

# St Paul's Update

19 July, 2017 Week 1, Term 3

### Dates for your diary

22 Jul	Reconciliation Discussion Second Meeting 2:30pm
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25 Jul	Stage 3 Soccer Gala Day
26 Jul	St Bernadette's Netball Gala Day, Kellyville
28 Jul	Grandparents Mass 9:10am, followed by open
	classrooms and Morning Tea from 10:30am
28 Jul	Assembly – Year 1 2:30pm
30 Jul	Stage 3 – Year 5 & 6 Sunday Mass 9:30am

Grandparents Mass

Fríday 28 July 9:10am

Open Classrooms untíl 10:30am

Morning Tea - 10:30am
Provided by P&F

# Staff Development Day - Friday 18 August, 2017

# This will be a pupil free day

#### **Welcome Back**

Dear Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to a new term of learning. I hope you all had a wonderful holiday and come back to school renewed and refreshed.

This week, Mrs Misek, Mrs Ferguson and I are at the Positive Behaviour Strategies for Learning (PBS4L) conference in Melbourne, we will be working with CEDP and people from around Australia to develop our framework of expectations for positive behaviour at our school. Reviewing our behaviour management procedures is something that we started working on last year. Positive behaviour support for learning recognises the importance of having a positive whole school approach to supporting student behaviour, learning and wellbeing.

Creating positive school environments is essential for our student's wellbeing and contributes towards a society which values and respects every member of the community. We each have a role in creating a positive school climate, where all students can learn and achieve.

This is something we will all be working on together, staff, students and parents. We look forward to sharing our learnings with you as we work towards developing positive behaviour expectations and ultimately a more effective teaching and learning environment.

We welcome Karen Holm to our staff, Karen is replacing Mr Chris and will be teaching drama until the end of the year. We also welcome George, a new student to year 1 to our school community.

A reminder that **all** students should be wearing correct winter school uniform. Girls should not be wearing nail polish or jewellery to school. Hair, for both girls and boys should be neat and tidy.

Have a good week everyone

Marian Bell Principal mbell@parra.catholic.edu.au

### Grandparent's Mass, Open Classrooms and Morning Tea

On Friday 28 July, the St. Paul's community will be celebrating some of the most important people in our lives, our grandparents.

The day will begin with Mass at 9:10am. Following Mass, grandparents are then invited to spend some time in classrooms, sharing and appreciating the hard work of their grandchildren. Of course, children feel a real sense of pride and accomplishment when they know that people in their family and community are interested in their education. Classrooms will be open from 10:00am until 10:30am.

After such a busy morning, the P&F will be providing a well earned morning tea for grandparents in the Father David Scott Parish Centre.

The grandparent's Mass is a special day for both young and old. It is an opportunity to recognise the importance of family, our heritage, our community, and relationships across generations.

We look forward to seeing as many grandparents as possible on the day.



Please note: The top playground (basketball court) will be opened and available for parking.

### **Urgent Reminder - Learning Conferences**

For those of you who have not done so already, please find below information about how to book an appointment to discuss your child's learning and set goals for the second half of the year. It is important that your child is present with you at these meetings.

Teachers interviewing in Week 4, Term 3 are KI, Year 2, Year 5 and Year 6.

When booking, please take note carefully of the date that each teacher will be holding their learning conference.



Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au http://www.schoolinterviews.com.au/code Enter 5bebf school event code. Then follow the 3 simple steps.









When you click *finish*, your interview timetable will be emailed to you automatically - **check your junk mail folder** if you do not receive your email immediately.

You can return to www.schoolinterviews.com.au at any time, and change your interviews - until bookings close.

# Woolworths Earn & Learn Program 2017

We are excited to be taking part in the 2017 Woolworths Earn & Learn program.

During the previous campaign, we were able to purchase some great resources with the points we earned, thanks to your generous support (and profuse shopping!).



From 26 July until 19 September 2017, you can collect stickers at Woolworths that go towards Earn & Learn points. For every \$10 you spend at Woolworths (excluding the purchase of tobacco, liquor and gift cards), you will receive a sticker. These stickers can then be given to your children to collect on a special sticker card. Once it is completed, they can simply bring it back here to school and drop them into our collection box.

The more points we earn, the more we can redeem from a choice of over 10,000 educational resources including mathematics and English resources, art & crafts materials and much, much more!

Don't forget to enlist the help of grandparents, other family members and friends.

We are grateful, as always, for your support and look forward to a successful program. If you have any questions, please ask at School.



### School Attendance - IMPORTANT - Student Absence from School

If your child has been unwell and absent from school it is **ESSENTIAL** that a letter explaining the absence be forwarded to your child's teacher when your child returns to school. If a note of explanation is not received within 7 school days of your child's return to school, the Catholic Education Department will mark the absence as unexplained and this will form part of your child's attendance record. The Class Roll is a legal document and as such it is the school's responsibility to monitor student attendance. It is very important that the information in the Class Roll is accurate as this information is reportable to the Department of Education.

## St Paul Potters needs a hand for National Tree Day

St Pauls Potters need a hand to get a garden bed ready for National Tree Day on Friday 28 July, for our "Grandparents Garden". We will be planting 3 small native trees.



We are looking for donations of native soil (needed by Friday 21/7/17), mulch, cuttings of small native plants that could create a border on the garden bed and a sign or plaque. On Friday 21 July, we are looking for some helpers in the afternoon to dig out some of the soil in the garden bed and replace with native soil. The garden bed is approx. 6m x 3m x 5.8m (triangle shape). If you are coming to the dig, please bring a shovel!

If you can assist with donation or digging, please contact Penny penny.wallace@live.com.au or mobile 0412 439 681, Bethany bethanypj@icloud.com for further details.

#### St Pauls Potters

# **Library News**

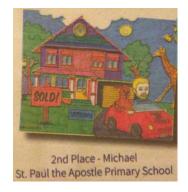
Congratulations to Zara F, and Zandar S (Year 1), Bryce F (Year 3) and Chanel E (Year 5) for completing the Premiers Reading Challenge during the holidays. A reminder that on line reading records must be completed before **25 August** to complete the challenge.



# Star Spot

A big congratulations to Michael Palos (3P) who came 2nd in the colouring competition run by Harcourts Real Estate. There were over 1200 entries! It appeared in the Hills Shire Times newspaper last week. Well done Michael







Happy Birthday to those celebrating birthdays this week –

Chase H, Johanna O, Jorjia E-B, Michael T, Michael P, Erin L,

# St Paul the Apostle P & F

### News and Events

### Thank you!

We want to send a huge thank you to **Fran McGovern**, who was our chief organiser again for the Entertainment Books 2017. Fran is not officially in the P&F this year, but stepped up and took on this role again for us. We really appreciate her knowledge and persistence in this area, which has helped us raise over \$1,000 for school. Thank you Fran!

# \* Inspired Kids Workshops are coming back to St Paul's for Term 3!

We are happy to announce that Inspired Kids Australia will run positive thinking and wellbeing/mental health workshops for children during term 3. Starting from 24 July.

**AND** great news, if there is enough interest, they will be running 2 sessions on Monday afternoons. This is an external program run in the school library on Monday afternoons, first session approx **3.35-4.35pm** and second session approx **4.40-5.45pm**.

Workshops work best for everyone if children are only enrolled if they are keen to participate and get the most out of it.

Please note - places are limited.

Please check Inspired Kids Australia website or FB page for program costs and details.

www.inspiredkidsaustralia.com.au

# And look out for details on upcoming events ........

Grandparents Day P&F General Meeting – with guest speakers

National Tree Day Social Night Kids Events



# **TERM 3 2017 PARENT CALENDAR**



WEEK	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
July 1	17 Students Return Gymnastics	18	19	20	21	Reconciliation Second Discussion Meeting 2:30	Reconciliation Second Discussion Meeting 2:30
July 2	<b>24</b> Gymnastics	25 Yrs 5 & 6 Soccer Gala Day	26 Feast of St Joachim & Anne Netball Gala Day St Bernadettes Kellyville	27	28 Grandparents Mass 9:10 Open Classrooms & Morning Tea Assembly Yr1`	29	30 Stage 3 Yrs 5&6 Sunday Mass
Aug 3	31 Bank Holiday Forensics Incursion Yrs 5&6 Gymnastics	1 ICAS English Comp	Yrs 3 and 4 Soccer Gala Day First Reconciliation 7:30pm	3	A Round 4 Debate  Yr4 Excursion to Mitchell Park	5	6
August 4	7 Gymnastics	8 St Mary of the Cross MacKillop Whole School Mass 9:10am	9	10	11 Kindy Assembly RLA Part B Year 4	12	13
August	14 Gymnastics Voice of Youth	15 ICAS Maths The Assumption	16	17 Hills Zone Athletics	18 Staff Development Day	19	20
5	Cluster Final St Angela's Yr6	Whole School Mass 9:10am					
August 6	Gymnastics Author Visit (Tim Harris)	Religious Literacy Assess Online – Year 6	23	Religious Literacy Assess Online – Year 4	25 Diocesan Athletics Round 5 Debate	26	27
	Book Week				Year 4 Assembly		
Aug/Sept 7	28 Gymnastics	29 Book Week Parade 9:15	30	31	1 Fathers' Day Breakfast 7:30am /Whole School Mass 9:10am /Fathers' Day Stall	2	3 Fathers' Day
	Literacy & Numeracy Week				8	9	10
September 8	Gymnastics				Ukulele Assembly TBC		
September 9	11 Gymnastics	12	13	14 Surf Ed Australia Incursion Yrs 5&6	15 Yrs 3 & 4 Touch Footy Gala Day Debating Celebration 9:30am	16	17
September 10	18 Gymnastics	19	20	21	22 Yrs 5 & 6 Touch Footy Gala Day Year 6 Assembly	23	24
SCHOOL HOLIDAYS	25	26	27	28	29	30	1
Oct	2	3	4	5	6	7	8