



# St Paul's Catholic School Palette



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## People of Spirit

Drs Richard Harris and Craig Challen inspired us. They were highly qualified and trained in their field of work and maybe even more so in their field of play: underground cave diving. When asked, they stepped into that most dangerous of rescues, that of the Wild Boar 13 in Thailand. They did our country proud and deservedly they were named Australians of the Year. There is a spirit within such people that transforms challenging situations into something positive, something within them that makes every post a winner. Personally, I am even more inspired by the people who deal with their addictions to alcohol, drugs or gambling. Each day, every day, they have to humbly face the crack that runs across their heart just to maintain normalcy. We do not see how heroic their lives are when they are successful, because they seem so.... well, normal.

We are inspired by these people because we too want to be people of spirit. No matter how ordinary we are, something in our hearts desires greatness. And this is what God wants for us too. We weren't created in God's image and likeness just to be ordinary. We are to be works of divine art. For most us, this art lies within our family relationships. These long-term relationships can humble us but they can also be our glory. To love and to be loved, deeply and humbly, is the greatest human achievement: it is the work of God in our lives. Each day, every day, God's Spirit comes to us offering grace, divine help, so that we can love as God loves.

*Loving God, help us to live our lives in your love. Filled with your Spirit, we can show the face of Jesus to all who we love, and from them we can receive his love. We ask this in his name, confident that you will hear us.*

Sr Kym Harris osb



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Dear Parents & Carers,

With the weather turning colder by the day, could you please ensure your child/ren have a jumper and coat in their bags as we try and get outside every day to enjoy the fresh air?

I am continuing to catch up with as many families as possible before the end of this term so thank you for your patience with this very big undertaking. I have had many inspiring and rewarding conversations so far and look forward to many more.

Swimming starts next week so please ensure your child is packed ready for the day. We have been lucky enough to secure a grant from Royal Life Saving Tasmania to assist with this program and will be looking for community feedback and support if we are to continue it. The cost of the program for eight days is approximately \$18,000.00.

A letter has been sent home informing all parents/carers of the times that buses leave school & return to school and what time the children will be in the water. Please keep this on your fridge and remember NO swimming Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June.

## **Children will be in the water at the following times:**

9.30 -10	Year 1
10 – 10.30	Prep
10.30 – 11	Year 2
11-11.30	Year 3
11.45 – 12.25	Year 4
12.25 – 1.05	Year 5
1.05 – 1.45	Year 6

Parents/carers are most welcome to come and support children but please remember these are lessons that we expect children to participate in and learn new skills. Children will be tired during these two weeks so please ensure they get extra rest and sleep to help them cope.



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**Congratulations** to our Rice McAuley award winner last fortnight – Rubi Triffett for her generosity towards others. Congratulations also to our individual class award recipients.



## **Strikers Soccer Teams**

Congratulations to all the students who participate in this weekly team building activity. It is great to see all players having a go, doing their best and supporting each other. Thanks to all parents/carers and supporters who come along to the games and cheer them on. It is important to be encouraging to all players and to cheer, rather than coach, from the sidelines. Players need to listen to one voice for instructions and that is the coach's voice. Special thanks to our coaches as we wouldn't have teams without you. **GO STRIKER'S!**





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## **Check out our St. Paul's Movie Stars**

Last year and the beginning of this year, a number of students worked with Rosalie Martin and starred in a video explaining the Australian Citizenship Affirmation. This video is now live and part of a program in many primary schools throughout Australia is called 'Aussie of the Month'. The project was funded by National Australia Day Council (NADC) and the Australian Government Department of Home Affairs. This is the link below to view the video online.

<https://www.aussieofthemonth.org.au/the-affirmation>

## **Wanted URGENTLY: loose parts play items**

We are in need of loose play items that we can use to make cubbies outside. These items can be tree branches, lengths of wood, pipes, pallets, buckets, baskets, crates, boxes, logs, rope, cable reels, shells and seedpods.



## **No B5 Program this Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> May 2019**

B5 will continue as normal next week - Every Friday from 9.00 – 10.30am in our Kinder room.

## **Cross Country**

Congratulations to all those children who have been selected to represent St Paul's at the STCPSSA Cross Country Carnival which will be held at the Police Academy in Rokeby on the 7<sup>th</sup> of June. These students have been notified and parents/carer are most welcome to come and cheer them on. Best of Luck to all competitors.

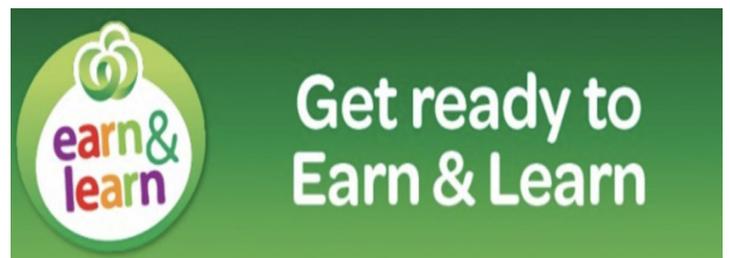
**With every blessing,**

Jo Clark (Principal)

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## **Woolworths Earn & Learn Stickers**

This promotion will run from 1st May until 25 June. Sticker forms can be collected from the office, and there will be a box located in the school foyer for completed forms.





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## Choices

Choices is off to a great start with children engaging in a large range of activities on offer this term. Special thanks to the staff and parents who have put their hand up to take a group so as to vary the choices on offer. There will be NO choices for the two weeks of swimming (6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> of June).





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## Grade 1/2 excursion to Russell Falls and Tynwald Park

On Monday, Grades 1 and 2 travelled by bus to Mount Field National Park. First we had recess and then we walked the Russell Falls track to see the waterfall. We then travelled back to school stopping at Tynwald Park for lunch and a play. We enjoyed being active in the natural environment and exploring new places.



My favourite part of the excursion was:

Playing at Tynwald Park - **Layla**

Playing on the swings - **Isabella**

Going for a big walk and seeing wallabies - **Ethan**

Seeing the waterfall - **Millicent**

My favourite part was the whole day! - **Blaze and Xavier**

Walking to the waterfall and seeing how big the trees were and looking at the mountain - **Aliera**





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## Grade 6 - Term 2 - Mt Field National Park excursion and St Pat's Buddy visit

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We had heaps of fun at Mt Field National Park. The drive was long but it was worth it. The sights were amazing, beautiful and really made us realise how lucky we are to live in such an incredible country but an even more spectacular State. We walked to Russell Falls and later ventured to Horseshoe Falls climbing more than 200 steps to get there. We saw lots of wildlife along the way, but one of the best sights was an elegant spider web. We had lunch at the Waterfalls Café and it was delicious. On the way back to school we stopped at Maccas for an ice cream. This day was amazing. Thank you to Sister Carmel and the Sisters of Mercy for this wonderful day.



On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May, our buddies from St Patrick's College in Launceston visited us at St Paul's. This is the second time we have seen them this year and we are starting to get to know each other a lot better and are really enjoying the time we spend together. As hosts, we chose the activities; we shared with our buddies and we cooked a bbq lunch and ate that together. We also spend time in the playground at recess and lunch with our buddies doing the things that we normally like to do which was heaps of fun. We can't wait until our next visit.