



ST JAMES SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Issue Date 15 May 2023



Week 3, Term 2

Important Dates

Catholic Education
Week - Week 3

Monday 15 May 2023

SAPSASA Netball &
AFL Training @
Crystal Brook

Monday 15 May 2023

Year 1/2 Assembly -
2:40pm

Friday 19 May 2023

SAPSASA AFL
Carnival - Adelaide
(Mon- Wed)

Monday 22 May 2023

JCS Closure Day -
NO BUSES

Monday 22 May 2023

Year 3/4 Glenhaven
Overnight Camp
(Thurs & Fri)

Thursday 25 May 2023

Pentecost
Liturgy/Mass - Yr
1/2 Class 9:30am

Friday 26 May 2023

East of Ranges
Choir Practice for
Year 5/6

Friday 26 May 2023

SAPSASA Netball
Training -
Jamestown 4pm

Monday 29 May 2023

SAPSASA Hockey
Training - Pt Pirie
4:30pm

Monday 29 May 2023

SAPSASA
Basketball Comp -
Yr 5/6

Thursday 1 June 2023

Kindy Group 1 -
visiting Reception
Class

Monday 5 June 2023

JCS Closure Day -
NO BUSES

Friday 9 June 2023

King's Birthday -
Public Holiday

Monday 12 June 2023

SAPSASA Soccer
Trials - Crystal
Brook

Wednesday 14 June 2023

Gymnastics R-6
Excursion - Pt Pirie

Thursday 15 June 2023

Yr 6s visit St. Marks

SAPSASA Netball
Training - Crystal
Brook 4pm

Monday 19 June 2023

School Board
Meeting 7:30pm

Monday 19 June 2023

SAPSASA Hockey
Training - Crystal
Brook 4:30pm

Tuesday 20 June 2023

SAPSASA Soccer
Trials - Crystal
Brook

Tuesday 20 June 2023

Mid Year Intake -
Transition

Thursday 22 June 2023

SAPSASA Netball &
Hockey Carnival
(Mon-Wed)

Monday 26 June 2023

Mid Year Intake -
Transition 2

Thursday 29 June 2023

East of Ranges
Choir Practice for
Year 5/6

Friday 30 June 2023

Assembly -
Reception, 2:40pm

Friday 30 June 2023

Upcoming Events

Official Opening of
New Building

Date: Monday 22 May

Time: 11:30am

Venue: St James School -
Jamestown

School Board
Meeting 7:30pm

Date: Monday 22 May

Time: 7:30pm - 9:30pm

Venue: St James School -
Jamestown

P & F Meeting

Date: Tuesday 30 May

Time: 6:30pm - 8:30pm

Venue: St James School -
Jamestown

Mother's Day Blessing Prayer

Dear Lord,

We pray for blessings on all women who have loved and nurtured us throughout our lives. We give thanks for the mothers who have guided and protected us, who have taught and encouraged us. We give thanks for mothers who have passed away, birth mothers, adoptive mothers, foster mothers, grandmothers, aunties, sisters, and for all women who take on a motherly role.

Pour your blessings upon all women. Give them the strength to live loving lives. Protect and guide them. Keep them in your care. Amen.



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the Week 3 Newsletter. I hope everyone had a lovely Mother's Day and all mums were showered with love by their families.

Today marks the start of Catholic Education Week, which is a time for our school and all other Catholic schools to celebrate what makes us unique. To kick off the week, we held a prayer service and Open Morning for both existing and new families. For further information, please refer to the Catholic Identity section.

In other news, we recently had a new irrigation system installed in several areas including the lawn between the new building and the sandpit, the Little Oval, and the lawn between the Sports Shed and the Playgrounds. As we prepare for the grand opening and blessing of our new classrooms and amenities, we will have new roll out lawn laid out around the new building later this week. We look forward to the completion of these projects and the positive impact they will have on our school community.

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

Mother's Day Mass

On Friday in Week 2, the Reception Class led us in a beautiful mass in the church for Mother's Day. Thank you to all that came along to join in this special celebration. We hope all our wonderful mums, grandmothers and all mother figures had a lovely day on Sunday with their families.



#LoveMyCatholicSchool





Catholic Education Week

This week, we celebrate Catholic Education Week (CEW). Catholic Education Week is a great opportunity to highlight all the wonderful things that are happening in every one of our Catholic Schools across South Australia. This year, the week will be based around our Diocesan theme, Called to Community, as well as Raising Hearts and Minds with God for Social Justice. Throughout this week, students will be engaging in a variety of activities to celebrate being a part of our Catholic School community.

What's happening in Week 3?

Monday: Opening Prayer and Open Morning 9am – 11am

New and Existing families are welcome to join us to open Catholic Education Week in a prayer service outside the learning centre, and then visit the classrooms in the morning.

Tuesday: Simultaneous Prayer Service 9am

All students across the Port Pirie Diocese will be participating in a prayer at the same time, on the same day.

Wednesday: Wear Blue for St. Vincent De Paul Society

Students are invited to wear blue casual clothes for a gold coin donation to support the St. Vincent De Paul Society.

Thursday: Port Pirie Switches Off from 11am

At school, each class will be going without power for part of the day.

Friday: Walk to School Day

Students are invited to meet at 8:15am at the Jamestown Memorial Park on Friday morning and participate in the Walk Safely to School Day.

Students will also be participating in planting a tree as part of the Port Pirie Diocese, as well as our call to look after God's creation and to nurture it.

This year, CEW coincides with Laudato Si Week. Keep an eye out in next week's newsletter for more information about this.

A prayer for Catholic Education Week

Loving God,

Guide us to know life in its fullness, to raise our hearts and minds to know God's love.

Raise our hearts and minds to be inspired by Jesus, the Catholic faith and tradition.

Raise our hearts to be loving, compassionate and respectful.

Raise our minds to be inquisitive, capable and seek truth.

May we be aware of listening to the stirring of our hearts to prompt action.

Guide us to respond to the needs of others and all of God's creation.

In all our thoughts, words and actions, help us raise our hearts and minds in creating a world you desire. Loving God, hear our prayer.
Amen



Altar Servers

In Week 2, students who have already been trained to altar serve at mass met with Fr Harold to learn more about their role in the church

and learn more about how they can assist the parish priest during mass. The students found this insightful and were able to share with Fr Harold some of the things they enjoy about their role as Altar Servers in their local parish. Thank you Fr Harold for spending the time with Altar Servers.

Mini Vinnies

Last week on Thursday at lunch time, we had our first session for Mini Vinnies. All students were invited to come along and learn a bit more about what Mini Vinnies is all about and how they can help others! At the end of the session, some students created posters for our 'Wear Blue for the Vinnies Winter Appeal', which is happening this Wednesday during Catholic Education Week. These have been placed around the school.

SCHOOL BOARD

Working Bee - Sunday 21st May

On Sunday, May 21st, a working bee is scheduled from 10am to 12pm to prepare the school for the opening and blessing of the new building, which is on the following day. To spruce up the school grounds, we need volunteers to assist with various tasks, such as, pressure washing outdoor tables and chairs, dusting window ledges and eaves and spreading bark chips in the garden beds.

Additionally, we will be topping up the playgrounds with bark chips. Please bring your own blower vacs, pressure washers, rakes and wheelbarrows. All families are welcome to participate in this community event, as many hands make light work.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Amber and Ben on the safe arrival of their little boy, Axel Haze Hopgood, born on Tuesday the 2nd of May. We share in your joy and excitement as you welcome this precious addition to your family.

We are also delighted to hear that Michael and Kelly have welcomed a new baby girl into their family. Owen and Isla must be thrilled to have a new sister. Congratulations on the safe arrival of Anna Penelope MacPherson last Tuesday. Wishing you all the best.



PARENTS & FRIENDS

The P&F are thrilled to witness the installation of the new playground during the holidays and we hope that the children are enjoying it. We want to express our gratitude to all the parents, grandparents and friends who generously donated their time, skills and hard work to make this project possible. Every contribution has brought us closer to our goal of providing excellent resources for our children and we are thankful for all of you.

Despite being only halfway through the year, we have already achieved so much. Our next event is catering for the opening of the new building and amenities and we extend our appreciation to the parents who are working or providing food for this occasion.

Furthermore, we are exploring ideas for fundraising for our next big project. If you have any suggestions or interest in participating, please join us for our next meeting on Tuesday, May 30th, at 6:30pm. Thank you all for your ongoing support.

Best regards, Bridget Lange President of the P&F.

SCHOOL NEWS

Blessing & Opening of New Building

The Blessing and Opening will be taking place next Monday 22nd May at 11:30am, at the start of Week 4. All parents are invited to attend. There will be a number of important guests present including the Bishop of the Port Pirie Diocese, Karol Kulczycki, who will lead the Blessing Liturgy and Ms Nichii Mardon, Director of Catholic Education Port Pirie Diocese who will lead the Opening of the new facilities. Other important guests include;

- Outgoing Chairman of the South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools, Professor Denis Ralph
- Penny Pratt – Member for Frome - MP
- Liz Keogh - Deputy Director of Catholic Education Port Pirie Diocese
- Sr. Brigitte Sipa – Sister of St. Joseph – Head of Order
- Sr. Kerry Keenan – Sister of St. Joseph
- Sr. Sue McGovern – Sister of St. Joseph
- Sr. Caroline Duggan – Sister of St. Joseph
- Sr. Marie Hennekam – Sister of St. Joseph
- Michael Preece - Previous St. James Principal

Tuck Shop Orders Week 4

Due to the Blessing and Opening of the new Building, Week 4 Tuck Shop orders will be available on Tuesday 23rd May instead of on the usual Monday order day.

Year 3/4 Camp

The students and staff in the Year 3/4 Class are excited about the upcoming camp to Glenhaven Adventure Park, which is located near Stockport. It is an overnight camp on Thursday 25th and Friday 26th May. Students will take part in activities, such as, bush skills, archery, tower challenge and the giant swing. All information was sent out to the parents of the Year 3/4 students via our online parent permission app, Operoo. We look forward to hearing about their tales of adventure.

Book Club Orders

Book Club Magazines were sent out last week to every student. Orders are due at the end of Week 3, Friday 19th May. Please place all orders through LOOP.

School Closure Day

Our next School Closure Day is on the last day of Term 2, Friday 7th July. Our staff will be taking part in training. Please mark this in your diaries.

Winter Uniform

Beginning today all students will be expected to wear the winter uniform. Please make sure that your child's hat and jumpers are named and we ask that you take the time to check your child's winter uniform for sizing and place orders through the Flexi Schools App. Uniform orders are collated on Wednesday's and sent home on Thursday's.

SPORTS NEWS

SAPSASA

Congratulations to Ethan McC and Hugh S who competed in the SAPSASA Cross Country in Wilmington in Week 1 of this term, and have qualified to compete in the Adelaide Oakbank Cross Country in June. We wish these students the best of luck.

Well done to Sadie R, Pippa C and Harriet S who have been selected to compete in the North Eastern SAPSASA Hockey team. Due to the low number of students registering this year, these girls will be joining together with other girls from another region to compete in Adelaide later this term. All the best girls!

CLASSROOM SNAPSHOT - YR 5/6

In the 5/6 Class, during Inquiry, we are doing food groups. In groups, we have made a business where we are going to sell food and a drink to the students and staff at school. We are raising money for our camp in Term 4. We have costed the price of each item, created a logo, digital advertisement and much more!

Here is what we are serving this Term! An order form will come out each week for you to order lunch for our child!

BUS NEWS

No School Buses

The community school has informed us that there will be no buses running on Monday 22nd May as they will be having a closure day.

Safety Notice

The safety of every student in our district is important. I remind all drivers that when a school bus has its lights flashing, is pulled over and students are entering or exiting the bus, passing vehicles must reduce their speed to 25km/h when passing the bus.

MID YEAR

ENROLMENTS

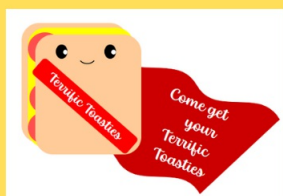


FOOD GROUPS



Week 3 Friday

Alexis, Patrick and Lottie will be serving...
Mini Pizzas \$3.50
Spiders \$1.50



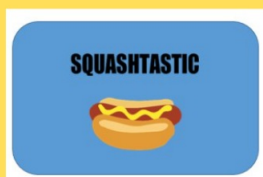
Week 4 Thursday

Zarah, Gus, Hugh T and Harriet will be serving...
Ham and Cheese Toasties \$3.00
Cordial \$1.00



Week 5 Friday

Will, Pippa and Hugh S will be serving...
Bacon and Egg Sandwiches \$3.50
Fruit Boxes \$1.50
Donations of eggs, for this food group, would be very much appreciated! If you are able to donate please email Miss Robinson (jrobinson@stjames.catholic.edu.au)



Week 6 Friday

Ned, Sadie, James and Lucy will be serving...
Squash Dogs \$3.50
Cordial \$1.00



Week 8 Friday

Ellie, Jorja, Archer and Ethan will be serving...
Sausages \$2.50
Fruit Boxes \$1.50



Week 9 Thursday

Hazel, Alayla and Eddie will be serving...
Spaghetti Bolognese \$3.50
Spiders \$1.50



Enrolments Now Open for 2023 Mid Year & January 2024

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- Small class sizes
- Specialist classes in Performing Arts, Music and Science and Technology
- Individualised attention for each student leading to better learning outcomes
- Specialised literacy programs

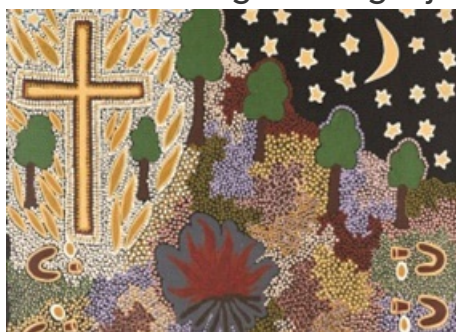
BOOK YOUR TOUR NOW



In 2023 St James will be offering mid year enrolments. If your child turns 5 before 31st October 2023, they can start school at St James in Term 3, 2023 and the school fees are free. Children starting in Reception mid-year will have a minimum of 6 terms in Reception.

Interest and enrolments are also open for the beginning of 2024. Please contact the school and register your interest and book a discovery school tour. Children who turn 5 on or before 30th April can begin school in Term 1 of 2024.

We acknowledge the Ngadjuri people, traditional custodians of this land.



Tuck Roster



TUESDAY 23RD MAY

Convenor: Bel Heness

Worker: Lynn Williams

Cakes: Karen Sleep & Bec Sweet

MONDAY 29TH MAY

Convenor: Suanne Redden

Worker: Sophie Home

Cakes: Sam Catlin & Peta Caulfield

Parish Mass

SUNDAY 21st May

Welcomers: Martin Kischke

Servers: Zoe Rattley & Lucy Low

SUNDAY 28th May

Welcomers: Megan Rowe

Servers: Gus Lange & Patrick Cousins

SUNDAY 4th June

Welcomers: Peter Moore

Servers: Ethan McCarthy & Hugh Thompson

how to help

YOUTH HOMELESSNESS

Every year Centacare supports hundreds of young people who are homeless.

Some of these young people are alone, others are pregnant or have young children of their own to look after.

You can help support a young person or family by donating toiletry, personal or household packs.

Gift Cards from Kmart or Big W are also great as the young person or family can purchase exactly what they need.



- drawstring bag / toiletries bag
- shampoo + conditioner
- body wash / wrapped soap
- toothbrush + toothpaste
- lip balm
- hairbrush
- feminine hygiene products
- wet wipes
- hand sanitiser
- sunscreen
- first aid kit
- face washer
- towel

toiletries

- backpack
- water bottle
- notebook + pen
- pencil case + colour pencils
- USB
- pocket radio
- metro card
- torch
- stress ball / fidget
- beanie
- gloves
- socks
- rain jacket
- sleeping bag
- blanket / picnic rug

personal

- laundry basket
- toaster
- kettle
- dinner set
- cutlery set
- cups + mugs
- cookware set
- cooking utensils
- tea towels
- bath towels x2
- pillows x2
- quilt, cover, sheets (single)
- quilt, cover, sheets (queen)

household

YOU ARE INVITED TO ATTEND THE

2023 Educators' Ball

AUGUST 04 AT 7PM

THE GRAND BALLROOM HILTON ADELAIDE

educators
Grow • Nourish • Accelerate



Let's Celebrate

Get ready to party...

You are invited to the inaugural Educators' Ball!

If you are an educator in South Australia in any sector or level of education then you are invited. Bring along your partner, family, friends, and anyone else who values educators. They're all welcome to attend!

Why?

Because we think you deserve some recognition and fun for all the work you do for children in SA.

Date: August 4th, 2023

Time: 7:00pm till late!

Venue: Hilton Hotel Adelaide - Grand Ballroom

Ticket pricing

Table of 10 (Branded with your school or company logo)- \$1200

Group of two - \$240

Single admission - \$125

Raffle tickets - \$5 each



It's going to be one big party with amazing raffle prizes and a wine wall.

Our goal is to celebrate our profession, highlight the importance of educators, create a sense of fun and belonging, and reinforce that educators matter, all while raising funds for the amazing children's charity—BackPacks4SAKids.

Why not celebrate with your colleagues, family and friends through a group booking?

Perhaps book a table or two for your school, preschool or workplace.

Have a great night out, be proud to be an educator and raise money for a great children's charity all in one night.

It is truly an event not to be missed!

REGISTER NOW >

