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Thursday 26 June 2025

Dear Families & Friends of St. Paul's,

This coming Sunday we remember and celebrate two great early Church leaders - saints Peter and Paul. The Apostles Peter and Paul suffered their share of persecution for their faith. What is interesting was their reaction:

They didn't retaliate - Peter became a rock rather than tossing one back. St Paul, the namesake of our school, reached out further and further to spread the good news.

They simply had faith, endured, trusted in God - and kept on building the church. Let us pray,
God of bold beginnings and second chances,
you called Peter, the fisherman who failed,
and Paul, the persecutor who changed.
Help us follow you with courage and heart.
Lead us like Peter. Transform us like Paul.

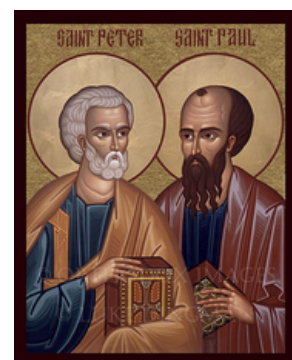
When we doubt ourselves, remind us:
you built your Church on someone who sank in fear
and someone who once tried to tear it down.
Lead us like Peter. Transform us like Paul.

Give us voices that speak truth, even when it's risky.
Give us faith that holds strong, even when we're shaken.
Lead us like Peter. Transform us like Paul.

Peter walked beside you. Paul found you on the road.
Show us that there's no "wrong way" to come to you - just the way we are.
Lead us like Peter. Transform us like Paul.

Saint Peter, rock of the Church - pray for us.
Saint Paul, fearless preacher - pray for us.
Jesus, friend and guide - walk with us.
Amen.

Peace,
Mr Patrick Pantalone
Acting Principal



END OF TERM 2 APPROACHING

As Term 2 draws to a close there are a few important reminders to keep in mind.

The Semester One Student Achievement Reports will be sent via the nForma for Parents app on Friday 27th June. Please refer to Mr Jared Zambara's Seesaw message to access this if you have not already.

There is a school closure day on Friday 27th June – no school. The staff Professional Learning focus for this day is 'Team Teach'. Team Teach is designed to enhance staff capabilities in behaviour support to promote a safe, inclusive and cohesive school environment by using preventative strategies with a structured and consistent respectful response to incidents. Next week, we will be running our parent-teacher interviews on Thursday 3rd July, please ensure you have selected a time on Operoo. Students finish at 1:40 pm on this day.

The last day of term is Friday 4th July, students finishing at 1:40 pm again. Term 3 will begin on Tuesday 22nd July.



SCHOOL DISCO

What a great night we had last Friday at our St Paul's disco. I'm not sure who had more fun – the staff or students! I wish to thank our Parents Group for organising another successful event, the staff in attendance to ensure all were safe and having fun and the students who behaved exceptionally and got into the spirit of things.

SCHOOL FEES

Thank you to our families who have already paid or set up payment plans for this year's school fees. It is essential for the operations and delivery of learning and teaching in our school. If you have not yet made a payment plan for this year's school fees, I urge you to contact the office immediately.

ILLNESS

As the colder weather is settling in, we have already seen an increase in coughing and sneezing and illness. If your child is sick, please keep them home to stop the spread of germs.



PREP 2026: Enrolment Information

Enrolments for Prep 2026 are open. Applying for enrolment needs to happen online on the school website at www.spkealba@spkealba.catholic.edu.au or by scanning the QR code below. Information Sessions & School Tours will be conducted in August, and can also be booked online on the school website; or alternatively, a school tour can be booked on another date by calling the school office.

MEET OUR SRC REPS:

Katelyn Tran 3/4AM



I like swimming and taekwondo. I became an SRC because I want to experience what it feels like to be a leader and improve our school

Rei Rai 3/4CR



I like swimming and crafting. I became an SRC because I want to make people happy and make it a better school.

Leon Dammous 3/4ST



I like crafting and monkey bars. I chose to be an SRC so I can skip class.

Mia L. 5FL



I like swimming and taekwondo. I became an SRC as it is a big step for me and it will boost my confidence. I want to make the school a better place.

Evangelina Gars 5SD



I like soccer and footy. I chose to be an SRC because I want to make our school a better place and to be a role model.

Lani Dammous 6TB



I like tennis, reading, playing piano and playing with my dog. I chose to be an SRC because I wanted to give it a go.

Tahlia De Bono 6AC



I like crochet, reading, sports and playing with my cat Luna. I chose to be an SRC because I want to get people's ideas heard.

WHAT'S THE BUZZ AT ST PAUL'S IN TERM TWO

YEAR 3/4 INCURSION

As part of their Faith/Life Unit about Story: *How Do Ecosystems Work?*, the Year 3/4 were involved in a Wild Action Incursion on Tuesday, June 24th.

The incursion focussed on animals visiting St Paul's for an exciting and interactive experience. The students had the opportunity to touch and hold various species, including mammals, reptiles, birds and insects. This hands-on approach captivated the students attention and reinforced their understanding of biological classifications, habitats and the importance of conservation.

Find out what some of the students thought about this experience!

The incursion was fun! I touched a lizard and I patted a crocodile on the tail. The snake is able to camouflage near trees and blend in with dirt. (Tony)

This incursion was amazing! I loved holding the bettong. The reptiles were scary, especially the lizard! (Aurora)

The incursion was fun! I touched the black-headed python! I liked the echidna, the lizard, the wombat and the 2 green tree frogs called Kermit and Freddo. (Jonathan)



YEAR 1/2 EXCURSION

As part of their Faith/Life Unit about Story: *How People Lived in the Past*, the Year 1/2 students went on an excursion to Bundoora Park on Tuesday, June 24th.

The excursion focussed on stepping back in time to experience history and exploring the life of a child living on a farm in the early 20th century, from the household chores to the printer's workshop.

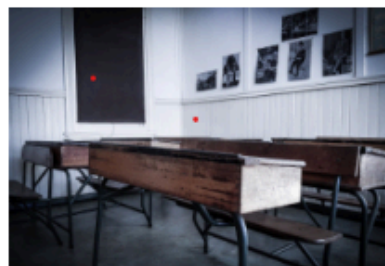
Find out what some of the students thought about this experience!

The excursion was fun! I liked visiting the olden day school. We were able to sit down at their desks, use the olden day pens, we wrote the alphabet in cursive and we did some maths too. We needed to follow the rules in the classroom and outside. (Sofia Dawson)

The excursion was exciting! I liked playing with teachers and seeing the animals, like the emus. (Emily G)

The excursion was fun! I liked when the teacher was strict in the classroom! I liked doing the printing. I liked seeing the wildlife - emus and kangaroos! (Freddy)

The excursion was fantastic! I liked using the olden day vacuum. I liked washing the clothes like they did in the olden days. I liked coming back to school too! (Albie)



WHAT'S THE BUZZ AT ST PAUL'S IN TERM TWO

YEAR 3/4 PLANTING

During the last few weeks of Term 2, our Year 3/4 students have been involved in planting and growing plants from seeds as part of their Inquiry unit. Each student was involved in growing grass, sunflower, beans and flowers. The students were responsible for watering the plants and ensuring they were getting enough sunlight to grow.

Find out what some of the students thought about this hands-on experience.

We have been growing grass, beans, sunflowers and flowers. We have learnt that grass grows the quickest. Sunflowers take 75 days to grow. Plants need water, sunlight and oxygen to grow. (Penny & Clair)

I have enjoyed planting the 4 plants. They are beans, flowers, grass and a sunflower. When the plants were in our classroom, they did not grow much because they were not getting enough sunlight. We moved them into Miss Majczak's room, where there is lots of sunlight, and they are now starting to grow very fast! (Isla)

I have learnt that plants need sunlight, water and soil to grow. (Andrew)

Planting is fun! We get to water our 4 plants ourselves - it can get messy! Growing plants can be tricky but fun at the same time! (Sophia Pham)

The planting was fun! When planting plants it is important to have sunlight, water, soil and oxygen. We had to plant with seeds and it was tricky to get the seeds in the right position. (Zvonimir)



AUTHOR STUDY: PAMELA ALLEN

Throughout Term Two, our Year 1/2 students have been involved in an author study about *Pamela Allen*. In class, the teachers have read many of her books to the students and the students have been completing activities based on the characters and vocabulary in her books.

Check out the answers to this question from some of our Year 1/2 students.

What was your favourite Pamela Allen book?

The Potato People because I liked the characters making potato people. (Julia)

The Potato People because I like to eat sweet potatoes! (Hannah)

The Potato People because I liked seeing how big the potatoes grew. (Josh D)

Our Daft Dog Danny because it was a funny book! (Vincent V)

Hetty's Day Out because it was a funny book. (Natalina)

Our Daft Dog Danny because Danny, the dog, was funny! (Chloe)

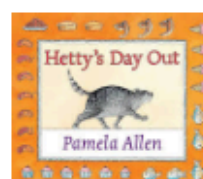
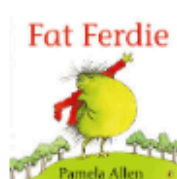
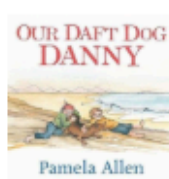
The Potato People because I liked seeing how they made potato people out of potatoes. I tried to make my own potato boy at home! (Michael B)

Fat Ferdie because he is a fat and funny monster. (Tina)

Our Daft Dog Danny because grandpa was throwing balls into the ocean for Danny to collect. (Logan)

Daisy All-Sorts because I liked Daisy the dog because he barks, dances and sings funny songs. (Miranda)

The Potato People because I like potatoes! (Olivia N)



WHAT'S THE BUZZ AT ST PAUL'S IN TERM TWO

Check out the answers to this question from some of our Year 6 students.

What is your favourite subject at school?

My favourite subject is Sport because you are able to exercise, acquire new skills and the sports uniform is very comfortable. (Rosy)

My favourite subject is Writing because you can express your imagination on paper and use amazing vocabulary to create your own story. (Emily)

My favourite subject is Art because you can be creative and you can let your inner artist out! (Cheryl)

My favourite subject is Art because it is fun to create different artworks. (Paloma)

My favourite subject is Mathematics because it is fun and you can learn new skills that will help in high school. (Alen)

My favourite subject is Sport because I enjoy being active and I get to play with my friends. (Amy)

My favourite subject is Religion because I have enjoyed doing my Saint Project.

My Saint for Confirmation is St Rose of Lima. (Jade)

My favourite subjects are Sport and Art. I love Sports because I can practise my favourite sports with all my friends. I love Art because I like sculpting and painting. (Ethan B)

My favourite subjects are Sport and Art. I love Sports because I like to run around and it helps me to stay healthy. I like Art because I like to paint and create artworks. (Marseel)

My favourite subjects are Sport and Writing. I like Sports because I can exercise while having fun with all my friends. I like Writing because I like creative writing and making my ideas come to life. (Roman)



2025 SCHOOL CALENDAR

2025 TERM DATES

Term 1: Tuesday, January 28 to Friday, April 4

Term 2: Tuesday, April 22 to Friday, July 4

Term 3: Tuesday, July 22 to Friday, September 19

Term 4: Monday, October 6 to Monday, December 15

TERM 2 EXTENDED CALENDAR

Thursday 26 th June	School Mass - Families welcome
Friday 27 th June	SCHOOL CLOSURE DAY - TEAM TEACH
Friday 27 th June	School Reports sent home
Thursday 3 rd July	Parent Teacher Conversations 2 pm - 8 pm Students finish at 1:40 pm
Friday 4 th July	END OF TERM 2 - Students finish at 1:40 pm

Please note: Term 3 will begin on Tuesday 22nd July





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**St Paul's
Primary School**
Kealba

Dear Families,

We are very excited to be one of the local primary schools participating in Shop for Your School at Watergardens Shopping Centre, giving us a chance to WIN a CASH prize.

1st-\$15,000

2nd-\$7,000

3rd-\$3,000

4th to 10th-\$300 each

11th to 19th-\$200 each

The top three schools with the most points at the end of the campaign will take out the top prizes, so we need your help to give us every chance to win! Simply shop at Watergardens participating retailers between Monday 21 July until Sunday 31 August and upload your receipts to your profile where every dollar converts into points for our school.

Every purchase counts! Every dollar you spend will be converted into points for our school. Plus, to thank you for your support you'll automatically go into Watergardens draw to win other incredible prizes!

HOW YOU EARN POINTS FOR OUR SCHOOL:

1. Shop at Watergardens participating retailers (make sure you keep your receipts.)
2. Visit <https://watergardens.qicre.com/Promotions/Shop-For-Your-School/SFYS> and log in using your email address. (Please note the campaign page will go live on 21st July 2025).
3. Upload your receipt and proof of purchase details to your profile every time you shop.

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Please find the list of participating retailers on the next page. Let's rally together for a chance to win big for our school!

LIST OF PARTICIPATING RETAILERS

- Aldi
- Angie's Kitchen
- Baker's Delight
- BubbleCup Fresh
- Calavera
- Cedar Bakery
- East West Asian Grocery
- Ferguson Plarre's Bakehouse
- Hero Sushi
- IRO Seafood
- Jungle Lab
- Kikuchi Sushi
- Krispy Kreme
- Lucia's Euro Deli
- Market Florist
- Old Man Pho
- San Adres Fruit and Vegetables
- The Butcher Club Direct
- The Coffee Club
- The Nut Bar
- Wishbone
- Woolworths

* Every \$1 spent = 1 'Shop For Your School' point at supermarkets (**Aldi & Woolworths**).

* Every \$1 spent = 2 'Shop For Your School' points at speciality stores (**All other participating stores**).

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VU school holiday sport program

7-11 & 14-18 July 2025

Ages 5-12

Multi-sport

Netball

Soccer

Basketball

Play, swim & craft

AFL

Scan for more info



**Early bird prices
end June 9!**



VU school holiday sport programs

7-11 & 14-18 July 2025

Week 1

7/7 - multi-sport

8/7 - soccer

9/7 - multi-sport

10/7 - multi-sport

11/7 - play, swim & craft

Week 2

14/7 - netball & basketball*

15/7 - play, swim & craft

16/7 - AFL

17/7 - play, swim & craft

18/7 - multi-sport

Early bird prices end June 9!



book online
today!



*separate programs



Winter Fun Night

Location : St Paul's Catholic
Church 230-240 Sunshine Ave,
Kealba VIC 3021

When: Friday the 11th of July
2025

At : 5pm - 7pm

Year level : 5-9

Dress code: warm clothing, bring a
jacket & wear comfortable shoes

Next fun night
Friday the 8th of August
2025
At: 5pm - 7pm



*meet up with friends
make new friends
& bring a friend!*



Please RSVP by the 4th of July
2025 @12pm
Contact : Stephanie Dellachiesa
ChildrenOfFatima.STMA@gmail.com



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