

LEADERSHIP NEWS

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

A very warm welcome is extended to every family as we commence the 2025 academic year at St Martin's Catholic Primary School. We welcome the following new staff members to our community – Leigh Turbill (Year 6 teacher), Katie Downie (Year 5 teacher / ICT Coordinator), Georgia Angeletti (Year 5 teacher), Claudine Bryant (Music teacher (Wednesdays) and Year 5 teacher (Tuesdays), Mikayla Miller (Year 4 teacher), Thomas Clark (Year 3 teacher), Elena Sorgini (Year 1 teacher), Nicole Rowlands (Year 1 teacher), Kimberly Butcher (Reception teacher), and the following Curriculum ESOs –Rebecca Mason, Wendy Parker, Noah Murphy, Mikalya Murray, and Amina Kulsum.

A special welcome is extended to all of our new students and their families namely:

RB

Jazleen, Zorawar Singh, Noah, Waris, Gurnoor, Sarah, Zara, Teodora, Harper, Charlie, Prince, Eloise, Aksh, Tegh Kaur, Rohab Singh, Ethan, Sophia, Junkai

RK

Aanaya, Mantra, Sahib Singh, Tridev Nirav, Bikram, Owen, Ethan, Ziya, Ella, Ayzaan, Shay, Gabrielle, Asher, Archie, Aagney Jatin, Charlie, Ryan, Elijah

RP

Callie, Shivansh, Awal Kaur, Ayaan, Harrison, Liam, Aleyah, Samrath, Grace, Molly, Anastazia, Shaurya, Prayan, Shan, Viaan, Nidhish Man Singh, Naaz Kaur

RS: Shasha, Ari, Anna, Hunter, Yazmin, Shaya, Shannon, Ari, Ellie, Kavanjot, Carter, Asrit, David, Darsh, Gus, Prahan, Amber

1BM: Safwan, Tejasbi, Kafia

1SO: Shivam, Mikhail, Hartaj

21: Theresa, Dhven, Krusha

2M: Diyan

2SW: Jigar

2T: Bhavyam, Yashvi, Alisa

3C: Dennie



3D: Baani

3J: Maheem

30: Ahaan, Agamjeet, Darsh, Hayley, Jenika, Samreen

4GEN: Jacob

4GEO: Angad

4M: Chol, Samaira

4T: Prisha, Navkirat

5A: Dhyey, Chenxi

5BB: Hazel

5DD: Aadhithya

Many thanks to all families who availed themselves of the opportunity to meet their child's teacher/s last Thursday afternoon. Our teachers truly appreciated and treasured meeting with you to gain some insight into your perspective of what you desire for your child this year.

Enclosed in this newsletter are **2025 Important Date**s and we ask that you record these significant dates in your diary. The **2025 Staff List** is also enclosed for your perusal.

We are about to commence Stage 4 of our Master Plan which encompasses a two-storey building being built on the western side of the Community Centre. This construction consists of 8 x classrooms upstairs for Year 5 and 6 students with toilets and breakout spaces, and downstairs a Performing Arts Centre with 4 soundproof tutor rooms for instrumental lessons and a large OSHC facility with all amenities associated with running a contemporary OSHC program.

The kiss and drop zone will still be in use with students exiting and entering the school via the path alongside the Community Centre and going through the Community Centre foyer to the school grounds. There will be occasions when the builders will be using the road adjacent to the building site, but advance notice will be sent out to families in due course.

This term, **Independence Day**s are Mondays and Wednesdays which will commence next Monday February 3rd. For new parents, Independence Days are days you farewell your child at the gate and leave them to walk into school, unpack their bags and get ready for the day independently. We believe that all our students are capable and want to give them the opportunity to demonstrate this. This will start in Week 2 for all students in Years 1 – 6 and in Week 5 for our Reception students.

Please ensure that your child is wearing the correct summer uniform and sports uniform on their class's designated days. A hard copy of what constitutes St Martin's summer uniform was sent home to families at the end of last year. All items need to be clearly labelled with your child's name in case they are misplaced around the school.

Your child must have a monogrammed school hat at school every day as it is to be worn at break times and at PE lessons. The St Martin's monogrammed sports socks are to be worn with the Sports uniform which are sold at the Uniform Shop. Students wearing the incorrect summer / sports uniform, socks or footwear will be issued with an 'Incorrect Uniform Note' and it is asked that the matter is addressed by Monday February 10th.

The Uniform Shop is open Thursday afternoons from 2:30 – 4:00pm and Tuesday mornings from 8:30 – 10:00am. It is also opened on the first Saturday of the month which is this Saturday.

A reminder to all parents to be considerate when **parking** around the school as Port Adelaide / Enfield Council traffic inspectors regularly monitor the surrounding streets. Please obey all the parking signs around the school as well as ensuring driveways are not blocked as it is important that we show respect to our neighbours and their property. Police also regularly monitor the streets around the school and issue infringement notes to drivers behaving inappropriately. Please always be mindful of the road rules when driving around the streets surrounding the school.

All learning environments around the school have been set up beautifully in readiness for the new year and I thank all employees for their time and effort in ensuring that all was in order for this week. Over the past two days, it has been fantastic seeing students so enthusiastic and eager to take on a myriad of challenges and set goals for themselves of what they hope to achieve over the coming months.

Some images of the Stage 4 Building Project are enclosed with this newsletter. The link to view the Fly Through on Facebook is - https://fb.watch/xnYsc6hj1k/

As we commence the new school year, I wish all students and staff all the very best for the year ahead.

Christine Comas

PRINCIPAL

Congratulations Max

We are proud to share some exciting news regarding one of our former students.

Max Woolford achieved an incredible 93.55 on his ATAR!!



APRIM NEWS

Welcome

Welcome to the first week of the school year! I am excited to embark on this new journey with your children and to begin my role as the APRIM (Assistant Principal Religious Identity and Mission). It is an honour to support the spiritual growth and development of our students and community. This year is especially meaningful as we celebrate the Year of Jubilee for the Catholic Church. I look forward to joining together in faith, reflection, and celebration throughout this significant year, fostering a deeper connection to our shared mission and values.

Theme: Pilgrims of Hope

Our theme for this year is 'Pilgrims of Hope'. As we are reminded in Romans 5:1-2,5: "Hope does not disappoint, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit that has been given to us."



2025 marks a special Year of Jubilee!

The term 'Jubilee' originates from the Hebrew word for a ram's horn, which was blown to announce the beginning of a Jubilee year in biblical times. In the Old Testament, the Jubilee Year occurred every fifty years and was a time of renewal and celebration. Debts were forgiven, people were given rest, and the land itself was allowed to rejuvenate by not planting crops.

Today, we celebrate a Jubilee every twenty-five years, continuing its legacy as a sacred year of forgiveness, mercy, and renewal. It is a time for us to reset and strengthen our relationships with God, each other, and all of creation. Pope Francis has called this Jubilee Year 'Pilgrims of Hope', inviting us to renew our hope in the love God has for each of us, no matter who we are.

A pilgrim is someone who embarks on a journey to holy places, seeking to grow closer to God. While we may not all be able to travel far, the Jubilee Year is still a journey for all of us —a journey of hope, deepening our connection with God and with one another.

OLSH Pillars

This term, our OLSH Pillar focus is on *Reverencing Relationships*. As we begin the school year, we aim to emphasise the significance of building and nurturing strong, respectful relationships within our school community. This focus aligns with our core school values, which guide our interactions with one another and shape the way we approach both learning and personal growth. We use the research-based Positive Behaviour Intervention Support (PBIS) approach to promote positive behaviour at our school.

Reverencing relationships is about treating others with dignity and valuing their contributions. This includes listening actively and attentively. Using polite language and manners. Respecting personal space and property. By prioritising healthy relationships, we ensure that each student feels supported, valued, and connected, creating an environment where they can thrive academically, spiritually, and socially.

Masses, Liturgies of the Eucharist and Assemblies

In 2025, we will maintain our format from last year with our Masses, Liturgies of the Eucharist, and Assemblies. These events will vary each week, providing a unique and engaging experience for our school community. To stay updated, please refer to the Diary Dates section for specific times and dates.

We extend a warm invitation to all families to join us for our Masses, Assemblies, and Liturgies. These gatherings are meaningful opportunities for us to unite in faith and strengthen our community. Please note, however, that Wellbeing sessions are designed as class activities and will be for teachers and students only.

Year 6 Justice Group

Congratulations to the students who have been selected to be part of the Year 6 Justice Group this year. This group will play a vital role in supporting, leading, and nurturing the faith life within our school community. Their commitment to fostering a spirit of service, justice, and compassion will be essential in shaping a positive and inclusive environment where faith is lived and shared. We are excited to see the impact they will have as they work together to lead by example and inspire others in their faith journey. Our 2025 Justice Group Leaders are Kiara W, Liya M, Aurora W, Omar A, Anastasia W, Miles B, Abby T, Dimitrios S, Heli P, Gemma A and Abiei G.

Creation Carer

This year, we continue the **Creation Carer** group in our school community. Each class will elect a Creation Carer for each semester. These students will play a pivotal role in promoting environmental stewardship and sustainability within our school. Creation Carers will meet regularly with Mr. Kuerschner and Mr. Bolding to discuss and develop innovative ways to make our school even more environmentally friendly. From organising recycling initiatives to raising awareness about sustainability practices, Creation Carers will help lead our efforts to care for God's creation and inspire their peers to take an active role in protecting the environment. We are looking forward to seeing how these students will contribute to a greener, more sustainable future for our school, and we are excited to support them in their important work.

Ecological Sustainability

As part of our ongoing commitment to sustainability and caring for God's gift of creation, we encourage all families to adopt more environmentally friendly practices when preparing student lunches. We ask that you make a conscious effort to avoid using packaging in your child's lunch box. If packaging is necessary, please note that students will be asked to take any food wrappers home with them

By reducing waste, reusing containers, and recycling, we are all helping to protect the Earth and preserve its beauty for future generations. Together, let us instil these important values in our students, teaching them the responsibility we all share in caring for the world God has entrusted to us. Please refer to the parent resource below:

Nude Food Information for Families:

https://www.wow.sa.gov.au/resources/nude-food-info-for-families





Outreach

Later in the term the Year 4 Unit will fundraise and support Caritas Australia through Project Compassion. This Lent, Caritas Australia's Project Compassion invites us to Unite Against Poverty and take action to make a lasting difference. Each class will learn about global issues, reflect and pray for vulnerable people around the world.

Diary Dates - Term 1

| Week | Date | Time, Celebration & Hosting Year Level | |
|------|----------------------------------|---|--|
| 1 | Friday 31st January | 9am Beginning Year Mass | |
| | | 5A and 5DD | |
| 2 | Friday 7 th February | 2.15pm Whole School Assembly | |
| | | Student Voice, Creation Carer and Justice Group | |
| | | Commissioning | |
| 3 | Friday 14 th February | Fallow Week | |
| 4 | Friday 21st February | 9am Assembly | |
| | 207 | Year 4's hosting | |
| 5 | Friday 28 th February | Whole School Wellbeing Session | |
| 6 | Wednesday 5th March | 11am Ash Wednesday Mass | |
| | | Year 3D & 3J Hosting | |
| 7 | Friday 14 th March | 2.15pm Assembly | |
| | | Student Voice Hosting | |
| 8 | Friday 21st March | 9am Assembly | |
| | 150 | Year 1's hosting | |
| 9 | Friday 28 th March | 9am Liturgy of the Word with Eucharist | |
| | | 2M and 2T hosting | |
| 10 | Friday 4 th April | Sports Day | |
| 11 | Friday 11 th April | Liturgy of the Word: Justice Group Pre- Holy Week | |

Sustainability

Our first committee meeting will be Wednesday 5th February at 3.20pm. All parents are welcome.

What's On in The Archdiocese

The Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes Mass will be held on Saturday, February 8th at 10:00 AM at St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral. Each year, a Mass is offered on World Day of the Sick for those who are ill. This year, the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes coincides with the World Day of the Sick on Tuesday; therefore, the celebration will take place on the Saturday prior. All are welcome to attend and receive a blessing and anointing.

Greenacres Walkerville Parish News

Advance notice for families and students in the **2024/2025 Sacramental Program**: The enrolment Mass for Confirmation and Eucharist will be held during a Family Mass and Children's Liturgy. You may attend either on Saturday, April 5th at 6:00pm at St. Monica's Church or on Sunday, April 6th at 9:30am at St. Martin's Church. More information closer to the date.

God's blessings, Vanessa Dibbens



PE and Sport at St Martin's is varied and busy.

There are numerous opportunities for all students to be involved in physical activity at school.

PE and Sport at St Martin's consists broadly of two parts;

- 1.Class-based activities
- 2. Elective sport activities

CLASS BASED ACTIVITIES occur during school hours ...

A. PE Lessons (1 x 45 minutes / week)

PE lessons cover the "Movement and Physical Activity" strand of the Health and PE curriculum, with work generally aligning to the sequence of annual SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Carnivals.

PE uniform is required on class PE days including HAT.

B. <u>BE ACTIVE ASSESSIONS</u> (approximately 5 x 30 minute sessions / term, usually Term 1, 2 and 3)

"Be Active" sessions are usually programmed for Mondays. PE uniform, including HAT, is required on "Be Active" days.

C. <u>OUTDOOR ED SESSIONS</u> (1 x Year level specific activity, approximately 120-180 minutes/ term)

Class teachers will distribute information concerning these activities when appropriate...

ELECTIVE ACTIVITIES include:

A. SPORTS CARNIVALS

Sports Carnivals occur during school hours and sometimes require attendance before school and at lunchtime clubs. Participation at these carnivals also requires a timely response and payment via the school's QKR App.

1. South Australian Catholic Primary Schools Sports Association (SACPSSA) Carnivals

Cricket, Swimming, Lacrosse, Netball, Cross Country, Tennis, Touch, Athletics (Years 3-6)

* Please note: students at Catholic Schools (SACPSSA) carnivals participate according to their school year level

2. SAPSASA / SA School Sport Carnivals (Years 3-6)

Swimming, Cross Country, Basketball (Years 5-6 only), and Athletics

* Please note: students at SAPSASA / SA School Sport events compete according to their year of birth - not school year level

B. SPORTS TEAMS

1. St Martin's School Sports Teams (Years 2-6)

Cricket, Football, Netball

- St Martin's sports teams compete on weekends and participation involves one or two terms commitment including afterschool training sessions
- After hours school sports teams are not possible without the generosity of parent volunteers and the timely return of electronic registrations via the QKR App

2. SAPSASA / SA School Sport State Day District Teams (Years 3-6)

Athletics, Cross Country, and Swimming

- To be selected for SAPSASA State Day District Teams, students must be a part of the school team that attends qualifying events at the SAPSASA Swimming, Cross Country, and Athletics Carnivals
- Students who qualify at these carnivals will be invited to State Day competitions
- Parents of qualifying students must register online with SA School Sports confirming attendance at SAPSASA State Days and are responsible for their child's transport and participation at SAPSASA State Days
- * Please note: students at SAPSASA / SA School Sports events compete according to their year of birth not school year level.

3.SAPSASA / SA School District Teams (Years 5-6) Softball, Football, Soccer, Hockey, Golf, Cricket, Tennis

- To be selected for SAPSASA District Teams, students must register online with SA School Sport and attend trail dates
- Successful students will be notified of their selection to a District team following trial sessions
- Parents are responsible for their child's transport and participation in SAPSASA District Teams and at State SAPSASA Carnivals

C. JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

This school-based, participation programme has been running for over 40 years and aims to promote regular physical activity and healthy food choices. Students are encouraged to be involved in the programme, particularly the online skipping challenge.

Information concerning School Sport and Sports Carnivals can be found

- · on Sports notice boards
- . on "Fridge Notes" (handed to students)
- · in school newsletters
- · on the school's QKR App

Registering and payment for sports teams and carnivals is electronic through the $$\operatorname{\textit{QKR}}\nolimits\operatorname{\textit{App}}\nolimits$$

REMINDERS:

- The school has and enforces a NO HAT NO PLAY sun protection policy
- Please return any St Martin's athletics tops, netball dresses, cricket shirts etc. as soon as possible. Our teams require these garments for upcoming competitions

MR. GEORGE'S RUNNING CLUB

All enthusiastic runners are invited to attend Mr George's Running Club. This term, Running Club will run from 8:00am-8:30am on Tuesday and Thursday mornings. Please wear PE uniform. This is a great opportunity to practise running for fun or in preparation for the first Cross Country Carnival held in early Term 2.

ST MARTIN'S AUSKICK (Reception - Year 3)

The St Martin's Auskick Centre will operate on the school oval on Wednesdays after school (3:15 pm- 4:00 pm). The sessions commence on February 19.

Students in Reception – Year 3 are invited to register through the "Auskick" website or on the link below:

https://www.playhq.com/afl/register/ae8a71

- NAB AFL Auskick is FREE with the use of the ORSR Sports Voucher or \$100 without
- Enter your 11-digit voucher code (medicare number + child's ref number) in the comment box at payment THEN select apply and the price of your order will reset to \$0

Queries to ... Mikayla Kafi – Mikayla.Kafi@sanfl.com.au

CRICKET (Years 2-6)

All Year 2-6 boys and girls interested in playing in a school cricket team outside of school hours are urged to sign up via the QKR App as soon as possible.

Cricket teams require a minimum of 8 players. Sufficient interest and at least one registered parent volunteer per team is required for that team to be nominated.

The draw will be distributed as soon as it is finalised by SACA. The draw will also be made available on the Primary School Competition website.

SAPSASA BASKETBALL (Year 5-6)

All Year 5-6 boys and girls interested in playing in a school basketball team are urged to sign up via the QKR App as soon as possible.

Being a part of the SAPSASA Basketball Squad requires two terms commitment and will involve attending training sessions (TBC). The squad may attend up to three Basketball Carnivals during Terms 2 and 3 with the SAPSASA contest being held in mid-August.

Without sufficient interest, prior to the QKR App due date, teams cannot be entered

VOLLEYBALL (Year 2-6)

All Year 4-6 boys and girls interested in playing in a school volleyball team outside of school hours are urged to sign up via the QKR App as soon as possible.

Without sufficient interest and registered parent volunteers, prior to the QKR App due date, teams cannot be entered.

WINTER NETBALL (Year 3-6)

All Year 3-6 boys and girls interested in playing in a school netball team outside of school hours are urged to sign up via the QKR App as soon as possible.

Winter Netball will run during Terms 2 and 3 on Saturday mornings. Team members will be required to attend after school training sessions one afternoon a week during Terms 2 and 3.

Without sufficient interest and registered parent volunteers, prior to the QKR App due date, teams cannot be entered.

SWIMMING TEAM and CARNIVALS (Year 3-6)

All Year 3-6 students interested in participating in this year's swimming team must attend the St Martin's Swimming Trials – dates to be confirmed.

Once confirmed, registering for the trial days will be through the QKR App.

All swimming trials and carnivals will run during school time;

- St Martin's Swimming Trials TBC
- SAPSASA Carnival March 6
- SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Carnival March 31

SCHOOL SPORT SA (SAPSASA) EVENTS IN 2025

St Martin's is a SAPSASA affiliated school and encourages students to be involved in SAPSASA sport opportunities.

Information concerning SAPSASA trials and carnivals will be distributed to students (usually in Years 5-6) as they become available. General SAPSASA information is also available via the QKR App.

Please note that SAPSASA District Teams and State Carnivals are run independently of Sport at St Martin's and cannot be signed up for via the QKR App.

SCHOOL SPORT SA – STUDENTS WITH DISABILITY PROGRAM OF EVENTS 2025

Program of Events for Primary Students (Years 5-6):

- 1. Ten Pin Bowling
- 2. Basketball
- 3.5-a-side Soccer
- 4. Tennis

5.Regional events - (date TBC). These events are open to primary schools.

Important Information:

- Nominations are due 2 weeks prior to the event date.
- The program of events, along with links to nomination forms, can be found on our website:
- https://www.education.sa.gov.au/schools-andeducators/programs-students/school-sportsa/competitions/students-disability-events

2025 Sports Dates (so far...)

Term 1

Feb 1 (Thu) Mr George's Running Club starts – school oval, 8-8:30am

Feb 19 (Wed) St Martin's Auskick starts – school oval, 3:15-4:00pm

Mar 6 (Fri) North Adelaide/Adelaide North East

Swimming Carnival

Mar 26 -28 SAPSASA Softball State Carnival

Mar 31 (Mon) SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Swimming

Carnival

Apr 4 (Fri) St Martin's School Sports Day

Apr 4 (Fri) SAPSASA Swimming State Championships (Divisions 1 and 2)

Apr 7 (Mon) SAPSASA Swimming State Championships (Divisions 3 and 4)

Jump Rope for Heart

Term 2 All Term

| May 5 (Mon) | North Adelaide, Adelaide North East Netball |
|--------------|--|
| Carnival | |
| May 16 (Fri) | Walk Safely to School Day |
| May 19-23 | SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Lacrosse Carnival |
| May 26-28 | SAPSASA Boys Australian Football State |
| Carnival | |
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Jun 5 (Thu) Cross Country Championships
Jun 12-13 SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Basketball

Carnival

Jun 18-20 SAPSASA Girls Metro Netball State Carnival Jun 23-25 SAPSASA Girls Country and Boys Netball State

Carnival

Jul 1-3 SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Netball Carnival

Term 3

Aug 6 (Wed) SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Cross Country

Carnival

Aug 6-8 SAPSASA Metro Football (Soccer) State

Carnival

Aug 12-15 Year 5/6 Basketball Metro Minor Rounds

(statewide schools competition)

Aug 19-22 Year 5/6 Basketball Metro Minor Rounds

(statewide schools competition)

Aug 22 (Fri) ANE District Athletics Carnival (Bridgestone

Athletics stadium)

Aug 27-29 Year 5/6 Basketball Metro Minor Rounds

(statewide schools competition)

Sep 3 (Wed) SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Touch Football

Carnival

Sep 8-10 SAPSASA Hockey State Carnival

Sep 18-19 SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Cricket Carnival

Sep 19&22 SAPSASA Track and Field State

Championships

Term 4

| Week 5 | PE Week |
|-------------|---|
| Oct 20-22 | SAPSASA Girls Australian Football State |
| Carnival | |
| Nov 3 (Mon) | SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Athletics Carnival |
| Nov 10-12 | SAPSASA Tennis State Carnival |
| Nov 24-26 | SAPSASA Cricket State Carnival |

Dates to be confirmed...

St Martin's Swimming Trials No. 1 St Martin's Swimming Trials No. 2 Crows Cup Knockout Football (usually Term 2)

NE Catholic School Basketball Carnival (usually Term 3)

SACPSSA (Catholic Schools) Tennis Carnival (usually Term 3)



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St. Martin's Catholic Primary School Greenacres





IMPORTANT DATES - 2025

| TERM DATES | |
|------------|---|
| Term 1 | Tuesday 28 January to Friday 11 April |
| Term 2 | Tuesday 29 April to Friday, 4 July |
| Term 3 | Tuesday, 22 July to Friday, 26 September |
| Term 4 | Tuesday, 14 October to Wednesday, 10 December |

| | LENT EASTER DATES | |
|----------|---------------------|--|
| 5 March | Ash Wednesday | |
| 17 April | Holy Thursday | |
| 18 April | Good Friday | |
| 20 April | Easter Sunday | |

| PUPIL FREE DAYS (SCHOOL DEVELOPMENT DAYS) | |
|---|--------------------|
| Term 1 | Friday 7 March |
| Term 2 | Monday 28 April |
| Term 3 | Monday, 21 July |
| Term 4 | Monday, 13 October |

| SIGNIFICANT DATES | | |
|---|--|--|
| Friday, 31 January | Beginning of Year Mass | |
| Friday, 4 April | Sports Day | |
| Monday, 12 May to Sunday, 18 May | Catholic Education Week | |
| Friday, 27 June | Feast of the Sacred Heart | |
| Friday, 20 June | Cultural Day | |
| Friday July 25 | World Grandparents Day | |
| Friday, 8 August | Mary MacKillop Feast Day | |
| Monday 4 August to Sunday 10 August | Catholic Schools Open Week | |
| Saturday, 16 August to Friday, 22 August | Book Week | |
| Sunday 7 September to Saturday September 13 | Child Protection Week | |
| Friday, 31 October | World's Teachers Day | |
| Tuesday, 11 November | St Martin's Feast Day | |
| Thursday 27 November | School Concert | |
| Wednesday, 10 December | End of Year Mass Graduation Ceremony | |



| | STA | FF LIST 2025 | |
|----------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------|
| LEADERSHIP TEAM | | EDUCATION SUPPORT OFFICERS | |
| Principal | Christine Comas | Business Manager | Luke Healey |
| Deputy Principal | Susanne Harding | Receptionist | Nadia Udina |
| APRIM | Vanessa Dibbens | Enrolment Registrar | Natalie Tompkins |
| | | Payroll Officer | Terina Elphick |
| Reception Unit | | Admin Officer | Angela Norton |
| RB | Kimberly Butcher | Library Assistant | Wendy Hill |
| RK | Diana Kalivaci | WHS Coordinator | Michelle Dick |
| RP | Stephanie Patching | Curriculum | Bobby Rodgers |
| RS | Natasha Siciliano | Comcolorii | Dora Bouras |
| LŠŠŠ | Natasta siciliano | | Sharon Prior |
| 1555 | | | |
| | | | Kelly Jones |
| Year 1 Unit | | | Elizabeth Ciancio |
| 1BM | Katherine Belperio | | Emma Lucas |
| 1BM | Alyce Magliaro | | Reine Bolding |
| 1R | Nicole Rowlands | | Jasmine Jenkins |
| ISO | Elena Sorgini | | Felicia Tsialafos |
| 1SP | Rachel Spry | | Jenushair Fernando |
| | | | Cathy Agostino |
| Year 2 Unit | | | Angela Duncan |
| 21 | Maria lannotti | | Allison Krause |
| 2M | Marnie Moss | | Kat Hope |
| 2SW | Sue Schmick | | Stella Ross |
| 2SW | Helen Williams | | |
| | | | Eilish Doyle |
| 2T | Coreen Taylor | | Lauren Howes |
| | | | Louis Hutchinson |
| Year 3 Unit | | | Indiana Pearce |
| 3C | Thomas Clark | | Oliver Cocking |
| 3D | Alessandra Dichiera | | Bernie Trepka |
| 3J | Jasmina Jukic | | Jennifer Donaldson |
| 30 | Sarah O'Driscoll | | Emmerson Fava |
| | | | Rebecca Mason |
| Year 4 Unit | · | | Wendy Parker |
| 4GEN | Linda Gentilcore | | Noah Murphy |
| 4GEO | Dylan George | | Mikayla Murray |
| 4M | Mikayla Miller | | Amina Kulsum |
| | · | | |
| 4T | Kasey Ton | | Rina Willmore |
| | | | Carla McKenzie |
| Year 5 Unit | | Groundsman | Jason Bielak |
| 5A | Georgia Angeletti | School Nurse | Bec Sanders |
| 5BB | Tessa Bahr | Canteen | Nives Grgic |
| 5BB | Claudine Byrant | OSHC Director | Taylor Atkins |
| 5DD | Katie Downie | OSHC Assistant Director | Peter Pudney |
| 5DD | Nicolle D'Allocco | Marketing/Coms Coordinator | Amanda Fryer |
| 5R | Vincent Rignanese | Sustainability Officer | Peter Kuerschner |
| | | Chaplain | Sam Molver |
| Year 6 Unit | | Network Technician | Christopher Franz |
| 6G | Louise Gellard | Counsellor | Ruby Lai |
| 6M | Melanie Maguire | ICT Co-Ordinator | Katie Downie |
| 6T | Leigh Turbill | io. co-ordinator | Raile Downie |
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| SPECIALIST TEACHERS | II-I Marie | QUALITY AND PERFORMAN | |
| Art | Helen Williams | Principal | Christine Comas |
| Auslan | Michelle Lind | Deputy Principal | Susanne Harding |
| Music | Jasmine Lim | APRIM | Vanessa Dibbens |
| 110310 | Claudine Bryant | Leader of Learning | Helen Young |
| Physical Education | Michael Woods | Early Years Coordinator | Alyce Magliaro |
| riysical Education | Tess Bahr | EALD Coordinator | Olivia Kropinski |
| | | Wellbeing Coordinator | Mel Jones |
| | | Inclusive Ed Coordinator | Nicolle D'Allocco |

MARTY'S PLAY FOREVER PLAYGROUP

Join us for a fantastic weekly program bringing together parents, children, and seniors in a fun and creative way!

Marty's Play Forever Playgroup is an intergenerational practice program purposefully bringing together different generations. Held every Friday from 9:00am to 10:30am during school terms, Playgroup is open to children aged 0-5 years and allows both adults and children to interact and share experiences that are mutually beneficial. Children will learn through activities that are child-centred and are designed to get them to experiment and experience learning through play.

Each session is \$4 per child, \$5 for more than 1 child, and FREE for our older friends. For all playgroup enquiries, contact Dora Bouras at dbouras@smg.catholic.edu.au or call 8211 2400.





If you wish for your child to learn an instrument at school,

Here's the link to the form "Private Instrumental Tuition Registration":

Register ONLINE https://forms.office.com/r/xfGT5Lf6Bd



The Benefits of Learning an Instrument



When it comes time for you and your child to decide if they will join band or choir at school or learn to play an instrument outside of school, you might want to keep in mind the benefits your child can reap:

Increased brain development and neural activity

> More hand-eye coordination

Improved ability to focus

Greater self-esteem



Learning patience and commitment

- Better spatialtemporal reasoning
- Improved memory and IQ

Better test taking and multi-tasking



How to Keep Them Encouraged





Let your child have a say in what instrument they choose



Keep them inspired by taking them to a concert



Have them put on a show for friends and family



Plan a schedule they can commit to



Find a music teacher who can keep things fun



Let them choose what kind of music they want to play

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