



Important Dates

Primary Principal's Day

Friday 4 August

Mary MacKillop Feast Day

Tuesday 8 August

Mary MacKillop Feast Day Liturgy

9.10am
Tuesday 8 August

School Advisory Board Meeting

6.30pm
Wednesday 9 August

Principal's Tour

9.30am
Thursday 10 August

SACPSSA Cross Country Yrs 3-6

Thursday 10 August

The Assumption

Tuesday 15 August

Concert Dress Rehearsal

Wednesday 16 August

School Concert 7pm

Thursday 17 August

Principal's Tour

9.30am
Thursday 24 August

Book Week Parade

9am
Friday 25 August

Sacrament of Confirmation & Communion 6pm

Saturday 26 August

Sacrament of Confirmation & Communion 10am

Sunday 27 August

Principal's Tour

11.30am
Sunday 27 August

From the Leadership Team

Dear Families

Welcome to Term 3

On Tuesday 25th July we welcomed 19 new students to the school as part of the mid year Reception intake. It has been wonderful to witness their smooth and settled transition into the school and we look forward to their active contribution to the St John the Baptist Catholic School community for many years to come.

A very warm welcome is extended to: Evie A, Mehtab, Oliver, Jude, Matilda, Liaden, Louie, Johan, Isabella I, Isabella P, Ayen, Raghav, Evie S, Marley, Leo, Asher, Charlie, Angus and Ivana.

We also welcomed Ninel (Year 6) and Eddie (Year 5) into the school. It is great to have you here.

Building Opening

On Tuesday we celebrated a significant school event when we officially opened and blessed the new building. The celebration was presided over by Archbishop O'Regan and the plaque unveiled by the Hon Blair Boyer, MP - Minister for Education, Training and Skills. They were joined by the Chair of the South Australian Commission for Catholic Schools, Mr John Neate and the Executive Director of Catholic Education, Dr Neil McGoran and a number of invited guests. Many of the guests commented positively on the ceremony, the exemplary behaviour of the children and also their beautiful singing. Thank you to all involved either on the day or in the lead up to the event. It was a wonderful community celebration.

Live Learn Lead Survey

Once again this year, the school will conduct the Living Leading Learning Surveys to examine the understanding of the vision and extent to which CESA's Living Learning Leading Framework is taking place in schools: staff, student and family perceptions.

The surveys will be based around 4 components-

- Catholic Identity
- Curriculum
- Student agency, identity, learning and leadership
- Community engagement

Data from the surveys will assist the school to develop plans for improvement.

The survey suite consists of:

- Student Survey - Years 2-6
- Parent and Caregivers Survey
- Staff survey

You can access the Parent and Caregiver survey at the following link: www.NSIPartnerships.com.au and enter the code: SJBPLLLP in the "Start Questionnaire" field. Further information can be found [here](#).

Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

On Tuesday 8th August we will celebrate as a whole school community, the Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. A whole school liturgy will be held in the Church at 9:10am and all are welcome to attend.

At this special occasion we acknowledge Mary's impact through the Sisters of St Joseph, the religious order founded by Mary and who were instrumental in establishing our school as it stands today.

School Concert

The School Concert will be held on Thursday evening, 17 August at 7:00pm at the Christian Family Centre, Frederick Road, Seaton. Each class will perform an Australian Themed act that they have been preparing for during their Expressive Arts lessons with Nat Weber. We look forward to a fun and entertaining evening!

Best wishes,

Leadership Team

2024 Term 3 & 2025 Sibling Enrolments



St John the Baptist
Catholic School

**Term 3 2024
& 2025**

**SIBLING
ENROLMENTS**

**ARE NOW
OVERDUE**

Please contact the school
immediately

PH: 8218 3300



Do you have a child due to start in Term 3, 2024 or 2025 - if so, sibling enrolments are now overdue.

Please contact the front office on 8218 3300 or download a copy of the enrolment form [here](#).

Catholic Identity

School Building Opening

On Tuesday 1st August at 10am, Archbishop Patrick O'Reagan joined us in a special liturgy and ceremony to bless our new school building. The community and distinguished guests celebrate this momentous occasion by gathering at St John the Baptist Church.

Mary MacKillop Feast Day

As a Josephite school, we have a special connection to St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. In Week 2 of this term, our school will be holding a liturgy in commemoration of Mary MacKillop Feast Day which falls on 8th August. The liturgy will be held in St John the Baptist Church at 9.10am and will be led by our Year 6 leaders. Families are welcome to attend.

Open Mornings and Mass

This term we are looking forward to continuing our celebrations of the Eucharist by joining the parish at weekday Mass. Years 2, 3 and 5 will host an Open Morning, followed by a communal gathering for Mass at 9:30am. Please see the term calendar for dates. These mornings provide a wonderful opportunity for the gathering of the school and parish community.

With Sympathy



Our Prayers are with those who have recently lost loved ones,
May God keep them close.

To the family of Vian & Viraz Pavri (1M) for the loss of their Grandfather.

To the family of Todd LaForgia (Staff) for the loss of his Uncle Phil.

**"Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they Rest In Peace."**

Finance News

Change of Circumstance

We ask those families whose circumstances may have changed or are experiencing difficulties to please contact Todd LaForgia or myself at your earliest convenience via email: pmarks@stjohnpl.catholic.edu.au

Statement of Accounts

A statement of accounts will be sent out shortly to all families. Can you please ensure your current method of payment will see your account paid in full by 24th November, unless previously arranged. If you have changed your address, please advise the office as soon as possible on info@stjohnpl.catholic.edu.au

School Card

Please follow the link below to apply for the 2023 School Card Scheme. Once we have received the eligibility report from School Card the remission will be applied to your account.

The School Card scheme provides low-income families attending a non-government school with financial assistance for school fees (materials and services charges).

Eligibility

School Card is available to:

- families with children aged four years and over who attend a school full-time
- independent full-time students studying year 10, 11 or 12
- adult re-entry students undertaking subjects to complete their SAC

<https://www.sa.gov.au/topics/education-and-learning/financial-help-scholarships-and-grants/school-card-scheme>

Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any queries regarding the above.

Pam Marks

Bursar/Finance Officer



School Photo Day



From the Sport Coordinator



Thank You

I would like to extend a big thank you to -

- Mary Murray for taking responsibility for the After School Sport during Term 2.
- Kate McKeough for delivering the Year 3 – Year 6 PE lessons.
- Sophie Koster for delivering the Reception – Year 2 PE lessons.

Term 3 School Sport

Basketball

7 x Basketball teams

Year 3/4 Boys STJB Bulls - Coach – Andi Richardson

Year 3/4 Boys STJB Wizards - Coaches – Jeff Balkwill & Carolyne Ryan

Year 5/6 Girls STJB Clippers - Coach – Lisa Critchley

Year 2/3 Open STJB Lakers - Coach – Grant Evans

Year 2/3 Open STJB Magic - Coach – Michelle Politis

Soccer

6 x Soccer teams

Phoenix (Under 7) - Coaches – Jason Gullickson & Chris Flatman

Jets (Under 8) - Coach - Adam Keegan

United (Under 9) - Coach – Mark Seiffert

Glory (Under 9) - Coach – Peter Parini

Victory (Seniors) - Coach – Sava Politis

Wanderers (Seniors) - Coach – Gregor Dingwall

Southern Districts Junior Soccer Association Soccer Carnivals

- August 14th** Under 9-night Carnival, Bowker St
- August 21st** Under 8-night Carnival, Bowker St
- August 28th** Under 7 & 8 night Carnival, Bowker St

Netball

2 x Netball team

Year 3/4 STJB Allstars - Coach – Michelle Politis

Year 3/4 STJB Firebirds - Coach – Angela Speirs

A special thank you to all parents who have given up their time and volunteered to coach a team.

Sport Carnivals

The following carnivals / trials will occur this term –

SACPSSA Cross Country Carnival, Yrs 4 - 6 Squad - Thursday 10th August (Week 3)

Adelaide (Angels) Baseball Carnival, All Yrs 5 & 6 - Wednesday 30th August (Week 6)

SACPSSA Touch Carnival, All Yrs 4 - 6 - Friday 8th March (Week 7)

SACPSSA Cricket Carnival, All Yrs 5 & 6 - Thursday 21st September (Week 9)

Just a reminder:

St John the Baptist Catholic School SPORTS DAY

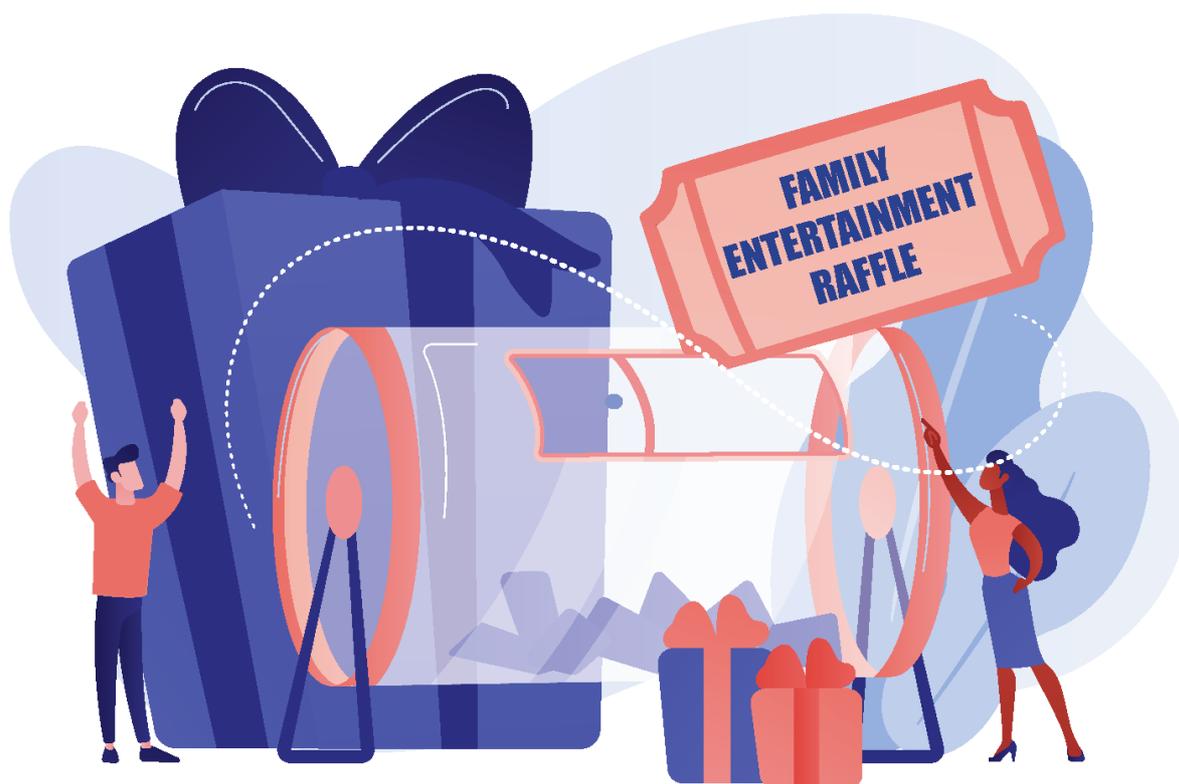
- Friday 20th October 2023
- SA Athletics Stadium, Mile End

Kind regards,

Paul O'Dea

PE & Co-curricular Sport Co-ordinator

sport@stjohnpl.catholic.edu.au



- Drawn:** 17th August at the School Concert
- Main prize:** 2 x Adelaide Oval Climb tickets valued at \$300
- Other prizes:** YMCA Glengowrie Birthday Party valued at \$280
Pajama Mama Teepee Party \$100 voucher
The Highway \$100 voucher
The Marion Hotel \$100 voucher
Coles \$50 voucher
PLUS Movie tickets, Officeworks stationery/craft pack,
a signed Thunderbirds netball and soccer packs!
- Tickets:** \$1 each with books of 10 going home to families in Term 3.
More books will be available at the Front Office.
Payment via Qkr!
**BOOKS ARE TO BE RETURNED TO SCHOOL
BY THE 11TH OF AUGUST**

How can you help?

If you have any family entertainment vouchers you can add to the prize pool, please contact Karen Klingberg on 0402 854 846.

This fundraising event is brought to you by the P&F Committee, to join the committee please contact Karen Klingberg 0402 854 846

Family Entertainment Raffle

The Parents & Friends are having a Family Entertainment Raffle. Tickets have been sent home with your eldest child.

Please see flyer for further information.

From the Library



There are only a few more weeks for students to complete the challenge by reading a minimum of 12 books before the 8th September.

If students need help with choosing books that interest them we will gladly assist.

The Library Team

School Concert - Aussie As!



AUSSIE AS...

School Concert

17th August, 7:00PM

A reminder that our school concert is fast approaching...two weeks to go!

Please purchase your concert tickets via Qkr! online before Monday 7th August. A note was sent home last week. Please refer to for further details.

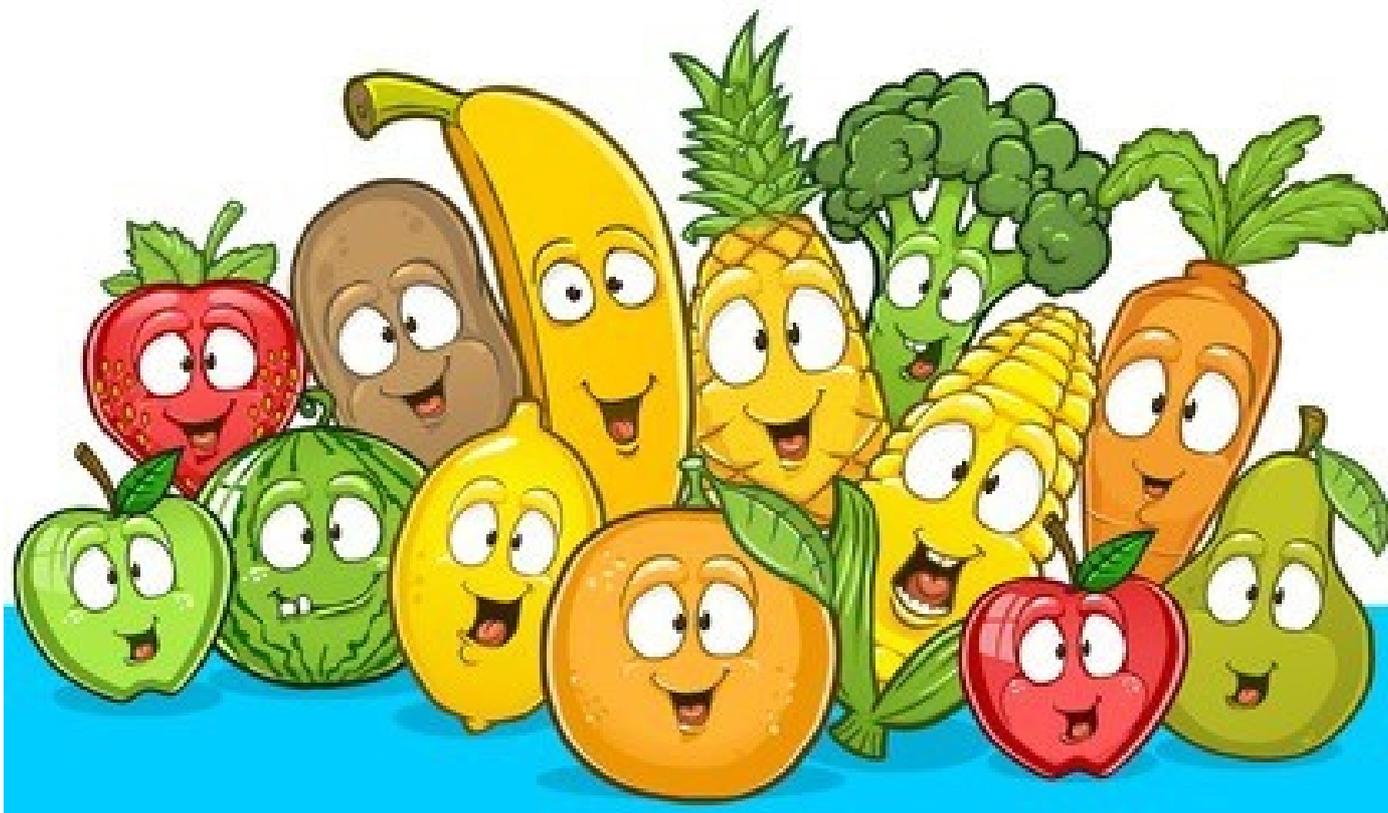
We have a dress rehearsal on Wednesday 16th August and the whole school will travel by chartered buses to the Family Christian Centre and back to school during the day. Further details will be sent home with your children at a later date and the permission form is to be completed online through Qkr!.

Thank you to everyone who has organised costumes and offered to help out class teachers.

Thank you,

Nat Weber

Expressive Arts Teacher



All orders for both recess and lunch are to be ordered via our Qkr! app.

Canteen orders close each canteen day (Monday, Wednesday & Friday) at 9.00am.

Healthy Canteen (Tuesday & Thursday) orders close on Mondays at 12pm.

Canteen Roster

Term 3

Friday 4th August - Jo & Stacey Arnold

Monday 7th August - Julie

Tuesday 8th August - Jo

Wednesday 9th August - Julie

Thursday 10th August - Jo

Friday 11th August - Jo & Victoria Thurston

Monday 14th August - Julie

Tuesday 15th August - Jo

Wednesday 16th August - Julie

Thursday 17th August - Jo

Friday 18th August - Jo & Zoe Seiffert

Monday 21st August - Julie

Tuesday 22nd August - Jo

Wednesday 23rd August - Julie

Thursday 24th August - Jo

Volunteering at St Johns



St John the Baptist School provides a safe environment for all while valuing the partnership between school and home.

As a Catholic community, we welcome and value volunteers. To be able to volunteer, and/or attend at other times throughout the school year, we ask that you hold a current Catholic Police Check (parents/caregivers attending excursions, reading in class, helping in class, attending community events), a current Responding to Risks of Harm, Abuse and Neglect in Education and Care for Volunteers certificate, have completed the volunteers application package and your COVID vaccination certificate.

A Catholic Police Check for volunteers is free for our current parents and caregivers. Application Forms are available in our school office.

This process ensures we maintain a child safe environment. To avoid disappointment, we encourage you to apply for a Catholic Police Check through the school office as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school office on 8218 3300 or email Francis Schulz on fschulz@stjohnpl.catholic.edu.au.

Community News

Plympton Catholic Parish Mass Times



DAILY MASSES - MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY AT 9.30AM

VIGIL MASS - SATURDAYS AT 6PM

MASS - SUNDAY'S AT 8.30AM & 10AM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION - FRIDAY'S 10AM - 12PM

ROSARY - MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY AT 9.10AM

RECONCILIATION - SATURDAY'S FROM 11.30AM

Plympton Catholic Parish
Special Mass



SACRAMENT OF
CONFIRMATION & COMMUNION

SUNDAY 27TH AUGUST 10.00AM



Catholic School Parents SA is pleased to present:

Tricky Behaviours

*presented by Andrew Fuller,
Clinical Psychologist*

**Thursday August 10 2023
6.30pm - 8pm (in person or online)**

**Loreto College
Performing Arts Centre
316 Portrush Road, Marryatville**

This Parent Engagement Evening is hosted by Catholic School Parents SA.

Young people with tricky behaviours don't need to be "fixed" because they are not broken. However, they do need help in finding ways to use their strengths and learn different ways to engage with the world. They need guidance on how to thrive and parents are the best ones to provide that support. This session will help you understand the tricky behaviours and learn strategies to increase motivation and strengthen positive family cultures.

Andrew Fuller is a clinical psychologist, family therapist, author, speaker, and creator of Learning Strengths™.

Register via the [CESA Registration Centre](#) or go to the [Events page](#) on the CSPSA Website.

cspsa.catholic.edu.au

Catholic School Parents Evening - Responding to Friendship Difficulties and Bullying with Madhavi Nawana Parker



Catholic School Parents SA is pleased to present:

Helping children and teenagers respond to friendship difficulties and bullying

presented by Madhavi Nawana Parker

Wednesday September 20 2023
6pm - 8pm (in person or online)

St Mary's College, Veritas Centre
253 Franklin Street, Adelaide

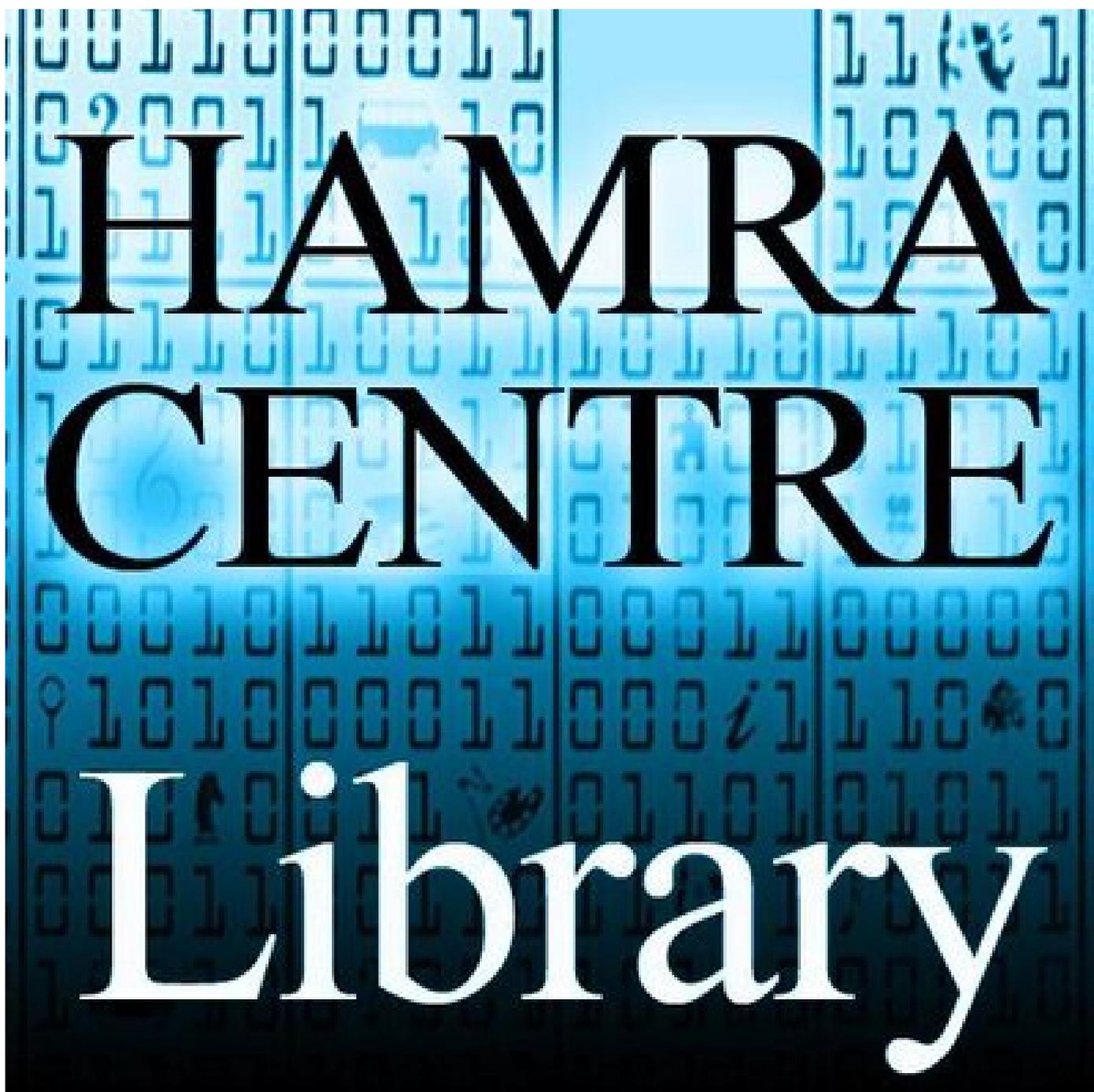
This Parent Engagement Evening, hosted by Catholic School Parent SA, welcomes all parents and carers of children in Catholic schools.

Social and friendship challenges are common. Learning how to have a good relationship with others, regulate emotions when socially isolated, and respond proactively to bullying, are crucial life skills. This workshop will help parents and carers identify the difference between bullying and social clumsiness, whilst also providing practical and constructive ways for young people to cope with confidence and resilience.

Madhavi Nawana Parker, Director of [Positive Minds Australia](#) is one of Australia's leading experts on Mental Health and Wellbeing.

Register via the [CESA Registration Centre](#) or go to the [Events page](#) on the Catholic School Parents SA Website.

cspsa.catholic.edu.au



Hamra Library currently offer the following drop-in activities:

- A monthly writers' group (4:30-5:30pm every second Wednesday of the month)
- A monthly book club with no set text, just a place to come and talk about books! (4:30-5:30pm last Wednesday of every month)
- Homework club for all-ages study assistance every Monday during term, 4pm-6pm.
- 24/7 access to Studiosity for additional support if they have a West Torrens library card!
- The Australian Refugee Association offers homework support to students from refugee backgrounds who have been in Australia for 5 years or less every Thursday of term - 4pm-6pm
- Lego Club (every 2nd Monday during term time, 3:30-5pm)
- "Sign Squad" for 12-25 year olds to learn Auslan from a Deaf tutor (Friday 5-6pm in weeks 1, 4, and 8 of each term)

None of these activities require bookings but further information is available via the Hamra Library website on the Activities and Events webpage:

<https://www.westtorrens.sa.gov.au/Hamra-Centre-Library/Activities-and-event>

LIMITED OFFER

SPORTS MOUTHGUARD

\$ 149

(NORMALLY \$299)



**Offer limited to
St John the Baptist
Catholic School
students and must
mention this flyer when
booking**

Health Fund Rebates available

**Call (08) 7120 2719
to book an appointment**

 **TORRENSVILLE
DENTAL CARE**

203 Henley Beach Road, Torrensville, SA

PHOS Mini's



BEGINNER NETBALL
for 5-7 year olds is
BACK IN 2023!

Be part of our **BEGINNER NETBALL PROGRAM** at PHOS.

PHOS Mini's is designed for 5 to 7 year old girls & boys with no (or limited) previous netball experience.

Our program teaches body balance, co-ordination, catching, passing, goal shooting and footwork. Learn the very basics of netball through games and fun activities!

When?

4.00 – 5.00 pm Friday afternoons

From 18th August – 22nd September (6 weeks)

Where?

PHOS Netball Club

Saratoga Drive, Novar Gardens

Cost?

\$50 per participant

Includes weekly training and coaching plus a PHOS Mini's T-shirt

Register online at www.playhq.com/netball-australia/register/269926

HURRY! Registrations close Tuesday, 8th August



\$234.50
for 3 days!
Offer ends August
20!



THREE DAY SCHOOL HOLIDAY SPORTS CAMPS!

Improve your sporting skills with friends this Spring!
Basketball, Soccer, Netball, Cricket and AFL on offer!

Program includes

- ✓ 9am to 3pm each day
- ✓ Delivered by experienced coaches
- ✓ Suitable for all ages and skill levels
- ✓ Guest appearances at selected programs

Dates

 3, 4, 5 October 2023

Location

 St Michael's College, 15 Mitton Ave, Henley Beach SA 5022

Contact Us 1300 914 368 admin@australiansportscamps.com.au

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Birthdays



Congratulations to those who celebrate their birthday in the next two weeks and during the holidays.

August Birthdays

4th August - Danica C (5HB) & Mikayla C (5F)

5th August - Hudson W (3WD)

6th August - Tex M (2T) & Matilda D (REC K)

8th August - Austin V (REC DC)

10th August - Elsie A (2T) & Stella R (2T)

11th August - Mila M (2S) & Harry T (2S)

13th August - Max P (3WD), Oliver Saldanha (3BM) & Eva Renjeev (2T)

14th August - Naga K (1SM)

15th August - Oliver B (REC K)

16th August - Louis J (REC K)

School Uniform



QUALITY UNIFORMS

Our uniform is available for purchase from Brandmode, 83 Glen Osmond Road, Eastwood. Ph - (08) 8357 0022

To purchase uniform online please click [here](#).

To book an appointment please click [here](#).

For further information on our Uniform Guidelines, please click [here](#).

Instrumental Tutors

We currently offer the following instrumental tutoring:

Piano

(currently a waitlist)

Tutor - Christine Davies

Ph: 0403 546 091

Email - christineonpiano@gmail.com

Guitar

Tutor - Dido Durmanovic

Ph: 0407 719 836

Email: didodurmanovic@hotmail.com

Drums

Tutor - Shaun Doddy

Ph: 0417 806 993

Email: shaundoddy@rocketmail.com

Acknowledgement



We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we live, learn and work.

We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual connection and relationship of Aboriginal peoples to this country and commit to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

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Camp Australia



To make a Your OSHC booking, you need to register with Camp Australia first.

Registration is free and can be done online, or with our smartphone app.

www.campaustralia.com.au

Southern Cross Newsletter



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