



Week 5, Term 2

Important Dates

SAPSASA Boys AFL
 State Carnival -
 Mon-Wed
 Monday 27 May 2024

P & F Meeting -
 6:30pm
 Tuesday 28 May 2024

First Communion
 Retreat
 Wednesday 29 May 2024

PUPIL FREE DAY -
 Staff Retreat
 Friday 31 May 2024

First Communion
 Sacramental Mass
 9am
 Sunday 2 June 2024

SAPSASA Netball
 Training - 4pm
 Tuesday 4 June 2024

YCS -3:15pm
 Tuesday 4 June 2024

SAPSASA Yr 5/6
 Rugby Tag Carnival
 @ JCS
 Wednesday 5 June 2024

SAPSASA State
 Cross Country
 Thursday 6 June 2024

Sacred Heart of
 Jesus Mass 9:30am
 - Led by YR 2/3
 Friday 7 June 2024

Assembly 2:40pm -
 Yr 5/6
 Friday 7 June 2024

PUBLIC HOLIDAY-
 King's Birthday
 Monday 10 June 2024

SAPSASA Soccer
 Trials @ JCS 4pm
 Wednesday 12 June 2024

SAPSASA Hockey
 Trials @ Crystal
 Brook 4pm

Year 5/6 Volleyball
Day @ JCS
Thursday 13 June 2024

Assembly 2:40pm -
Yr R/1
Friday 14 June 2024

Casual Clothes Day
- Gold Coin
Donation
Friday 14 June 2024

Confirmation Rite
of Commitment
Mass - 9am
Sunday 16 June 2024

School Board
Meeting - 7:30pm
Monday 17 June 2024

SAPSASA Soccer
trials - 4pm
Monday 17 June 2024

SAPSASA Netball
training - 4pm
Tuesday 18 June 2024

Mary MacKillop
Play - Whole School
Excursion to
Gladstone
Wednesday 19 June 2024

SAPSASA Netball
Carnival - Mon-Wed
Monday 24 June 2024

Assembly 2:40pm -
Yr 2/3
Friday 28 June 2024

SRC - "St James
Got Talent"
Friday 28 June 2024

Confirmation Parent
Night - 6pm
Tuesday 2 July 2024

SAPSASA Golf
Trials - Gladstone
Wednesday 3 July 2024

Thanksgiving Mass
9:30am - Led by YR
4
Friday 5 July 2024

RAA Street Smart
Visit
Friday 5 July 2024

Early finish -
2:15pm
Friday 5 July 2024

PUPIL FREE DAY -
Curriculum Day
Monday 22 July 2024

First Day of Term 3
Tuesday 23 July 2024

Prayer and Reflection - The Most Holy Trinity

Yesterday, the Catholic Church celebrated "The Most Holy Trinity." On this day the Church honours the one God in three persons, the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit.

Dear Father, you sent your Word to bring us truth and your Spirit to make us holy. Through them, we come to know the mystery of your life. Help us worship you, one God in three Persons, by proclaiming and living our faith in you. We ask this, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, true and living, forever and ever Amen.



PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the Week 5 newsletter. All students are working well with their teachers and class members. An important part of learning at St James includes teachers stating and displaying the learning intentions for each lesson to the students. This means the students are provided with a sentence, in child friendly language, about what they are learning in the lesson. Teachers are also working with their classes to identify the success criteria for each lesson. To put it simply, students and teachers negotiate and agree on what they need to achieve to show their learning. To ensure learning intentions and success criteria are effective, teachers have created “bump it up walls” in each class. This is a useful display in the class that includes examples of the work expected, which would be deemed at standard, above standard and well above standard. It means that as students produce work, they can refer to the bump it up wall, to see if they are on track to be at standard or better. Feel free to visit your child’s class to see learning intentions, success criterium and bump it up walls.

CATHOLIC IDENTITY

First Communion

We continue to pray for the children preparing for the Sacrament of First Communion. It was lovely to meet with candidates, parents, and Fr Ranjith last Tuesday night to learn more about the sacrament. This Sunday at 9am they will receive Eucharist for the first time, which is a very special moment in their faith life. All families are welcome to join us at 9am Mass, followed by a morning tea in the Learning Centre.

For the Year 4 students preparing for First Communion the following dates would be important to have in your calendar.

Wednesday 29th May – Retreat Day at Bundaleer Forest

Sunday June 2nd 9:00am – Celebration of the Sacrament

Friday 7th June 9:30am (School Mass) or Sunday 9th June – Blessing and Commissioning

Confirmation



Catholic students in Year 5 and 6 should have received a letter from Fr Harold outlining the process of preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The following dates were given in the letter;

- **Enquiry weekend** (Any Sunday Mass 9am before 16th June) At the end of Mass, ask Father for an enrolment form and feel free to ask questions.
- **Rite of Commitment** (Sunday 16th June - 9am) After the homily, children will make a commitment to their preparation program and ask for blessings and prayers of their parents and parish community.

- **Parent and candidate workshop** (Tuesday 2nd July - 6pm) A short workshop for parents and children to help you with your preparation. Practical points before Sacramental celebrations.
- **Celebration of the Sacrament** (Friday 9th August - 6pm) Celebration of your child's Confirmation with Bishop Karol.
- **Commissioning of Children** (Friday 16th August - 9:30am or Sunday 18th August - 9am) Blessing and commissioning of children to go out and live their life with Christ.



Sacred Heart of Jesus

The Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus is a day to remember that the heart is a symbol of the human centre. The feast day enables us to dwell on the great mystery of our faith, that God is love. This also strengthens us and inspires us to imitate his love and to help build a life of love. From the Sacred Heart of Jesus, our hearts learn meekness, humility, mercy, and love (<https://todayscatholic.org>). **The Year 2/3 class will lead us in Mass on Friday 7th June at 9:30am.**

SCHOOL NEWS

Pupil Free Days 2024 - Staff Training Days

The next Pupil Free Day will be based on building Staff Faith Formation and is on;

Term 2 - Week 5 - Friday 31st May – Staff Religious Retreat Day

The remaining Pupil Free Days this year include:

Term 3 - Week 1 - Monday 22nd July – Curriculum Day

Term 4 - Week 1 - Monday 14th October – Curriculum Day

Term 4 - Week 9 - Friday 13th December – Handover and Curriculum Data Day

Term 2 Assembly Dates

Each class will host an afternoon assembly throughout the term to showcase the learning that has been taking place. All parents and grandparents are most welcome to join us. The next Assembly is on;

Friday 7th June – 2:40pm in the Learning Centre – led by the Year 5/6 Class

The remaining dates for this term's assemblies are;

Friday 14th June – Year R/1 – 2:40pm

Friday 28th June – Year 2/3 – 2:40pm

Uniforms – Winter Uniform

The summer to winter uniform transition period was extended last week and it will continue until the end of this week. From the beginning of June, until the end of Term 3, all students are expected to wear the winter uniform.

Second Hand Uniforms Available

St James has a great range of 2nd Hand Uniform items available for families to purchase at significantly reduced prices. Please see staff at the front office for assistance with this.

School Sports Vouchers

All South Australian families are eligible for a voucher for children to contribute towards sports club fees. Contact your local club for further details.

Sports Vouchers

PARENTS AND FRIENDS

Noonan Funeral

This Wednesday, we have been asked to cater for the funeral of Damien Noonan, with help from the St James Parish. The Noonan's are a much-loved family of the St James community, and we extend our sincere condolences to Rhonda and her family at this sad time. You might have received a text from Kerry Sutter asking for donations of food. Please drop donations to the football clubrooms or the Learning Centre by 10am Wednesday morning. As always, your continued support of our school community is greatly appreciated. Thanks to Kerry Sutter for coordinating this with the parish.

Next Meeting

Our Term 2 meeting will be held this Tuesday at 6:30pm in the Learning Centre. There will be discussion around catering for funerals, school production and a focus for our fundraising efforts. Please feel very welcome to join us, especially if you have never been to a meeting before.



SAPSASA Rugby Tag Carnival

Next week, on Wednesday 5th June, all Year 5/6 students will take part in the North East Zone SAPSASA Rugby Tag Carnival at the

Jamestown Community School Oval. Parents are asked to lookout for the upcoming Operoo parent notification, which will contain further information.

SAPSASA State Cross Country Championships

Congratulations to Ethan M, Hugh S, Eddie D, Bentley C and Flynn T who have all been selected to compete at the Cross Country Schools State Championships at Oakbank next week on Thursday 6th June. We wish these students all the best with their training and at the event.

SAPSASA Boys AFL

The SAPSASA Football Carnival takes place in Adelaide today, Monday 27th May through to Wednesday 29th May. Well done to Hugh S, Ethan Mc and Hamish S who have been selected to represent St James in the NE Zone District AFL Team. We look forward to hearing about their participation on their return to school.

CLASSROOM SNAPSHOT - RECEPTION / YEAR 1

Last week the Reception to Year 3 students participated in the National Simultaneous Storytime. We read *Bowerbird Blues* together with children all over Australia at the same time. We then created our own bowerbird nests. We love reading in our class, and *Bowerbird Blues* has become a popular book to read and share during our reading time.

Below are two reflective quotes from our students about the main message they gained from the text;

“The book made me think, you don’t need lots of things to make you happy. You just need a friend.” Daisy H

“It made me think you don’t need to go out looking for things, be yourself and let them come to you.” Macy L



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



Tuck Roster



TUESDAY 11TH JUNE

Convenor: Kerry S

Worker: Lynne W

Cakes: Sara C & Jamie C

MONDAY 17TH JUNE

Convenor: Kate L

Worker: Suanne R

Cakes: Hayley C & Tash D

Parish Mass

SUNDAY 2ND JUNE

Welcomers: Rick K

Servers: Fletcher W, Hugh S, Gus L

SUNDAY 9TH JUNE

Welcomers: Barb F

Servers: Charlotte R, Rosie R, Frankie H

