



Upcoming Events

Reconciliation Week

Date: Monday 29 May -
Saturday 3 June

Year 10 Work Experience

Date: Tuesday 30 May -
Friday 2 June

Year 11 Retreat Victor Harbor

Date: Wednesday 31 May -
Friday 2 June

Sacrament of Confirmation

Date: Thursday 1 June -
Monday 30 November
Time: 7:00pm

Italian Carnevale

Date: Tuesday 6 June -
Monday 30 November

Year 11 Exams

Date: Tuesday 13 June -
Friday 16 June

Middle Years Learning Expo

Date: Thursday 15 June
Time: 5:00pm - 7:00pm
Venue: St Paul's College -

Reception Learning Expo

Date: Friday 16 June -
Monday 30 November

Year 12 Formal

Date: Friday 16 June -
Monday 30 November

Year 12 Retreat

Date: Monday 19 June -
Wednesday 21 June

Parents and Friends Meeting

Date: Monday 19 June -
Monday 30 November
Time: 6:00pm

Student Free Day

Date: Monday 26 June -
Monday 30 November

Term 2 Concludes 3.10pm

Date: Friday 7 July -
Monday 30 November
Venue: St Paul's College -

From the Acting Principal



Next week, the College and our Nation celebrates National Reconciliation Week. 'Be a Voice for Generations' is the theme for national reconciliation Week in 2023 and that theme is echoed by our annual College them of 'Empowering Voices'.

National Reconciliation Week runs from 27 May until 3 June and it is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures, and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

At St Paul's College, we continually acknowledge and respect the Kurna people whose land we share and who have a most exceptional and ongoing story that can educate our practices, policies, relationships and people. But first, we must commit to understanding and reconciliation.

Throughout National Reconciliation Week, our College will participate in several ways and students will be invited to partake in many activities, including a whole-school assembly that starts with a smoking ceremony and welcome to country on Monday morning to begin the week.

Just as students will be increasing their focus on understanding and reconciliation during NRW, I urge you to seek every opportunity to discuss the week and its theme with your young person(s).

Update on Edmund Rice Education Australia (EREA)

As you will have noted in previous communications, EREA have undertaken significant change to governance structures. While this may not obviously impact the daily undertaking in our school community, the close work that we do with our governing body is exceptionally supportive and greatly assist our College as a Catholic College in the Edmund Rice Tradition.

Now governed by EREA Colleges Ltd, we extend a warm welcome from St Paul's College to Mr Chris Woolley as the CEO of EREA Colleges Ltd. Following his appointment in February, Chris started in this position last week and his leadership will enormously benefit our College and likewise the many communities within EREA Colleges Ltd.

Chris is a senior executive with 25 years' experience in management, education, law and policy in both the private and public sectors. He comes to EREA from Queensland Catholic Education Commission, where he was most recently the Acting Executive Director, and substantively the Chief Operating Officer and Company Secretary since 2016. Chris has broad experience in a faith-based setting, with

work focused on mission and identity. Chris also brings significant leadership experience in complex strategy, governance, and assurance functions.

Chris is obviously excited for his journey that includes great support for our community:

“I look forward to serving and leading in a system setting and working directly with a wonderful network of colleges, people and communities across Australia. This new role enables me to build on a special connection with EREA, with my father, uncles, brothers, myself, and my sons all having had the opportunity to attend Catholic schools founded in the Edmund Rice tradition. I am privileged and humbled to serve EREA as it renews its commitment to governance structures and processes which best support its school communities.”

Chris looks forward to visiting St Paul's College for the first time in June.

High Expectations – attending always and on time

As outlined in the College's Our Common Ground, respectful relationships set the foundation for our lives at St Paul's College. For this reason, respect needs to be central for every student, staff member and family and there are very simple ways to show a commitment to respect that can easily improve outcomes.

Perhaps the easiest way to demonstrate respect and commit to success is by ensuring that students attend always, and on time. Attendance and punctuality may seem trivial or assumed, but we know that as winter creeps in and the year grows longer, there is a risk to be late to school/class and perhaps even a risk to attendance.

Simply reminding ourselves that the only way to be successful at school is to be at school, motivates us to prioritise attendance. By extension, being punctual leads to success because it shows others and ourselves that we are committed to learning and committed to the community – we care.

Students and families are reminded that attendance and punctuality are absolutely demanded of students (and likewise staff), with thanks for prioritising these as obvious signs of respect and commitment.

Josh Foulis
Acting Principal

Primary Years Update



Dear Families,

Over the past few weeks I, have enjoyed watching engaged learners across the Primary Years who have been working hard on their class tasks. It has been especially exciting to see our Reception students taking off with their learning as their knowledge and skills grow.

A major focus this term is building writing stamina. Writing stamina means being able to write for an extended period of time without losing focus, being distracted by another task, or giving up. Writing Stamina is important because as educators, we want children to be able to communicate their ideas effectively. During the course of their education, students are expected to write for longer periods of time. Being able to concentrate and write for extended periods is a skill that, once developed, will allow children to work on the quality of their writing and focus on other skills such as spelling and grammar. Take the time to talk with your child/ren about their writing and help instil a love for this artful skill.

Reconciliation is a journey for all Australians, as individuals, families, communities, organisations, and importantly as a nation. At the heart of this journey are relationships between the broader Australian community and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples.

Reconciliation Week commences on Monday 29 May following Sorry Day on Friday 26 May. The theme "Be a voice for generations", focuses on action now to create a more just, equitable, and reconciled country for all. You may find that your children may wish to have a conversation with you around this over the next few weeks because of their classroom learning and experiences.

Please be aware that there are a lot of germs circulating in the college community at the moment with coughs, colds, flus, and some cases of covid. It is important to remember that if your child is unwell the best place for them is to be at home until they feel better.

I look forward to seeing you around the Primary Years space.

Until next fortnight, take care.

Marianne Loftus

Head of Primary Years

National Simultaneous Storytime

Yesterday our Primary Years students participated in National Simultaneous Storytime. At 10.30am students right around Australia shared the same book 'The Speedy Sloth', a wonderful story about having a go and trying your best! Students were very impressed with their special guest readers from our Leadership team.



Mother's Day Liturgy - Primary Years

On Friday of Week 2, we welcomed Primary Years mothers and significant women to celebrate Mother's Day with a liturgy and morning tea. The Liturgy was a beautiful way to celebrate the strong, loving, and compassionate women that nurture our young people. The St Paul's College Liturgical Dance group performed a dance dedicated to the mothers within our community.

For the students, the highlights included...

"I liked seeing my Mum at school."

"My Mum waved to me, and she got up and read in front of everyone. She did a really good job"

"I liked singing the song at the liturgy. I knew all the actions"

"I had fun when I was reading and using the microphone. My Mum saw me."

"My Mum looked at me and she was smiling."

It was lovely to welcome so many members of the Primary Years community to celebrate this special occasion.

Miranda McGlaughlin

Acting Religious Identity Leader Primary Years



Year 11 Biology Dissection

In Stage 1 Biology, we are currently learning about body systems and the structure and function of organs. In today's practical lesson, we were given a sheep pluck which had the lungs, heart and liver attached. During the dissection we removed the heart and liver and then closely examined the structure of the lungs. It was interesting to see that lung tissue floated on water and muscle tissue from the diaphragm sank. This is because the lungs have millions of air sacs called alveoli. We were able to identify the four chambers of the heart, valves and blood vessels. It was great to link classroom learning to real life examples.

Levi Sutton



Stage 1 Visual Art: Surrealist Artworks

Students in Miss Harrison and Mr Shepley's Year 11 Visual Art classes have been working hard to complete Folio's and Artworks around the theme of Surrealism. They have taken inspiration from the Surrealism art movement and artists to develop their own artworks.

Well done Stage 1 students!

Sarah Fedele

Leader of Learning - The Arts



Prefects

Our 2023 College Prefect Team continued their commitment to strategic action on Friday, when they shared lunch with Mr Chris Edge, old scholar and long-serving Chairperson of our School Advisory Council (SAC). Alongside updates on the many projects from student leaders throughout the school, our Prefects were able to clarify the long-term, strategic priorities of the College, while Chris was able to seek input from our Prefect Team to inform that direction. With exceptional leadership like this on all fronts, we know our College will benefit greatly!



Cocurricular Wrap Up

Middle A2 Soccer (Year 8)

The frosty winter co-curricular Saturday mornings are back, and so is the season for football. The Middle A2 Soccer boys have started the season tremendously well. The boys are undefeated through two games, defeating Marryatville High School 5-0 at home and digging deep for a well fought out 1-1 draw to Trinity College away, in challenging conditions.

Away from the Saturday morning competition, the boys will be participating in the Year 8 Knockout State Championships commencing on the 16th of June. The boys are looking forward to representing the college within this competition, demonstrating our motto 'Fight the Good Fight'.

Matthew Stramare

First XI Soccer

What an exciting start to the 2023 First XI soccer season. Once again, we are playing in the Wednesday competition. And this season we have a strong team with most of the players having played in the competition in 2022.

The three games that we have played so far have been a draw against Gleeson, a convincing win against Pembroke, and a humbling loss to Blackfriars. I am looking forward to the rest of the season.

The team for this season: Liam D (C), Awan K, Jayden W, Anthony Y, Alex S, Chris S, Ethan G, Alessandro T (GK), Damien F, Will B, Jonothan M, Marcus W, Cohen K, Aidan C, Noah M, Kohda B

Walter Chatindiara

Cocurricular Week 3 Results

[Click to view](#)



Year 8 Girls Indoor Soccer Tournament

On Tuesday Week 4 our Year 8 Soccer Girls competed in the Indoor Knockout Soccer Tournament at St Clair Recreation Centre. The girls represented the college with determination and strength. They placed 3rd overall after a nail-biting game to determine who would go through to the Grand Final. These girls should be congratulated for their efforts. A big thank you to Mr. Gillard for allowing these girls the opportunity to play.

Sarah Fedele - Leader of Learning - The Arts
(Soccer Coach)



Netball SA Sessions

During the beginning of Term 2, students in years 4-6 were lucky enough to have Netball SA visit us to run specialized netball sessions during our PE lessons. Students learnt a range of games and new skills that they have been able to use throughout the remainder of our netball unit this term.

Chad Wood

Primary Teacher - PE



Year 7 Retreat

On Thursday of Week Two, our year 7 cohort departed St Paul's College and travelled to Belair National Park to engage with their first retreat here at the college. The theme of the retreat was Appreciation of the Environment. Students' learning was an extension of their Christian Service Learning in Term 1. The weather was absolutely perfect, allowing students to further develop their growing faith, whilst engaging in activities such as nature walks, meditation, nature sketching and utilising the stunning nature playground. All recognising the important role we play in protecting our environment.

Matthew Stramare

Acting Religious Identity Leader (Middle Years)



Life Education Australia sessions



In Week 3 students in the Primary Years participated in sessions with Life Education Australia. Life Education sessions can equip students with the fundamental knowledge, skills, and strategies they need to thrive. Programs are delivered by a team of specially trained educators covering a variety of age-appropriate lessons to further support the Australian Curriculum.

Samantha Stokes

Head of Wellbeing (Primary Years)

Edmund Rice Art Competition



On Edmund Rice Day our Primary students were invited to participate in an Art Competition based on the Edmund Rice Icon. Students could choose between colouring in the icon or designing their own icon which represented the Primary Years at St Paul's College. It was wonderful to see so many high-quality entries. Congratulations to our winners, William, Riley, Leonardo, and Ellie.

Miranda McGlaughlin
Acting Religious Identity Leader Primary Years

Calling all volunteer superheroes!



Have you thought about volunteering, but don't know where to start? St Paul's is always on the lookout for helpers in many different areas. Any amount of time you can contribute will be greatly appreciated.

Examples include - excursions, reading, coaching, officiating at sports day, helping at events, Parents & Friends, cooking for families in need, breakfast club, working bees, sustainability committee, community garden work, homework club, guest speaker, mentor, hosting a work experience student.

If you are interested, please complete the following SHORT survey and we can contact you with further information.

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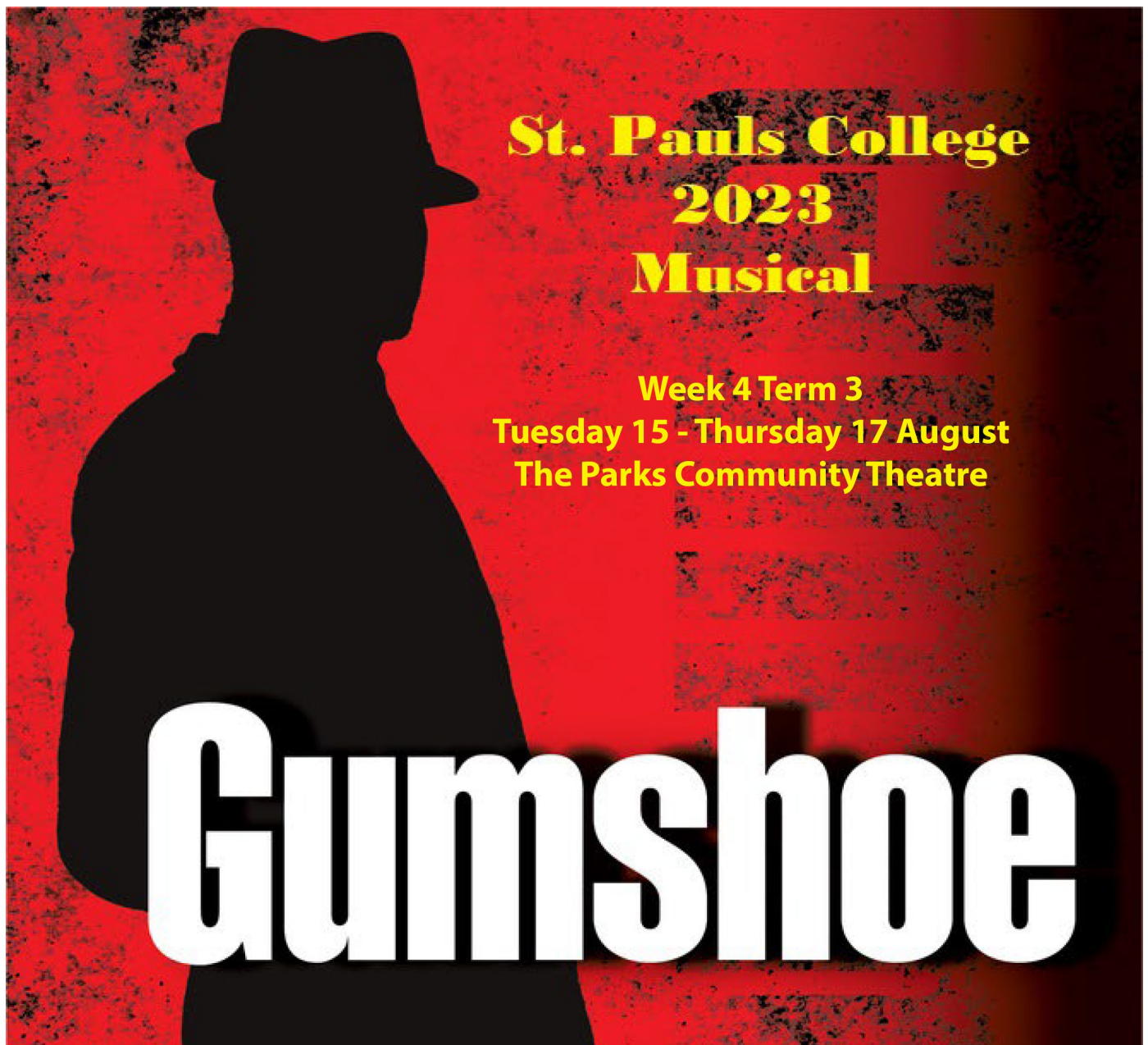
St Paul's College Staff Profiles



Over the coming weeks we will be featuring profiles of some of our amazing staff here at St Paul's College. This week we start with our amazing Jo-Anne Williams who has recently reached her 20 year milestone with us.

Ms Jo-Anne Williams is well known by so many of our students and families who she has enormously assisted in her 20 years at St Paul's College. The many changes within the College throughout this time has witnessed Jo-Anne take on many positions, all focussed on preparing young people for the world in front of them. Currently, our VET and Careers Coordinator, Ms Williams knowledge of industry and pathways is exceptional and students often call upon this expertise for work placement, career pathways and apprentice opportunities. In fact, graduates continue to seek her guidance well after completing studies at St Paul's, which demonstrates the relationships with students that is central to Jo-Anne's service in our community. The work that Ms Williams also does to assist students with academic, social or emotional challenges, further proves her commitment to helping every person reach their potential and achieve success, whereby regular involvement on excursions and Senior Years Retreats extends this commitment to a human and holistic education. We extend our gratitude for her service.

Gumshoe - St Paul's College Musical



The Annual St Paul's musical for 2023 is 'Gumshoe'. A detective musical which takes you across the globe to solve the mystery of the missing diamond- the Princess of India.

Rehearsals are well underway, with many interesting characters such as Mac Hunter PI, played by Torin Hill; Peta Steel the ambitious news reporter who is always on the case, played by Hannah Poel. Other interesting characters include Svetlana Von Bizzaro, Detective Becker, Carla, the mad Professor, and many others.

There are also many fabulous songs played by the St Paul's band. Live musical theatre is such a wonderful event.

Diary Date: Tuesday 15 August to Thursday 17 August at Parks Community Theatre

Tickets will be available soon from student reception

Adults \$15

Students/Children \$10

Hope to see you there.

Mr Antenucci, Ms Nguyen, Mr Elliott, the cast and crew.

Homework Club

Students in Years 5 -12 may attend Homework Club in the Resource Centre, Monday to Thursday from 3.30 - 4.30pm.

Staffing Week 5

Mon - Christabella Iuliano, LEAF Teacher

Tues - Robert Nak, LEAF, Business, PLP

Wed - Kristian Olsen, LEAF / English Teacher

Thurs - Rachel Lynds, Leader of Learning Senior Years English & HASS

Staffing Week 6

Mon - Daniel Shepley, Art / Media Arts

Tues - Layal Andary

Wed - Jessica Stace, HPE

Thurs - Drew Akin, English / Music

Uniform Shop Updates

Uniform shop operating hours for the July school holidays will be:

Week 1 - **CLOSED**

Week 2 - Wednesday 19 July & Thursday 20 July Open: 9am - 3pm

If you require several uniform items, appointments are necessary for fitting.

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