



ST PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL MOUNT LAWLEY



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Vision: St Paul's Primary School is committed to Christ-centred education, inspired by the vision of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions and the teachings of St Paul, empowering us to seek the truth and grow in knowledge from darkness into the light of Christ.

Prayer for the end of the school year

At the end of this school year we give thanks to God:
For all the teaching and learning that has taken place in our school, both in and out of the classroom,
For the talents and gifts that have been shared and the challenges that have been faced;
For the burdens that have been lifted and the hurts that have been healed;
For the respect and care that has been given.
We give thanks for the friendships that have just begun and for those that have grown.
For the faith that has been lived in our daily struggles,
For the hope that has lifted our hearts on the dark days
And for the love that has kept us going.
We give thanks for the community that we are.
Bless our families as we take our holidays, may our time together leave us with memories to cherish.
Pour out your love on us that we may return renewed and refreshed to continue our journey together.
We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen



Principal's Perspective

Dear Members of St Paul's School Community

Thanksgiving Mass

Today we celebrated our end of year Thanksgiving Mass at St Paul's Church. During the Mass, we

gave thanks for all our blessings throughout the year and said farewell and thank you to the outgoing P&F Executive and Board members, staff, students and families. It was a special opportunity to gather together in thankful prayer for the last time this year.

End of Year Concert

Congratulations to everyone on a wonderful end of year concert last night. Extra special thanks go to Natasha Flexman for coordinating the event and to all the staff for rehearsing everything with the children and ensuring a smooth transition of classes on and off the stage. Finally, congratulations to the children from Kindy to Year 6 for their wonderful performances. [Check out the photos here.](#)

6 Graduation Mass, Awards Ceremony & Dinner Dance

The Year 6 Graduation events were wonderful last Friday night. After a beautiful Graduation Mass and Awards Ceremony, we all enjoyed the dinner dance. Our sincere thanks go to Anna Crisafio, Lisa Fuller and all the Year 5 parents, for the delicious dinner they provided. These amazing people managed to set up and decorate the hall, provide a dinner with all the trimmings and clean up afterwards - which was no mean feat! I'm sure the Year 6 families join with me in thanking you all sincerely.

Our congratulations go to all our Year 6 Graduates. They have been excellent leaders and an asset to the school. We will miss them next year and wish them every success in secondary school.

EduDance Concert

Sincere thanks go to our Edudance teacher, Carolyn Voysey, for the wonderful concert to showcase all the hip-hop dances she has taught the children this term. This program for the children from Pre Primary to Year 6 fulfils the Physical and Health outcome requirements (dance element) for students and covers many other aspects, such as coordination, musical appreciation and self-confidence. It also gives children the opportunity to experience the excitement of performing in front of an audience. Most importantly it is a program that promotes fitness and fun. [Check out the photos here.](#)

2017 Year Book

This week we sent the 2017 Year Book home with the eldest child in each family. I would like to thank Maureen Quin and Mark Fitzpatrick for their assistance in coordinating the publication of this year's edition, which is a wonderful memento of the school year.

Farewell

Sadly, we will be saying farewell to our wonderful PE teacher, Loretta Kerse. Loretta has decided on a dramatic career change and will be taking up a full-time classroom teaching position at Sacred Heart Primary School in Goomalling. This last-minute notice is unfortunate, however, the opportunity to return to her country roots only presented itself very recently. We thank Loretta for the wonderful work she has done in PE at St Paul's and wish her all the best in her future endeavours.

Important Dates to Remember

The last day of the 2017 school year for the students is this Friday 8 December, ending at the normal time of the day. The staff will be working on at school until the following Friday, 15 December.

The end of year reports will be available online after 4pm this Friday 8 December. If necessary, please contact the teacher to discuss your child's report the following week.

2018 Dates

- Pre Primary to Year 6 will commence on Wednesday 31 January 2018
- Pre Kindy children (who have already turned 3) will commence on Friday 2 February.
- The 4 Year Old Kindy children will have a staggered start for the first week of the year.

The class will be divided into two groups (Kindy parents will have received a letter outlining this).

The starting dates for Kindy will be:

- Wednesday 31 January: Group 1
- Thursday 1 February: Group 2
- Tuesday 6 February: The whole class will attend Kindy together.

Wishing you all a happy and a holy Christmas!



Joanna Noonan
PRINCIPAL



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St Paul's 2018 Music Scholarship (Flute/Clarinet)

Student name: _____ Class in 2017: _____

Instrument for which you are applying: _____

I understand that my child will:

1. Practise for at least 10 minutes per day
2. Be staying on at St Paul's until the conclusion of Year 6
3. Participate in the school ensemble each Thursday morning at 8.00am. (This will not be necessary for the 1st term of lessons)

I also understand that:

1. I/we the parents will need to contribute around \$165 towards the lesson cost for the year. The remainder of the cost will be met by the school and Keyed Up Music.
2. I/we the parents are responsible for the hire and or purchase of an instrument. *
3. The scholarship will cease at the end of the 2018 academic year with the possibility of it being extended at the school's discretion.

Parent's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Student's Signature: _____ Date: _____

* We are trying to source instruments through various avenues. The costs of hiring/buying an instrument will soon become clearer, once we have made contact with the various suppliers.

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LOOKING FORWARD

Fri 8- END OF YEAR

Reports go online 4pm

Wed 31 January - Start of Term 1 for students (PP-Yr 6)

Group 1 Kindy

Prayer Assembly Yr 6

1:1 iPad parent session (5:30-6:30)

Thur 1 Feb - Group 2 Kindy

NO MASS

Fri 2 - Start of PK for students that have turned 3

Mon 5 - Prayer Assembly Yr 5

Tue 6 - No Class Prayer

Parent Information Night 6:30pm (K-6)

Swimming Training 7-8am Terry Tyzak

Wed 7 - Parent Meeting ALL Sacraments 6:30pm St Paul's Church

Thur 8 - Opening Term 1 Mass (Yr 1-6) Yr 6 - 9:15am

Fri 9 - 9am Keeping Safe: Child Protection Curriculum Parent Info Session

P & F Welcome Night 5pm - 7:30pm

View Term 1 Calendar

Happy Birthday

To the following students who celebrated their birthday this week and over the upcoming holidays:

Darcy Jordan
Finian Jordan
Liam Sack
Luca Marocchi
Oliver Rowney
Jasper Morris-Luck
Sophie Allingame
Neve Geatches
Grace Allen-Hackling
Ella Deveney
Alexander Abbott
Royce Williams
Zara Theobald
Sebastian Grant Smith
Daniel Cadogan
Cristian Coletti
Thomas Gregory



MERIT AWARDS 1/12/17

PP - Joshua Chandra,
Thomas Bryson, Olivia Ellis,
Sienna Dowling, Jose
Adaikkalam, Jacob Liew, Ari
Scaletti

YR 1 - Cristian Coletti, April
Cue

YR 2 - Maxwell Castalanelli,
Mackenzie Theobald

YR 4 - Meghan Giumelli,
Chloe Fanowrios

YR 5 - Kate McCosker,
Natasha Oo

YR 6 - Marcus Chiem, Emily
Cirillo

Sacramental Dates for 2018

Please add these dates to your diaries for 2018 of all the Sacraments including the meetings and workshops. Please bear in mind that these dates may be subject to change due to unforeseen circumstances.

Term One

All Sacramental Meeting Thursday 7 February 6.30pm St Paul's Church

All Sacramental Commitment Masses Saturday 17 February 6pm, Sunday 18 February, 8.00am and 9.30am St Paul's Church

Term Two

Holy Communion Parent/Candidate Workshop Thursday 10 May 6:30pm Barbier Hall

Holy Communion Parent Meeting Thursday 17 May 6:30pm in St Paul's Church

Holy Communion Retreat for Candidates Wednesday 12 June St Paul's Church

First Holy Communion Sunday 17 June 2.00pm St Paul's Church

Term Three

Parent / Candidate Confirmation Workshop Thursday 26 July 6:30pm Barbier Hall

Confirmation Parent Meeting Thursday 2 August 6:30pm St Paul's Church

Confirmation Retreat Tuesday 11 September St Paul's Church

Confirmation Mass Friday 14 September 6.30pm St Paul's Church

Term Four

Reconciliation Parent/Candidate Workshop Thursday 18 October 6:30pm Barbier Hall

Parent Reconciliation Meeting Thursday 25 October 6:30pm St Paul's Church

Reconciliation Retreat Tuesday 13 November St Paul's Church

First Reconciliation Liturgy Thursday 15 November 6:30pm St Paul's Church

Parish/School Mass Sunday 3 December

We thank Nyssa Smith, Helen Chatzimichail and Rebecca Glynn for a reverent and well prepared final Parish/School Mass last Sunday. The children and their parents did a fabulous job with the readings, collections, offertory and the lovely morning tea. Thank you to Father Tim and all our children who assisted on the altar or came to support the Pre-Primary children. Well done to everyone!

St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal 2017

A big thank you to all our St Paul's Community on your generous contributions to the St Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal. What a tremendous effort! On Tuesday we had the pleasure of handing over these baskets to Mr Peter Quinn who coordinates the area of Mount Lawley and North Perth. Mr Quinn spoke to the children and told them how these baskets would go to very needy families in our community. Sadly the number of families is increasing yearly. We pray that our dear Lord will comfort those in need and help them overcome these difficult times.

2nd Sunday of Advent

As the journey of Advent continues, we prepare to celebrate the nativity of Christ, John the Baptist's call to conversion sounds out in our communities. It is a pressing invitation to open our hearts and to welcome the Son of God, Who comes among us to make divine judgement manifest. The Father, writes St. John the Evangelist, does not judge anyone, but has entrusted the power of judgement to the Son, because He is the Son of Man.

It is today, in the present, that we decide our future destiny. It is with our concrete everyday behaviour in this life that we determine our eternal fate. At the end of our days on earth, at the moment of death, we will be evaluated on the basis of our likeness or otherwise to the Baby who is about to be born in the poor grotto of Bethlehem, because He is the measure God has given humanity.

Thanksgiving Mass Thursday 7 December

Today we all attended our Thanksgiving Mass which was led wonderfully by the Year 4 students.

It was an opportunity to thank our St Paul's school community for their support over the year and to farewell those who will be leaving at the end of the term. May our Lord bring peace to all our school community during this festive season.

Christmas Time

Christmas is the time we celebrate the birth of the Christ child. God sent his Son, Jesus, into the world and his birth brought great joy. Angels, kings and shepherds shared in this great event with Mary and Joseph. We pray during this Christmas that you invite Jesus into your heart. We wish all our students and their families a very happy and holy Christmas. May you enjoy the New Year and keep safe during the holiday break.

Mac Callisto

Assistant Principal

SEQTA REPORTING

Preparing to receive your child's Semester 2 2017 report

This semester we will again be using SEQTA to produce our end of year reports.

An extra component of this system is known as SEQTA ENGAGE. This is an online parent portal, which is able to provide you with your child's past and present reports.

SEQTA ENGAGE will allow the school to provide your child's report through paperless means. Parents who received their child's report in Semester One have already set up an account. Once you log in with your chosen login details you will see a menu on the left hand side. The Reports label is the way you can access your child's semester report. Reports will be made available on line for you to see on any electronic device and print if you wish. Your child's Semester 2 report will be available tomorrow Friday 8 December, from 4pm.

The school web link to access SEQTA ENGAGE is:

<https://stpaulsmtl.coneqt-p.cathednet.wa.edu.au/>

There is also an icon on the school website in the Quick Links section called "SEQTA" that will take you to the above link.

Your login details will be the same as Semester One. These are chosen by parents and not provided by the school. As such we cannot tell parents what their login details are. If you have forgotten your login details or cannot access the online portal please email Jesse Yock (contact details below) and we will reset your account.

Please note that parents who are unable to access their child's report using an electronic device may request a paper copy from the school office.

All SEQTA related enquiries should be directed to Jesse Yock at jesse.yock@cewa.edu.au

Should parents wish to see their child's class teacher about their Semester 2 report you are welcome to contact the teacher directly via email to make an appropriate time. Teachers are available for interviews on Monday 11 December between the hours of 9:00am and 3:00pm.

Reports for students who are leaving St Paul's at the end of this year (even if their siblings remain) will only be accessible until Tuesday 12 December. After this time these reports will be deleted from the system. St Paul's staff will be available to assist with any issues you may have until Thursday 14 December. After this date, please do not contact Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA) to resolve such issues, as they will be unable to assist you.

Interpreting Your Child's Semester 2 Report

The Semester 2 report is a summary of your child's achievement for this semester. During this time, your child has had the opportunity to build on his/her achievement from the last semester. The information contained in this report should be considered along with the other reporting strategies that our school uses to communicate with you about your child's progress and achievement, social skills and attendance at school throughout the semester.

It is a requirement of the Australian Government that all schools provide reports to the parents or carers of each child twice a year. The reports provide an accurate and objective assessment of a student's progress and achievement using an A-E grading scale.

The knowledge, skills and understandings that students need to learn are defined as learning area outcomes in the West Australian Curriculum. Students are graded on their achievement in relation to the standard described for each outcome covered. The A-E grade scale summarises the depth of knowledge and understanding, and the range of skills that students working at that standard typically show.

The rating definitions are:

Letter Grade	Achievement Descriptor
A Excellent	The student demonstrates excellent achievement of what is expected for this year level.
B High	The student demonstrates high achievement of what is expected for this year level.
C Satisfactory	The student demonstrates satisfactory achievement of what is expected for this year level.
D Limited	The student demonstrates limited achievement of what is expected for this year level.
E	The student demonstrates very low achievement of what is

Receiving an Overall A or B Grade for English

In order to achieve an overall A grade in English a child must achieve an A in both the 'Reading & Viewing' and 'Writing' Strand. Similarly in order to achieve an overall B grade in English a child must achieve a B in both the 'Reading & Viewing' and 'Writing' Strand. This is because the school believes that the required skills in Reading and Writing are essential in order for a child to receive that overall grade in English. If either of these skills are lower the overall grade defaults to the lower level.

Receiving an Overall A or B Grade for Maths

In order to achieve an overall A grade in Maths a child must achieve an A in both the 'Number & Algebra and either the 'Measurement & Geometry' or 'Statistics & Probability' Strand. Similarly in order to achieve an overall B grade in Maths a child must achieve a B in both the 'Number & Algebra and either the 'Measurement & Geometry' or 'Statistics & Probability' Strand. This is because the school believes that the required skills in Number & Algebra are essential in order for a child to receive that overall grade in Maths. If the child's Number & Algebra skills are lower the overall grade defaults to the lower level.

Additional Support and Alternative Reporting

Some students may receive additional support from Specialist Support Staff for Literacy, Numeracy, ESL and/or Special Education. In these instances, students might have an Individualised Education Plan (IEP) in place or a Curriculum Adjustment Plan (CAP). These students may receive a report which will accurately report their progress in relation to their adjusted program of work.

We hope that this guideline will be of assistance to you when reading your child's report this semester.

St Paul's Youth Group – Christmas Party!

It's that time of year when we get together to celebrate the birth of our Lord Jesus Christ. Come and join us for the final St Paul's Youth Group session for 2017.

Date: Friday 8 December

Time: 5:40pm-8:00pm

Place: St Paul's Church

Cost: \$10 (to cover pizza dinner)

All students in Years 6-10 are invited. Games, prizes and fun all free of charge. We hope to see you there.

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a happy and safe New Year

Jesse Yock
Assistant Principal

P&F News

St Pauls P&F stpaulspf@yahoo.com

Important Dates and Upcoming Events

- End of Year Wind-Up Function – Friday 8th December, 4:00-6:00pm at The Beach House
- Christmas Morning Tea for Staff – Wednesday 13th December
- 2018 Family Welcome Night – Friday 9th February 2018

Thank you for a wonderful year!

Thank you, St Paul's, for a cracker of a year! The P&F has had a lot on, and had a lot of fun, and none of it would have been possible without all the parent support we receive. I hope the children of St Paul's have enjoyed themselves as much as I think they have.

I've done my absolute best this year to guide the P&F through a very busy schedule of events in 2017. As much as I love being a part of the St Paul's P&F, I work almost full time and would really like to take a bit more of a back seat in 2018, still playing an active role and helping where I can of course but heading up the Committee. I'd really love it if you would think it over during the holidays and if you have an affinity to planning fun events, have ideas for fundraising, have a genuine interest in maximizing the wellbeing of our St Paul's students and/or love the feeling of contributing to your community, consider nominating yourself for a P&F role in 2018. Email me your name and number via stpaulspf@yahoo.com and I can give you a call to chat - no pressure, no obligation.

EPIC Dads

A HUGE thank you to Daniel Archer, Elliott Carson, Jesse Yock and the rest of the EPIC Dads

committee for organizing all the EPIC Dads events this year. Your efforts to strengthen relationships between fathers and between fathers and their children are invaluable and greatly appreciated. We are so blessed to have such an awesome committee of fabulous Dads striving to enrich the lives of the St Paul's children. THANK YOU. Here's looking forward to whatever great surprises you have in store for the Dads and their kids in 2018!

2018 P&F Executive Committee

Following the AGM on Tuesday 21/11/17, we still need to fill the following positions on the 2018 P&F Committee.

- President
- Vice President
- Treasurer
- P&F Representative to the School Board

I will continue on in a caretaker role until such time as these positions have been filled, however the P&F will run much more smoothly and the students of the school will benefit from better quality events in 2018 if a complete and cohesive P&F Committee is formed, sooner rather than later. So.... If you've been thinking of volunteering for a position on the P&F but are unsure, or something is stopping you, or have questions, please email me at stpaulspf@yahoo.com or grab me after school pick-up one day for a chat.

School Disco

Many thanks to Tracey Swan and her team of helpers who organised the spooooky disco... it was a really great night, very much enjoyed by all! Seeing those spectacular dance moves and pink, sweaty, smiling faces made the preparation and organisation all worth it! Thank you parents for supporting this event.

End of Year Wind-Up

We've booked The Beach House for Friday 8th December from 4pm-6pm. The Café will be open all afternoon and of course you can still come even if you haven't RSVP'd! This was a huge success last year, with the kids really enjoying one last muck around with their mates before the summer break. So please spare the time if you can and come along!

Christmas Morning Tea for Staff

The P&F will be showing our appreciation of the school staff by hosting a Christmas Morning Tea next Wednesday (13th December), once they are student-free and can relax! We will need help baking/serving/helping on the day so if you are available to donate some yummy goodies please deliver them to Barbier Hall before 10am on Wednesday 13th December (please let me know, for our catering purposes!) and if you are available to help on the morning (even just for an hour is great), please email me at stpaulspf@yahoo.com . All contributions are happily received and greatly appreciated!

Family Welcome Night

Come along on Friday 9th February 2018 and be part of the St Paul's Family Welcome Night! Bring a picnic and let the kids play – it's a wonderful way to make all the new families feel welcome and part of the kind, friendly community that is St Paul's! Let's start 2018 with a BANG! See you there!

Thanks again everyone!

- Malaika Jordan, P&F President



Community News

Extend After School Care at St Paul's Primary School, Mt Lawley

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As we approach the final days of the school year at St Paul's, I have been reflecting on what a marvelous first year it has been in After School Care. We feel truly blessed to be a part of the St Paul's community and to have met so many wonderful new friends.

Our thanks go to Joanna Noonan, Maureen Quin and the teaching staff, Malaika Jordan and the brilliant P&F team, our wonderful St Paul's families and the absolute superstar children who have helped make this year so fantastic. We also say THANK YOU and GOOD LUCK to the children who will be moving on to different schools next year. We wish you all the best!

We are also saying goodbye to our lovely educator Juliana, who has accepted a placement in America for 2018 as part of her Primary Education studies. Good luck Juliana!

This past weekend I was lucky enough to be flown over to Melbourne to attend Extend's Excellence Awards, having been nominated for the 'People Person' Award. Thank you to those who submitted nominations, it was a true honour! Yet another shining example of the support we have received throughout the year.

Weeks 7, 8 & 9 Recap:

We had a very busy few weeks in the lead up to the end of term, including a few special visitors - Daisy Lim sharing about the post office and helping us to write letters to Santa, and Sally Edmondson sharing about her experiences in the Navy and helping us to learn about teamwork. Thank you to both for your time!

We have also been busy in the kitchen making cupcakes, experimenting with a water challenge, making Christmas decorations and having plenty of fun outside. The children also helped to select a

book, plus designed some beautiful wrapping paper, to be donated as a gift for the Kmart Wishing Tree.

ANNOUNCEMENT

We are delighted to announce the launch of a brand new and exciting booking platform for families. The Parent Portal will cease to operate at the conclusion of Term 4 and will be replaced with a reliable, flexible, and user-friendly platform named LookedAfter.

All families requiring bookings for 2018 After School Care (existing and new families) must create a new account with LookedAfter. (Bookings for Summer Holiday Care are also via LookedAfter if visiting us at Wesley these holidays). For bookings and more info click here:

<https://www.lookedafter.com/>

One exciting new feature is the ability to book online up to an hour before the session starts! The new platform is also smartphone and tablet-friendly for making bookings on the go.

Please contact our friendly customer service team if you have any queries regarding LookedAfter.

We hope you have a very Merry Christmas and a safe and Happy New Year. See you all soon!

Amy Holdsworth

Extend Team Leader – St Paul's Mt Lawley

Email: stpaulsmountlawley@extend.com.au (note: new email address!)

Phone (service hours 2pm – 6pm): 0405 286 462

Customer service & booking enquiries: 1300 366 437

Keyed Up Music will be teaching group music lessons during and after school. Keyboard lessons are on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday. Guitar lessons are on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Clarinet, Flute and Violin lessons on Friday Lesson

pricing starts from \$16.95. To enrol your child please go to

www.keyedupmusic.com.au/enrolment-form if you require more information please contact Therese on

1300 366 243 or email us enquiry@keyedupmusic.com.au



Parish News

St Paul's Parish Altar Server Roster

9 & 10 December 2017

16 & 17 December 2017

6pm Mass	8am Mass	9:30am Mass
C Brown , L Brennan	E Crock	E Biundo
J Hehir	R Crock	P&R Parker
E Chatzimichail	M Crock	A Coletti

6pm Mass	8am Mass	9:30am Mass
A Munro	A Dowling	M Crisafio
N & S Cirillo	S Odorisio	J O'Connor
E Cirillo	N Faraone	A Salfinger

The Rosary will be prayed fortnightly on Tuesdays commencing at 9.45am in St Paul's Church, followed by a cuppa in the church undercroft. All mothers, grandmothers and friends are welcome! For all queries, please contact Rosana on 0400501554.

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