



## Come Holy Spirit

We all love passion –young love, a grandparent’s delight, winners at the Olympics, medical professionals finding a cure – the story of these people light up our hearts and give us joy. We all love passion – but if we are sensible, we also fear it – marital affairs, money lost through gambling, children neglected because of parents’ other interests – we know the grief and heartache that comes from passion gone awry. We all love passion – because the alternative is a dreary life, bogged down by boredom, and crippled by sadness.

The secret to having good passion is to look to the source. When our passions are based on our own selfish desires, even though they may feel ‘good’ at the beginning, they will end in grief. But if they are based on love of God and care of others and of our own selves, we will grow into the fullness of love and life and, even though our circumstances may be difficult, we will have joy.



The source of good, even great, passion is the Holy Spirit, the gift of God’s love to us.

**This coming Sunday we celebrate Pentecost, the feast of this Holy Spirit.** Now is a good time for stocktaking the passions in your life. How do you do that? By actually noting what you do and asking yourself what are your habits. Not the ‘gunna dos’ by which we often make our self image, but what we really do. As we see who we are, we can ask the Holy Spirit to give us the wisdom and courage to embrace passions that will actually make us the work of art God wants each of us to be.

*Loving God, send into our hearts and lives your fire of love, the Holy Spirit. In the wisdom of the Spirit may we love our family, friends and community, as Jesus would love them. We ask this in his name confident that you will hear us.*

Sr Kym Harris osb

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Dear parents and guardians,

As we move towards the middle of Term Two and the days get shorter and colder, please ensure that your children bring jumpers and coats, if needed, to school as we do like them to get outside and run around as often as they can. We have also noticed coughs, colds and associated unwellness is moving in so please keep your child at home if they are unwell. Also, please maintain the high level of hygiene that we have been doing for the last year. SANTISE on your way into school every day and we will ensure that children wash their hands while at school.

We also ask that children DO NOT bring toys to school. Unfortunately, personal toys cause many problems as we ask children to share and learn to share everything at school. We have many toys and games to play at school that can be shared with all the students. If your child brings a toy to school, we cannot take responsibility for its safe return. Of course, if it is a special birthday toy or children are using it for news or show and tell, they can bring something special BUT it will not be allowed to move from the teachers desk and we will help look after it.

We understand that sometimes students need to be collected early for appointments but we have had a large number of children being collected during learning time and students tell us that they do not want to go, especially if they are finishing something off or involved in an activity. **The school day is 8.50am – 2.50pm and valuable learning and discussion occurs at both ends of the day.** It is also sometimes difficult for the office staff to locate your children if they are not in the classroom and this impacts on their workload. Once again, thank you for your understanding.

Teachers are currently very busy writing reports and submitting evidence for our NCCD (National Consistent Collection of Data). Reports will be available online at the end of this school term and there will be an opportunity for you to meet with teachers during the last week of school this term.

I will be away from school for the rest of this week at a Principal's meeting. If you need to contact anyone, Mrs Turner will be available to answer any questions or queries you may have.

With every blessing,

Mrs Jo Clark  
Principal



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## Principal Awards

Congratulations to the following students who received the Principal's award:

Prep: Kaylee Sherman

Year 1: Sienna O'Keefe

Year 2: Kobi King

Year 3/4R: Bonnie Green

Year 3/4B: Savannah Wylie

Year 5: Marley Eaves

Year 6: Amanda Griffiths



## Mercy Merits

Congratulations to our Mercy Merit recipients. Students receive Mercy Merits from a staff member at any time of the day when they are caught abiding by our three expectations –SAFE, RESPECT, LEARN. The teachers keep a check on the totals received and rewards are given at 10, 20, 30, 40, 50, 75 and 100.



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## National Reconciliation Week



This week is National Reconciliation Week and all classes are discussing and involved in activities challenging us all to "Be Brave and Make Change". Yesterday Mrs Wolff (Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Key Teacher), Joselle Griffin (mother of Conner & Morgan) and Mrs Clark (Principal) had the privilege of attending the National Reconciliation Breakfast in Hobart.



## **Cross Country 2022**

As part of our Health and Physical Education program all students will be participating in our annual Cross Country Carnival on Friday 10th June 2022.

Runners are to wear school sports uniform, which includes appropriate running shoes, school polo top or T-shirt in house colours, and shorts. A coat or jacket may be necessary while watching other races.

Our Cross Country Carnival is part of our physical education program and participation is compulsory. If your child is unable to participate in the run, they will have an opportunity to walk 1 lap of the track in their respective race and earn a point for their house. Please provide a signed note if you wish for your child to participate in the walk instead of the cross country run.

Approximate starting time (weather dependent) and distances.

- 10.00am Prep 320m (1 lap of the Oval Loop)
- 10.10am Grade 1 640m (2 laps of the Oval Loop)
- 10.20am Grade 2 900m (1 lap of the School Loop)

RECESS – 11:00am

- 11.25am Grade 3 1,220m (1 lap of School Loop + Oval Loop)
- 11.40pm Grade 4 1,800m (2 laps of the School Loop)
- 12.00pm Grade 5 2,120m (2 laps of School Loop + Oval Loop)
- 12:20pm Grade 6 2,700m (3 laps of the School Loop)



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## Kinder and Ludo to National Simultaneous Storytime and tagari lia

On Wednesday 25th May, Kinder and Ludo went on their first excursion together to the Bridgewater library, to participate in a story telling event. The story was 'Family Tree' and at 11am all around Australia and New Zealand, children were listening to the same story. What a special event!



We then went to tagari lia Family and Child Centre for a play and we were very proud of the children, sharing the space with others and exploring the opportunities for play.

"I liked the cubby house in the top stairs" - Flynn

"I liked the cubby" - Alisha

"I liked the sand" - Ariana

"I liked the sandpit" - Seini

"I liked the top of the stairs" - Jylen





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## Year 6 excursion to Marine Discovery Centre

On Tuesday 24th May, year 6 spent the day at the Marine Discovery Centre at Woodbridge. Students participated in a number of activities including drone driving, virtual reality underwater experiences, touch tank, fish feeding, microscope investigations and animal adaptation. When asked about their favourite part of the day the majority of the students said 'everything'. It was a great day and we would like to thank Andrew and his staff at the Marine Discovery Centre. The students not only had a great day, but learnt a lot too.





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## School Soccer

We have started this years season with great enthusiasm. It's wonderful to see the children excited about their games each week. This past week at assembly, the teams were presented with their MyState Bank sponsored balls. MyState is the major sponsor of junior soccer in Tasmania.

Can we please ask that if your child can't be at a game that you let either your coach or the Strikers page know with plenty of notice? A couple of our teams have been playing without a bench the last few weeks and the coaches haven't known about all absences. Thanks to those who do let us know each week.

U/6's Renee Hardy

U/8's Jye Baldock-burns and Jaryd Collidge

U/9's Dave Jones

U/11's Kelli-Ann Bannister

If you are interested in the Strikers, like our Facebook page for information each week. The kids love having an audience!!

<https://www.facebook.com/stpaulsstrikers>



From Mrs Terri

## Judo

Congratulations to Eli and Mitch for passing their judo gradings on Monday night at Bridgewater PCYC Judo Club.



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## Rumble's Quest



This term, students in Years One to Six will be invited to participate in Rumble's Quest. This is an online game that has been designed to measure student wellbeing.

When children participate in Rumble's Quest they complete fun challenges and answer questions about the way they experience the world.

There will be a consent form for Rumble's Quest sent to families via Compass so that your child can participate in this program.

The questions are grouped into four areas:	The challenges call on the following skills:
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Attachment to School - how children feel about school</li><li>• Social Confidence - how children feel about themselves and how they relate to others</li><li>• Self Regulation - how children manage their feelings and actions</li><li>• Supportive Relationships – how children feel nurtured within secure environments.</li></ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Memory (in the Working Memory game children tap a sequence of squares in the same order they saw them light up)</li><li>• Attention (in the Attention and Focus game children search through a screen filled with many shapes to find all the ones that look the same)</li><li>• Concentration (in the Inhibitory Control and Flexible Thinking game children use the shape of objects presented on screen to decide whether or not to tap an object as soon as they see it)</li></ul>

These are all factors that underpin learning, and are building blocks for a wide range of skills such as: forward planning and the ability to set and achieve positive goals, the ability to manage our behaviour and emotions and to consider consequences before engaging in action. They are fundamental to making responsible decisions, getting along with others, and coping with difficult circumstances.

Rumble's Quest takes students approximately 45 minutes to complete. It will be undertaken in class groups this term. The information we gather will help our school set directions for student support, and to inform teaching and learning strategies. We can use the game again in following years to gather information about the effectiveness of our student wellbeing strategies. For more information about Rumble's Quest you may like to view the following video at <https://www.realwell.org.au/parents/>



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**St Paul's Catholic School**

**Fridays 9-10.30am**  
(during school terms)

**In the Early Learning Centre**

Open to all families in the community with  
a child aged birth to five years.



**What to bring:**

gold coin donation appreciated - healthy snacks for your child  
clothing suitable for outside play - a hat and drink bottle

For more information please find our Facebook group  
"Setup for Success @ St. Paul's Catholic School"

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## Ludo



### Early Learning for 3 to 5 year olds



**Ludo**  
CatholicCare Tasmania

Ludo is a CatholicCare service delivered in partnership with Catholic Education Tasmania at Catholic primary schools.

### Ludo offers:

- A play-based education program.
- Ludo is open 7am to 6pm, 50 weeks a year, including school terms and holidays.
- Children can be enrolled for short days or full days.\*
- Indoor and outdoor learning spaces.
- Before and After Kinder care.
- Opportunity to access CatholicCare Tasmania's broad spectrum of social and support services, including counselling, family support and parenting programs.
- Ludo welcomes all children and families, regardless of the primary school your child will attend.

\*Short days: 8.30am - 3pm. Full days: 7am - 6pm.

**To enrol your child in Ludo,  
call 1300 119 455, visit [ludo.org.au](http://ludo.org.au),  
or email [ludo@aohtas.org.au](mailto:ludo@aohtas.org.au)**



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## 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>

## Reminders

- Please update your child's medical plans if you haven't already and provide a copy to the school office.
- Our lost property is filling up with a large amount of uniform items including jackets so please remember to name your child's items if possible.

## Uniform shop

The QKR app is recommended for the purchasing of uniform items. We ask that you please allow a 24 hour turn around so we can pack these orders. Exchanges for sizing can be made by sending the item to the office with a note explaining what is required. If possible, please leave all tags on the clothing items when returning them. If QKR is not an option for you, purchases can be made over the phone through the school office, or alternatively an appointment can be made in the uniform shop.

The uniform shop stocks soft shell jackets and winter coats which are great during the cold months of winter. If you would like to purchase either of these items, they can be found on the QKR app to order online or ask one of our office staff to make an appointment in the uniform shop.





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## Upcoming Events

Date	Event
Friday 10th June	St Paul's Cross Country
Monday 13th June	Queen's Birthday Public Holiday
Tuesday 21st June	Tasmanian All Schools Cross Country - Symmons Plains
Wednesday 29th June	St Paul's Feast Day
Thursday 30th June	St Patrick's College visit St Paul's
Monday 4th July - Friday 8th July	NAIDOC Week
Friday 8th July	Last Day of Term 2

## Term Dates 2023

Term One: Thursday 2 February 2023 - Thursday 6 April 2023

Term Two: Wednesday 26 April 2023 - Friday 7 July 2023

Term Three: Monday 24 July 2023 - Friday 29 September 2023

Term Four: Monday 16 October 2023 - Friday 15 December 2023