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Thursday 17th September, 2026

Dear Families & Friends of St. Paul's,

Let us begin with a prayer,

Loving Father,

You are the source of all wisdom and truth.

You gave us your Word, your beloved Son Jesus Christ, revealing your unending love and mercy, and to be for us the way, the truth and the life.

May the light of Christ shine brightly in our Catholic schools in Melbourne, as they continue His mission to make you known and loved.

Pour your Holy Spirit into the hearts of the many people who work to form disciples of Jesus your Son:

our parents – the first educators, who share their children's struggles, hopes and joys;

our teachers, who seek an ever deeper commitment to their vocation;

our clergy, principals and leaders, staff and collaborators in our mission;

our students, that they may grow in wisdom and knowledge.

We make this prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, our Teacher and our Lord.

Amen.

Mary, Blessed Mother of God, pray for us.
St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, pray for us.

Families and friends as we conclude term 3 tomorrow, Friday 18th September at 1:40 pm, I wish to congratulate the students for all their efforts and achievements in different areas of the curriculum but also in how they conduct themselves when out on excursion or camp and how they treat guests during incursions. We consistently demonstrate that we are the small school with a big heart where Christ lives in us. To all in the St Paul's community, I hope and pray that the next two weeks give you all an opportunity to connect and refresh with your family, If you are traveling, be safe and create some precious memories. I look forward to hearing about your adventures when we return for term 4 on Monday 5th October.

Peace,
Mr Patrick Pantalone
Principal

TERM 3 DATES TO REMEMBER

JULY

- Monday 13th July: School Closure (No students)
- Tuesday 14th July: Students return to school!
- Week 1: NAIDOC Week (NAIDOC Assembly on the Friday)
- Monday 20th July: Whole School Mini Roos Soccer Incursion
- Friday 24th July: National Pyjama Day
- Wednesday 29th: 100 Days of Prep
- Thursday 30th: Grandparents Day Mass (9.30am) & Celebration
- Friday 31st: Grade 1/2 Excursion to IMAX & Melbourne Museum

AUGUST

- Wednesday 5th August: Prep Excursion to Werribee Zoo
- Monday 10th - Tuesday 11th August: Grade 3/4 Urban Camp
- Thursday 13th August: Feast of the Assumption Mass (Grades 3-6)
Families welcome.
- Week 7: Book Week
- Monday 24th August: Book Week Dress Up Day & Parade
- Monday 31st August: Whole School Magic Show

SEPTEMBER

- Wednesday 2nd September: St Paul's Art Show (3.15-4.40pm)
- Thursday 2nd September: St Paul's Art Show (8.30am-9am)
- Friday 4th September: Father's Day Breakfast
- Friday 4th September: St Paul's' Got Talent
- Monday 7th September: Grade 1/2 Rail Safety Incursion
- Friday 18th September: Last Day of Term
- Friday 18th September: St Paul's House Colour Day

***Please note that these dates and times may vary.
We will inform the community of any changes.**

Term 4 begins on Monday 5th October

MACSSIS



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Family School Improvement Survey

Dear Parents/Carers

In 2026, our school is participating in Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools – School Improvement Surveys (MACSSIS). MACSSIS is an annual process whereby schools listen to the thoughts and feelings that students, families and staff have about how their school can improve. These surveys help inform the ongoing improvement of schools across the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

One of the main goals of the family survey is to identify the strengths and areas for improvement in our school. MACSSIS data benefits everyone within our school and provides valuable community insights on areas that each school can focus on. Our school believes it is important to encourage families to have a voice and contribute to shaping the ongoing improvement of the school.

The survey is available online, can be accessed from **Monday 31 August** and needs to be completed by **Friday 18 September 2026**. This survey may only be completed once.

For families with more than one child attending our school, we ask that you focus on the eldest child attending the school when completing the survey. The school has invited many families to respond via this survey and participation is completely voluntary. There are no 'right' or 'wrong' answers – all responses are completely anonymous and at no point are any of the responses from students, families or staff identifiable by the school.

The survey is available in English, Arabic, Assyrian, simplified and traditional Chinese, Dinka, Hakha Chin, Karen, Tagalog, Vietnamese and Zomi.

To complete the survey, please access the following link: www.orima.com.au/macsfamily.

In the search box under School Name, you must type our school's name followed by the suburb before the portal will recognise and display the relevant school.

One parent from each family would have received an email with your unique PIN.

Thank you for your participation in the MACSSIS family survey.

WHAT'S THE BUZZ AT ST PAUL'S AT TERM THREE

Thursday, the 10th of September was R U OK? Day.



R U OK? Day is a special day in Australia where we remind each other to be good friends and check in on the people around us.

Sometimes, people feel happy and energetic.

Other times, people might feel sad, lonely, worried or just tired.

You can't always see how someone is feeling on the inside just by looking at them.

R U OK? Day reminds us that asking a simple question can help someone feel better.

You can be a great friend by following four easy steps:

- **Ask:** If a friend seems quiet, sad, or not like themselves, gently ask them, "*Are you OK?*"
- **Listen:** Pay close attention to what they say. You don't need to fix their problems—just listening carefully shows that you care.
- **Help:** Encourage them to do something that makes them feel better, like playing a game together or talking to a trusted adult, like a teacher, parent, or school counselor.
- **Check in:** A few days later, say hello again and ask how they are doing.

You don't have to wait for R U OK? Day to check on your family & friends —
you can ask them any day of the year!



Ave *Creates* '26

ARTS & TECHNOLOGY FESTIVAL

Tuesday 13 October
5.30pm-8.00pm

ART • DESIGN • TECHNOLOGY
MUSIC • TEXTILES • DRAMA

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She Who Belongs She Will Thrive

BEACON

4-Day School Holiday
STEM Program



Cairnlea Community Hub
59 Carmody Drive, Cairnlea
29 Sept - 2 Oct 9am-3pm
Apply to attend



Website
www.stempunks.com.au



Applications HERE:
<https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/zmgdW2DN4i>



Apply for a Get Active Kids voucher

Helping Victorian kids get moving
with \$200 towards their chosen sport
or activity.



Complete an eligibility check.

Enter your contact details.

Enter your child's Medicare card details.

Choose your child's sport or activity.

Submit your application.

Wait for your child's voucher by email.

Use your voucher at your sport or activity club for a discount of up to \$200

You'll need 1 of the following documents if your child lives in Victorian care services or kinship care, or is a dependent of a parent or guardian with a temporary or provisional visa or who is an undocumented migrant or an international student:

- a document to confirm you're the carer or guardian of the child
- a document to confirm you're a temporary or provisional visa holder, undocumented migrant or international student

If possible, check with your chosen activity provider that there are spots available for your child.

Who can apply?

To apply for a Get Active Kids voucher, each child must be:

- 18 years or under
- living in Victoria

They must also be:

- named on an Australian Health Care Card and Medicare card, or
- named on an Australian Pensioner Concession Card and Medicare card, or
- living in Victorian care services or kinship care, or
- the child of a parent or guardian who holds a temporary or provisional visa or have their own, or
- the child of a parent or guardian who holds an international student visa or have their own, or
- an undocumented migrant

Can I apply for more than one voucher?

If you're eligible, you can apply for either:

- 1 Get Active Kids voucher per child, per round, or
- 1 Get Active Kids reimbursement per child, per round.
- If you have more than 1 eligible child, you can apply for vouchers for each child.

Go to this website: <https://www.service.vic.gov.au/services/apply-for-get-active-kids-voucher/home>

INSTAGRAM

Join Our School on Instagram!

We're excited to share the wonderful moments and special events happening at our school!

Follow us on our school Instagram page, to see photos and highlights of our students' learning and achievements and celebrations within our school community.

Stay connected and celebrate with us.

Share in the joy of our school community.

We'd love for you to like, follow and share our page with family and friends so everyone can be part of the journey!

Find us here: @sp_kealba.

Install the Instagram APP to follow our photos and videos.

https://www.instagram.com/sp_kealba?igsh=djVlazU2cHAYYjg=&utm_source=ig_contact_invite





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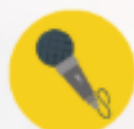
Piano



Drums



Guitar



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- No sign-up fee
- Experienced and dedicated teachers
- Parent Portal
- Performance opportunities
- Private or shared lessons available
- Comprehensive method books designed for young beginners
- Lessons conducted during school times or after school
- Financial hardship assistance available - we believe everyone deserves the chance to learn music

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Girls IN AVIATION DAY

A Women in Aviation International® Event

Annual Girls in Aviation Day

Join us this September to explore what exciting opportunities exist in the Aviation and Aerospace Industry.

Be inspired by our female industry professionals, including pilots, engineers, air traffic controllers, cabin crew and many more.

Enjoy interactive exhibits from a range of aviation businesses, including hands on STEM activities.

Discover the variety of aircraft on static display, with the chance to climb inside and snap a selfie.

Don't miss this thrilling experience to learn more about the amazing achievements of women in the aviation and aerospace industry.

When: Saturday 19th September 2026

Where: Hangar 14

ACJC - Australian Corporate Jet Centres
Bradfield Court, Essendon Fields

Time: 2 Sessions: 1000-1200 or 1200-1400

Places are limited so register to secure your place:
<https://www.waiaustralia.org/events---networking>



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More details at WAI.org/giad



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