



Important Dates

2025 Reception Parent Information Session

Tuesday 24 September 2024

Year 3 Museum Excursion

Tuesday 24 September 2024

Last Day of Term 3 - 3pm finish

Friday 27 September 2024

Preschool Excursion

Wednesday 25 September 2024

Catholic Music Festival Choir

Wednesday 25 September 2024

First Day of Term 4

Monday 14 October 2024

From our Principal



What an amazing celebration we had on Wednesday, with the official Opening and Blessing of our buildings. Although we have been using the facilities for over 2 years, it was great for our community to be acknowledged by Archbishop O'Regan, Dr Neil McGoran and Mr Steve Georganas. The students were amazing and a huge thank you to our wonderful staff for their hard work and preparation for the event. We will share photos on Facebook.

Congratulations to our Tournament of Minds Team who competed against other schools in the state last Sunday. They wrote, prepared and performed a 10-minute response in the language literature section. It was an independent presentation, all their own ideas....and they did the whole thing in rhyme! It was creative and funny. Thank you, Mr Parker, for your facilitation of the group.

Just a reminder that we are currently looking at class placements for next year. I really encourage you to support your child in branching out with new friendships. Their very best support may be someone they have not yet met! Just because they may not be in the same class with their 'bestie', does not mean they cannot still be friends. In fact, we would caution against continually keeping the same children together throughout their school life.

If there are considerations that you think we may need to keep in mind, please email me at Kelly.campbell@smms.catholic.edu.au.

Please do so by the end of this term, as once classes are allocated, we cannot make changes as one change affects the whole class and balance we have worked so hard to achieve. Teacher requests are not a part of our process.

Thank you for your continued support,

Kelly Campbell

Opening & Blessing Photos





Belinda Elliott - Assistant Principal

Dear Parents/Caregivers

It's hard to believe that the end of Term 3 is upon us. It has been another very busy term with so many wonderful learning opportunities inside and outside the classroom for our students – Book Week, STEM Brixpo, Festival Choir, Tournament of Minds, Liturgies & Masses, Cross Country, Camp, and excursions to the Adelaide Zoo, Museum and Botanic Gardens...just to name a few! Across the term in these experiences, alongside their classroom learning, students have showcased their deep engagement and expressed the joy they find in being a member of the St Margaret Mary's learning community. A perfect example of this was the special Opening and Blessing ceremony we held on Wednesday this week – and many of our special guests also expressed the joy they felt is seeing our students singing and participating in the ceremony. Thank you to all of our staff and students for their involvement in this event plus all other learning experiences in Term 3, and for their hard work across the term. Many thanks to our families too.

Multicultural Festival

Next term we will celebrate a Multicultural Festival on **Friday 8 November**. This festival will bring together special elements of Mid-Autumn Festival and Diwali, as well as recognising and celebrating the cultural diversity of families in our St Margaret Mary's school community.

More information about the festival will be shared with families next term. We will also be looking for donations and volunteers to help with the event.

Wishing you all the best for the last week of Term 3, and a enjoy a wonderful school holiday break when it arrives.

I'll look forward to seeing you in Term 4.

Belinda Elliott

APRIM News



Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Although we have enjoyed our new facilities for a few years now, Archbishop Patrick O'Regan DD and Fr Charles our Parish Priest, officially opened and blessed the building of 1A, 1B and 2A on Wednesday 18 September. We gathered for a whole school liturgy, in our Friday morning Community Prayer area. As part of the liturgy, Thomas, Nimrat, Magdalene, Sheick, Valeria, Yugan, Emily, Ayet, Jaxon, Preslava, Katia, Jenni, Evanna, Javier, Yukti and Rose who brought forward crucifixes or holding crosses from each classroom. The Archbishop blessed each crucifix and then with the support of Fr Charles went into all the learning areas to bless every classroom, communal, meeting and office space with Holy Water.

We would especially like to thank the families of the class representatives for preparing the children in traditional cultural dress. Finally, special thanks to Fr Charles for his continuous support of our school, and to Dillen and Mai Ly, for representing all our students as Year 6 leaders. It was truly a wonderful celebration for our community, our children were amazing and so well prepared and supported throughout by our dedicated staff. So proud of our SMMS community. Well done everyone!

Primary Years Mass

On Thursday 12 September, our Year 3, Year 4/5 and Year 6 classes led a parish Mass in St Margaret Mary's Church. The children listened to passage from Luke's gospel where Jesus speaks about when the actions of others are hurtful. Fr Charles asked the children about Jesus' message and was heartened by the children's understanding that even though it's hard at times, it's important to show love, compassion, forgiveness and empathy for each other.

Special thanks to Fr Charles for leading us in our celebration of the eucharist, to our class teachers for helping to prepare the children, the readers from each class, the PowerPoint operators and all of the students for their active participation alongside our parish community and for their joyous singing. Well done Primary Years!

First Holy Communion

Congratulations to Lani and Hannah who received their First Holy Communion on Sunday 15 September. We offer our prayers and best wishes Patrick, Alessandra, Tarja, Aryan, Phi Khoa, Thomas, Raymond, Kalista, Ngan and Tammy will also receive the Sacrament for the first time this weekend.

Date	Church	Time

Sunday 22 September	St Margaret Mary's Church	10:30am
Sunday 22 September	Mater Dei Church (Vietnamese Mass)	5:00pm

This will conclude the Croydon Park Parish Sacramental Program for 2024. I you would like to find out more about the program for 2025 and beyond, please contact Kirsty Power sacramental.coordinator@croydonparkparish.com.au or the Parish Office on 8346 0944.

Have a good weekend everyone.

Matthew Harrison

More Opening & Blessing Photos





Bean seed germination in 4/5CC

As part of our Science unit this term, 'Among the Gum Trees' we have planted broad beans and mung beans for our science experiment. We will watch our bean seeds grow through the early stages of their life cycle. Students will be expected to keep a careful record of the growth of the bean seed's early life. Students will need to include:

- labelled diagrams
- measurements of the growth of various parts.

This learning will also support students to record information using time concepts involving noting the time, date and the day of growth.



Angolo Italiano

Year 3 students are exploring "I Dinosauri" using a guided reader text. They are learning dinosaur names and what the different dinosaurs ate.

Gina Armiento

Italian Teacher



Art Club

Our specialist art group have finished their ceramics project with Mr Johnson. They celebrated with some traditional tea in their creations!



Lunch Club Yoga

It's wonderful to see so many students choosing to come along on Thursdays and enjoy this time.

Namaste Gina Armiento







FUN AWAITS!

YOUR SPRING HOLIDAY PROGRAM

St Margaret Mary's School

Address: 5 Eldon Street CROYDON PARK SA 5008

Mon 30 Sep Mission Takeoff: Pirate Palooza

Ahoy, mateys! Let's set sail as we go on a swashbuckling adventure today, decorating treasure chests, playing pirate math, and braving the Walk the Plank game!

Full Fee \$103.30 | After Max. CCS* \$10.33



01 Oct

Big Art Day: Ultimate Craft Off!

What fun challenges can you expect from a box of crafty goodies? Let's find out as we get creative with bursts of colour, shapes, and our imagination!

Full Fee \$96.00 | After Max. CCS* \$9.60



Extraordinary Holiday Adventures

Wed 02 Oct **Special Event: Disco Fest 2024**

Get ready for an epic day with Party Higher and join us for non-stop fun! Dance, play interactive games, tackle TV & Movie quizzes, and see how low you can go with the exclusive light-up Limbo Stick.

Full Fee \$112.00 | After Max. CCS* \$11.20



Thu 03 Oct Adventure: The Wild Robot at Odeon Star Semaphore Cinemas

Join us for an adventure to the movies! The Wild Robot" follows Rozzum 7134 ("Roz" for short), a futuristic robot that washes ashore on a deserted island. You won't want to miss this amazing tale of survival and discovery.

Full Fee \$140.00 | After Max. CCS* \$14.00



Fri 04 Oct

Project: Abracadabra!

Prepare to be amazed as we dive into a magical book, learn thrilling tricks, and create a levitating 'rabbit in a hat' craft! Unleash your inner magician for a day of wonder, creativity, and fun.

Full Fee \$109.50 | After Max. CCS* \$10.95



Project Incursion

Tue 08 Oct Adventure: Playland Peaks at Funtopia

Let your imagination soar and explore endless play possibilities in this indoor playground! Climb up obstacles, crawl through tunnels, and swoosh down the slides as you have fun with friends.

Full Fee \$133.50 | After Max. CCS* \$13.35



Wed 09 Oct

Operation: Footy Frenzy

Get ready for an action-packed day celebrating NRL and/or AFL grand finals! Enjoy fun activities, make new friends, and show off your sports skills. Cheer, play, and experience the excitement of footy today.

Full Fee \$85.00 | After Max. CCS* \$8.50



Thu 10 Oct Project: Music Makers

Ever wondered how music works? Come on over today and build your own music box! We'll also be getting into some exciting experiments that explore the wonders of sound waves with your friends using our groovy melody tubes!

Full Fee \$108.00 | After Max. CCS* \$10.80



Fri 11 Oct

Operation: Under the Sea

Join us for an exciting exploration of the ocean's greatest mysteries! Discover the wonders under the waves as we have some fun enjoying all things oceanic.

Full Fee \$85.00 | After Max. CCS* \$8.50



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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 9: Aldeyna, Mumin, Axel

Week 10: Grace S, Dillen, Thomas

Term 4, Week 1: Alex, Alicia, Tilly

Week 2: Alex, Grace S, Anisha

September Birthdays



Congratulations to these students celebrating birthdays in September:

Nathan	4/5MR	Xavier	4/5CC
Zoe	PRE1	Alexa	4/5MR
Cameron	4/5JM	Grace	3KR
Furmann	1SB	Yohitha	FAL
Praise	4/5MR	Rahmah	6GG
Guransh	2NW	Tyson	4/5CC
Nafisa	1SB	Thomas	4/5MR
Thomas	FJV	Alexander	FJV
Abrihet	4/5CC	Diamond	FAL
Pia	2KB	Matilda	6CH
Aryan	4/5JM	Harry	6GG
Emma	ROV	Arin	4/5MR
Akuen	1AV	Valeria	1SB
Jordan	FAL	Hasu	FJV
Harry	3JF	Harry	3KR
Riley	3KR	Shine	1AV
Nyla	ROV	Minh Anh	4/5MR
Isabel	RML	Mia	3JF

OSHC Hours



Morning: 6.30am - 8.30am; **Afternoon**: 3.00pm - 6.15pm

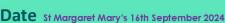
Phone Camp Australia: 1300 105 343

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OSHC News



Newsletter









A heartfelt thank you to our dedicated educators, supportive parents, our school community and, of course, our amazing children for making this term so special. Your enthusiasm and creativity have made our time together truly enjoyable.

As we head into the holiday break, I wish everyone a safe and restful time. Take this opportunity to unwind, enjoy quality time with loved ones, and recharge. We are already looking forward to welcoming you back for Term 4, where we have exciting new activities and adventures planned that we can't wait to share with you!





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.



Keep Smiling (3) Louise, Jenny & Harry





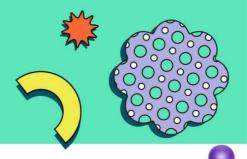
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Final Day
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To register and book, visit www.campaustralia.com.au



Newsletter



Date St Margaret Mary's 16th September 2024



Last week, we celebrated Camp Australia's 30th birthday in style. The children made an amazing spread, including a delicious cake, chocolate balls, honey crackles, fairy bread, fresh fruit, and yummy sandwiches. Everyone wore colourful party hats, played games and we shared lots of fun and laughter throughout the afternoon. It was a joyful celebration, and the kids did a fantastic job making the day



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



Finalising 2025

enrolments

Your daughter's journey at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart College extends beyond academics, serving as a blueprint for future success - whatever that may look like for her. In our supportive environment, girls develop essential skills for navigating an everevolving world while forming strong interpersonal connections and global friendships.

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College tours held monthly



Cricket Blast is an energetic & fun program for kids up to the age of 10 to develop new skills, make new friends and play cricket in a team environment!

Fitzroy Cricket Club

Fitzroy Community Center, Renown Park Sat, 12th Oct to 30th Nov - 9am to 10am Contact: Ruth Jones - ruthjfox@gmail.com









Disability SA



Our four main groups:

Early Years (5 - 8 year old's)

Primary Years (9 - 11 year old's)

Teenagers (12-15 year old's)

Young Adults (16–18 year old's)

What is this program aiming to do?

A 1- week program aiming to:

- Developing artistic talent
- Increase self-esteem and self confidence
- Build resilience and social skills
- Socialising and making friends

Days and times:

Classes run 9am-4pm Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday for Teenagers and Young Adult years.

Classes run 9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm on Thursdays and Fridays for our Early years and Primary groups

Get in quick! Limited availability!

Locations Available:

- Birdwood- Week 1
- Brompton- Week 2

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