



FROM THE HEADMASTER



LEADERSHIP

The third phrase in our School's purpose statement says, "...with a heart for servant leadership." Our goal as a school is to deliver a holistic education, one that prepares young people to make a difference to the communities in which they ultimately will live and work.

We often think that leadership is the domain of the few. It is true that there are limited leadership positions, and we look to those people to lead us with a clear vision, morally and ethically, with empathy and courage, but in reality from time-to-time we all act as leaders.

Ken Blanchard penned my favourite definition of leadership. He says that every time we seek to influence another person we are behaving as a leader. Each time we encourage a friend to go to the movies or out for dinner, or when we coach a team, we are influencing another person's decisions. By this definition we are leaders.

There are well over 30,000 definitions of leadership. This is because it is a socially-constructed phenomenon; the concept only exists when people come together and relationships are complex. Ultimately, leadership doesn't exist if no-one is willing to follow!

Servant leadership is what our School espouses. This is because we are an Anglican School and we promote the Christian world view. People often mistake the notion of servant leadership as a weak form of leadership: servant leaders are the ones who do all the work, who act as the "doormat" for others. This is not what servant leadership is.

"Jesus is the greatest demonstration of what it means to be a servant leader. He said, 'The Son of Man didn't come to be served, but to serve.'"

Servant leadership is perhaps the toughest form of leadership because it is the only one that asks leaders to forgo themselves and to put others' needs above their own. Servant leadership means that it's not all about me, but about you. It is selfless. It calls for remarkable humility.

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Preparing young people with a heart for servant leaders is about helping them to understand that a person's true sense of purpose and value can be found when they put others first; when they seek to make a difference and leave the world in a better place than when they found it. The key is empathy.

If anyone is interested in reading further about servant leadership, I can recommend the following three books:

"Leaders Eat Last" by Simon Sinek

"Lead like Jesus" by Ken Blanchard

"Humilitas" by John Dickson

DR PAUL BROWNING
HEADMASTER



Photos: Junior Leaders Induction Ceremony (Fri 2 Feb)

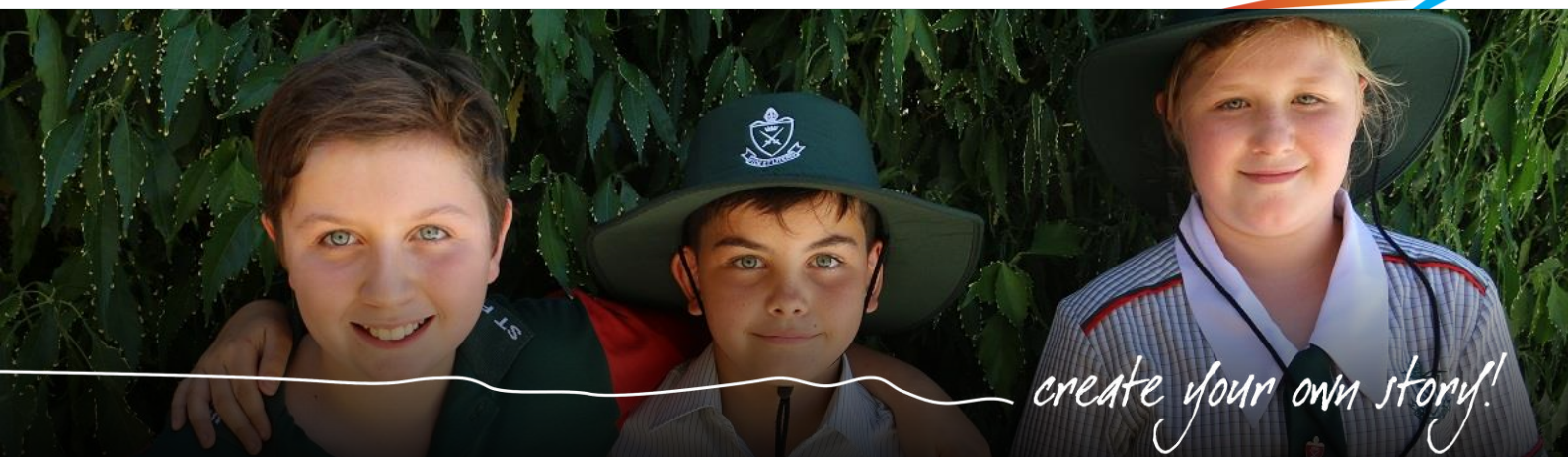
SECONDARY SCHOOL

IMPORTANT DATES

Please see important dates for Term 1 to the right.

More details can be found in the School Calendar, which is accessible via Parent Lounge.

Activity	Date
Shrove Tuesday	Tuesday 13 February
Ash Wednesday Service	Wednesday 14 February
Year 12 Information Evening	Wednesday 14 February
Year 7 Immunisation #1	Thursday 22 February
Music Camp	Saturday 24 – Monday 26 February
Inter-House Swimming Carnival	Wednesday 28 February
Year 7 Camp	Wednesday 7 – Friday 9 March
Year 10 Camp	Monday 19 – Friday 23 March
Year 11/12 Block Exams	Wednesday 21 – Wednesday 28 March
Easter Service	Thursday 29 March
Last Day of Term 1	Thursday 30 March



FROM THE DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR SCHOOL



OFF TO A GREAT START!

What a great start to 2018. The first couple of weeks have been calm and settled with lots of happy children around.

Before and After School

St Pauls is a busy school and we know that many students need to be at trainings or rehearsals early some mornings. So this may mean that there are siblings at school early also. Morning duties start at 8.10am. Any children at school before 8.10am, without parents, need to sit in the Year Six courtyard. This is a safe place to gather and be together. At 8.10am the person on duty will let the children know they can go and put their bags at their classroom and wait outside with their friends.

Before school is actually not a play time so we discourage ball games/running games where accidents can occur.

After school someone is on duty in the undercover area till 3.30pm. The purpose of this duty is to ensure everyone has been picked up by parents or found their way to the meeting place/extracurricular activity.

There are some children who are at school very early or very late, when no receptions are open to offer help if they require it. Please be mindful of this when picking up and dropping off your children. We want all children to be safe. YMCA is provided for those who require this early or late care.

Upcoming Events

Musical Rehearsals – Continue on Monday afternoons

JSSG Meeting – Thursday 8 February

Bramble Bay Swimming – Friday 9 February

MRS MARIANNE CONNOLLY
DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR SCHOOL

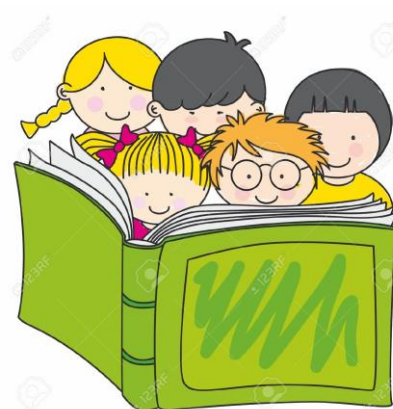
JUNIOR SCHOOL

REDGUM BOOKS

We are participating in Redgum Book Club this term and the catalogue has been sent home with your child. Every order will earn resources and books for our School.

To view the current catalogue, open the link [Redgum Book Club Catalogue Term 1 2018](#)

You can find more information [HERE](#).



COLES SPORT FOR SCHOOLS

The Coles 'Sports for Schools' program is back in 2018!

Every \$10 spent at Coles* during the program, will earn a Coles Sports for Schools voucher. The more vouchers your school collects, the more gear our school could receive.

Drop your vouchers in the container in Junior School Reception or Tooth Reception.

Thank you all in advance for your collecting efforts.



INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL



MEET OUR INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL CAPTAIN (PART 1)

"My name is Nerissa. I have been in Australia for three years. Before I came to Australia, I had no idea what it looked like. My initial ideas were of kangaroos, koalas, lots of beautiful beaches on the coastal areas with only Anglo-Saxon Australians. My thoughts changed after I arrived in Australia and started living in a Sri Lankan-Australian homestay. They told me it was comparatively hard to assimilate into Australia when they first moved to this new environment as immigrants. During that time, I felt the diversity of religious and cultural differences which I couldn't feel in my own country. Since Hong Kong and China do not agree on sovereignty, Hong Kong people are confused in the same way as Australians about who they are. Subsequently asking, 'who are we?'"

"After I studied the Australian identity thoroughly, I have reconsidered my initial thoughts and realized that there are a variety of perspectives to form the Australia identity. These include the dark history of the Indigenous people, in relation to white Australia and of Indigenous people's land being stolen by white Australians. Moreover, the bush forms a part of Australian identity characterised as a strong people who can adapt to any extreme events such as the harsh environment and natural disasters." – Nerissa Chow, Year 12

Read Part 2 of Nerissa's introduction and why she chose to study in Australia in next fortnight's e-news.

HIGH SCHOOL PREPARATION (HSP) CLASS RED

The students in the High School Preparation (HSP) Class RED are working at a level of English where they are becoming familiar with English and moving into learning through English. This term, the first unit of study is 'Visions of the Future'. The students have been making predictions for the future and learning to use future tenses in English. The students are also attending Art, Music, Drama and Health and Physical Education. This is an opportunity for the students to engage with mainstream subject teachers and gain an understanding of classes and learning styles in the Secondary School in Australia.

In addition, the HSP RED students have been taking it in turns to support a Year 1 Chinese student in the Junior School. They have been helping this young student understand and follow general classroom instructions and socialisation into the class. We congratulate the HSP RED students for their efforts in assisting both the student, his classmates and teacher.



Sofie Arnold
ESL Teacher, International School

SPORT

INTER-HOUSE SWIMMING CARNIVAL

This year's Inter-House Swimming Carnival will be held on Wednesday 28 February at the Chandler Aquatic Centre (Sleeman Centre).

A letter to parents can be found [HERE](#).

Junior School parents/families will receive further communication that will come directly from Mrs Tara Norton.

Mr Tim Hughes
Head of Sport Development



MET NORTH SPORT TRIALS

Met North trials are happening soon. Students should see Daily Notices for details regarding which sports are trialling and when registration forms need to be returned to Ms Fraser.

AUSTRALIAN OPEN TENNIS GALA DAY

NEW DATE: Sunday 11 March - 12.00pm-4.00pm

- Free Barbecue and Cold Drinks
- Raffle and prizes to be won
- Hit the Target Competition

All families and friends are welcome!

Due to the hot weather forecast for this weekend (11 Feb), the event has been postponed until Sun 11 March. We do hope you can join us then!

Hosted by the Tennis Supporters' Group



MUSIC

MUSIC CAMP – 24-26 FEB

We're looking forward to our annual Music Camp at Brookfield from Saturday 24 to Monday 26 of February.

This year we're taking Vivo Strings, Concert Band and Wind Ensemble for the weekend of intensive rehearsals and sectionals. It's a great way to start the year, and always gives the ensembles a bit of a boost – they sound great by the time they come back!

A reminder that forms for Music Camp are due back by Monday 19 February.



MUSIC SUPPORTERS' GROUP – AGM

Our Music Supporters' Group is an incredibly important group of parents who support our musicians in many ways. They assist financially by running fundraising ventures to assist in the purchase of new instruments and equipment, and to subsidise tours. Their practical support is also vital to the success of the many concerts and events that the Music Department runs every year. They are also one of the most friendly and lovely bunch of people in our school community!



ANGLICAN SCHOOLS MUSIC FESTIVAL

On May 18 a group of our most experienced musicians will be taking part in the Anglican Schools Music Festival. This will see around 12 Anglican school in the Southeast Queensland region come together for a day of workshops and rehearsals at QPAC as part of a massed concert band, string orchestra and choir, and will culminate in a premiere concert in the evening. Music staff are currently in the process of nominating students for this festival, so students should receive first round offers in the next couple of weeks.

MUSIC

IMPORTANT SEMESTER 1 DATES

We've got lots happening in Music!
Please save these dates in your calendar.

Activity	Date
Music Camp	Saturday 24 – Monday 26 February
Wind Ensemble at ANZAC Day (Brisbane City)	Wednesday 25 April
Auditioned Choir – Choral Retreat	Saturday 28 – Sunday 29 April
Music In The Park	Saturday 26 May
Solo Comp Round 2	Monday 4 and Tuesday 5 June
Solo Competition Final	Friday 22 June

As always, please like our St Paul's Music Facebook page, follow us on Instagram (@musicpsps) and keep up to date with Music happenings by visiting the Music website – www.stpaulsmusic.com.au

MRS KELLEEE GREEN
HEAD OF MUSIC

GENERAL NEWS

YMCA OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE (OSHC)

At YMCA OSHC St Paul's, we are currently reflecting on our program goals in collaboration with our Children, Families, Educators and School community to align with the updated National Quality Standards. We are focussed on creating an environment which is engaging and reflective of the needs and interests of the children who attend our service. After collaborating with our children, we have implemented self-help meal times at breakfast and afternoon tea and provide opportunities for children to meet their own dietary needs through having access to fresh fruit at all times and access to a sandwich bar, water, milk and juice in their own fridge. Children are enjoying the ability to freely choose craft resources, games and activities or engage in activities planned by our team of qualified Educators.



Our service aims to support our families and the School Community through ensuring that children are able to attend extracurricular activities whilst attending our service. We are also pleased to provide the opportunity for Children attending OSHC to participate in a sports program once a week currently on a Tuesday to encourage the children to engage in a range of physical activities and have the opportunity of meeting sports stars through this program.

Our Pre-prep program provides opportunities for our littlest friends to engage in fun learning experiences which further develop their social and emotional wellbeing. We are planning on strengthening our links with the ST Pauls Early Education Centre to complement the children's learning development.

We would love to show you around our service and invite you to make a time with us to visit through emailing us at asp@ymcabrisbane.org or we are always available on School Open Mornings for you to tour our service.

EXCITING NEWS!

We are excited to announce that we have received approval to cater for children 3 years old, who are Pre-Prep at St Paul's.

This will mean some significant changes to our program structure which will enable us to cater for the needs of all children attending our service.

Starting from Monday, 12th February we will implement our new structure which sees our program being split into 3 areas:

- Bambini – Our pre-prep program which will run from our main OSHC building
- Kodomo – Our Prep to year 2 program which will run from the main OSHC building
- Tamariki – Our year 3 and up program which will be based out of the Possibility Hub of an afternoon (3.10pm to 5pm)

We have an exciting structure organised that we will email out to our families in the next few days and we will be having discussions with the children to ensure that they are aware of what will be happening.

We would like to thank all of our families for their patience and support during this time and the Management teams from St Pauls and YMCA OSHC Head Office for their support, guidance and dedication to make this possible.

Exciting times await for our amazing children, and we cannot wait to share this journey with you all!!!

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GENERAL NEWS & NOTICES

SHROVE TUESDAY (PANCAKE DAY)

Next Tuesday (13 February) is Shrove Tuesday. Students are encouraged to wear Free Dress and bring a gold coin donation.

Pancakes will be for sale during lunch time. All funds raised will go towards the Vanuatu Outreach trip.

More details can be read in the Daily Notices. Students should read the Free Dress policy in the Student Diary and adhere clothing stipulations.

CYBER NEWS

SAFER INTERNET DAY #SID2018

Tuesday 6th February was **Safer Internet Day**. This is a world-wide event, with the 2018 theme being Create, Connect and Share Respect. In Australia, we decided to focus in the "share respect" element of the theme, and so students and teacher at St Paul's pledged to find simple and effective ways to show and share respect online, in order to make the internet a safer and more enjoyable place.

STOP PRESS!

The Anglican School's Commission has developed a wonderful website for use by teachers, parents, students and the community: Cyber Safety and Wellbeing. Find it here, and spend time accessing some of the wonderful resources that are available: <https://www.anglicancsaw.org/>

Judy Bolton
SPS Cyber Safety Champion



2018 TERM DATES

2018 Term Dates can be found on our website [HERE](#).

RETAIL SHOP

Opening hours: Monday to Friday, 8:00am – 4:00pm

For a list of 2018 uniform requirements, see [HERE](#).

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A weekend away for married couples in peaceful, picturesque surroundings – away from the distractions of everyday living. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . your Marriage! This is a unique opportunity to to reconnect, rekindle and refresh your relationship.

Our next weekend will held 3 to 5 August 2018.

Watch our video - <https://youtu.be/-EXg5wPahFc>

Venue: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston QLD (on Brisbane's bayside)

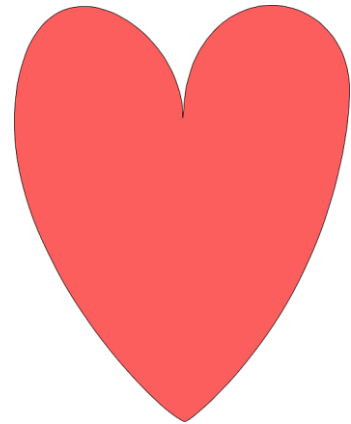
For bookings/details contact:

Maria and David Murphy

Ph: (07) 3342 1456

Email: dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au

Website: www.wwme.org.au



ACTING ACADEMY

The Australian Acting Academy is here each Friday and is holding free trial sessions for all interested students!

See flyer for more details. .

**Brisbane's Best Acting Classes
for Kids 7-12 years
Here at SAINT PAUL'S**



STAGE &
SCREEN



ENROL
NOW

Australian Acting Academy
0412 728 628
actingacademy.com.au

Come Try A Class! Call now to book in.

**FRIDAY 9th FEB 3.30 - 5pm in the old drama rooms
down the hill from SIPPERS.**

WELLBEING CENTRE

COUNSELLING

Tuesday 6 February was “Safer Internet Day” and it has been great to see Staff and students making pledges to keep themselves and others safe.

As parents, navigating the digital world can leave us with more questions than answers when it comes to keeping our kids safe online. Technology is here to stay and can provide many positive experiences for us all. As technology keeps changing, and as our kids become older, it is important to continue to have discussions with our children to empower them with the skills to make good decisions.

Author and Speaker Michelle Mitchell advocates for laying the groundwork early. She suggests learning about social media sites with our kids when they are still young and will listen and take notice of what we tell them. Then, when they are older and more independent, we can trust that we have taught them to make good decisions.

The Anglican Schools Commission is also committed to keeping our kids safe online. They have developed a series of courses for parents unpacking topics such as Cyberbullying, Social Media, Gaming, Predatory behaviour, digital footprint, Sexting and Legal responsibilities. There are a number of different courses aimed at parents and carers of children from ages 4 to 18. The Anglican Diocese has made these courses available FREE of charge for St Paul's parents.

To access the courses, please login to Parent Lounge.

Karen, Ken & Rexina
Counselling Team



Photo: House Leaders and a number of staff and students pledged ways they will help to promote a safer internet, as part of Safer Internet Day.

Beyond Blue
Kids Helpline

1300 22 4636
1800 55 1800

Lifeline
Youth Beyond Blue

13 11 14
<http://www.youthbeyondblue.com/>

WELLBEING CENTRE

CAREER NEWS

Options Career Information

It is never too early to start conversations with our children about careers and there are many avenues in which you can obtain good quality information. "Options" is an online information source that provides up to date information on a wide range of topics to do with Careers for Parents and Students.

St Paul's School families can access this website by going to <https://www.optionscareerinformation.com.au/> and using the code stpa2018 (please do not distribute this code to families outside the St Paul's School Community).

Talking to family and friends about their jobs, websites such as "My Future" and talking with us as Career Counsellors are just some other ways to get good information too.

Please click on the [attached](#) to access the latest Career News.

USEFUL CAREERS WEBSITES

- My Future www.myfuture.edu.au
Job Outlook www.jobsearch.gov.au/joboutlook
Job Guide <http://www.jobguide.deewr.gov.au/>



SUPPORTER GROUPS

JUNIOR SCHOOL SUPPORTERS ASSOCIATION (JSSG) – AGM



Notice of Annual General Meeting Of the Junior School Supporters Group (JSSG) To be held on Thursday 1 March at 7.00pm

Notice is hereby given that the Junior School Supporter's Group of St Paul's School (Bald Hills) Supporters' Association Inc. will hold its Annual General Meeting on Thursday 1st March 2018 at 7.00pm in the Geise Library. All supporters are welcome to attend this meeting and are eligible to nominate for committee positions (Nb. only SPSSA members are eligible to vote on the election of these officers).

All positions will be declared vacant and nominations are invited for the following JSSG Committee positions. We have prepared some information to help you make a decision on whether a position is right for you. The JSSG Committee works as a team, so whilst you may be the allocated co-ordinator for an event, you will not be doing it alone. You will receive assistance from your fellow committee members and the numerous wonderful parent volunteers that are happy to assist with events.

Role	Indication of Workload	Position Description	Present Incumbent Re-Nominating – Yes/No
President	Heavy	SEE HERE	Yes
Vice-President 1	Moderate	SEE HERE	No
Vice-President 2	Moderate	SEE HERE	Unknown
General Secretary	Medium	SEE HERE	No
Minutes Secretary	Moderate	SEE HERE	Yes
Treasurer	Moderate	SEE HERE	No
IT Support Officer	Light	SEE HERE	Yes
Communications Officer	Moderate	SEE HERE	No
Second-hand Uniform Sale Co-ordinator	Light	SEE HERE	Yes
Canteen Co-ordinator	Light	SEE HERE	No
Banking Co-ordinator	Moderate	SEE HERE	Yes
Banking Volunteer 1	Light	SEE HERE	Yes
Banking Volunteer 2	Light	As above	Yes
Banking Volunteer 3	Light	As above	No
Committee Member (General)	Light	N/A	Unknown

If you wish to nominate for any of these positions please complete the following forms and return them by **Monday 26th February 2018** to the JSSG General Secretary either via email (generalsecretary@jssg.org.au) or the JSSG Box located in Junior School Reception. The nominator and seconder sections can be left blank as the JSSG will arrange signatures if required.

- [JSSG Position Nomination Form](#)
- [SPSSA Membership Nomination Form](#) (if not already an SPSSA member)
- [St Paul's School Volunteer Details Form](#) (if not previously completed)

If you have any questions please contact the current JSSG President, Danielle Page – president@jssg.org.au.
All parents are most welcome to attend and we look forward to seeing you there.

Like to know more - [here are some of the current activities being organised by the JSSG!](#)

Kind regards,
JSSG Committee

CRICKET SUPPORTERS GROUP



President's Message

Happy New Year and welcome to TAS/JTAS Cricket in Term 1. The teams have been selected, training has commenced and we look forward to another good season of cricket.

Cricket Dinner

Our Annual Cricket Dinner has been booked at Kedron Wavell RSL for Saturday 24 March. Please mark this date on your calendar and we will let you know when tickets are available via Flexischools.

See the full cricket report [HERE](#).