

Just what is Resurrection about?

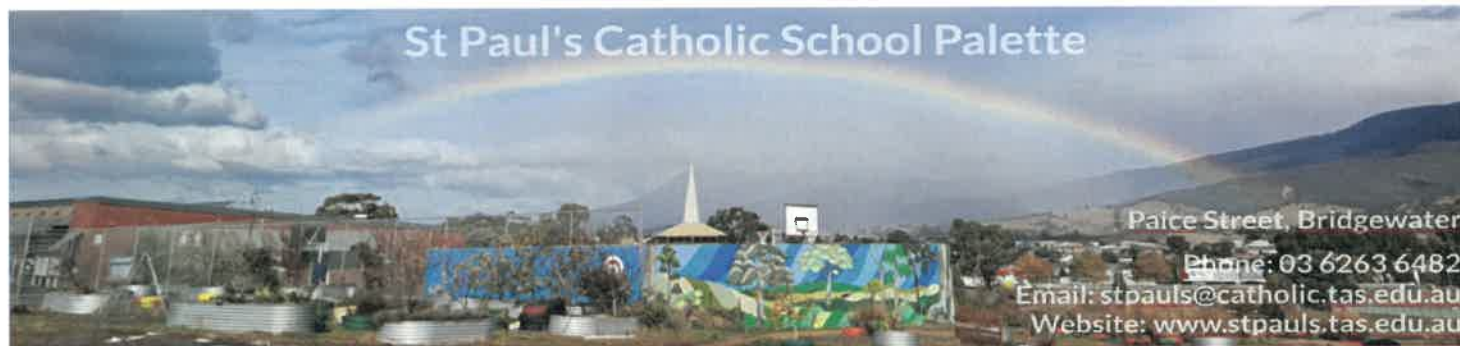
This coming weekend we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus – but just what is it that we are celebrating? In a real sense it is easier to ‘appreciate’ his suffering and death, after all, we know suffering, we have experienced the passing of loved ones. Even the Gospel writers who experienced the risen Jesus seem baffled, speaking of someone elusive – even while they stake the rest of their lives on preaching the reality of the amazing life Jesus offered (and still offers). All our Church life hangs on the reality of this Resurrection. How are we to appreciate what it means and make it a reality in our lives?



In one of the Easter stories, two of the disciples tell the Risen Jesus, whom they have not recognised, how all their hopes had been in him and that these hopes were dashed when he was tortured and killed. Then Jesus unravels their story and gives them a new understanding of himself...and of themselves. Their hopes and dreams were true and valid – they were just looking for their fulfilment in the wrong places, in the wrong way. We too have hopes and dreams, sometimes ones so amazing that we fear even to tell them to ourselves. At heart, these dreams are about being loved and loving. Their truest fulfilment comes when we allow the Risen Jesus to speak to our hearts about these dreams and how we are to bring them to fulfilment in our lives. Then, like those two disciples, our hearts will burn within us and we will know a new light guiding us.

Loving Jesus, come walk with me. Listen to my hopes and dreams and untangle the ways in which they become twisted within me. With your love and wisdom, may they blossom into new ways of living and loving. I ask this in your name, confident that you will hear me.

Sr Kym Harris osb



Dear parents and guardians,

How time flies when we are busy! This is the last week of a very busy and disrupted term. We thank you for your understanding and patience as we have managed the ever changing COVID landscape.

This week is Holy Week and therefore children have been continuing to prepare for Easter for most of the week. We remembered the excitement and celebration as Jesus returned to Jerusalem on Palm Sunday and how he broke bread and shared wine with his disciples on Holy Thursday. All students have engaged in a prayerful reflection of the Stations of the Cross remembering how Jesus suffered and died on the cross for us and what this means for us today. They are ready for the celebration of Jesus' Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

As it is the end of term we also have a few farewells - Jamie-Lee Shiers is leaving to move to Sydney with her partner and children. We wish them all the best for their future. Miss Kate Prendegast has finished her contract as Year 6 teacher (Fridays) but I am sure we will see her around doing relief. Mr Andy Reynolds is leaving us for a term to do more study and will be returning in terms three and four. We wish him well in his studies.

We welcome back Mrs Tash Williams from her well-earned long service leave. Tash will be teaching Year Two. And Olivia Peters who will be returning as a teacher assistant. Olivia was our Health and PE trainee last year and has begun her studies to become a teacher.

Anyone wishing to enrol a child in Kindergarten @ St Paul's for 2023 MUST have the enrolment form in by Friday 6th May as interviews will begin early in term two.

On Monday, 25th April (in the second week of the school holidays), our school captains and other students from St Paul's Catholic School will be attending the ANZAC day service in Brighton at 11am. Please join us. Students are asked to wear full school formal uniform. Mrs Wolff will meet you there at 10.45am for an 11 am start. There is no march this year.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our families a safe, happy and holy Easter and a relaxing break. We return to school on Monday, 2nd May.

With every blessing

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Jo Clark'.

Mrs Jo Clark
Principal

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End of Term Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received End of Term Awards for their class.

Prep

Student of the Term: Isaac Lawless

Most Consistent: Marli Gunn

Most Improved: Hunter Wise



Year 1

Student of the Term: Samuel Gibbs

Most Consistent: Arella Anatasia

Most Improved: Rylan Baldock-Burns



Year 2

Student of the Term: Hudson Matthews

Most Consistent: Zara Palihakkara

Most Improved: Billie Howard



Year 3/4R

Student of the Term: Darcey Harper

Most Consistent: Phoebe Williams

Most Improved: Liam Phillips

Year 3/4B

Student of the Term: Abbie Pearson

Most Consistent: Kaleb Hodges

Most Improved: Isaac Sward



Year 5

Student of the Term: Nevaeh Lackington

Most Consistent: Zoe Finn

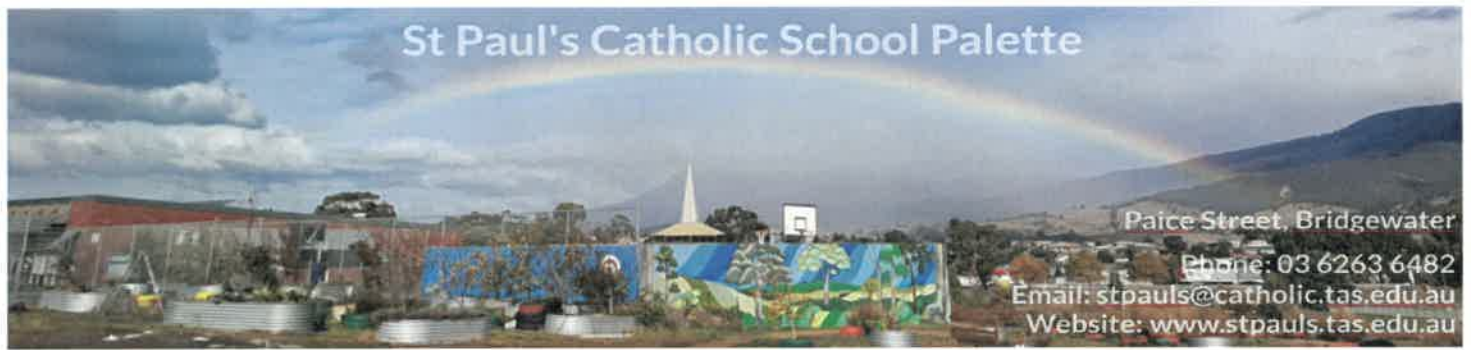
Most Improved: Chelsea Gallahar

Year 6

Student of the Term: Eleanor Robertson

Most Consistent: Samuel Lucas

Most Improved: Max Bennett



PE Awards

Prep: Layla Jarvis

Year 3/4R: Adelayde Gill

Year 1: Faith McCarthy

Year 3/4B: Jackson Fleming

Year 2: Shyla Wilson

Year 5: Parker Matthews

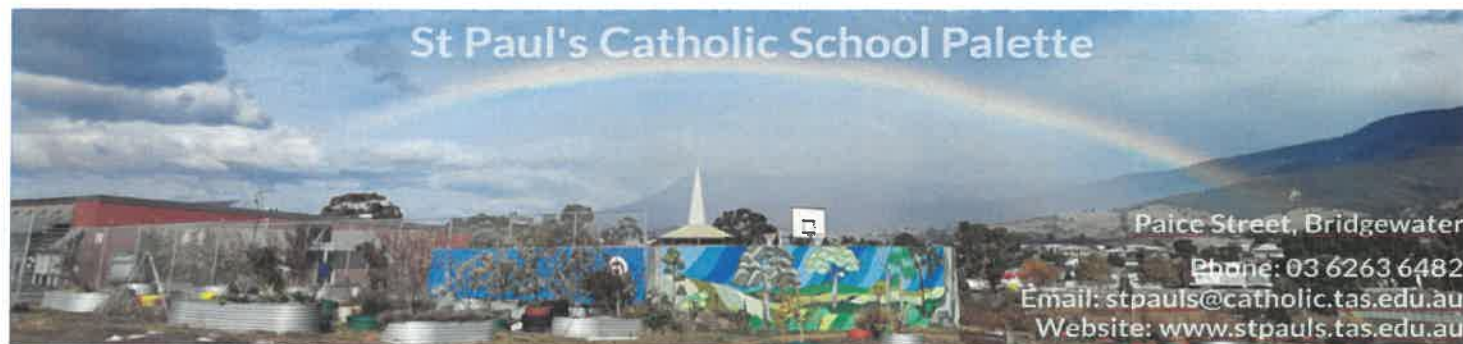
Year 6: Tyson Flakemore-Percey



We'd also like to congratulate our Mercy Merit recipients who were recognised in our End of Term Assembly and the recipients of the Mercy Merit book draw that happens at the end of each term.



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St Paul's Catholic School **KINDERGARTEN** **2023**

**Applications close
Friday 6th May
2022**



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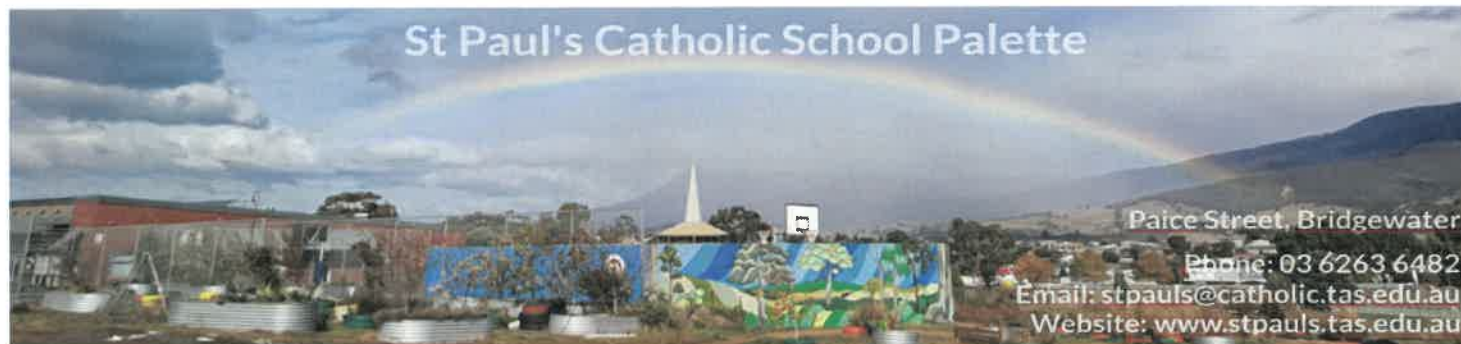
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All mothers and mother-figures are
invited to our...

Mothers' Day High Tea

St Paul's Catholic School Hall

2.00-3.00pm

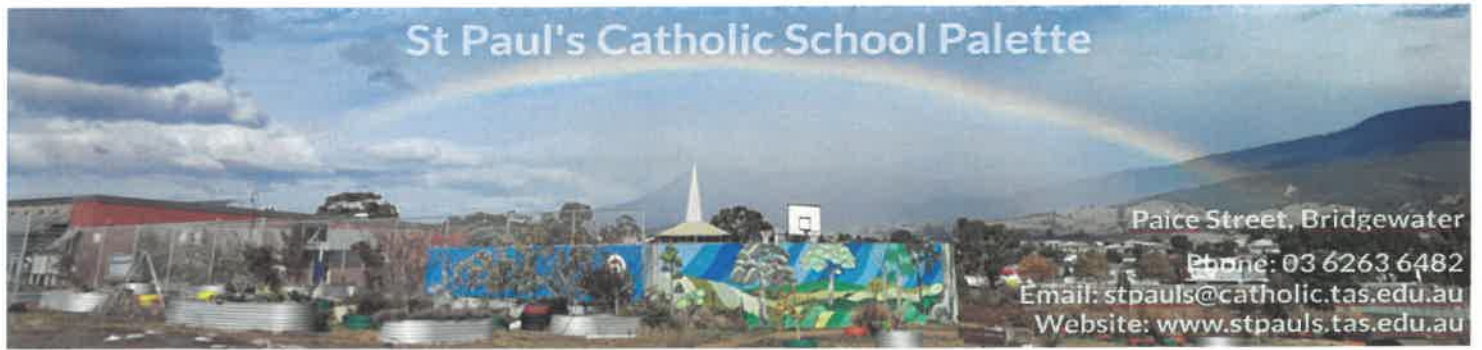
Friday 06.05.2022

Kinder children and Mums are welcome to join us.

To help us with catering please RSVP by
calling the office by Wednesday 04.05.2022



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Updated Covid Information

Firstly, Catholic Education Tasmania would like to thank all of our parents and carers for their patience and assistance regarding enabling our schools to comply with the government's COVID-19 management requirements.

Prior to the start of term 1 Public Health, in consultation with the education sector, put in place a range of outbreak management guidelines to assist in the management of COVID-19 cases and outbreaks in schools.

Analysis by Public Health of school case data collected during term 1 has shown that the rates of severe disease for students was extremely low.

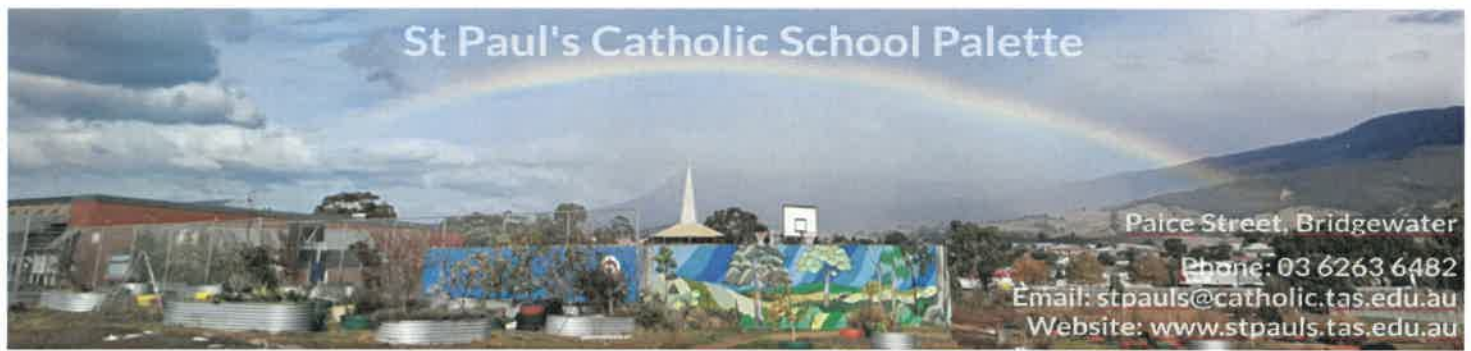
For term 2 Public Health, again in consultation with the education sector, is proposing to move from an outbreak management model to a symptoms-based model.

This will mean that the focus for term 2 will be on those persons who are symptomatic to stay away and get tested.

Testing of students who are not symptomatic will not be required unless in certain circumstances such as a rapid spike in case numbers.

Further to the above, emphasis will be renewed on personal COVID safe behaviours such as hygiene. Catholic Education Tasmania through our schools will also be taking particular care of those members of our school communities who are deemed to be vulnerable to severe illness should they become infected with COVID-19.

During the term 1 school holidays you are encouraged to follow Public Health advice and should any member of your household display symptoms please test and register if positive. School requirements regarding COVID-19 will not apply during the school holidays so please visit the Public Health website or phone the Public Health hotline should you require assistance.



Chauncy Vale Wildlife Sanctuary

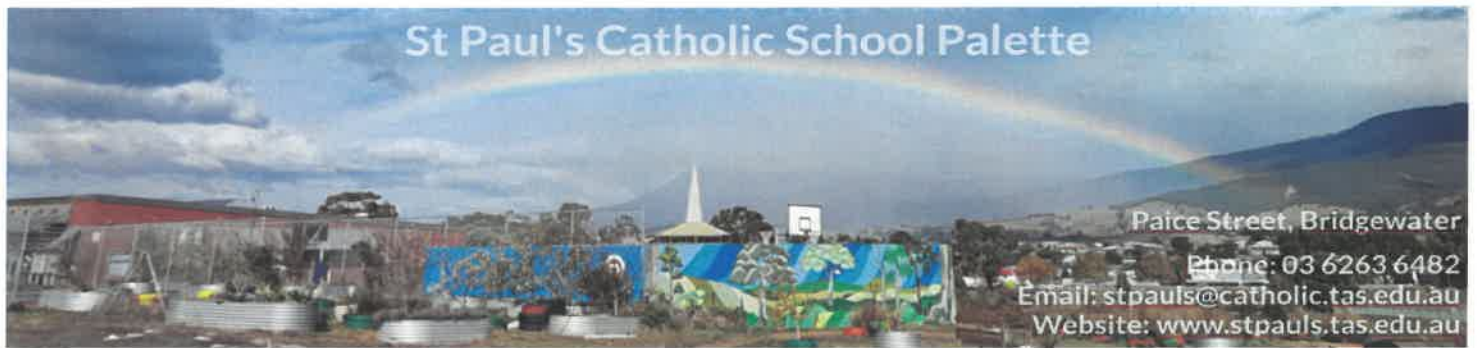
On Friday 8th April Year 1 travelled by bus to Chauncy Vale Wildlife Sanctuary to spend time on country with Jason Smith (Aboriginal Cultural Educator). Everyone was excited to spend time with Jason again as we continued to learn about healing country and cool fire burning.

Jason talked to us about how we can all play a part in caring for our environment and help to prevent bushfires. He also talked to us about how to tell if a country is healthy and how each part of the environment plays a part in supporting another. We helped to clear some bark from around the base of a large gum tree and it did not take very long to create a large pile of bark that was no longer blocking the tree or providing a source for bushfires to start.



We stood silently for a few minutes and closed our eyes to listen to what was happening around us. We heard kookaburras and cockatoos and Jason explained to us how the old people's spirits live in the trees and animals in the area and that they were happy because they could see that we were trying to help to heal the country instead of damaging it.

We can't wait for Jason to visit us again and to learn more about Tasmanian Aboriginal Culture and how to care for our country.



Early Learning in Ludo and Kindergarten

It is our first year together and we have embraced this time to really connect with our Ludo and Kinder children to build an enriched communal setting. We have spent time creating inspiring learning environments together and here are some of the things we have focused on.



We have been having discussions about our identity and our families. We have been wondering what is special to us about our families and what we love to do with our families.

Our children then created their own family portraits which we have displayed in our room and we have selected our favourite photo of Jesus's family to display with our own family portraits.

"He has love for everyone. He wants everyone to be nice. They love each other having some time together. They are wearing gowns. It's Jesus's family" - Alisha



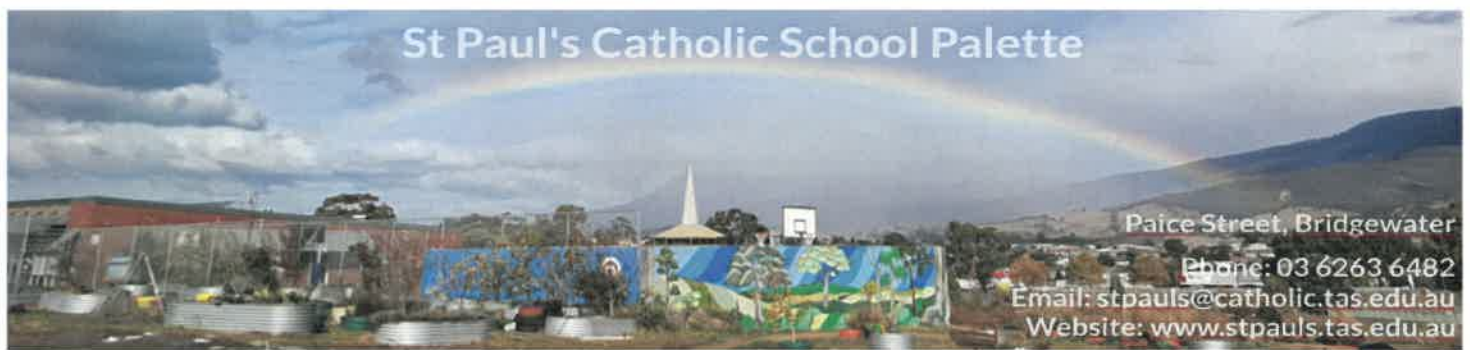
The children have also made self-portraits by looking at themselves in the mirror.

"I have some freckles on my nose, I can see them in the mirror. I love my lost tooth and my long hair" - Sophie



We try to cook regularly to give our children a valued learning experience which also enriches their knowledge on fresh fruit and vegetables. A few weeks ago we made vegetable muffins. We practised cutting, measuring and grating our ingredients. We have also juiced different fruits and made apple and pear crumble.





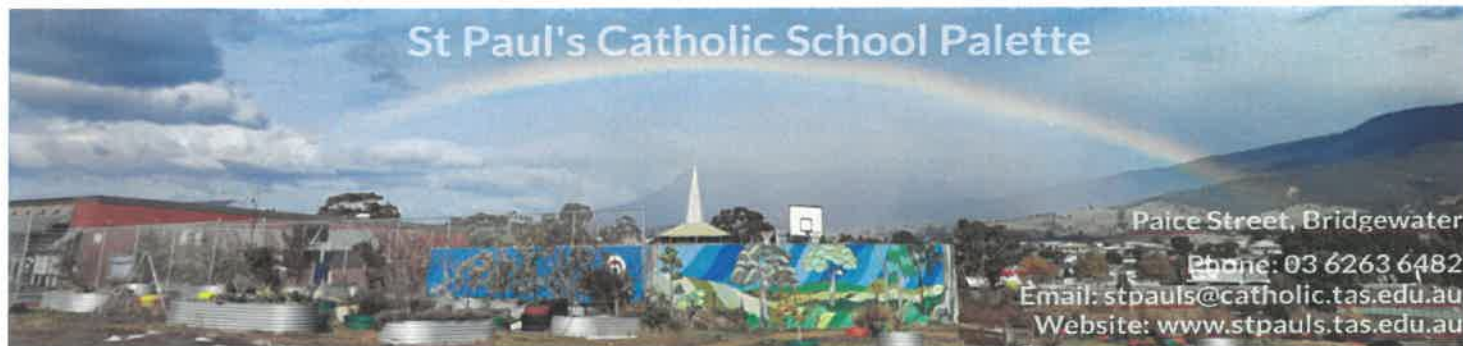
St Paul's Soccer

What a great start to the new soccer season. The children are learning new skills both physically and mentally. Thank you to the parents and staff who are giving up their time to coach the teams.

Our teams are coached by Renee Hardy (Under 6's), Jaryd Collidge and Jye Baldock-Burns assisted by Nikki Devine (Under 8's), Dave Jones (Under 9's), Kelli-Ann Bannister on game days and Georgia Crawford and Shaun McManus on training days (Under 11's). The children are all walking off the pitch with smiles on their faces knowing that they are learning new skills. We couldn't be more proud of how well the children are improving each week. We'd also like to thank Kayla Hepburn for these wonderful photographs of our students. You can also find the latest updates on the St Paul's Striker's Soccer Parents Facebook Page.



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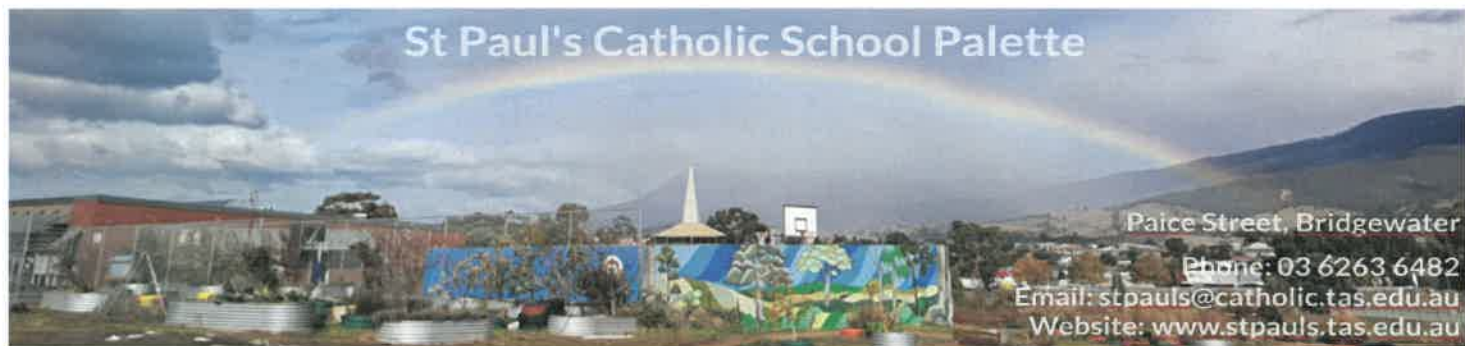
Year 6 Leadership Excursion to Bruny Island

Year 6 recently spent the day with Sister Carmel on Bruny Island where we spent some time developing our team building and leadership skills. Sister Carmel spoke with us about what we hoped to achieve in our final year of primary school and what we could do to achieve our goals. She also talked to us about aiming high and setting goals for ourselves which will push us a little bit out of our comfort zones.

While on Bruny Island we stopped at the Neck for recess on the deck overlooking the beach before trekking to the top of the steps of the lookout. The view was amazing and well worth the climb. While looking over the edge of the lookout we saw a tiger snake slithering into a burrow directly below us. Needless to say, we were pretty impressed. Our next stop was Adventure Bay where we gathered on the beach and thought about our goals for the year. We tried to be still to listen to what was happening around us before participating in a sandcastle competition. Our efforts were pretty creative! We then shared lunch before driving to the Bruny Lighthouse. The view from the top was pretty spectacular! We stopped briefly at the Catholic Church on our way back to the boat but sadly ran out of time to go inside.

We had a great day and would like to thank Sister Carmel for organising the day and taking us to such a beautiful place where many of us had never been before.

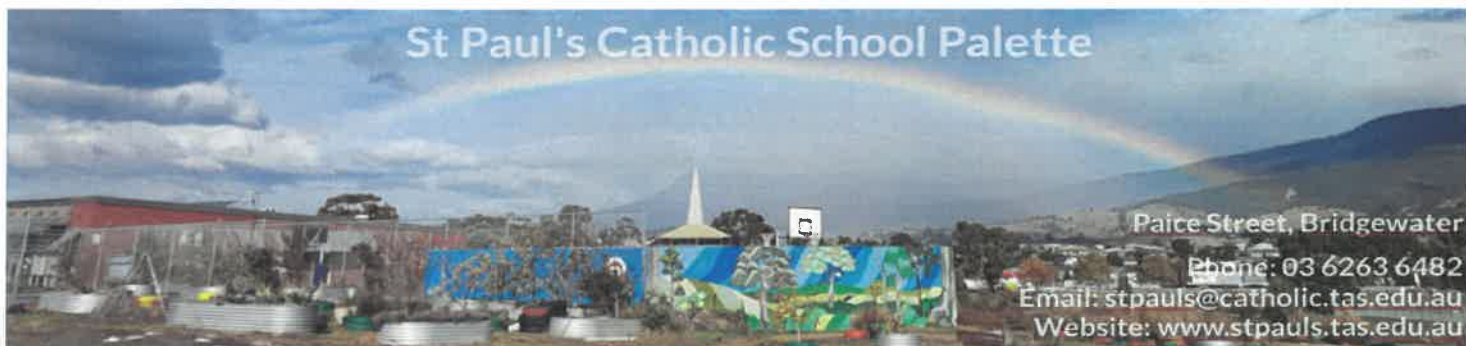




Holy Week and Stations of the Cross

This week we celebrate Holy Week, the week leading up to the resurrection of Jesus Christ. Along with learning in the classroom about the events of Holy Week, each class created posters representing the 14 Stations of the Cross. These stations track Jesus' journey on Good Friday, from when he was sentenced to death by Pontius Pilate to when his body was placed in the tomb. This week every class was able to visit the displays in the school hall and reflect on the sacrifice that Jesus made.





Ludo Early Learning

Ludo is a play-based education and development program for children aged 3-5 years old. This is a CatholicCare service delivered in partnership with Catholic Education Tasmania. Ludo is open from 7am - 6pm, 50 weeks of the year including school term holidays. Long day care, short day care and after Kinder care are available. Ludo and Kindergarten staff work together to deliver developmentally appropriate, play based programs. Bookings can be made directly through <https://catholiccaretas.org.au/programs/ludo>

Outside School Hours Care

Catholic Care Tasmania provides after school care at St Paul's Catholic School each day. Care is available each school afternoon (Mon-Thurs) until 6.00pm. Please contact Catholic Care directly at <https://catholiccaretas.org.au/programs/st-pauls>

Upcoming Events

Date	Event
Thursday 14th April	Last day of Term 1
Thursday 14th April	Holy Thursday Mass 7pm at St Paul's Catholic Church
Friday 15th April	Good Friday Mass 3pm at St Paul's Catholic Church
Saturday 16th April	Easter Vigil Mass 7pm at St Paul's Catholic Church
Sunday 17th April	Easter Sunday Mass 9am & 12pm at St Paul's Catholic Church
Monday 18th April	Easter Monday
Tuesday 19th April	Easter Tuesday
Monday 25th April	Anzac Day Service 11am at Remembrance Park, Brighton
Monday 2nd May	First Day Term 2
Friday 6th May	Mothers Day High Tea at 2pm



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Monday 25 April 2022

Come and commemorate Anzac Day with us.

**Official service 11.00am at
Remembrance Park, 1 Menin Dve, Brighton
(the Old Army Camp Parade Ground)**

This will be a covid safe event. All attendees and participants are requested to adhere to the current state government covid requirements with social distancing to be observed.

Please do not attend if you are feeling unwell or showing symptoms of Covid 19, or you are a close contact of someone who has recently been diagnosed.

For further information please contact Brighton Council on 6268 7000



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