



## Important Dates

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**Term 2 Pupil Free Day**

Tuesday 10 June 2025

**Student Led Open Morning/Afternoon**

Wednesday 18 June 2025

**Dance Concert Night One**

Wednesday 2 July 2025

**Dance Concert Night Two**

Thursday 3 July 2025

**Casual Clothing Day**

Friday 4 July 2025

**Father's Day Stall**

Friday 29 August 2025

**Term 3 Pupil Free Day**

Friday 5 September 2025

**Casual Clothing Day**

Friday 26 September 2025

**School Disco**

Friday 24 October 2025

**Term 4 Pupil Free Day**

Monday 17 November 2025

**Christmas Carnival**

Thursday 4 December 2025

**School year concludes**

Wednesday 10 December 2025

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## From the Leadership Team



**On Sunday we celebrated Pentecost Sunday. Students from 4SL share their learning about this special celebration in preparation for some of their class members receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation during week 7.**

### **OPPORTUNITIES TO CELEBRATE:**

Over the last few weeks we have had many opportunities to feel Joy, Hope and Gratitude, as we have celebrated many special events which can be seen below.

### **MUSIC SHOWCASE:**

As you would know, we have an extremely strong Music program here at Stella Maris, which is led by our Music teacher, Victoria Traeger. Each class attends music lesson every week, and Victoria believes that music is essentially about 'performance', so she ensures her lessons are geared towards the students being able to perform what they have learnt.

On Friday, of week 4, we had half of our classes present their 'Music learning' to an audience of students. It was a fantastic afternoon! Watching students careful concentration, and their sheer joy as they performed brought great joy to all those able to attend.

Our junior choir and our school band also performed to a very high standard. We thank Victoria Trager for her passion and energy in delivering such a high

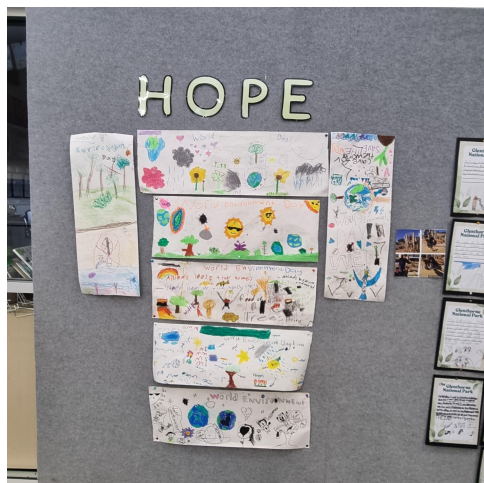


quality music program at Stella Maris.

### RECONCILIATION WEEK:

During week 5 we celebrated National Reconciliation Week, with this year's theme being – "Bridging Now to Next". A whole school community prayer was beautifully lead by our year 5 classes which helped students to gain a deep understanding of what reconciliation is all about.

### WHOLE SCHOOL MASS - WORLD ENVIRONMENT DAY:



#### Year 3BS share their 'Hope' for our world on World Environment Day

We held a lovely whole school mass, on Wednesday 4th of June, focusing on this year's theme for World Environment Day, "Ending plastic pollution". The theme aims to highlight the growing issue of how plastic pollution is harming our planet and encourages us to take action to reduce our consumption, improve recycling, and promote sustainable alternatives to the use of plastics.

Fr Joseph helped students to unpack this learning in his homily reminding students that God loves them, and that God loves our planet, and therefore he wants us to look after one another and our planet.

Following on from this mass students have worked back in their classrooms to further unpack how they can continue to care for our environment.

### SPORTING ACHIEVEMENTS:

Over the last few weeks we have also seen some outstanding sporting achievements at Stella including:

- Our winter after school sports program has now begun with over 200 students representing our school in various sports.
- We had 4 students recently win a state title in the SAPSSA State Mountain Bike championships at Happy Valley. Congratulations to Yr 6 students - Patrick, Lucy, Koby and Oscar for their achievement.
- Our Senior sporting teams are now competing in the SAPSSA Knockout State Championships in various sports. Our netball teams (both boys and girls) were recently undefeated in the round robin competition and now head into the next round of competition. Our Senior boys football team had two comprehensive wins in round 1 of their competition with a combined winning margin of 256 points! They also advance to the next round of competition.
- In week 4 we had over 120 students attend the LaCrosse carnival with a number of other Catholic schools. It was great to hear about their high standard of performance, but even better to hear such positive feedback from parents, staff and other schools on the behaviour and attitude of our students.

We thank James McCarthy for his outstanding co-ordination of our sporting program. The tireless work he undertakes for our school is something to be very grateful for.

Regards,

The Leadership Team

## Our Patch Update

Hello to all the families at Stella Maris,

Welcome back to a new term! Last term was exceptionally busy, with our licensed numbers reaching capacity on many occasions. We understand this made it challenging for some families to secure casual bookings. Thank you to those who promptly mark cancellations in

the app-your consideration has helped us accommodate more families on our busiest days. We kindly ask that any non-attendance be notified as early as possible so we can continue to support families needing casual bookings.

You may have noticed that a lock has been installed on the OSHC door. This measure is in place to ensure the safety of all children, as an unlocked door poses a risk of intruders entering the service. Please ask oshc staff for the code and try to memorise it for easy access to collecting your child/children

As the term progresses, we ask parents booking children into for extra-curricular sports to please complete the consent form available in the OSHC office. This allows your child to attend their activity while booked into OSHC. Additionally, if your child is attending after-school sport and you are not using OSHC that day, please use the side gate for pick-up. For the safety of all children, the OSHC room cannot be used as a thoroughfare.

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On-site, the children engaged in exciting activities, including LEGO build challenges with the Young Engineers incursion, and explored everything Easter through art, craft, roleplay, and sharing real-life experiences. The holidays were busy and filled with fun for everyone!

Looking ahead to this term, we're excited to introduce a mechanical workshop led by Ben. Children will have hands-on opportunities to dismantle and reassemble car engine parts such as distributors, alternators, and starter motors, building their confidence with tools and learning about different components of car engines. This workshop will run on Wednesdays and may be offered on other days depending on interest.

We are also expanding our science table, adding more resources for children to explore, investigate, and discover STEM-based learning.



We look forward to another engaging and enjoyable term with you all!

From your friendly OSHC staff Linda, Benjamin and Harrison'



## Sacred Heart College Tours



### Champagnat Campus Tours Years 7 – 9

Wednesday 21 May, 9.15am

Wednesday 13 August, 4.15pm

Wednesday 10 September, 9.15am

### Marcellin Campus Tours Years 10 – 12

Monday 2 June, 9.15am

Tuesday 2 September, 9.15am

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Select **Option 1** when calling **telephone 8306 4888** to advise absentee information. If after hours please leave a detailed message.

Or **EMAIL** to [absent@smcps.catholic.edu.au](mailto:absent@smcps.catholic.edu.au)

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## Volunteering

Before any volunteering can occur, there are a few steps you will need to complete to ensure you understand your responsibilities and you have obtained the relevant clearances.

Step 1: Complete the RRHAN fundamentals online course via Plink ([www.plink.sa.edu.au](http://www.plink.sa.edu.au)).

Step 2: Complete and sign the declaration forms located in the front office.

Step 3: Provide 100 points of ID to the front office **OR** a valid DHS working with children clearance.

Step 4: Provide all the above documents to the front office and complete a short induction.

Step 5: Keep an eye on your inbox (including junk) for further steps to confirm and obtain your catholic clearance card.

Step 6: Provide a copy of your catholic clearance card to the front office which you will receive in the post.

If you have any questions or require any assistance with the above, please contact our front office staff.

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## Music Tutors

### Guitar - Chris Larsson

Mobile: 0424 241 040

Email: [chrislarsson01@gmail.com](mailto:chrislarsson01@gmail.com)

### Piano - Patricia Heller

Mobile: 0403 645 271

Email: [patricianheller@gmail.com](mailto:patricianheller@gmail.com)

### Singing - Hallmark Music Studio

Email: [kylie@hallmarkmusicstudio.com.au](mailto:kylie@hallmarkmusicstudio.com.au)

### Violin - Jenny McDonald

Mobile: 0410 441 974

Email: [jenjen7@outlook.com](mailto:jenjen7@outlook.com)

### Drums - Gianni Pedicini

Contact Kylie - Hallmark Studios

Ph. 8277 8656

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## Holy Spirit Church

**Office Hours:** Tuesday - Thursday, 9am - 2pm

**Phone:** 08 8298 1044

**Email:** [stannparish@adam.com.au](mailto:stannparish@adam.com.au)

**Address:** 24A Ramsay Ave Seacombe Gardens SA 5047

**PARISH MASS TIMES:**

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