Dates for your diary

18 Sept   Term 3 Ends
18 Sept   Year 2 - Assembly 2:30pm
5 Oct     Labour Day Public Holiday
6 Oct     Term 4, Tuesday 6 October - Children return to school in Full Summer Uniform

Reminder:

CHRISTMAS CONCERT - THURSDAY 26 NOVEMBER
STAFF DEVELOPMENT DAY - FRIDAY 27 NOVEMBER

Athletics Carnival
What a success! Finally a sunny day for our Carnival, probably a little too warm, but nevertheless a fun day was had by all. A big thank you to all involved, especially Mrs Milic, Miss Paul and Mr Lehmann. Thank you to all our parent helpers, you know we could not do any of this without your support. Thank you to the children who were so well behaved, you are a credit to our school. Congratulations to all.

Skip-a-thon
A huge thank you to all our families and friends for your support of our first Skip-a-thon. To date we have raised $19,900 only $100 short of our $20,000 target - what an amazing effort. Events like this would not be possible without your help and your gift of time, Thank you!

St Paul the Apostle Debating Team
Congratulations for a tied first place in the 2015 Hills Cluster Debating Competition to the following Year Six students: Alana A, Amy H, Adam D, Jackson O, Jenny G, Scarlett B, Sophie O, Quinn O, Kate S, Madeleine I, Gabriella W, Amelia C, Tahlia P, Vanessa H, Tristen N, Tamara W, Louis B, Annabelle H. St Paul's tied with St Bernadette's, Castle Hill, in what was a very close competition with only 3 points separating the winning teams to the team that finished last. This only highlights the calibre of the competition. Good luck to these students with opportunities in high school for even more challenging debating!
A special thank you to our adjudicators who helped make this competition possible: Mrs Culnane and Miss Usher.
Chicken Pox
Please note there have been at least eight reported cases of Chicken Pox in Year 1. Symptoms include, general fatigue, runny sore eyes, temperature and small water filled spots.

New School Uniform
We are pleased to announce that a sample of the new school uniform will be on display from Week One of next term. This has been a long and arduous process but we are sure that the finished result will have been worth the wait. Your patience and understanding is appreciated.

Sport News
On Monday 14 September the following students - Brock P, Clare G, Jenny G, Eden B, Charles E, Jacob V and Charlie R represented our school at the Mackillop Track and Field Championships at the Sydney Olympic Park Athletics Centre, Homebush - Congratulations to each and every one of them on this fantastic achievement. We are so excited to announce that Brock, Eden and Jenny have progressed to the next level and will be competing at the PSSA Athletics Championships in October.

New Books
If anyone would be able to help with the covering of some new books in the school holidays, please call into the office and we will provide you with the contact and as many books as you wish to cover.

Thank you in advance for your help.

St Paul’s Garage Sale
Mums, dads, uncles, aunties, nannas and poppys - Get Ready to Declutter! Car Boot spaces and stall plots on sale now for $25. What an opportunity to sell your no longer needed used toys, clothes, household goods and bric-a-brac. Anything goes! Support the environment by re-using, reducing and recycling - Support your school to raise funds for your kids. Come to St Paul the Apostle Garage Sale Trail - 24 October 2015 from 9am to 3pm.

Email or phone your friendly P&F member - Lauren Alley (lozcz12@hotmail.com - 0421 818 606) Alyssa Dwyer - (alyssa_barry@hotmail.com - 0411 270 296) or Alex Mowbray - (alex.mowbray@ymail.com - 0416 094 454) We are also looking for volunteers to help out at the sausage sizzle and cake stall.

(Or if you have any other ideas drop us a line, we would love to hear them).

Working Bee
Just a reminder... Our whole school Working Bee will be held on Saturday 17 October from 8:00am - 12:00pm. We have a list of jobs to get through, many hands make light work! The morning will conclude with a sausage sizzle. Please see the separate note that is going home today.

Magpie Alert!!
Please note there are magpies nesting in the small tree by the gate leading from the Church Car Park - please be careful as magpies are swooping and injuring.
Bus Time Changes - Notification

We have asked by ComfortDelGroCabcharge to advise our families that due to bus route changes in the Sydney CBD, Hillsbus has implemented minor changes to services across the Hillsbus Network.

These changes will be implemented on 4 October, 2015

Should you have any questions regarding the timetable, you can call their Customer Service Department on 8889 7000 or visit the website at www.cdcbus.com.au for up to date details of all school special services.

Working with Children Check

Parent helpers are required to have completed the CEDP online Child Protection Training for Volunteers which can be found at http://childprotection.parra.catholic.edu.au. It is also a requirement that you have completed the NSW Working with Children Check for Volunteers which can be found at www.kidsguardian.nsw.gov.au. When you complete this check, you will receive a confirmation email which you are requested to forward to the school office, along with date of birth details. Thank you.

Please ensure these checks are both completed before volunteering. Parents who have not completed the above are not be eligible to be chosen to assist.

Commonwealth Bank School Banking - Recall!

Concerns have been raised regarding the ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ reward item due to the inclusion of four button batteries that can be accessed by unscrewing the back of the torch.

Whilst this reward has been independently tested and deemed to meet relevant product standards the Commonwealth Bank have made the decision to proactively withdraw this item from the School Banking Rewards Program.

Parents/Guardians are requested to dispose of any ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torches’ their child may have already received as part of the Rewards Program. Students who have previously received a ‘Cosmic Light Beam Torch’ are welcome to redeem an alternative reward item.

Spring Cleaning - can you help us?

If anyone has any old CD’s or DVD’s they are willing to part with Mrs Sargent would love to use them in an upcoming artwork. It does not matter if they are cracked, scratched or written on as they will be cut up anyway.

Also if you have any old crayons, any colour, any size, that you no longer need, Mrs Sargent would gladly make use of them too!

Please forward your goodies to the school office in a bag marked ‘Mrs Sargent - Art’

Thank you in advance

Woolworths Earn and Learn

The Woolworths Earn and Learn program is now finished. If have any stickers that you still wish to bring to school, please do so before Friday.
Awards

Student of the Week
Student of the Week is awarded to the child who demonstrates outstanding application across all Key Learning Areas

| KI | Thomas B |
| KF | Blake B |
| 1G | Nicholas A |
| 1L | Harry B |
| 2G | Kenzie M |
| 2N | Sophie B |
| 3L | Adelaide B |
| 3V | Clara G |
| 4J | Monique C |
| 4P | Theora M |
| 5S | Riley McI |
| 5ST | Mikkel F |
| 6L | Amy H |
| 6M | Scarlett B |

St Paul’s Award
St Paul’s Award is given to the child who demonstrates our five school values – Faith, Commitment, Leadership, Integrity and Empathy in their interactions with others

| KI | Johanna D |
| KP | Marcus P |
| 1G | Emil K |
| 1L | Ava S |
| 2G | Lucas S |
| 2N | Flynn F |
| 3L | Samuel J |
| 3V | Alegra F |
| 4J | Sophia F |
| 4P | Josh K |
| 5S | Austin B |
| 5ST | Georgia H |
| 6L | Jake H |
| 6M | Sophie R |

Get Fit! - PLAY Touch

Get Fit Play Touch

Under 8’s to 16 years
Boys Girls & Mixed Divisions
Open Mens Mixed & Supertouch
Masonic Oval Baulkham Hills
Register Now!

0433-7666-55

Star Spot

There were several Grand Finals held over the last couple of weekends - Congratulations to our stars at St Paul’s - well done to all of you.

Stephen Courtney - Rugby Union
Will Green - Rugby Union
Haylee Shelton & Celine Bechara - Soccer
Whole of School Working Bees

Date: Saturday 17 October 8.00 am - 12.00pm

Save the date - Friday 13 November 4.00pm – 7.30pm

Our next Working Bees for the year are coming up.

Please come along and join us in completing some fantastic projects for the school. This is a great way to get to know other families.

At this Working Bee we aim to:-

- remove old metal fence along Buckleys Road
- replace timber log retaining wall along Buckleys Road
- sand and paint hand rails, if you have paint brushes at home please bring them with you.
- paint stairwell near kindergarten class rooms
- paint doors
- plant area with low growing natives on other side of retaining wall on bottom playground

We would particularly like to hear from any parents who may have skills in the above areas and are able to volunteer their time or equipment, however, every pair of hands will be very welcome and if you do not know what to do we will show you!

If anyone can assist in sourcing any materials please contact our Working Bee Coordinator, Ammon, on 0418 250 329.

The morning will conclude with a sausage sizzle. For catering purposes (and to ensure we have enough materials to keep everyone busy) please return the slip below by Monday 12 October indicating how many people will be attending.

I ............................................................... am intending to attend the Working Bee on 17 October

No of adults  ________  No of children  ________

I am able to assist with
1. Demolishing
2. Building Retaining walls
3. Painting
4. Planting