



St Paul's Update

4 April, 2018

Week 10, Term 1

Dates for the Diary

6 April	Dance Fever - Sydney Olympic Park, Homebush
6 April	Kindy Assembly 2:30pm in the playground
7 April	Enrolment Mass for Eucharist 6:00pm
9 April	Dance Fever Showcase - 2:15pm in the playground - All welcome
10 April	CAPTIVATE - Choir to Nagle College, Blacktown - Rehearsal 11am-2pm
13 April	Stage 3 Touch Football Gala Day, Penrith Touch Fields, The Kingsway, St Mary's
13 April	Term 1 Ends
14-30 April	School Holidays
30 April	Staff Development Day - Pupil Free Day
1 May	School returns for Term 2 - students to return in full winter uniform
1 May	ANZAC Day prayer at morning assembly
1 May	Diocesan Cross Country, Sydney Motorsport Park, Eastern Creek

STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY - Monday 30 April

This will be a pupil free day.

Children return to school for Term 2

On Tuesday 1 May in full winter uniform

Skoolbag App

If you do not already have the Skoolbag App, we highly recommend that you download this very useful tool. The Skoolbag App is a, free to you, mobile App used by the school to communicate directly with parents. It is used to deliver notifications, newsletters, school events etc and helps us to get important information to you very quickly. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). The App is very easy to install - please see instructions attached to the back of this Update.

Absence from School due to Illness

Please remember, if your child is absent from school due to illness it is a requirement that a letter of explanation is sent through to the class teacher on his/her return to school. Alternatively, the Skoolbag App has a feature which enables a notification to be sent to the office.

Enhancing Catholic School Identity (ECSI) Survey

Thank you to those of you that have already completed the ECSI Survey. The survey period is open until 27 April 2018. **Just a reminder that we will be opening the school library on tomorrow, 5 April and Thursday 12 April from 2:00pm so that those without access to the internet can complete the survey.** Thank you once again for giving up your time to complete the survey.

Dance Fever Showcase

For those of you who do not have the opportunity to attend the Dance Fever Challenge on Friday 6 April, we will be showcasing this dancing spectacular on Monday 9 April at 2:15pm - All welcome.

Dance Fever Challenge

Just a reminder to all parents attending the Dance Fever Challenge with their children on Friday 6 April. **Tickets need to be purchased online before the night.** Tickets may be purchased by going to www.trybooking.com and following the prompts.



PARENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE AT THE VENUE TO COLLECT THEIR CHILDREN AT 8:30PM

Coles - Sports for Schools

We have been informed by Coles that their Sports for Schools competition has now closed. If you have any vouchers at home please bring them in to school by the end of this week so that we can bundle them up and send them in for weighing. Coles will then give us a monetary value for the vouchers and we can place our order for lots of new sports equipment.



Thank you all for collecting for us - it is much appreciated.

Thank you - Oz Fashions

We are now in receipt of our new representative sport shirts and as you can see in the photo, the students are going to look very smart on the sports field!

We would like to say a huge 'Thank you' to Joe and Elle from Oz Fashions who kindly covered half the cost of the uniforms. We are so appreciative of their kindness and constant support.



Premiers Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Bede M (Kindy), Heath M (Year 2) and Owen W (Year 3) for completing the challenge this week.

Overdue Notices

If your child received a note from the Library we ask that you please look carefully at the overdue notice and if you are unable to locate the books at home then you are always welcome to come into the library to check the shelves as sometimes the books are returned to the shelves by the children before they have been returned at the circulation desk. The school asks that you pay for or replace any books that cannot be found.

Covering New Reading Books

We have just purchased some new class sets of reading books for the upper grades. If you are able to help us by taking some of these books home to cover during the holidays we would be very grateful. The books will be in the school office for collection. Thank you in advance of your help.

Uniform Shop

Reminder - All children are expected to return to school in Term 2 in full Winter Uniform.

Please note that the last day of trading for this term will be Thursday 12 April 2018 from 2:30 - 4:00pm

We will re-open on Thursday 3 May 2018. Have a great holiday.

Elle
Oz Fashions Uniforms
0421 216 414

ST PAUL'S POTTERS GARDEN STALL - WEDNESDAY 11 APRIL

St Paul's Potters have been taking care of their garden and we have some herbs, beetroot and other produce to sell. Come along to our stall on Wednesday 11 April at 3:20pm and bring a gold coin donation. All money raised goes back into buying plants and seeds to use in our garden.



happy
birthday

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO ALL THOSE
CELEBRATING THIS WEEK -**

Isabella M, Lucy W, Annabelle C, Charlie A

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ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS ARE COMING!

Entertainment Books will be sent home in week 2 next term to each family for viewing / purchase. Families who do not wish to receive a book will once again be given the opportunity to opt out. This can be done via the slip issued in week 1, by SMS, or by email.

For those who wish to purchase before the holidays, I will have a limited number of books available next week. Please place your order via <https://www.entertainmentbook.com.au/orderbooks/21524p7>

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Thank you

Easter Raffle - RUN & WON!

Thank you to all who purchased raffle tickets in our Easter Raffle, in the end we raised **\$1,180** for our school. What a fabulous morning with the hat parade and then the great raffle draw.

It was fabulous to see how excited the children were to see their friends win prizes.

Congratulations to all our winners!





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29 March 2018

Dear parents and carers

In 2018 Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta moved to a new centralised billing system for the issuing of school fees statements to parents and carers. This initiative was implemented to take the burden off school administration.

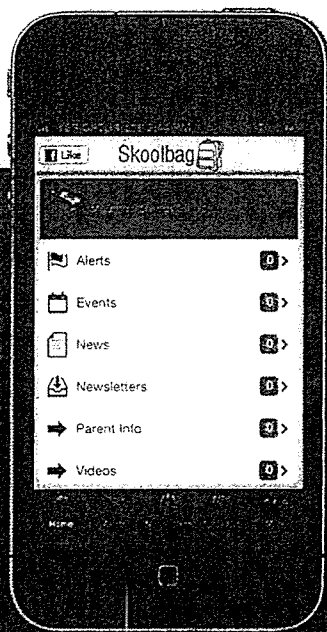
Regrettably, many of the fee statements were late in being sent or contained inaccurate information. This was despite the significant planning and preparation that went into developing this new process.

Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta apologises to anyone who was inconvenienced by the mistakes made with the rollout of the new system. A comprehensive review of the new process is currently underway; this will continue in the weeks and months ahead.

Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Yours sincerely

Gregory B Whitby AM
Executive Director
Catholic Education
Diocese of Parramatta



Skoolbag

Smartphone school to parent communication

Skoolbag is a mobile App for your school to communicate directly to both parents and students. It works through both smart phones and smart devices (such as iPads and Android Tablets). Ideal for:

- School, free push notification alerts
- School events
- School newsletters
- School documents
- School RSS feeds
- School social media (Facebook, Twitter)



How To Install Skoolbag On Your Smartphone

iPhone & iPad Users

1. Click the "App Store" icon on your Apple device.
2. Type your school name in the search, using suburb name will help.
3. If iPhone, you will see your school appear, click "Free" then "install".
4. If iPad, change the drop list to "iPhone Apps", your school will then be visible, click "Free" then "install".
5. When installed click "Open"
6. Select "OK" to receive push notifications, when asked.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



Android Users

You must first have signed up with a Google Account before installing the app.

1. Click the "Play Store" button on your Android Device
2. Click the magnifying glass icon at the top and type in your school name, using suburb name will help.
3. Click the school name when it appears in the search.
4. Click the "Install" button.
5. Click "Accept" for various permissions (please note, we do not modify any of your personal data on your device).
6. Click "Open" when installed.
7. Click the "More" button on the bottom right of the App, then "Setup".
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