Friday 28 October
- 1/2 Assembly
- Swimming Grades Prep -2
- Reconciliation Presentation Candidates
Monday 31 October
- STUDENT FREE DAY – NO SCHOOL
Tuesday 1 November
- MELBOURNE CUP PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Thursday 3 November
- Prep 2017 Orientation 9.15am-10.15am
- Seasons 7
Friday 4 November
- PFA
- Prep Assembly
- Spooky Disco
Monday 7 November
- Grade 3/4 Breakfast
- Prep 2017 Orientation PE/Music 9am-10am
Tuesday 8 November
- SACRAMENT RECONCILIATION 7.30pm
Thursday 10 November
- Seasons 8
- SACRAMENT RECONCILIATION 7.30pm
Friday 11 November
- Remembrance day
- PFA
- 5/6 Assembly
- Working Bee 5pm-7pm
Monday 14 November
- Twilight Sports 3pm-6pm at St. John’s College Dandenong
Wednesday 16 November
- Whole School & Graduation Photo 9am
Thursday 17 November
- Seasons 9
Friday 18 November
- PFA
- 3/4 level Assembly
Monday 21 November
- Grades 5/6 Breakfast
Thursday 24 November
- Seasons 10
Friday 25 November
- PFA
- 1/2 level Assembly
- Grade 3/4 Big Day Out / sleepover
Sunday 27 November
- Advent Family Mass and welcome to new Preps
Friday 2 December
- PFA
- Farewell Celebration for Mrs. Matheson
  ◇ Assembly 2.30pm
  ◇ Mass 5.30pm
  ◇ Family Picnic 6.30pm in the Piazza (BYO picnic and rug)

**PRAYER**

Tuesday, 1st November, is All Saints’ when the Church celebrates every saint, known and unknown, at one time.

Father, All-Powerful and ever-living God, today we rejoice in the holy men and women of every time and place. May their prayers bring us your forgiveness and love. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PRINCIPAL’S NEWS**

Happy News! Mrs Lucas and I are both delighted to announce the arrival of our grandchildren. Our gorgeous grandsons were both born on the same day Sunday 23rd October!!! We are over the moon to announce the arrival of Charlie and Jack. The birth of a child brings such joy to a family and the birth of a grandchild is just as magical. While a lot has changed in the gadgets for newborn babies from capsules to even the simple bunny rug, what is unchanged is the simple joy of holding this precious, treasure in our arms. The miracle of life fills our lives with such pride and abundant blessings. We are both over the moon swapping baby pictures and stories!!

Retirement News We knew this day would have to come but somehow we are still not ready to accept the news. After 29 wonderful, professional and dedicated years of teaching at St Paul Apostle North, Mrs Carol Matheson our beloved Prep teacher has decided to retire. I know this comes as sad news for our community, as Carol has been part of our school story almost since the very beginning. Many of our families have several members who were taught by Carol: children; cousins; parents; aunts; and uncles. I know that you will all want to join in to thank Carol for her commitment and service to our school community. Please note the following date for a thankyou celebration for Mrs Matheson.

Thank you Celebration for Mrs Carol Matheson
Friday 2 December 2016
Assembly Farewell at 2.30pm
Thanksgiving Mass at 5.30pm
Family Picnic 6.30pm in the Piazza. (BYO picnic and rug)

Please spread the word to past pupils and staff. Join us to say thanks to a favourite teacher.

Child Safe Schools All schools have been working hard to ensure that their schools meet Child Safety Standards as directed by the Minister for Education in Victoria. I am proud to say that Catholic Schools have really done a great job in meeting guidelines supported by the Catholic Education Commission of Victoria. CECV is committed to ensuring the ongoing safety of children and young people and
supporting Catholic school principals, staff and parents in providing a safe and nurturing school environment.

We have a Child safety code and all our new Prep families for 2017 have signed the code. We are asking all families to sign the code so that we can all commit to ensuring we protect our children by adhering to the code. A code will be sent home on Friday and we ask all families to return the signed code by Next Friday.

**What do you know about coding?**

Coding, in the simplest of terms, is telling a computer what you want it to do, which involves typing in step-by-step commands for the computer to follow. Like a recipe. Learning to code has been likened to learning a foreign language, or perhaps more specifically a family of foreign languages.

Code powers our digital world. Every website, smartphone app, computer programme, calculator and even microwave relies on code in order to operate. This makes coders the architects and builders of the digital age.

Over the next 10 years it is estimated that there will be 1.4 million jobs in computer sciences and only around 400,000 graduates qualified to do them.

Jobs not directly linked to computer sciences - such as banking, medicine and journalism - will also be affected by the need for at least an understanding of programming and coding.

**Coding is “the literacy of the 21st century” and the need for people to speak the ABC of programming is imminent.**

At St Paul Apostle North we are introducing Digital Literacy to our curriculum in 2017. We have started. \... Join us as we learn not just to be consumers of technology but also to become producers of technology. Come and learn to code with us. If you know a lot about coding please be our friend and share your skills with us. Let us know if you can be our code buddy by contacting our office.

Check out this video to learn more. [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cKhVupvyhKk](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cKhVupvyhKk)

Join the Hour of Code and start learning right now just as our Grade 3/4 students have done this week. The Hour of Code is a global movement reaching over 100 million students in more than 180 countries. See the website [https://code.org/learn](https://code.org/learn).

Even our Prep student are about to be introduced to Bee Bots during investigation time. Come and check out our Bee Bot this term and watch us start to programme!!

Learning is exciting at St Paul Apostle North!!

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**RELIgIOUS EDUCATION**

**THIS SUNDAY’S GOSPEL READING LUKE 19: 1-10**

**THE WORD OF GOD**

At that time, Jesus came to Jericho and intended to pass through the town. Now a man there named Zacchaeus, who was a chief tax collector and also a wealthy man, was seeking to see who Jesus was; but he could not see him because of the crowd, for he was short in stature. So he ran ahead and climbed a sycamore tree in order to see Jesus, who was about to pass that way. When he reached the place, Jesus looked up and said, “Zacchaeus, come down quickly, for today I must stay at your house.” And he came down quickly and received him with joy. When they all saw this, they began to grumble, saying, “He has gone to stay at the house of a sinner.” But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, “Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I shall give to the poor, and if I have extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over.” And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house because this man too is a descendant of Abraham. For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save what was lost.”

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**Why Do We need the Sacrament of Reconciliation?**

- It is the essence of saying ‘sorry’.
- This where we receive our nourishment and inspiration.
- It is our renewal to continue to do good in our lives.
- Reconciliation feeds our spirit.

The last Reconciliation Family Night focussed on the meaning of the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the lessons Jesus teaches us through bible stories.

The Parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37) gives us examples of different behaviours and choices that we can learn from.

*Have you ever felt like the battered man?*

*What can we learn from the Inn Keeper and the Good Samaritan?*
CLASSROOM NEWS

Grade 5/6 News: This term students in grade 5/6 have begun working on “The Block: SPAN Edition”. This long term project will enable them to learn and apply measurement skills such as converting between units of measurement, drawing angles and representing larger images using a scale. Finding the area and perimeter of different rooms allows students to practise addition and multiplication. Covering floors with carpets and tiles will require division. Students will work within a budget to build their house allowing them to use subtraction, and geometric reasoning. They will even use volume and capacity when designing their swimming pools.

The grade 5/6 students have been very engaged in the project so far and are currently producing very high quality floor plans. Tune in to the SPAN YouTube to catch our latest episode of “The Block: SPAN Edition”.

LEARNING & TEACHING

Kitchen Garden:
We are currently harvesting our Winter crops. We will be selling our harvest in the piazza on Thursday afternoons so come along and help support our garden efforts.

Twilight Sports:
Our annual Twilight Sports are fast approaching. This year the sports will be held at St John’s College, Dandenong on Monday 14th November from 3pm-6pm. The children will travel by bus to St. John’s and will need to be picked up by their parents at the completion of the carnival. The children have been practising in their Physical Education classes and are keen to represent their house at this sports afternoon. If possible we would like the children to wear their house colour t-shirt to school on the 14th. Permission forms will be set up on Care Monkey. Thank you, Kathy Morgan

REMINDER
WORKING BEE
Friday 11 November
5pm to 7pm

REMINDER
Monday 31 October 2016
STUDENT FREE DAY
NO SCHOOL
Tuesday 1 November
Melbourne Cup Public Holiday

WHOLE SCHOOL & GRADUATION PHOTO
WEDNESDAY
16 NOVEMBER
AT 9AM
COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Dr Michael Carr-Gregg presents

Tackling Anxiety and Building Resilience in Young People

For Teachers, Teacher Aides (Primary and Secondary level), Parents, Psychologists, Counsellors, Sports Coaches, Youth Workers, Scout Leaders, Nurses, Health Workers (and anyone else interested).

Monday November 21st, 2016
7pm - 8.30pm
The Bentleigh Club
33 Yawla St, Bentleigh
FREE onsite car park / Bistro open before event

BOOK your place!
Email rick@criticalagendas.com.au
Include your name and number of tickets required.
Collect and pay for tickets on the night.
$20 each - No EFTPOS
Enquiries: 0433 616 773

Dr. Michael Carr-Gregg is one of Australia's highest profile psychologists. Working in private practice in Melbourne, he sits on the Board of the Australian Psychological Society, the Family Peace Foundation, Project ROCKIT and Smiling Mind as well as being a Community Ambassador for Big Brothers Big Sisters, Postvention Australia, and Playgroup Victoria. He founded the charity CanTeen 31 years ago and was the first psychologist featured on This Is Your Life. He has been resident psychologist on Ch 7's Sunrise for 11 years as well as Psychologist for the top rating Morning Show with Neil Mitchell on Fairfax Radio 3AW. He is a special Patron of the Hawthorn Football Club. He is married to Therese and has 2 sons.

Welcome to OSHC,

Dear Parents and School staff,

Tips for helping children (and parents) feel comfortable in after school care:

1. Come into the program with your child to meet our Camp Australia team and find out what kind of activities they can look forward to.

2. Please let the Coordinator know by calling and leaving a message if the child is registered for After School Care and they will not be attending.

3. It is a good idea to enrol your child online 48 hrs prior to attending after school care if your child has any allergies or medical condition. Alternately, you are welcome to come and speak to the Coordinator a day or two prior for any medical conditions.

4. Feedback and suggestions are welcome, so, let us know how your child felt after their first visit.

5. Encourage your child to talk to the Educators if there is something in particular your child would like to do when they are in our care.

We’re here to make after school care visits the best experience possible, for you and your child.

If you have any questions about the program please feel free to drop by, meet the team and see what happens in After School Care first hand.

This week at before and after school care, the children enjoyed such activities as Kinetic Sand, Cooking and Pop-Up Art!

To find out more about our program, view fees and to register visit www.campaustralia.com.au

Laura Cook – Camp Australia Coordinator
OSHC Number: 0402360219

SPAN Spooky Dance 2016
4th Nov 6.30pm-8pm
$2 entry per child includes a raffle ticket
Sausage sizzle, vegetable pasties and cold drinks will be available for purchase on the night. Don’t forget to dress up in your spookiest outfit for a night of dancing fun plus lots more!

Child’s name: ........................................... Class: ...........................................
Please specify any extra guests attending: .................................................................
Total amount paid: .................................................................