St Paul's Update

21 November, 2018 **Week 6, Term 4**

Dates for the Diary

22 Nov	Confirmation Mass 7:00pm in the Church
23 Nov	Assembly - Awards only
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27 Nov	Coin Day for St Vincent De Paul - to help those less fortunate
29 Nov	Swimming Carnival - Blacktown Aquatic Centre, Boyd Street, Blacktown
30 Nov	School Disco Infants 5:30pm - 7:00pm Primary 7:30pm - 9:00pm
6 Dec	Christmas Concert - 6:30pm for a 7:00pm start
14 Dec	End of Year Mass 9:10am
18 Dec	Year Six Thanksgiving Mass 7:00pm

St Paul the Apostle P & F Committee

Last Tuesday night we held our P&F Annual General Meeting. During this meeting we said goodbye to some of our long standing committee members and welcomed our new committee for 2019.

I would like to say a huge thank you to all of our committee members for all the hard work, long days, late nights and time away from families given to benefit the students in our school community. Your dedication and selflessness is so very much appreciated. A big thank you to Mrs Kylie Prideaux, Mrs Penny Wallace and Mrs Vanessa Cassin who have stepped down from the P&F and Mrs Nikki Cummins who has stepped down from the committee and as a representative on the Parent Representative Committee. On behalf of the students, staff and families of St Paul's - "Thank you".

I would like to welcome our new committee for 2019 - we look forward to working with you.

President	Mrs Claire Bigelow
Vice President	Mrs Rennee McClintock
Treasurer	Mrs Kirsten Carter
Secretary	Mrs Madeline Sedrak
Social/Events Coordinator	Mrs Linda Spina and Mrs Mirna Jasser
General Committee	Mrs Leena Dib
	Mrs Mariana Green
	Mrs Patrizia Mangione
PRC Representatives	Mr Joe Naim
	Mrs Vanessa Cassin

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

Swimming Carnival Reminder

A reminder that the Swimming Carnival will be held on Thursday 29 November at Blacktown Aquatic Centre, 4 Boyd Street, Blacktown 2148.

Students will need to remember the following for the day:

- Swimming costumes are to be worn underneath their sport uniform
- Please remember to pack a towel and goggles if required
- Sneakers are to be worn to school. Thongs may be worn upon arrival at the pool
- Students may wear a School Swimming Cap - these may be purchased at the School Office for $2
- School jacket
- Recess, Lunch and a water bottle need to be brought to the pool in a small bag

As you know days like this are not possible without you! We are looking for parent helpers for the day - if you are able to assist, please contact Miss Paul on winstonhillssports@parra.catholic.edu.au

Parents must see their child's house colour supervisor to have their name marked off before departing the pool at the official end of the carnival.

Looking forward to a great day!

Important Dates for 2019

Year 1 - Year 6 Students return to school on **Thursday 31 January, 2019**
Kindergarten - commence school on **Friday 1 February @ 9:30am**

Uniform Shop

Our last trading day for 2018 is Thursday 13 December - 2.30pm - 4.00pm

January 2019 - Holiday Trading
Tuesday 15 January - 2.00pm - 3.30pm
Thursday 24 January - 11.00am -12.30pm

Normal trading will commence - Thursday 31 January - 2.30pm - 4.00pm

We hope you all have a Merry Christmas and a safe and prosperous new year.

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Enrolments 2019

Just a reminder that if your child/children are not returning to St Paul's in 2019, we ask that you email Mrs Bell mbell@parra.catholic.edu.au as soon as possible to let her know. We have many children on our waiting lists for next year and it would be lovely to be able to welcome them to the St Paul's Community if there are spaces becoming available. Thank you for your cooperation.

Year 1 Excursion to the local shops

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Last week on Friday Year One went to Winston Hills Mall. First we met our group. My Mum, Lucy C, Cooper and John were in my group. Next we walked to the shops in our little group. Then we went to Woolworths for our tour. We got to see how they make the bread in the bakery. After that we went into the store room and we got to try some yummy fruit including strawberries and blueberries. Yum!! Then it was recess. Year one sat down in the shade and ate a cinnamon doughnut from Donut King.Then we went into our groups and we got to fill in a booklet. We also got a Santa photo! After that I saw my Pop and then we got hot chips for lunch. Finally we walked back to school. I had the best day ever!

Written by Keira (1S)

Our Day at the Shops!

On Friday Year 1 went to the shops. First we met our parent helpers and then we walked to the shop. First we went to Woolworths and we saw some yummy things. Then we ate some delicious fruit. Later on we ate some recess. For recess we had doughnuts. After that we had a photo with Santa. Then we did explore the shops. For lunch we had hot chips and a popper. Then we went back to school. It was a great day!

Written by Scott (1S)

Happy Birthday to those celebrating this week

Aiden L, Carla MJ, Frankie M, Oliver W, Bede M, Caitlin M. Frankie N, Ella Jade J, Jayden W, Archie O'B

St Paul the Apostle P & F

News and Events

Thank you!

The P&F have had a busy 2018. Managing well over 15 events during the year, we kept our focus on continuing to build our community and school spirit, as well as finding ways to fundraise and support our school and charities.

We were pleased to team with the school this year to hold a new event, the PJ Disco Day. This raised over $1,900 for the Children's Hospital and raised awareness of some of the health challenges some of our school families faced. Through our feast day of St Peter and St Paul, we were able to provide support through donations to those less fortunate of over $1,200.

I am very proud that as a P&F group, we could organise and run so many social and community building events whilst juggling the organising of our major fundraiser the Fete.

Our fete was the highlight of the year! It took some organising to get it all done for October, but it all came together and we were so happy to showcase this event and our school to our wider community. We achieved way more than just raising funds for the school. We were happy with the layout and we were thankful that the rain held off. We are very lucky to have so many generous families and supporters who made our fete day. Thank you again! The Fete raised over $41,000 for the school.

I would like to thank Marian Bell, Jane Misek and the entire staff at St Paul's. For their constant support of the P&F and always being involved in our social and fundraising events.

Also a very special thank you to all our parent volunteers who helped along the way with all our events. It was really heartening to see so many parents, carers and staff giving up their time to assist in any way they could. It was greatly appreciated. I would also like to thank our great community at St Paul's for all their support and generosity throughout the year.

At our AGM last week I needed to bow out from the role as president, as I reached the maximum 3 years in one role. I am very pleased that Claire Bigelow has put her hand up and was voted into the role for 2019. I wish you all the best Claire and as I am now vice president, I look forward to working together and supporting you in any way I can.

I have thoroughly enjoyed my last 3 years in the P&F and look forward to still being part of the team in a new role.

Thank you and God bless,

Rennee McClintock – Outgoing P&F President

Thank you! P&F Team 2018 Committee

A BIG shout out and thank you to the following outgoing 2018 committee members; Vanessa Cassin, Penny Wallace and Kylie Prideaux who have all been part of the P&F for over 3 years. Thank you to Nikki Cummins who has been part of the committee for the last year.

Thank you for all your hard work and commitment. We are glad that we will still see you all around and I am sure we will see you at all our events. And thankful for us Vanessa, you have put your hand up as one of our PRC representatives.

Welcome P&F Team 2019 Committee

Welcome to the new and returning committee members for 2019. Thank you for putting your hand up to be part of our team this year. See below for listing of YOUR Committee members.

Your 2019 P&F Committee

P&F President – Claire Bigelow

Vice President - Rennee McClintock

Event Coordinator – Mirna Jasser

Event Coordinator – Linda Spina

Treasurer – Kirsten Carter

Secretary – Madeline Sedrak

General Committee Members – Patrizia Mangione, Leena Dib and Mariana Green

PRC representatives – Joe Naim & Vanessa Cassin

Coins for Christmas

Donate to the less fortunate to brighten up their christmas!

This event is held on Tuesday 27 November!

Please remember to bring in a GOLD coin donation so we can make a difference to other children's lives.

Thank you for your very generous donations!

SCHOOL DISCO

FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER

The P&F have organised an end of year school disco in the Parish Centre on Friday 30 November 2018. With the help of **Dancefever**, it will definitely be an exciting night of fun and dance for all!

INFANTS 5:30 - 7:00 pm (Kindy - Year 2)
PRIMARY 7:30 - 9:00 pm (Year 3 - Year 6)

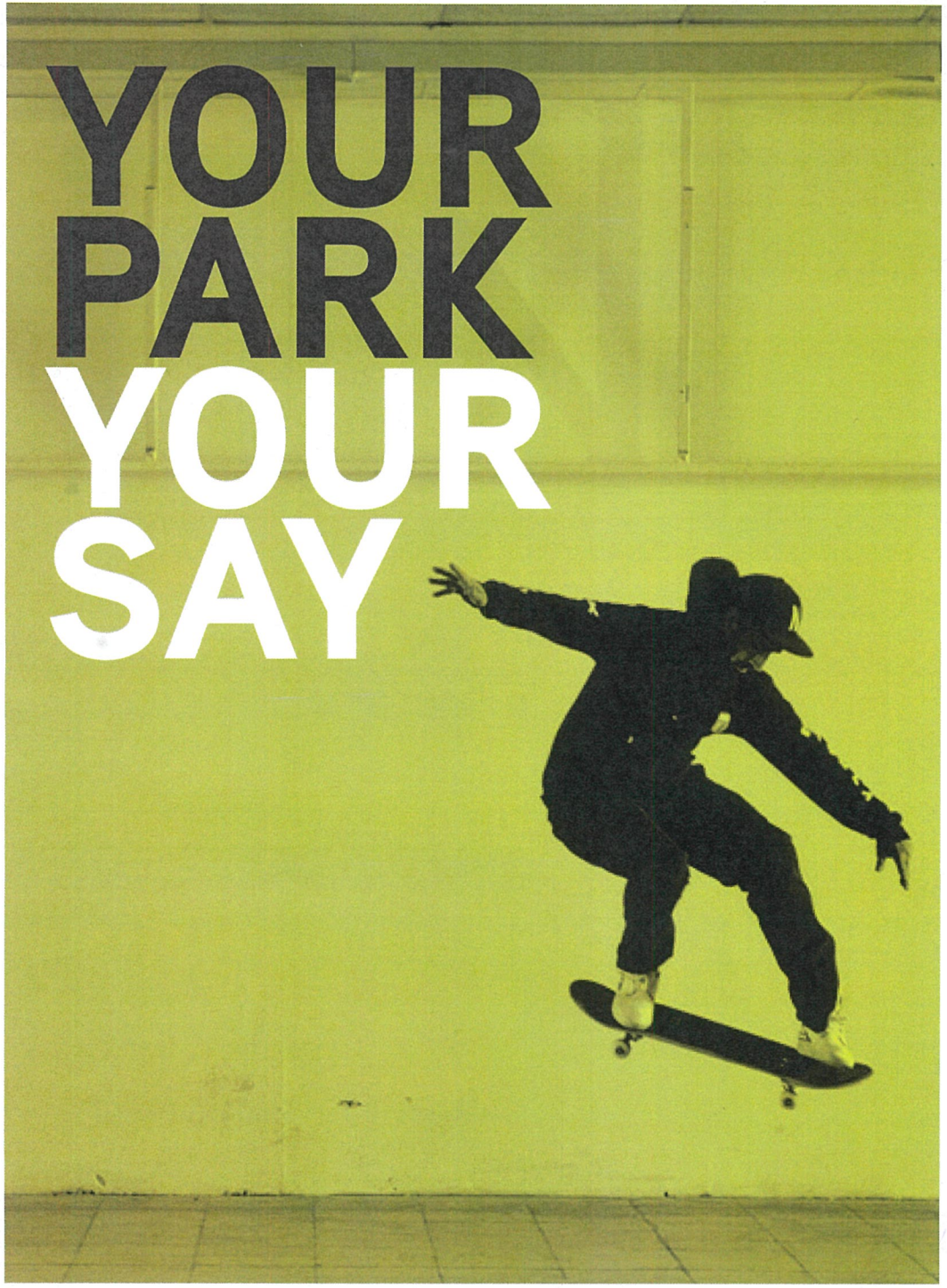
We want all the kids to bring their labeled water bottles to keep refreshed at the disco!
We are giving you the chance to WIN a lucky door prize if you remember to bring it along!

COST: $5.00 per child

Every child will receive a sweet treat (gluten free) on the night, so if you prefer your child not to receive one, please let us know at their drop-off time.

Money raised from the school disco will be donated to The St Vincent de Paul Society and a gift will be purchased for our loving crossing man Marty Stockford who is still recovering from an illness.

Supervision has been organised for the children. Thank you again for your continued support.



Have Your Say

CARLINGFORD SKATEPARK PRE-DESIGN WORKSHOP

We need your help to design the new skatepark at John Wearn Reserve.
Come along and let us know your thoughts.

HOW CAN I GET INVOLVED?

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 1:

When: Thursday 29th November
3.30pm - 5.30pm
Where: Don Moore Community Centre (located on the corner of North Rocks Road and Farnell Avenue, North Rocks)

COMMUNITY WORKSHOP 2:

When: Thursday 29th November
6.30pm - 8.30pm
Where: Don Moore Community Centre (located on the corner of North Rocks Road and Farnell Avenue, North Rocks)

For enquires please call City of Parramatta on (02) 9806 8339

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