



St Paul's Update

26 July, 2017

Week 2, Term 3

Dates for your diary

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| 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 |
| 31 Jul | Year 5 & 6 Forensics Incursion |
| 2 Aug | Year 3 & 4 Soccer Gala Day |
| 2 Aug | First Reconciliation – 7:30pm |
| 4 Aug | Year 4 Excursion to Mitchell Park |
| 4 Aug | CENSUS 2017 |

*Grandparents Mass
Friday 28 July 9:10am
Open Classrooms until
10:30am
Morning Tea – 10:30am
Provided by P&F*

Staff Development Day – Friday 18 August, 2017

This will be a pupil free day

PBS4L Conference

As you may be aware last week some of us attended the Positive Behaviour Support for Learning conference (which incidentally was in Brisbane not Melbourne).

Last year we started looking at the behaviour support processes that we have at St Paul the Apostle. Many of you will be familiar with some of our practices like do good dots, classroom notices, and the REST room. These are all positive ways of supporting the students in our school, however, we have recognised the need to ensure that all systems are working well and are revised regularly to suit the needs of our school community.

The framework we are using to build positive behaviour within the school will be based around the following practices:

- Developing clear Expectations & Rules
- Building on Procedures & Routines
- Encouraging Expected Behaviour
- Discouraging Inappropriate Behaviour
- Providing Active Supervision
- Providing students with many Opportunities to Respond
- Developing Activities that keep children Engaged and given them some choice in their learning
- Differentiation of activities to cater for student learning needs

I am Safe

I am Respectful

I am a Learner



Included in this will be the opportunity for the staff to work together to develop clear pathways for dealing with student behaviour. There will be opportunities for parents to be involved in this process and all of our work will be shared with the whole school community.

Recently we have agreed as a staff that our three expectations for our students are to Be Respectful, Be a Learner and Be Safe. Over the rest of the year we will start unpacking what these three statements look like in different contexts. We have started with using this language at our Friday assemblies. During our staff meeting

this week we discussed what our afternoon expectations might look like on and around the stage area. As a school we will be unpacking safe and responsible afternoon behaviour.

The most important thing to remember is that we are always working towards improving outcomes for all students by putting in place positive, proactive and preventative supports for all of our students.

Marian Bell
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Grandparent's Mass, Open Classrooms and Morning Tea

Just a reminder that this coming Friday 28 July, the St Paul's community will be celebrating some of the most important people in our lives, our grandparents.

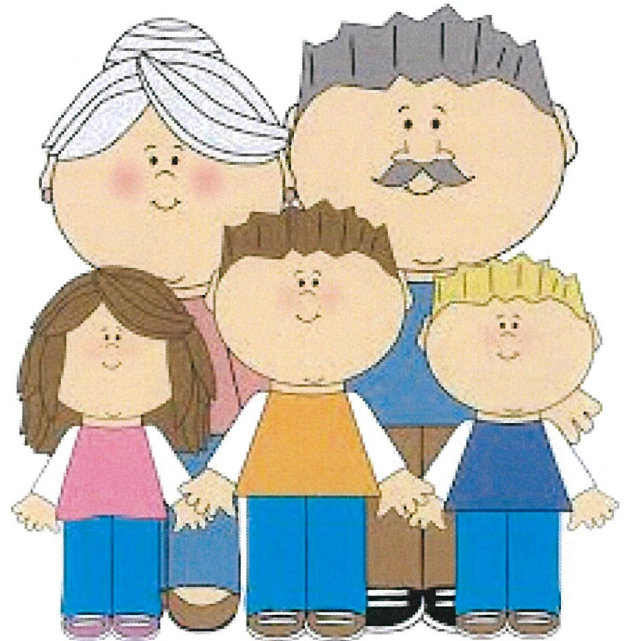
The day will begin with Mass at 9:10am. Following Mass, grandparents are invited to spend some time in classrooms, sharing and appreciating the hard work of their grandchildren. Of course, children feel a real sense of pride and accomplishment when they know that people in their family and community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



Matthew is fundraising for Nationals

On Friday 21 July, Matthew competed in the NSWPSA Cross Country Championships in the 10 years boys Para Athlete division and placed 1st in this 2km race. This has qualified Matthew to attend the Australian Cross Country Championships in Hobart, Tasmania from the 11 – 14 August.

To help with the cost of representing his school, dioceses and state Matthew is selling raffle tickets. The tickets cost \$2 each and the prizes range from an Apple iPad Air 2 to Fitbits and Sony speakers. **Tickets can be purchased through the school office or by contacting Alison on 0423208402.**

Matthew is training very hard to do his school proud and appreciates any help given in achieving his goals.



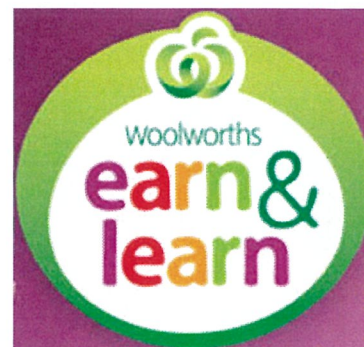
Woolworths Earn & Learn Program 2017 – BEGINS TODAY!

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.

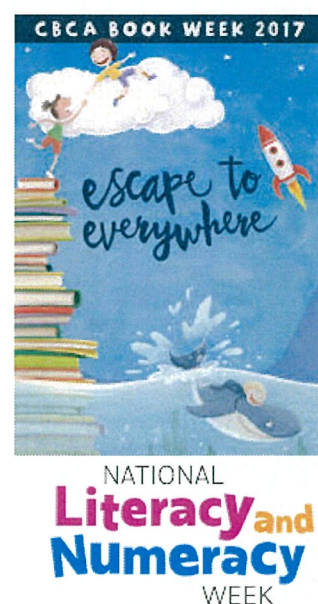


Library News

Book Week – Literacy/Numeracy Week

The Book Week theme for 2017 is **“Escape to Everywhere.”** This wonderful, broad theme, invites us to wonder about the world. Books allow us to escape our own world and experience other people’s lives, places and cultures both real and imagined. On **Tuesday 29 August**, we will hold a fun and colourful book week parade with the theme “Escape to Everywhere”. The theme can incorporate a great variety of book characters. To help with a book week costume, ask your child/ren – What book do you like to escape into? What book character would you like to be for a day to escape your own life? What place do you like to escape to when reading? Do you know of a book with “Escape” as a theme?

Other wonderful book week activities will be held this term including competitions and a visit from the author – **Tim Harris**. Information outlining other book week activities will follow shortly.



Premiers Reading Challenge

Congratulations to Tyler L (Kindy) and Isabelle T (Year 1) for completing the Premiers Reading Challenge this week. There are only a few weeks left of the challenge. In order to receive a certificate in Term 4, all reading records must be completed on line by 25 August 2017.

Book Club

Scholastic Book Club order forms for Term 3, 2017 were sent home yesterday. This issue will be due back to school on Monday 31 July. On-line ordering via LOOP will also close at midnight on Monday 31 July.

A reminder that we will no longer be accepting cash as payment for these orders. If using the on-line ordering system there is no need for you to return the order form.

Please note there is definitely **NO OBLIGATION** to buy any books.

Mrs Taylor
Teacher/Librarian



Star Spot

Flynn F participated in a Rugby Tournament called King of the Hills on the weekend. There were 16 teams from all over Sydney who competed. Flynn's team the Under 9's Hills District Junior Rugby Union Club won the Tournament. They competed in 5 games over the day and were undefeated, showing great sportsmanship and they played with so much heart. They were deserved champions at the end of the day. Well done to Flynn!



Happy Birthday to those celebrating birthdays this week –

Deon C, John S, Thomas V, Samuel M, Alex K, Nikki R, James S, Adelaide B, Kayla H, Faith K, Noah G.

St Paul the Apostle P & F

News and Events

Save the date..... Bingo Night – Friday 25 August, 2017
more information to follow.

★ **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. .

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



Inspired Kids
Australia

Please note - places are limited. Please check Inspired Kids Australia website or FB page for program costs and details. www.inspiredkidsaustralia.com.au

Ukulele Group – Term 3, 2017

This term, commencing Week 4, I was hoping to run a group for Ukulele with children who have already participated in classes. Please advise me if your child would be interested. If we don't get enough children we can include new students.



UKULELE

Please contact me email: joan@bluebirdstudio.com.au or on mobile: 0409317610

Oakhill College - Year 7, 2019

Applications for enrolment into **Year 7, 2019** close on **Friday 18 August, 2017**. Interviews will take place on Tuesday 12 and Wednesday 13 September, 2017. Parents who wish to apply for enrolment of their sons in Year 7 at Oakhill College in 2019, and who have not yet submitted an Application for Enrolment, are requested to contact the Registrar before the closing date **Friday 18 August** on 9899 2288 or registrar@oakhill.nsw.edu.au. Applications are also being taken now for Years 8-11, 2018.

