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eNEWS 2019 - Term 3 Edition 26

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Dear Community,

As we enter the season of spring and approach the end of Term 3, it is perhaps timely that we look ahead to the remainder of 2019 and begin planning for what 2020 may hold for our kids.

Our Year 6 students are mindful that 2020 will see them start their secondary education; thousands of 4 year olds will be finishing their kindergarten year and transitioning to primary school; and, Year 12 students will be completing their V.C.E. and making decisions about moving on to university or entering the workforce. It is a time where 'big steps' are about to be taken, that will change lives and see our children continue to grow & learn.

As parents, guardians & educators, it is important that we remember that our children will approach these 'big steps' with a range of emotions — excitement & fear, joy & confusion, hope & uncertainty. It is our responsibility to 'walk' with them, to reassure them and to direct them, as they take the next 'steps' in their learning journeys.

As parents & guardians, I encourage you to be informed about primary school, secondary school, university and your child's employment after their schooling – ask questions, gather information and support your child's growing independence, as well as being in a position to answer their questions.

As the year's end is in sight, the time has come for your children to 'step up'; our combined support for them in taking their next learning journey step is vital, if they are to step forward with confidence. Our kids need to see that we are working together as parent-educators & teacher-educators, so that they have confidence in our support for them, when they encounter 'bumps in the road' or need our advice and/or direction.

I am grateful to each of you for the wonderful job you do as parents & guardians; it is the work we do together as a St. Paul's family, which ensures you children learn & grow, in a safe & caring environment.





Denis J. Daly

Principal

NATIONAL eSMART WEEK: 1-7 SEPTEMBER 2019

National eSmart Week is a week where schools and public libraries come together to promote the smart, safe and responsible use of digital technology. Last year saw a record 1000 organisations taking part, helping to creating awareness, solutions and ideas for community education on issues of cyber safety, bullying and wellbeing online, and offline.

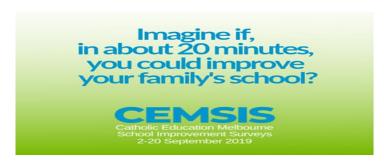
National eSmart week will be held on 1-7 September, in line with National Child Protection Week. The theme is 'Keeping Communities Safe Online', helping create awareness, solutions and ideas for community education on issues of cyber safety, bullying and wellbeing. Since the first National eSmart Week in 2015 organisations around Australia have showcased their commitment to cyber safety through events, activities, education and more.

eSmart uses a cultural change approach to improve cyber safety, increase digital literacy and reduce cyber bullying. eSmart is delivered to participants via a website portal in combination with face-to-face and online training sessions. Check out the website at www.esmart.org.au; it has resources an information for schools, parents & children.



SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT SURVEYS - PARENT SURVEYS SENT HOME

Melbourne Catholic school communities (staff, primary students in Years 4-6 & parents) will be asked to fill out our *annual school improvement survey*, between *Monday September 2 and Friday September 20*. The data collected from these surveys will support us in improving our school to be the best learning & teaching community we can be. *The survey will be conducted online, with survey & survey access details sent home yesterday, to randomly selected parents*. Please consider completing the survey and offering your thoughts & opinions on how we can best improve our school.





2019 CALENDAR

TERM 3

SEPTEMBER

- THURS. 5: PREP AND GRADE ONE MUSEUM EXCURSION
- THURS. 12: FOOTY FEVER PIZZA DAY
- WED. 18: WHOLE SCHOOL MASS 9.30 AM
- THURS. 19: WHOLE SCHOOL DANCE SPECTACULAR (CCCC, QUIN AUDITORIUM, BRAYBROOK)
- FRI. 20: SCHOOL FINISHES FOR TERM 3 1.50 PM

TERM 4

OCTOBER

- MON. 7: TERM 4 STARTS
- MON. 14: CYBERSAFETY PARENT SESSION 7.00 PM IN THE HALL
- TUES. 15: SOVEREIGN HILL EXCURSION YEARS 3 & 4
- WED. 16: SOVEREIGN HILL EXCURSION YEARS 1 & 6
- FRI. 18: SOVEREIGN HILL EXCURSION FOUNDATION & YEAR 6
- WED. 23: ANNUAL CHILDREN'S MISSION MASS ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL

NOVEMBER

- FRI. 1: ALL SAINTS DAY
- SAT. 2: ALL SOULS DAY
- MON. 11: REMEMBRANCE DAY
- WED. 11-FRI. 13: YEAR 5 CAMP
- MON. 25: FOUNDATION 2020 ORIENTATION SESSION 1 (PARENTS & CHILDREN)
- WED. 27-FRI. 29: YEAR 4 CAMP

DECEMBER

- MON. 2: FOUNDATION 2020 ORIENTATION SESION 2 (CHILDREN ONLY)
- WED. 4: YEAR 6 'BIG DAY OUT'
- MON. 9: FOUNDATION 2020 ORIENTATION SESSION 3 (CHILDREN ONLY)
- THURS. 12: END OF SCHOOL YEAR MASS & YEAR 6 GRADUATION (7.00 PM)
- FRI. 13: YEAR 6 FINISH
- MON. 16: WHOLE SCHOOL 'STEP UP DAY'
- WED. 18: FOUNDATION TO YEAR 5 FINISH
- THURS. 19: OFFICE CLOSES & STAFF FINISH

CHILDREN'S PRAYER

Give Us a Heart:



Give us a heart as beautiful, pure and spotless as yours.

A heart like yours, so full of love and humility.

May we be able to receive Jesus as the Bread of Life;
to love Him as you loved Him,
to serve Him under the mistreated face of the poor.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

MASS TIMES

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Monday	No Mass			Monday	9.30 am
Tuesday	No Mass			Tuesday	9.30 am
Wednesday	9.30 am			Wednesday	No Mass
Thursday	9.30 am			Thursday	No Mass
Friday	No Mass			Friday	9.30 am
Saturday	5.00 pm (Latin)			Saturday	5.00 pm
	6.30 pm				
Sunday	8.00 am (Maltese)			Sunday	9.00 am
-	10.00 am			-	11.00am
					5.30pm



RECONCILIATION: Saturday: 6.00 pm **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 Terms 1 & 4), 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.

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	I am available to work on the following	g dav(s)		
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Instrumental Music Lessons On School Campus!







- Primary Music Institute offer instrumental music lessons right here on school campus!

 To find out all about the music lessons please visit PMI's website. You can check which instruments are available, get up to date program details and apply for lessons online

 Please ENROL TODAY via PMI's website

 Lessons are held once per week on school campus with lessons typically during school hours

 Only \$16.95 per child per small group lesson (2-5 students for 30 minutes)

 Our small group lessons provide a fun and affordable opportunity to learn instrumental music

 Private lessons (1-on-1) and pair lessons (max 2 students) are also available

 Instrumental music can improve your child's school results including for reading, maths, coordination, IO, abstract reasoning, performance confidence... and is great fun!