



St Paul's Update

7 November, 2018

Week 4, Term 4

Dates for the Diary

- 9 Nov Year 3 Excursion to Museum of Contemporary Art and Opera House
- 9 Nov Mini Vinnies Assembly 2:30pm
- 10 Nov 2nd discussion meeting for Confirmation @ 2:30pm
- 11 Nov 2nd discussion meeting for Confirmation @ 2:30pm
- 12 Nov Remembrance Day Prayer 10:40am
- 14 Nov P & F AGM 7:00pm
- 15 Nov Kindergarten 2019 - Orientation Day
- 16 Nov Year 1 Excursion to the Shops
- 18 Nov Confirmation Practice - 2:00pm or 3:15pm
- 19 Nov NRL Program 3:30pm
- 20 Nov African Beats Music Incursion 9:00am -11:00am
- 21 Nov Year 1 Art Incursion
- 21 Nov League Tag Day (New Date)
- 22 Nov Confirmation Mass 7:00pm in the Church
- 23 Nov Assembly - Awards only
- 23 Nov Confirmation Mass 7:00pm in the Church
- 30 Nov School Disco Infants 5:30pm Infants 7:30pm Primary

Holy Faith Awards

This morning we came together in prayer to show respect for a woman who led a life reaching out to others through charitable actions. Margaret helped her neighbours and showed the face of Jesus to all those around her - an example that is still echoed through the values we follow at our school. We honour the memory and remember the life of Margaret Aylward, the foundress of the Sisters of the Holy Faith. St Paul the Apostle School has been influenced by the sisters of the Holy Faith in the foundation of our community.



Today we welcomed some very special visitors to our liturgy Sr Brenda and Sr Pauline of the Holy Faith Sisters, here in Sydney and visiting Australia for the first time, Sr Rosaleen, General Leader of the Holy Faith Sisters based in Dublin, Ireland. We thank them for taking the time out of their busy schedule to be here today.

Congratulations to our 2018 Winners:

Year 5	-	Isabella P
Year 4	-	Isla S
Year 3	-	Eloise V
Year 2	-	James M
Year 1	-	Emma R
Kindergarten	-	Mackenzie N



Below are some of the qualities recognised by the students when they voted for their Holy Faith Award recipients.

Year 3

The student receiving the Holy Faith Award has been described as a role model for others, someone who always lets others play when they have no one. This person is nice to everyone and will help anyone who needs it. They demonstrate courage to stand up for what is right even though this can be difficult.

This person is described as a person of faith who is loyal, trustworthy and honest. This recipient works hard, is always very kind and thoughtful.

The recipient for the Holy Faith Award in Year 3 for 2018 is... Eloise Vizcarra

Year 2

The person in Year 2 is described as a good role-model who is:

- always kind and polite
- includes people in games
- shows faith
- respectful and cares for people.

The recipient for the Holy Faith Award in Year 2 for 2018 is . . . James Manaras

Year 1

The student who is receiving the Holy Faith Award for Year 1 is someone who is a role model in our grade and has been noticed by peers as someone who exhibits our school values of empathy, commitment, faithfulness, leadership and courage.

Here are a few things that Year 1 have said about this student:

- They let others join in their games
- They show care and kindness to everyone in Year 1
- They follow the classroom expectations
- They help others when they are stuck
- They are respectful and compassionate
- They are a good friend and make others happy to come to school

The recipient for the Holy Faith Award in Year 1 for 2018 is... Emma Rendulic

Kindergarten

The Kindergarten student receiving the Holy Faith award has been described as an extraordinary role model. Someone who is a caring and welcoming friend. Someone who is always willing to help others and offer words of encouragement. Someone who puts the needs of others before their own and takes the time to ask, 'Are you OK?' Someone who always listens and is committed to learning. Someone who is happy to have a go and tries their best in all they do.

The recipient of the Holy Faith from Kindergarten is... Mackenzie Nour

Year 4

The person receiving the Holy Faith Award from Year 4 has been described by their peers as being an honest and friendly person. They are forgiving of others and they don't hold grudges.

This person has been described as offering hope for their peers; they demonstrate empathy by always letting others join in their games and willingly share their belongings with others.

They show commitment to their work by never giving up even when work can be challenging and they encourage their peers to do the same.

The recipient of the Holy Faith Award from Year 4 is... Isla Smith

Year 5

The student who is receiving the Holy Faith Award for Year 5 has been described by their peers as a great role model who always demonstrates our school values.

This person:

- * Is kind and a great friend to all.
- * Encourages others and is inclusive.
- * Cares about their fellow students, younger and older.
- * Shows great sportsmanship
- * Always puts a smile on your face because this person is always happy.
- * Listens to others when they have a problem and gives advice.
- * You can see God in this person.

The recipient of the Holy Faith from Year 5 is Isabella Pace

Work, Health and Safety

Work Health and Safety is a whole school responsibility. If you see something that causes concern or needs fixing, please inform the office as soon as possible so that the issue can be rectified.

Communication

As you are all aware, St Paul the Apostle staff encourages open communication between family and school. If you have an issue, please contact your child's teacher to arrange a meeting. Most situations can be dealt with by having a face to face conversation. If you feel that your issue has not been satisfactorily resolved, please do not hesitate to contact the school office to make an appointment with Marian or Jane. We cannot help if we are unaware there is a problem.

Primary Swimming Carnival

This year our Primary Swimming Carnival will be held on **Thursday 29 November**. The Carnival will be held at Blacktown Aquatic Centre, 4 Boyd Street, Blacktown 2148. Students from Years 2 - 5 will take part and those students from Year 1 who are turning 8 in 2019 and who wish to participate.



Please ensure that you indicate the swimming events your child/children will participate in. It is very important that you are honest about their swimming capabilities. We ask that forms are returned as soon as possible.

Skoolbag App

Just a reminder that the school is using Skoolbag on a regular basis.

This App is free. We encourage parents to install this App on your smart phones as this is the quickest and easiest way we have to communicated with you via SMS messaging.



It is also an easy way for your to communicate with us by using the various forms available on the App, for example if your child has been absent from school you just need to completed the eform 'Absentee Form' and this will be sufficient to explain your child's absence from school on the teachers roll book.

The school uses this App to inform you of any last minute changes for example if carnivals are cancelled due to inclement weather etc. Please see the comprehensive instruction sheet attached explaining how to install the Skoolbag App on your smartphone.

SCHOOL DISCO

Date: Friday, 30 November 2018
Where: Parish Centre
Infants: Drop Off 5:30pm – Pick up 7:00pm
Primary: Drop Off 7:30pm – Pick up 9:00pm
More information to follow



Garden Market Stall - Friday 9 November

St Paul Potters garden has been growing lots of herbs and vegetables in our school garden. We will be having a pop up Garden Market stall this Friday 9 November in the school playground at 3:15pm to sell our produce. We also have some vegetable seedlings and succulents in small pots to sell. Come along to our stall and take a look. All money raised goes back into buying plants and seeds we use in our garden.



Join the School Band!

Is your child interested in joining the school band? The school band is now taking enrolments for 2019 and is open to all students currently in years 2-5. No prior experience is required.

What do you need to do? Return the expression of interest from the bottom of the green note (available from the school office) to try a variety of instruments with trained music tutors, to help your child find the instrument to which they are best suited. The results of this instrument trial will be sent home with comprehensive enrolment information.



Learning an instrument in an ensemble is a great way to experience the social, educational and personal benefits that music and the arts have to offer! TSA provides a quality instrumental program, with full ensemble rehearsals, great value tuition and rent-to-buy instrument hire.

For more information on your school instrumental program, please contact TSA below.



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STAR SPOT

How wonderful to hear that the Scerri and Micallef children spent two hours on Thursday night doing a collection for St Vincent de Paul at the local shopping centre. It is great to see our children helping our community.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THOSE
CELEBRATING THIS WEEK

COOPER N, TYSON W, AIDEN MCG,
ADELINE B, SCOTT B, RAYMOND Y,
TRISTAN H, SCARLET D, FREDERICK M,
OLIVIA W



November 7 2018

The Staff and Students at St. Paul's are proud to present:

A CHRISTMAS PAGEANT

*Then & now
(from Bethlehem to Bondi)*

Thursday December 6 2018

Dear parents/carers,

Your children have been working very hard on the songs and performances they will be presenting to you on *Thursday December 6 at 7pm (Week 8)*.

The concert will begin at 7pm. Children will need to arrive at school, dressed for their performance, about 30 minutes prior to this. Each child will need to bring a bottle of water to keep with them throughout the evening. Please make sure your child has eaten before coming to school, as food will not be allowed during performances. Children must then remain with their class throughout the concert. An announcement will be made at the conclusion of the evening as to where and when you can collect your child.

Each grade has a theme. You will find the dress requirements on the reverse of this notice. We have tried to keep costumes fairly simple so that parents will not need to buy items for the event. If you have further queries please ask your child's teacher.

If your child has been selected for a role additional to their class performance they will receive a separate note regarding costume requirements.

Thank you for your continued support,
The Christmas Concert Committee

Please Note: *This is an alcohol free school event.*



Below is a table outlining what each grade is to wear for the evening:

Grade	Costumes
Kindergarten	White clothing (e.g. a dress, shorts and t-shirt), Christmas headband (of your choice).
Year 1	Red or green Christmas clothes, runners or sandals, red or green tinsel on body. <i>Not on wrists as they will have wrist bells!</i>
Year 2	Plain white t-shirt/dress, denim or blue shorts, white runners or sandals, angel wings or tinsel round waist.
Year 3	Come dressed as a shepherd (towels and tea towels are very handy to create this look!), Christmas t-shirt and shorts, runners or sandals.
Year 4	Green Christmas t-shirt, black shorts, runners, halo of silver tinsel.
Year 5	Red Christmas or plain t-shirt, black shorts, runners, gold tinsel (around head, waist and/or wrists).
Year 6	Black t-shirt (Christmas or plain), Santa hat, shorts, runners.

Note: *If your child has been selected for a role additional to their class performance they will receive a separate note regarding costume requirements.*



2018 REMEMBRANCE DAY

SUNDAY 11 NOVEMBER 2018

This year signifies the Centenary of the Armistice, the historic agreement that ended the First World War.

The City of Parramatta honours the many soldiers, sailors, nurses and ordinary citizens from the districts of Parramatta who made significant contributions to the war effort.

10.30am – 11.30am | Remembrance Day Service
War Memorial, Prince Alfred Square, Parramatta
353 Church Street, Parramatta

Armoured and military vehicles on display.
Hosted by Parramatta RSL Sub-Branch

12pm – 4pm | Armistice Family Open Day
Royal NSW Lancer Barracks and Museum
2 Smith Street, Parramatta

Family open day showcasing the Royal NSW Lancer Barracks and Museum. Childrens activities and workshops, free community lunch, storytelling, live music and entertainment.

Armoured and military vehicles display,
World War 1 Home Front display and
free access to Lancers Museum.

ALL WELCOME

For more information visit
cityofparramatta.nsw.gov.au/parramattaremembers



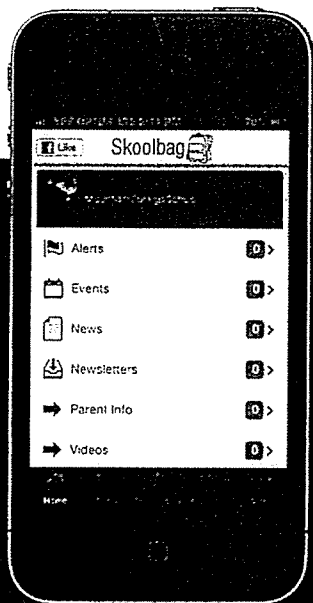
**CITY OF
PARRAMATTA**

22 October – 10 November 2018
Parramatta Remembers Display
and Poppy Wall

Centenary Square, Parramatta

A collection of Parramatta
stories on display
commemorating World War 1.
River of Poppies displayed on
the Memorial Gates.





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)

Skoolbag delivers school notices directly to parents and students



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".
8. Toggle on the Push Categories that are applicable for you.



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