



**Term 3, Week 1 Friday 26th
July 2024**

Important Dates

Parent/Teacher
Learning
Conversations
Week
Monday 29 July 2024

Year 5 Camp
Monday-
Wednesday
Monday 5 August 2024

Cross Country
Carnival
Wednesday 7 August 2024

Student Free Day -
OSHC Available
Monday 12 August 2024

Catholic Schools
Open Week
Monday 19 August 2024

Book Week Parade
10.15am
Wednesday 21 August 2024

School Tour 9.15am

and 5.15pm

Thursday 22 August 2024

Kelly Campbell - Principal



Welcome back to Term 3, I hope you had a restful time over the break and were able to get some quieter times with your children.

It was lovely to see everyone back this week and especially as we have welcomed a few days of warmer weather.

This week, we welcomed our new Term 3 Reception and Preschool children. It is always wonderful to see how the older children take care of our newest members of our community.

Parent Teacher Learning Conversations

Please remember to book your conversations with your child/ren's class teacher for Week 2. This is a great opportunity to discuss learning and wellbeing, as well as Semester 1 reports. Year 3 and 5 parents can also discuss NAPLAN results with the teacher. A strong partnership between school and home is a strong factor in student academic success.

The information about bookings was sent home with Semester 1 reports.

Living Learning Leading Surveys

Each year we ask for parent/caregiver, student and staff survey about how we can build on improving our school community. We really appreciate the feedback we have received in the past few years and it has definitely shaped our improvement plans, including student leadership, community events and our Master Planning (Building) focus. This week, all students will bring home some information about how parents/caregivers can participate.

As always, there is an incentive! The class with the most parent responses will be treated to a pizza/hot chip lunch!

Weeks 2 and 3 Leadership

During Weeks 2 and 3, I will be taking on the Acting Principal role at Holy Family Catholic School, Parafield Gardens. Belinda Elliott will

take on the role as Acting Principal here during this time, supported by other members of the leadership team. I am looking forward to the opportunity to see how another school operates and hopefully will learn some things to assist in our continuous improvement here at St Margaret Mary's School.

Thank you for your continued support,

Kelly Campbell

Belinda Elliott - Assistant Principal



Dear Families

I hope the school holidays were a time of rest and rejuvenation ready for the second half of the year. It was great to see so many children's beautiful smiling faces back at school on Monday, ready to start a new term of learning.

SMMS UNIFORM

The **correct SMMS school uniform** is required for **all students, from Foundation to Year 6**. Your support with this is greatly appreciated.

ALL items worn by students are required to be the SMMS school uniform – this includes hats, beanies and jackets. T-shirts, skivvies or leggings (etc) in different colours or brands should NOT be visible under the SMMS uniform. Our school uniform including t-shirt (short or long sleeve), long pants and jacket are warm. If your child needs more layers, then consider a singlet or other thermal item that is not visible.

If you need any school uniform items, please come in and see Rosie in our **Uniform Shop** (located next to our Library/Foundation classrooms) on **Tuesdays 2:30-3:30pm** and **Fridays 8:30-10:00am**.

PRICE LIST

Short Sleeved Polo Top \$40

Long Sleeved Polo Tops \$40

Shorts \$30

Track Pants \$50

Jackets \$60

Hats \$20

Knee Pads for track pants \$7ea

Beanies \$15

SMMS HATS - 1 August

ALL students are required to wear the SMMS school hat when outside, starting next Thursday 1 August (Week 2). This must be our SMMS hat, and not the SMMS beanie.

The following information comes from our Skin Protection Policy:

St. Margaret Mary's School will ensure staff and students use a combination of sun protection strategies every day from 1st August to 30th April and at any other times when the UV level is 3 and above. Staff and students are encouraged to check the daily sun protection times via the SunSmart app, www.myuv.com.au or www.bom.gov.au/sa/uv

Sun protection strategies will include the following:

- Students, staff and volunteers will be expected, and visitors to our school will be actively encouraged, to wear a sun safe hat whenever they are involved in outside activities.
- All students are required to wear the school uniform hat, which is a broad brimmed hat giving good cover to the face, ears and neck. Students not wearing the school uniform sun safe hat will be expected to play in the shade.
- Students who do not wear the school uniform hat during sport lessons and/or outdoor activities will be required to sit in a shaded area.

WATER ONLY

Just a reminder that children should only be bringing water to school or Preschool. Please do not pack soft drink, sports drinks, juice or fruit boxes, or flavoured milks in your child's lunch box; these are high in sugar, and do not help the children to concentrate during the day. We appreciate your assistance with this.

We will look forward to seeing you and your children at the **Parent/Teacher Learning Conversations next week**. Please call Angela in the Front Office if you have forgotten to book in a time.

Wishing you all the best for the weeks ahead.

Belinda



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Today, Friday 26 July, the Grady House students were invited to wear their Sports Day red T-Shirt, red hair accessories or red socks to acknowledge Sr Jude Grady. Sr Grady was a Sister of Saint Joseph and the inaugural Headmistress (Principal) of St Margaret Mary's School. It was wonderful to see their Grady House spirit on display within our community. Every House will have their own House Day celebration. A day where we can acknowledge the significant person or saint that each of our House is named after. MacKillop House spirit (Green) will be on display next on Friday 9 August (Term 3, Week 3) and finally Margaret House (Blue) on Friday 18 October (Term 4, Week 1).

Staff Formation Day

Since 2023, staff have been reflecting on visible and authentic ways to connect our school values with our St Margaret Mary's history, our Josephite story and the Catholic Tradition.

We have engaged in a shared formation journey with clear intentions, valuing individual and communal reflection and would prove to be ongoing. These were our 2023 Formation intentions:

1. To have House colours named after a significant person or saint
2. To have Houses meet once a term, building connections and team spirit
3. To link our school values to how we explicitly teach Positive Behaviours
4. To link our Year 6 graduate awards to our school values
5. To personalise our school values in classrooms using photos and routines

When we gathered on Friday 5th July (Week 10), for our 2024 Staff Formation Day, we were pleased to celebrate that ways in which each of these intentions are already visible in our school.

Garden Patches

It has been wonderful to see how much our cauliflower, broccoli, brown onions and snow peas have already grown over the holidays. We have certainly had plenty of rain over the break. Although new Student Leaders will be selected over the coming week for Semester 2, our Semester 1 representatives will continue their responsibility of helping our vegetables grow and updating our SMMS community when we are ready to harvest later in the term.

Sacramental Workshop

The Confirmation and First Eucharist Workshop will be held on Wednesday 7 August (Week 3) at Whitefriars School (45 Beaufort Street, Woodville Park), from 6:00pm to 8:00pm in the Mary MacKillop Hall.

We ask that all students attend this workshop with at least one or both parents. At the workshop students will receive materials to create their Confirmation posters and First Eucharist banner.

Please be advised that there will be a sign sheet to register your attendance. If you have any questions regarding the Sacramental Program, please contact Kirsty Power our Parish Sacramental Coordinator sacramental.coordinator@croйдonparkparish.com.au

Have a good weekend everyone.

Matthew Harrison

Ciao Italiano

Our focus for the start of this term across all the year levels will be I Giochi Olimpici - The Olympic Games. Students will be immersed in assorted activities to help them learn vocabulary and phrases connected with the olympics.

Gina Armiento

Italian Teacher



Dress Up Parade



Wednesday 21st August (Week 5) at 10:15am

Children are invited to dress up on this day. No scary costumes or weapons please.

Not sure where to start? Try a magic hat...

Parents are welcome to come along to the parade.

ISSUE 5 2024

SCHOLASTIC Book Club

MAGICAL OFFERS TO CELEBRATE BOOKS + READERS!

FREE BOOK OFFER!

ORDERS DUE BACK BY:

GET UP TO 3 FREE BOOKS when you order on this Issue!

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Includes pig squishy

Includes adoption and adventure guide, adoption certificate and axolotl plush

Includes 2 BFF Axolotl necklaces

SCAN ME!

See LOOP for the full list

SCHOLASTIC Book Club

Book Club Issue 5 is out now!

Due date for orders is 11th August.

ALL orders done online via Book Club LOOP.

Find out how on Page 31 of your magazine (payments will not be accepted at school).

This will be the only Book Club issue for Term 3.



2024 Non-government schools census collection notice

The Australian Government Department of Education (the department) would like to advise all staff, parents and guardians that it will collect certain information about your school, its staff and student body as part of the 2024 Non-government schools census collection (the census).

How and what information is collected for the census?

Census information is provided to the department by your school legal entity (the approved authority) via the [SchoolsHUB website](#).

The census provides information about your school and the number and characteristics of the school's staff and student body during a specific reference period. Characteristics collected through the census include:

- teaching and non-teaching staff
- students' year level and workload
- students' gender and age (as on 1 July 2024)
- Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander staff and students
- students with disability
- students receiving distance education
- boarding and overseas students.

The names of students and staff are not collected, apart from the name, position and contact details of the staff member nominated as the primary contact for the census.

Census special circumstances applications

Census special circumstances applications may also be made by schools to include a student(s) who did not attend during the census reference period but otherwise meets census eligibility requirements. Schools will provide the department with information and documents about the student demonstrating their eligibility. The department does not require personal information about a student and asks schools to de-identify any documents before providing them.

Purpose of the census collection

The information provided during the census is collected by the department in accordance with the *Australian Education Act 2013* (the Act) and the *Australian Education Regulations 2023* (the Regulations). The Act and Regulations require the legal entity responsible for the administration of the school (the approved authority) to provide this information to the department to:

- ensure the provision of Australian Government funding to schools is properly calculated and appropriately managed
- conduct research, statistical analysis and develop school education policy for the Australian Government
- meet national and international reporting obligations on school students in Australia
- publish and provide information about schools to the public.

Use and disclosure of personal information

Your personal information is protected by law under the *Privacy Act 1988* (Cth) (Privacy Act).

Personal information is information or an opinion about an identified individual or an individual who is reasonably identifiable.

Any use or disclosure of your personal information must occur in accordance with the Privacy Act and the Act and Regulations, and any other applicable laws.

Your personal information provided to the department through the census may be:

- used or disclosed by the department as outlined above under the heading 'Purpose of the census collection'
- disclosed to the Australian Curriculum Assessment and Reporting Authority (ACARA) to publish on the [My School](#) website and included as high-level data for ACARA's National Report on Schooling in Australia
- disclosed to state and territory government departments and authorities in accordance with the Act and Regulations
- disclosed to Australian Government departments and authorities in accordance with the Act and Regulations
- disclosed to non-government school representative bodies in accordance with the Act and Regulations
- disclosed to a contracted auditor where the department decides to audit or verify the information provided by an approved authority about a school. The contracted auditor may use previously collected information or request access to individual student records for comparison purposes. The contractors may pass this information onto officers within the department, if there is a discrepancy in the data provided by the school and the school's records and further investigation is required. The contracted auditor must handle personal information in accordance with the Privacy Act
- disclosed to the department's service providers so they can provide information and communications technology support services to the department.
- used to validate data from other collections undertaken by the department
- used or disclosed where it is otherwise required or authorised by law including under the Act or Regulations, or otherwise permitted under the Privacy Act.

Other than in exceptional circumstances (for example, investigation of fraud relating to overseas students), the department does not disclose any of the personal information collected to overseas recipients.

You can download the [Department of Education's privacy policy](#) or request a copy at privacy@education.gov.au. The privacy policy includes information about:

- how to access or correct personal information held about you or your child
- how to make a complaint about a breach of the Australian Privacy Principles



- how the department will deal with such a complaint.

What do you need to do?

You are not required to do anything. The approved authority of the school is responsible for providing the information to the department.

Contacts for further information

Your school can provide more information about the data it provides for you or your child as part of the census.

To find out more about the census collection and reporting, visit [SchoolsHUB](#).



School Times & Term Dates

Front Office: 8.30am - 3.45pm

Student Supervision: 8.30am - 3.20pm

Classes: 8.45am - 3.00pm

Term 1: Monday 30 January to Friday 12 April;

Term 2: Monday 29 April to Friday 5 July;

Term 3: Monday 22 July to Friday 27 September;

Term 4: Monday 14 October to Friday 13 December

Preschool Times



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

Odd Wednesdays 8.45am - 2.45pm

Occasional Care: Thursdays 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 2: Kenzi, Arin, Haibity

Week 3: Katelyn, Elena, Grace C

Week 4: Tiffany, Rafael, Janice

Happy July Birthday!



Happy Birthday to everyone celebrating a birthday in July!

OSHC Hours



Morning: 6.30am - 8.30am;

Afternoon: 3.00pm - 6.15pm

Phone Camp Australia: 1300 105 343

[Read More](#)

OSHC News

Newsletter

Date 31 Margaret Mary's 22nd July 2024



Hi Everyone, Welcome Back



Welcome back to Term 3, this term promises to be an exciting and enriching time at OSHC. With a fantastic lineup of activities, there's something for everyone to enjoy. From creative arts and crafts to thrilling sports and outdoor games, we have a variety of fun-filled experiences planned. You'll get the chance to unleash your creativity with themed art projects, stay active with a range of sports, and satisfy your curiosity with engaging science experiments.

Our program also includes cooking and baking sessions, where you can learn to make delicious treats, and drama and performance activities for those who love the spotlight. Dive into the world of books with reading and storytelling sessions, and explore nature through gardening activities. Additionally, we celebrate diversity with cultural activities that explore traditions from around the world. Term 3 at OSHC is set to be a memorable and enjoyable time for everyone!

Monday - WEEK 2 -	Let's create a Friendship Sign Poster and extend our friendship circle.
Tuesday	Have fun creating Wooden Dolls, Create Mum's LEGO portrait to respect her.
Wednesday	Come and join your balancing skills with Game of Elastics and train your mind with board game '30 years of Trouble'
Thursday	Let's bring some laughter with Limbo Game and make our friends happy with hand made Friendship Bracelets
Friday	Let's enjoy Pancake wearing our pretty Necklace that you will design.



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 & Harry



Your OSHC.

To register and book, visit www.campastralia.com.au

ROCKETEERS

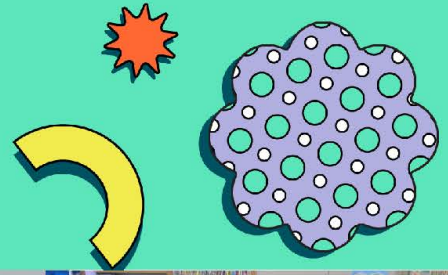
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Student Absences

Student Absences/ Late Arrivals

When a student is absent or going to be late, parents should notify the school by 9am on that day by texting the Absentee Line on 0407 682 137, emailing absent@smms.catholic.edu.au or phoning (08) 8245 5855.

You will need to state the following:

Name of Child;

Year Level;

Reason for Absence (if late, approximately what time your child will arrive)

Phone: 8245 5855 (answering service - call anytime)

Email: absent@smms.catholic.edu.au

SMS: 0407 682 137

Croydon Park Catholic Parish

Parish Priest: Fr Charles Lukati

Ph: 8346 0944

Nazareth High School Enrolments

Lodge Your Application by 13 December 2024 for

Year 7 in 2027
ENROL NOW

** Early lodgement is highly recommended*

**Do you have a child currently in Year 4?
Are you considering Nazareth for Year 7?**

**Don't miss out! The closing date for Year 7 applications for 2027 is
13 December 2024.**

We recommend submitting your enrolment applications as early as possible, well before the final lodgement dates listed on our website.

It is imperative that an enrolment application is completed for each child in your family, including siblings of those students already attending Nazareth. Placement is not guaranteed if you do not apply by the final date for lodgement.

www.nazareth.org.au/enrol



Nazareth



