



Important Dates

Whole School
Liturgy 1.30pm
Tuesday 18 March 2025

Community Prayer
8.45am
Friday 21 March 2025

Volunteer Induction
3.20pm
Tuesday 25 March 2025

Calm & Confident
Kids 6-7.15pm
Wednesday 26 March 2025

Sports Day at SA
Athletics Stadium
Friday 28 March 2025

Year 3 Mass 9.15am
Thursday 3 April 2025

RMC Assembly 9am
Friday 4 April 2025

Term 3 Reception
Parent Evening
Tuesday 8 April 2025

Student Free Day -
OSHC Available
Friday 11 April 2025

First Day of Term 2
Monday 21 July 2025

From our Principal



Thank you to all the volunteers who helped at our school disco last week. We had a great time and these events cannot happen without your help!

We are also looking for volunteers to help at our **Sports Day on Friday 28th March**. The event will be held at Santos Stadium (Mile End). Your child will bring home details of the day this week.

Thank you to Tristan Griffin for the donation of the fruit for our rest stations during Sports Day. Can you help cut up fruit? If so, please come to school about **2pm on Thursday 27th March** – many hands make light work :-)

This week, our Year 3 and 5 students have commenced their NAPLAN testing. They participate in national testing in the areas of Writing, Reading, Conventions of Language and Numeracy. All the tests are online (except for Year 3 Writing). As a school we look at the results from these tests, along with many other forms of assessment such as PAT, DIBELs, IntiaLit, SpellEx and classroom assessment. NAPLAN results give us opportunities to see trends in our student learning and plan for teaching in the future. The results should be available to parents by the start of term 3.

A reminder that we have our Annual General Meeting of the School Board next Wednesday evening (19th March) at 6.30pm, in our school library. The annual performance report will be available on our website after this meeting. Thank you to the parents who have dedicated their time to being on our current board and for those who are nominated to join.

I look forward to seeing you at our important learning conversations next week. These are an important part of the partnership between school and home to support your child's learning and wellbeing.

Thank you for your continued support

Kelly Campbell

Belinda Elliott - Assistant Principal



Dear Families

We are looking forward to seeing you next week at the **Parent Teacher Learning Conversations**. It's a great opportunity to hear about your child and their learning and ask any questions you may have. Please ensure you arrive on time to your interview otherwise it can have a domino effect on all other appointments. Please contact your child's teacher if you have not yet booked a time.

Calm & Confident Kids – Wednesday 26 March – BOOK NOW

We are very pleased to be able to offer all parents and caregivers a free seminar 'Calm and Confident Kids'. This seminar is designed to help parents/caregivers know how to support children aged 5-12 with a tendency towards worry or anxiety, or who are dealing with difficult life situations. The seminar will be facilitated by Kirrilie Smout who is a clinical Psychologist and is also the director of Developing Minds Psychology.

Please email Angela in the Front Office info@smms.catholic.edu.au to secure your place in our Parent Seminar and to book your child/ren in for our creche. The creche will be available for children who are 5 years and older. The seminar will take place at St Margaret Mary's from 6:00-7:15pm.

Best wishes for the week ahead.

Belinda

Celebrating our Learning Journey in Preschool

Wow! What a fantastic and busy start to our term! We are thrilled to have welcomed several new children to our preschool community: Eric, Lucy, Joshwa, Titan, Ada, Aiden, Alex, Andy, Cecilia, Henry, Jayden, Julia, Louis, Nik, and Pranshi. We have loved getting to know them and seeing them settle into their new learning environment with curiosity and enthusiasm.

Over the past seven weeks, our preschool has been buzzing with engaging learning experiences. We have been exploring and connecting children's learning to cultural festivals celebrated in our wider community. By recognising and participating in these celebrations, our preschoolers gain valuable opportunities to develop a deeper understanding of community participation, inclusiveness, and respect for diversity. These experiences foster a strong sense of belonging for all children and families within our preschool.

This term, we have celebrated **Lunar New Year** and **Carnevale**. The children have explored different traditions, customs, and stories through these festivities. They have engaged in hands-on experiences such as crafting snakes to represent the year of the Snake, learning about the Chinese Zodiac, sharing prior knowledge about the lion dance, making colourful masks, learning how to say hello in Mandarin and Italian, and creating both an Asian and Italian restaurant in the sandpit. These experiences have sparked wonderful conversations about family traditions and cultural heritage, helping the children recognise the beauty of diversity in our world.

As we continue our journey through the term, we look forward to more exciting learning opportunities, nurturing friendships, and fostering an environment where every child feels valued and included.



Ciao Italiano

What a wonderful Carnevale celebration we enjoyed last Tuesday in our school Community!

A big heartfelt thankyou to everyone for helping to bring the day to life!

Mille Grazie a tutti!

Gina Armiento

Italian Teacher





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CANCER**

Help me free the future from cancer.

Fr Charles Lukati will run the
Clare Valley Half Marathon on Sunday April 6
to raise money for Cancer Council SA.

Please help him support everyone affected by cancer.

The target has been set at \$20,000.

Let's see how far we can reach!

Donate here!





School Times & Term Dates

Front Office: 8.30am - 3.45pm

Student Supervision: 8.30am - 3.20pm

Classes: 8.45am - 3.00pm

2025

Term 1: Tuesday 28 January to Friday 11 April;

Term 2: Monday 28 April to Friday 4 July;

Term 3: Monday 21 July to Friday 26 September;

Term 4: Monday 13 October to Friday 12 December

Preschool Times



Group 1: Monday & Tuesday 8.45am - 2.45pm;

Odd Wednesdays 8.45am - 2.45pm

Occasional Care: Wednesdays 8.45-11.45am (bookings required)

Group 2: Even Wednesdays 8.45am -2.45pm;

Thursday & Friday 8.45am - 2.45pm

Playgroup: Fridays 9.15-10.45am

Uniform Shop Times



Tuesday: 2.30pm - 3.30pm;

Friday: 8.30am - 10.00am

Crossing Monitors



Thank you to these students who have volunteered to be crossing monitors:

Week 8: Ezana, Nicholas, Ivana

Week 9: Thomas L, Habity, Phi Khoa

Week 10: Khris, Kallen, Ryan

Week 11: Annika, Katelyn, Cameron

Student Absences

Phone: 8245 5855 (answering service - call anytime)

Email: absent@smms.catholic.edu.au

SMS: 0497 901 493

Croydon Park Catholic Parish

Parish Priest: Fr Charles Lukati

Ph: 8346 0944

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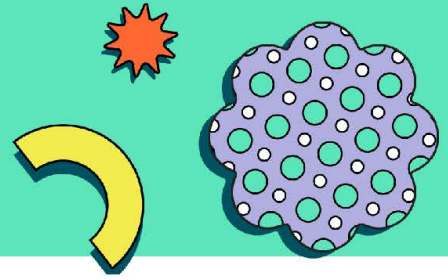
Sunday, 16 March

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OSHC News

Newsletter

Date St Margaret Mary's 10th March 2025




Hi Everyone,



This Friday we are celebrating the colourful festival Holi; this is a two-day festival, and it is celebrated with great joy in India and other countries in March. It is a colourful festival with people of all religions celebrating with joy. Children enjoy playing with colours filled with coloured water and water balloons.

People celebrate Holi by playing with colours, singing, exchanging stories, dancing and enjoying - homemade sweets. Indians are well acquainted with all our different festivals, and Holi is the most important festival. It is the festival where people celebrate with colours during the springtime.

We are celebrating Harmony Week in week 8 and our OSHC celebrates diversity and inclusion through engaging activities that promote cultural awareness and respect. Children can participate in a cultural dress-up day, explore a world map to share their family backgrounds, and enjoy a multicultural food-tasting experience. Creative activities like making handprint murals, flags, and friendship bracelets help foster a sense of belonging, while storytelling, music, and dance introduce them to different traditions. We also encourage reflection through a Harmony Pledge Wall, where children can express what inclusion means to them.

WEEK 8	Harmony Pledge Wall, Game of Tag, St Patrick's Slime,	
Monday	Pot of Gold Chain	
Tuesday	Story Sharing, We Recycle Because? Woolworths Bag Craft	
Wednesday	30 Years Cornflake Cookie, Harmony Day Bracelets, Harmony Day International Cooking Class	
Thursday	What's the Time Mr Wolf, Totally Emoji Balls, Flag Tree	
Friday	BA: Card Tube Sculpture, Harmony Week Balloons, Harmony Poster	

Please phone Camp Australia 1300-105-343 for bookings, rebates will apply.



To find out more about the program, view fees and to register, visit.

www.campastralia.com.au

Keep Smiling 😊 Louise, Jenny, Miriam and Helen

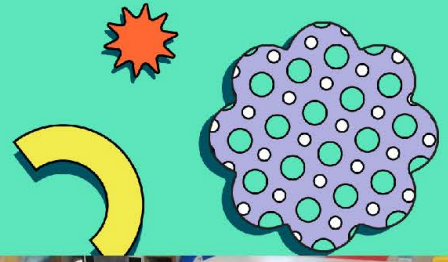


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HOLIDAY CAMP



FREE Squash Stars Holiday Camps – Fun, Fitness & Friends!

Looking for a free, action-packed holiday activity for your child? Squash Stars Holiday Camps are the perfect way to keep kids (ages 6-12 years) active, engaged, and making new friends these school holidays!

Date: 24 April, 9:00am - 3:30pm

**Location: Next Generation Squash Club
War Memorial Dr, North Adelaide**

What's in store?

- Enjoyable squash games
- Exciting skill challenges
- Fun activities
- Loads of laughter & memories!

No experience needed—just bring energy and a smile!

Spots are limited—Register Now!

Give your child the chance to try something new, stay active, and have a blast these holidays.



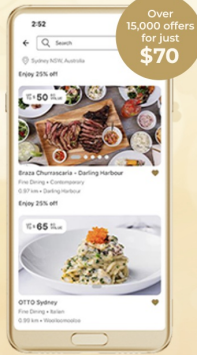
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