:

- Tuesday 30th April 7th May 14th May 21st May 28th May 28th June 18th June 25th June
- Wednesday 1st May 8th May 15th May 22nd May 29th May 5th June 19th June
- Thursday 2nd Ma 16th May 23rd May 30th May 6th June 20th June 27th June

To make a reservation please contact Richard: Ph: 9361 0026 Email: quatrefoils@crcsydenham.net 380 Sydenham Road, Sydenham 3037 Enter via Gate 10 on Pecks Road













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