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KEEPING OUR CONNECTIONS – UPDATE 12



Thursday November 5 2020

Dear Families,

I hope you all managed to enjoy an extra-long weekend, with eased restrictions and beautiful spring weather.

This week's eNews will be brief with a few details regarding upcoming events.

FOUNDATION 2021 WEBSITE LAUNCH

To support a very different Transition & Orientation Program for our 2020 kinder kids, a 'Foundation 2021 Website' was launched last Friday. The site is filled with lots of useful transition & orientation information for parents, guardians and children



FOUNDATION 'STAY & PLAY' ORIENTATION EXPERIENCE

In further support of our 2020 kinder kids and their transition to and orientation with school, a 'Stay & Play' opportunity has been organised for each child and a parent or guardian. The sessions will run on Mondays & Thursdays, between 3.45 pm and 4.15 pm, in the Foundation classrooms, Tiny Town, the Adventure Playgrounds & the courtyard. This will be an opportunity for the children to familiarise themselves with the classrooms and playground spaces.



BOOK CHARACTER DRESS UP DAY

In recognition of this year's Book Week (Theme: Curious Creatures, Wild Minds), the children may dress up as a favourite book character, tomorrow, Friday November 6. There is no pressure for families to purchase costumes; the children can wear something they may already have at home (a piece of material could become a cape or a skirt, a hat, etc.) or they can simply bring along a favourite picture book or novel to share with their class. There will be no whole school book parade (not permitted under current school restrictions) but classes will celebrate and have fun in their own grade.



BOOK FAIR

Our **BOOK FAIR** will take place in the **HALL** this year. This will allow us to be as safe as possible by maintaining social distancing and by avoiding overcrowding in small spaces. The books will be available for purchase from **Thursday November 5 through to Tuesday November 10**. All children will have the

opportunity to browse the books and to write their own personal wish list. They will also have the opportunity to purchase books during the school day (classes will be timetabled for this). Parents or guardians wishing to purchase books can do so before school (8.50 am to 9.15 am) or at the end of the school day (2.30 pm to 3.00 pm). ***In order to avoid having too many adults on the school site, it would be preferable to have only the students making purchases.*** Items range in price from \$5.00 - \$25.00, with a limited range of smaller items available for \$1.00 - \$2.00. Please note we will have **CASH SALES ONLY**. **Please ensure your child has the correct money in a clearly labelled envelope/small bag for their purchase.**



REMEMBRANCE DAY

Remembrance Day in Australia is dedicated to **Australians** who died as a result of war, particularly from World War I onwards. **Remembrance Day** is annually observed on November 11, although it is not a public holiday. At St. Paul's we will pause at 11.00 am on November 11, to pray for all Australians who have died in war.



YEAR 6 'BIG DAY IN'

In acknowledgement of the conclusion of their seven years of primary schooling coming to an end, our Year 6 students would normally have a 'Big Day Out' at Luna Park. However, due to current restrictions schools are not permitted to send children on excursions. As an alternative, the year 6 students will have a 'Big Day In', on Wednesday December 2, with a range of fun activities and lunch provided.



YEAR 6 GRADUATION

The most recent releasing of COVID-19 restrictions now allows for Year 6 graduations to take place, with only students and teachers in attendance. Graduation will take place on Wednesday December 9, at 10.00 am and will be live streamed to families. Turbo Productions will live stream the graduation and have shared the following link to watch the event live online: www.turbo360.com.au/st-pauls The live stream will commence around 15 minutes prior to the start time, with a holding slide letting people know things are about to begin.

The live stream will be offered FREE to viewers but families will have the ability to purchase a high definition version for safe-keeping via the live-stream link. *The cost to the user will be \$20 + GST, with 10% given back to the school after the sales period.*

These details will be sent home again towards the end of this month.



Enjoy the shorter week everyone!

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Principal