



## Upcoming Events

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### Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

Date: Monday 11 March

### NAPLAN

Date: Wednesday 13 March  
- Monday 25 March

### Primary Years Tour, Reception 2026 Enrolments

Date: Thursday 14 March  
Time: 4:00pm

### College Tour, Year 7 2026 & 2027 Enrolments

Date: Thursday 14 March  
Time: 5:00pm

### Parents and Friends Meeting

Date: Monday 18 March  
Time: 6:00pm

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## From the Principal



Newsletter Week 6 Term 1 2024.

Dear Friends and Families of St Paul's,

It is Week 6 of Term 1, we are in March and yet we seem to be having the summer heat we normally have in the first two weeks of the school year! When this coincides with the normal building academic pressures of this reporting period, it makes life interesting.

Nevertheless, the College continues to provide a plethora of celebrations and activities to give each student the opportunity to shine.

### **Sports Days**

Last Thursday and Friday we held the two annual College Sports Days. These magnificent community celebration days are a wonderful opportunity for students to show their outstanding abilities and for everyone to become involved and contribute to the overall accumulation of points for their Houses. A full report is provided in the newsletter and on our Facebook pages, but it is my absolute pleasure to sincerely thank and congratulate the key personnel involved in what is quite literally a mountain of work. Mr Nick Gillard our Co-curricular Coordinator, his newly appointed 2-I-C Mr Marcu Deluca and Mr Chad Wood (Primary PE teacher) need our sincere thanks and congratulations for producing what were outstanding events. They are amazingly successful on many levels but for me personally their greatest success is in the continued growth in community building, involvement, and celebration.

### **Parents and Friends Support**

While congratulating staff in relation to these days I must also thank and congratulate the work done by Ms Claire Di Carlo and Ms Natalie Davey for their amazing work on sports days in providing tremendous support for the College and the students at the food stalls. Both ladies gave up workdays to come and support the College and their efforts were and are enormously appreciated by us all.

### **New Staff Member**

I would like to introduce you to a new member of our staff, Ms Claudio Lamberto. Claudio is our Community Support Officer and while she has only been with us a short while she has already made a significant impact. Claudio's role is to support our Catholic Identity Team particularly in helping members of our community with any specific needs that they may have. Claudio has provided students and families with necessities and has also joined with students in promoting International Women's Day and cooked a BBQ for staff and students. If anyone in our community needs our support or knows of individuals or families who likewise need us, then please feel free to reach out to Claudia and she will be more than will offer some assistance on our behalf.

### **Yr 8 and Yr 4 Camps**

This week we held our annual Year 4 and Year 8 camps. The year 8's ventured, in two separate groups to Hindmarsh Island and the Year 4's ventured to AFL Max at West beach.

Both events have been extremely successful and so well received by students and families alike. They are such an important part of all students' education and provide the opportunity to develop both deep personal skills and very much needed resilience skills. I thank the staff who give up the time away from families and friends to make these events so successful.

### **Personal leave**

On Thursday afternoon all the families received correspondence from the CEO of EREA College Ltd, Mr Chris Wooley, as well as from myself explaining arrangements regarding the Principal and Deputy Principal positions for Terms 2 and 3 of this year. As a part of this announcement, I would like to congratulate Mr Josh Foulis, our extremely diligent Deputy Principal who will step up in my absence and add our community's welcome to Mr Frank Renaldo who will join us as Acting Deputy during that time. Frank is an extremely experienced Deputy from our fellow Edmund Rice College, Rostrevor, and I'm sure you will all welcome him into this amazing friendly and welcoming St Paul's community.

Take care over the upcoming long and hot weekend.

God Bless

Paul Belton

## **From the Secondary Years**

### **Secondary Sports Day 2024**

On Friday, March 1, the College held its annual Secondary Sports Day, which was once again a terrific success. The school oval was awash with colour as staff, students and families embraced their House spirit in support of their House, with record levels of participation and involvement in events across Years 7 to 12.

Students are to be commended for how they conducted themselves throughout the day, whether it be through participation, cheering on their peers, or general behaviour and conduct. A big thank you to all parents and families who also came out to cheer on their sons and daughters throughout the day, which is a testament to our collaborative sense of school community and support.

Tremendous thanks to everyone who was involved in putting on such a terrific event, including our Maintenance Team, Parents and Friends Committee, all staff, and students, and in particular, our Sports and Co-Curricular Development Coordinator, Mr Nick Gillard, and his Assistant, Mr Marcus De Luca.

### **NAPLAN Testing**

In Weeks 7 and 8, our Year 7 and 9 students will be participating in NAPLAN testing. Such data assists the school in determining the effectiveness of our current Literacy and Numeracy programs, areas for improvement, and where further interventions may be needed to further support our students to improve learning outcomes. Students are required to ensure their laptops are fully charged, bring their chargers with them to testing, and complete any software updates the night before testing.

### **International Women's Day**

International Women's Day (March 8) is a global day celebrating the social, economic, cultural, and political achievements of women, while also shedding light on issues such as gender equality, reproductive rights, and violence and abuse against women.

This year's theme is #InspireInclusion providing an opportunity to share appreciation and gratitude for the important women in our lives. This is a particularly important message and theme for the St Paul's community as we continue our transition to co-education.

As part of International Women's Day, staff and students have been participating in various activities and fundraising events throughout the week. This has included a range of student activities during Pastoral Care to express gratitude and appreciation for important women in students' lives, and a BBQ sausage sizzle, with all proceeds going towards the Community Engagement Program from the Edmund Rice Foundation, which works with three rural communities in Zambia to ensure women and children live free of gender-based violence and its traumatic effects.

A special thank you to your Community Support Officer, Miss Claudia Lamberto, for all her work in organising these activities throughout the week, and to all students and staff for their engagement in supporting such an important event.

### **After-School Support Services**

A reminder to students and families of the following after-school support services. Please note a minor change to start and finish times:

Support Service	Venue	Time
Homework Club	Resource Centre	3:20pm - 4:20pm
Work Completion	Resource Centre	3:20pm - 4:20pm
Wednesday Reflection (formerly Community Service)	T101	3:20pm - 4:20pm

## From the Primary Years

Dear Families,

St Paul's College has a strong professional learning community of teachers who work in a collaborative culture of high expectations. Our teachers engage in weekly professional learning outside of their teaching workload, that is pivotal to our continued growth as a Primary Years and as a profession. At times our staff attend professional learning opportunities to build their capacity in an area they may be leading within the college, or a focus that supports our college's strategic directions. This may occur during the school day. At all times, school teaching and learning programs continue with the teacher that we have employed for the day.

Mrs Samantha Hanks, our Head of Wellbeing, recently took our Year 6 student ambassadors to the Halogen leadership conference, a fabulous opportunity for them to connect, be inspired and see the endless possibilities of what they can achieve.

A reminder that NAPLAN commences next week, for students in Years 3 and 5. This is one set of tests at one point of time. We encourage our students to do their best. As parents, if you can ensure they are at school with plenty of time, have had good quality sleep and the equipment they need (fully charged device) then this helps so much with them feeling prepared for the days. You know your child best so consider the positive conversations you can have at home that will support them.

If you have any questions about NAPLAN or other Teaching and Learning queries in our Primary Years, please feel welcome to contact Nadia Morris, our Leader of Teaching and Learning [nmorris@stpauls.sa.edu.au](mailto:nmorris@stpauls.sa.edu.au) and she will be more than happy to speak or meet with you.

As a college, we teach students about the appropriate use of their devices, and parents sign a contract supporting our college to monitor the proper use of devices and home monitoring.

To support the children in our care, St Paul's College:

- Educates students of the dangers of inappropriate use of the internet
- Monitors the use of any form of ICT in normal school hours and the use of the school email system at all times, and will deal with anything deemed inappropriate
- Refers anything that we believe could be defined as, or could potentially lead to a Child Protection issue, to the appropriate external agencies
- Supports parents with advice on how to tackle inappropriate use either by their own child or others

Just like their interactions in person, online interactions require supervision and support from families. What is deemed appropriate, will vary from family to family but the strategies we expect of families include:

- Closely monitoring your child's use of devices for the apps that are downloaded
- Enacting parental controls with your internet access at home
- Reviewing the messages they send on platforms and apps – making monitoring part of a daily or weekly routine
- Setting expectations about which space, preferably communal and not in bedrooms, and also the times they have access to devices
- Encouraging them to share or discuss with you what they are doing

We take these matters very seriously and by working together, I trust that we can keep our students safe and protected.

Until next fortnight, take care.

Marianne Loftus - Head of Primary Years

## St Paul's College Announces 36ers High Performance Basketball Program



Mr Paul Belton, Principal is proud to announce St Paul's College is an official partner of the Adelaide 36ers and is an official High Performance Academy school.

"Basketball is an extremely popular sport at St Paul's College. Through access to the 36ers club's resources and knowledge throughout the year, this partnership will deliver outstanding opportunities to our students to develop in the sport." Mr Belton said

The College will benefit from exclusive access to coaches, training sessions, coach education, leadership engagements, match day experiences and clinics.

Adelaide 36ers GM of Social Impact & Community Ross Wait said "the High-Performance Program is a fantastic resource for schools to improve their skills both on and off the court and is thrilled St Paul's has joined for 2024."

"The High-Performance Program is a great tool for the schools involved to connect with the club and use our skills and connections to improve their basketball and education programs," Mr Wait said.

Nicholas Gillard, Sport & Co-Curricular Development Coordinator said, "Our community is so excited about the opportunity to be a part of this High-performance program with the 36ers. Our students and families will get to experience high level coaching and leadership opportunities. We are thrilled to be a part of the 36ers family and are so excited to see where the program will take us."

## From the APRIM

### Lent

This week brought about the halfway mark in our Lenten journey. Pope Francis recently reflected on Lent being a "a season of conversion, a time of freedom". Many in our community make a choice to go without or to sacrifice certain items during Lent. May our prayer this Lent be that through our small sacrifices, we might allow ourselves to become more free and more open to the ongoing personal change that the Gospel demands.

Project Compassion boxes are in all of our secondary and primary classrooms. Donations to Project Compassion support the work of

Caritas Australia, which works alongside vulnerable communities in Australia and overseas to address the challenges of poverty today, and to drive lasting change for a better tomorrow". Students can donate loose change, or donations can be made at the link here.

### Ramadan

This Saturday marks the beginning of the holy month of Ramadan in the Muslim faith. Through the initiative of some of our Muslim secondary students, we have created a prayer space which will be available during Ramadan. Students are invited to attend the Auditorium at lunchtimes for this important practice.

Dale Clarke

APRIM

## Sports Day Wrap Up 2024



Over 2 days the college celebrated our Primary and Secondary Sports days.

Both days were a huge success with staff, students and families coming together in amazing weather to have 2 fun-filled days.

Marlow once again held onto their crown and became Sports Day champions.

Dally House took out the novelty shield and O'Loughlin house took out the House spirit shield.

We had a number of new records start this year including plenty in the girl's age groups as we continue to grow in our Co-Ed Journey.

U13 Girls:

- Javelin – Ilana Kollias
- Shot Put – Lila Dekic
- 800m – Keria Neill
- 200m – Keria Neill
- Triple Jump – Ava Schultz
- High Jump - Georgia Todea

U14 Girls:

- Shot Put – Kelsey Beeching
- 200m – Charlize Izzini
- 400m – Charlize Izzini

- High Jump – Charlize Izzini

U14 Boys:

- 200m - Rowan McClelland

Open Girls:

- 800m – Anna Bior
- 400m – Anna Bior
- 1500m – Anna Bior
- Discus – Kadijat Sidibay
- High Jump – Kadijat Sidibay
- Long Jump – Emma Aluong

Below is a breakdown of results and the age group champions for 2024.

U13 B	U13 G	U14 B	U14 G	U15	U16	Open G	Open B
Darcy R	Keira N	Jono M	Charlize I	Aidan B	Favour I	Kadijat S	Courage P
Jaxon F	Mia T	Rowan M	Fatima K	Lucas G	Tarkyn G	Anna B	Marc F
Mugisha H	Lila D	Burak A	Eade C	James D	Blake J	Fatima F	Martin T

Overall Scores:

1st: Marlow – 1837

2nd: Dally – 1802

3rd: O'Loughlin – 1681

4th: Nagle – 1557

5th: Gleeson – 1547









## Jon Madin Music Incursion

Last week our primary students had an amazing 2 days participating in workshops run by musical extraordinaire Jon Madin! Lots of fun was had playing on marimbas, drums and the wacky homemade instruments that Jon brings along.



## Student Leaders 8-12 2024

Congratulations to the following Year 8-12 students who have been selected as student leaders for 2024. Our Year 7 leaders will be announced later in the term.

### Dally House

- Captain: Kye Randle
- Year 11: Jamie Agius
- Year 10: Jacob Ivancic & Josh Pleskot
- Middle School Captains: Eva Cho & Abigail Banez

- Year 8: Marco Meola & Sibel Aksoy

#### **Gleeson House**

- Captain: Dante Bates
- Year 11: Kai Beaumont
- Year 10: Thomas San Diego
- Middle School Captains: Anna Bior & Arnav Tomar
- Year 8: Charlize Izzini & Henry Schiller

#### **Marlow House**

- Captain: Jack Dimasi
- Year 11: Kingston Hammond
- Year 10: Aidan Blowes & Tamer Abou Hamzeh
- Middle School Captains: Joshua Edwards & Sofia Donnarumma
- Year 8: Beau Gavros & Mila Casey

#### **Nagle House**

- Captain: Ryan Simpson
- Year 11: Jackson Rohrlach
- Year 10: Aryaan Nayee & Kadijat Sidibay
- Middle School Captains: Smit Choksi, Zoe Walter & Oscar Lauterbach

#### **O'Loughlin House**

- Captain: Christian Kovios
- Year 11: Jay Faugno
- Year 10: Alessandra Pergoleto & Blake Jones
- Middle School Captains: Mannat Kataria & Luca Ferini
- Year 8: Eva Hinde & PJ Munchenberg

## Year 12 Outdoor Ed Surf Camp

Our Year 12 Outdoor Education students had a great time on their 3 day surfing camp at Berry Bay on the Yorke Peninsula. They were very lucky with the perfect weather and surf to enable them to complete their assessment.



## Year 8 Camp Group 1

Our first group of Year 8 campers had an amazing time at their two night camp to Hindmarsh Island. This camp experience is designed to extend students outside their comfort zones, with an overnight kayaking expedition, sleeping in tents and preparing meals on the Trangia. Other activities included surfing, fishing and sailing at Goolwa beach. Students build resilience, teamwork and relationships away from technology! Our second group of campers are due back today.



## Cocurricular Program

View results for Term 1 Week 4 [here](#)

View results for Term 1 Week 5 [here](#)

### Week 6 fixture



## Cricket World Cup Champion

Our very own PE teacher Mr Peter Judd is an Over 60's Cricket World Cup champion! Peter was Vice Captain of the Australian team in their defeat of England by 8 wickets to take out the World Cup in Chennai, India! A big congratulations to him and his team.



## 10 & Under State League Tennis Championship

A huge congratulations to Year 6 student, Kavish and his team who have won the 10 and Under State League Tennis Championship, representing North East District.

Kavish has a great attitude and is always looking for ways to improve upon his all-round skillset in PE. It's awesome to see him rewarded for his hard work. Well done Kavish!

Chad Wood - Primary PE



Primary Lots of Socks Day

# Lots of Socks Day!

A celebration for World Down Syndrome Day



**Celebrate what's unique about you!**

Wear your coolest socks on

**Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024** (Week 8)

## Homework Club

Monday to Thursday, between 3.20pm and 4.20pm, students from Years 5 to 12 are welcome to attend Homework Club in the Resource Centre. Staffing for Week 7 and Week 8 will be:

### Week 7

Monday - Public Holiday  
Tuesday - Stewart Fraser  
Wednesday - Ryan Austin  
Thursday - Sarah Fedele (Art)

### Week 8

Monday - Bernie Cummings  
Tuesday - Jonathan Prenzler (Design & Construction)  
Wednesday - Stash Domiszewski  
Thursday - Michael Sosa



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# Uniform Shop - Midford

St Paul's College School Uniform Shop will close for the school holidays on Friday 12 April at 4.00pm and we will reopen on Monday 22 April at 9.00am

## **Extended Term 2 Trading Hours**

- Monday 22 April to Friday 26 April Open 9 am – 4 pm
- Closed Thursday 25th April for Anzac Day
- Returning to normal hours on Tuesday 30 April

Throughout the school term our opening hours are:

- Tuesday, 8.00 am - 4.00 pm
- Wednesday, 8.00 am - 4.00 pm
- Thursday, 8.00 am - 4.00 pm

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International Women's Day



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