





## FROM THE HEADMASTER



### FORGIVENESS

Last week I wrote about a book I was reading, Edith Eger's "The Choice". That work tells her story as a survivor of Auschwitz and the impact the unimaginable trauma had on her.

Edith, like Viktor Frankl, survived because she knew, no matter the circumstances, that she always had choices.

Edith's journey following her liberation led her to a point of confrontation of the past. After much painful reflection, she came to the realisation that she would never overcome the past. It cannot be transcended or excised. Her experiences

lived on within her. They made her into the person she is today. However, she experienced real freedom from her suffering because she learned to forgive.

I think the most powerful climatic statement in the book is when Edith says, "I don't know that forgiving Hitler isn't the hardest thing I'll ever do. The hardest person to forgive is someone I've yet to confront: myself".

In two weeks' time, we will all enjoy a long weekend. Some of you might even attend a church service to celebrate Easter.

At its core, the Easter story is about forgiveness. It is about an opportunity to be released from the mistakes of our past, present and future; we just have to accept the free offer that God in all his graciousness holds out to us.

Immense healing, freedom and peace is in knowing that we are truly forgiven, and because we are forgiven, we have permission to forgive ourselves. We do not have to hang onto that pain or guilt.

If that isn't good news enough, there's more. When we accept the free gift of forgiveness, we also receive the gift of a life beyond what we currently experience.

This life is not all that there is – there is far more.





## FROM THE HEADMASTER

Now that I've left you with enough of a teaser, why don't you find out more? If you have a bible, I encourage you to read the Gospel of Mark. Alternatively, look out for an Easter service and hear first-hand about this great news.

Lastly, I would also like to mention the decision of our School Council Chair, Mr Rob Law, to step down from the St Paul's School Council for personal reasons. I am grateful for the wisdom and experience Rob has brought since he was appointed to Council a little over a year ago, and I wish him all the best in the future. The Diocese will shortly commence the process of appointing a new Chair.

DR PAUL BROWNING HEADMASTER



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# SECONDARY SCHOOL

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Please find a complete list of dates in the School calendar, accessible via Parent Lounge.

Activity	Date
FIRST DAY TERM 2	Tues 23 April
ANZAC Day Memorial Service	Wed 24 April
Year 12 QCS Practice Test	30 April – 1 May
Inter-House Cross Country Carnival	Thurs 2 May
Year 12 Parent/teacher Interviews	Tues 7 May
Year 12 Photo	Mon 13 May, 2.15pm
NAPLAN	14 – 16 May
Year 8 Camp	14 – 17 May
Year 11 GCC Meetings	Thurs 23 May

### YEAR 7 IMMUNISATIONS

Year 7 immunisation took place on the 20 March.

If your child missed their immunisation, Brisbane City Council will be in contact with parents/guardians.

Students can still be immunised:

- at a catch-up school immunisation clinic (Contact Brisbane City Council on: 13 43 25 84)
- at your doctor, free community immunisation clinic (Contact Brisbane City Council on: 13 43 25 84)



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# SECONDARY SCHOOL

### EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING UPDATE | KOKODA TRACK



Training for September's Kokoda Challenge got underway on Sunday with an early morning climb of Mount Ngungun, one of the Glasshouse Mountains. The team assembled at 8:30am and despite the steamy conditions of the morning made the ascent in around thirty minutes. The view from the top of Ngungun is quite spectacular. If any of our families are looking for an uplifting family activity on a weekend, it is a great little climb. As a starting point for our Kokoda preparation it was ideal. Team trainings will increase in length and intensity over the course of the year as we need to be ready for the torturous ascents of the Owen Stanley Ranges, but Sunday's climb was a perfect way to get the preparation underway.

#### Read more HERE.

Also coming up in the Experiential Learning sphere is the Year 8 Outdoor Education Journey in week 14 of the semester. The entire Year 8 cohort will be bussing out on Tuesday, 14th May and engaging in an expedition experience across four days, returning to school on Friday, 17th of May.

Read more HERE.

Mr Cameron Howes Head of Experiential Learning Development

#### **CAREERS EXPO**

Counselling Department will be hosting a Careers Expo on Monday, 20 May 2019 from 2.25 pm – 3.30pm. We have invited Universities, TAFE, Defence Force, Emergency Services and various private training providers to attend. This is a great opportunity for all Year 10, 11 and 12 students and parents to find out more information about career pathways you may be interested in.

More information will be provide closer to the day.

### SECONDARY SCHOOL ASSESSMENT PLANNERS AND SUBJECT LEARNING OUTLINES

Parents and Caregivers, do you know you can access your student's Assessment Planner and Subject Learning Outlines via Parent Lounge? This information is readily available to assist you to support your student's learning.

<u>Attached is a step by step guide to access the information</u>. If you have further questions, please do not hesitate to contact your student's House Tutor.





## SECONDARY SCHOOL

### LOST PROPERTY

Lost Property will now be kept in the Krebs centre reception, and students are most welcome to come and check for their misplaced belongings.

To assist with managing the number of unnamed items making their way to Lost Property, these items will be kept for two weeks. After this time items such as drink bottles, lunch boxes etc will be disposed of, and unnamed clothing will be donated to charity.

Every effort will be made to locate the owners of named lost property and valuable items such as watches, blazers etc via student emails.

It would be greatly appreciated if clothing items, calculators, bottles etc could all be clearly named.

### **QCS SPECIAL PROVISIONS (YEAR 12)**





For all Queensland schools

If you have a medical condition, impairment, or other circumstance that will make it difficult for you to sit the test on the same basis as other students, we may be able to offer you special provision.

Click on the image above for more details.





## JUNIOR SCHOOL

### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Please find a complete list of dates in the School calendar, accessible via Parent Lounge.

Activity	Date
FIRST DAY OF TERM 2	Tue 23 April
Anzac Day	Thur 25 April
JSSG Meeting	Thur 2 May
Labour Day	Mon 6 May
Mother's Day Stall	Tue 7 May
Twilight Open Evening (PP - 6)	Wed 8 May
Year 3 Excursion (City Hall)	Thur 9 May
Year 1 Stargazing Night	Fri 10 May

#### EASTER BONNET PARADE

The Easter Bonnet Parade is a highlight in our calendar. The whole Junior School community gathered, parents, staff and older students, as Pre-Prep to Year 2 students walked around in their best Easter hats.

There was such a fun atmosphere full of laughter, dancing and lots of chatter. Thanks to all the parents who attended!

More photos can be found on Facebook HERE.







# SPORT

### HOLIDAY TENNIS CLINICS

#### TENNIS CLINICS AVAILABLE AT ST PAUL'S

Come along these school holidays and join in with head coach **Chris Lee** for everything tennis! Our Hot Shots Holiday Clinics are all about learning the game and enjoying a day full of fun and engaging tennis games. A great way to learn the fundamental skills so you can rally and play with your friends!

#### ALREADY PLAY?

Why not enrol in our development clinic. Take your game to the next level with a comprehensive program sure to improve your technical and tactical skills.

For more information please follow the link to our website: http://shawparktennis.com.au/st-pauls-tennis/



### HOLIDAY CRICKET CLINICS

Pre Performance Cricket are hosting a Cricket Camp at St Paul's from Mon 8 - Wed 10 April.

Catering for ages 7 – 16, the team offers intensive individual and group skill development for all ages and stage across the facets of the game.

All details can be found HERE.





## **GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS & NOTICES**

### **#GIVEFIRST WITH NO EXPECTATION OF RETURN | PART 2**



I hope last week gave you an insight into the purpose of entrepreneurial thinking and why the Australian, Queensland, and Local Governments are investing time, energy, and resources to improving our innovation and entrepreneurial ecosystems. Importantly, how St Paul's is positioned in the entrepreneurial ecosystem. Have no idea what I am talking about?

#### Here is last week's edition.

When I tell people I went on a mission, not a holiday, a tour or a junket, I do get interesting looks and scepticism. I liken it to a space mission, such as the 'Mission to Mars' or 'Mission to the Moon'. In the words of NASA: "The mission programs are designed to land humans on the moon and bring them safely back to earth. To land on the moon, return a wealth of scientific data and kilograms of lunar samples. Space missions are NASA's long-term efforts to develop future capabilities for human space exploration". Astronauts are not there for a holiday, a break or a change of scenery! They are there to research, absorb, be challenged, change, explore, and provide feedback to better understand space and future potentials.

Read more HERE.

Dr Renae Jones Director of the Centre for Innovators and Entrepreneurs

#### ANZAC DAY MEMORIAL SERVICE



Members of the St Paul's Community are invited to attend the 2019 ANZAC Day Memorial Service, to be held on **Wednesday 24 April.** 

More details can be found HERE.





# **GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS & NOTICES**

### **STUDENT PROTECTION**

St Paul's School and St Paul's Early Learning Centre support the rights of children and young people and are committed to ensuring the safety, welfare and wellbeing of students and children.

St Paul's School and St Paul's Early Learning Centre is therefore committed to responding to allegations of student harm resulting from the conduct or actions of any person including that of employees.

This commitment includes the provision of a safe and supportive living and learning environment for all students and requires all employees, volunteers and visitors to model and encourage behaviour that upholds the dignity and protection of students and children from harm.

Do you know who our friendly Student Protection Officers are?





Mr Ken McDonald

Mrs Karen Semple



Mrs Marianne Connolly

Mr Tim Hughes

#### **ENTERTAINMENT BOOK**

The new 2019 | 2020 Entertainment Books are coming soon!

Order your new 2019|2020 Entertainment ™ Membership today to receive up to \$120 in Early Bird Offers!

Choose from the traditional <u>Entertainment<sup>™</sup> Book</u> or the NEW <u>Entertainment<sup>™</sup> Digital Membership</u>, which puts the value of the Book onto your iPhone or Android smartphone!

Each membership has hundreds of 50% off and 2-for-1 offers for restaurants, cafés, attractions, hotels, shopping, groceries and travel and contain over 2,000 offers that you can use whenever you like until 1<sup>st</sup> June 2020.



PLUS St Paul's School retains 20% of the price of every Membership sold which goes towards Vanuatu Outreach Program)!

Order now: https://www.entbook.com.au/22040p5





# **GENERAL SCHOOL NEWS & NOTICES**

#### **TERM 2 FEES**

Term 2 fee accounts have now been sent. If you are not on an arrangement or Direct Debit with the School, please note fees are due first day back of Term 2, Tuesday 23 April 2019.

It is not too late to start a Direct Debit either, thank you.

Ms Sonya Erhart Fees Administrator

#### **RETAIL SHOP**

The St Paul's Retail Shop is your central point of contact for School uniforms (formal, sporting and touring). The Retail Shop also sells other St Paul's items such as hoodies, school bags, multi-purpose shirts, badges and giftware.

#### **Opening Hours:**

The Retail Shop is open from 8am to 4pm, Monday to Friday (during School term time only)

#### **TERM DATES**

Term dates for both the 2019 and 2020 School year can be found HERE.





## WELLBEING CENTRE

### COUNSELLING

#### **Helpful contacts**

•	Beyond Blue	1300 22 4636
-	Boyona Blao	1000 22 1000

- Kids Helpline 1800 55 1800
- Lifeline 13 11 14
- Youth Beyond Blue <u>www.youthbeyondblue.com/</u>

#### **CAREER NEWS**

This service provides students, parents and staff members with up to date career information. The information is updated fortnightly and we highly recommend that you scan it regularly for items of interest, especially for students in the Senior School. Please <u>click HERE</u> to access the latest Career News.

Career information is also available on the St Paul's School Careers website at <u>https://www.stpaulscareers.com.au/</u>. **Click <u>HERE</u>** to see the latest newsletter from the website host, Career Tools.

#### DATE CLAIMER – CAREERS EXPO

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### **USEFUL CAREER WEBSITES**

 My Future
 www.myfuture.edu.au

 Job Outlook
 www.jobsearch.gov.au/joboutlook





## SUPPORTER GROUPS

#### **HOCKEY SUPPORTERS GROUP**

#### HOCKEY MERCHANDISE

Happy Easter to all hockey players and parents from the Hockey Supporters Group. With the TAS season almost upon us, Term 2 is going to be a busy one.

This year we are delighted to announce that we will have some Hockey merchandise for sale via Flexischools and also available at all the home hockey games if you wish to purchase a hair scrunchie in the school colours, a pair of bright coloured inner socks or even a pair of washable shin guards.

Forgot your mouth guard, no problem we will have a selection available for sale each week at the hockey pitches.

This year's Range of Hockey merchandise includes:

Hair Scrunchies in St Paul's School colours	\$5.00	
Mazon Mouthguards Available in Junior & Adult sizes	\$8.00	
Mazon Colour Inner Socks Available in Junior & Adult sizes	\$12.50	200
Mazon Safety Deluxe Shinguards Available in 3 sizes Small, Medium & Large Includes washable Deluxe Inner	\$45.00	AT.L
<b>Mazon Solo Stick Bag</b> (available in Red or Black)	\$20.00	CONTRACTOR CONTRACTOR

So come and see us next Term to say hello we will be at the hockey pitches at each of the home games

Have a happy Easter,

From all the HSG





## SUPPORTER GROUPS

### **CRICKET SUPPORTERS GROUP**



#### President's Message

The JTAS and BNJCA games are now over with some great performances from all five teams. The Under 4 Red team remained undefeated which is a top effort and great for TAS cricket in the future. Sorry the wet weather cancelled a few games at the back end of the season.

For full TAS results visit <u>http://www.theassociatedschools.com.au/uploads/documents/1-</u> <u>Results-Cricket.pdf</u>

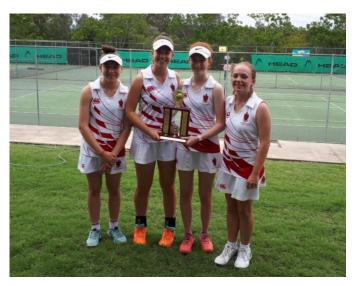
We would like to thank all the players, teachers and parents who have made cricket at St Paul's an enjoyable experience for our son over the last 12 years. Playing on the MCG,

playing at a host of venues in Brisbane and in England are just a few of the highlights. Keep working hard, enjoy your cricket, look after your mates and stay on top of your school work.

#### AGM & Monthly Meeting

Our AGM and third CSG meeting for 2019 are on **Wednesday 1 May 2019 at 7pm** in the Library. This will be the last meeting for a number of Year 12 parents so some fresh younger faces will help maintain an active Committee moving forward. All are welcome.

#### **TENNIS SUPPORTERS GROUP**



Congratulations to all the Girls TAS Tennis teams. A great result with our First Girls team coming 1st and our Second Girls team coming 2nd

Patrick Glowrey TSG Preident





# **COMMUNITY NEWS & NOTICES**

### HOLIDAY ACTIVITIES



#### TEENS WORKSHOP: BRACELET MAKING WITH LOLA GREENO

10.30am – 12.30pm, Sun 7 Apr | Seminar Room, GOMA | <u>Ticketed: Teens</u> <u>\$25/Teen Members: \$23</u>

Celebrate <u>National Youth Week 2019</u>, with a hands-on workshop designed for teens aged 13-18 years. APT9 artist and Palawa woman Lola Greeno will help you create very own bracelet, using shells hand-collected by the artist near her home in Launceston, Tasmania. Learn about this traditional

cultural practice which dates back thousands of years, and hear from the artist herself about the importance of preserving cultural knowledge through art.

For teens aged 13 – 18 years. All materials provided.