



### FROM THE HEADMASTER



#### SCHOOL REPORTS

I hope that you found your child/ren's reports informative. In my experience, when reading the report some people will go straight to the grade while others will focus more closely on the comments.

To attain the best picture of your child's progress, it is important to gather information from a variety of sources: their grades, the comments, an interview with the teacher, and a reflection on the part of the student as to how they think they are going. It is important to remember that no-one's value is defined purely by a mark, there is much more to the holistic education of a young person than a grade.

What I really encourage young people to do is to reflect on their learning and the feedback they are given. Do they agree with the comments? Was the mark fair? It is often helpful to speak with the teacher to gain more specific feedback and to ask how they can improve further.

Finally, everyone should be setting goals. I believe that everyone is capable of far more than they may think. We do not have a fixed intelligence or ability; we can each grow and improve. Setting short-term and long-term goals helps to stretch our abilities and leads to growth; particularly if we listen carefully to the feedback and accept the support we are given.

If you took the opportunity to meet with your child/ren's teachers on Monday, I hope that it was helpful for you. For those parents who have a child in Years 7-I2, I appreciate that the time was very limited, but it is difficult to imagine how else we can organise those opportunities. Some teachers had up to 55 interviews.

We often do not appreciate the load of a teacher – it is a huge job. Actually, it is not a job – it is a vocation. Teachers become teachers because they want to make a difference to the lives of others. At St Paul's School, we are incredibly blessed to have a wonderful team of committed teachers and a hard-working support staff behind them. As the students set new goals for the coming semester, I would like to take an opportunity to acknowledge the hard work and commitment of all of our staff – thank you.



### FROM THE HEADMASTER

# APPLICATIONS FOR RAY GEISE BURSARY - CURRENT STUDENTS ONLY

#### **BURSARY DETAILS**

The Ray Geise Bursary for Service will be offered to one current St Paul's School student, who will be in Year 7, 8, 9, 10 or 11 in 2020.

This Bursary is to the total value of \$1,000 (as a reduction in School fees) for 2020 only.

#### **CRITERIA**

Students should submit a covering letter detailing their performance in pursing the Aims and Goals of the School and must show evidence of consistently caring for others and helping them to live worthwhile and meaningful lives; students must have pride in their School and demonstrate this in their dealings with their peers and indeed the whole School community.

In addition to the covering letter, students should submit a 1000 word essay on "Building a Christian Caring Community in the 21st Century."

In awarding the Ray Geise Bursary, particular attention will be paid to the performance of the applicants in pursuing the Aims and Goals of the School, and to any financial need which exists in the family.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

All Bursary applications and offers are to be treated as private and confidential and are not for public discussion or announcement. Applicants should submit:

A Bursary Application Form A Covering Letter An Essay

A separate application should be submitted for each child within a family.

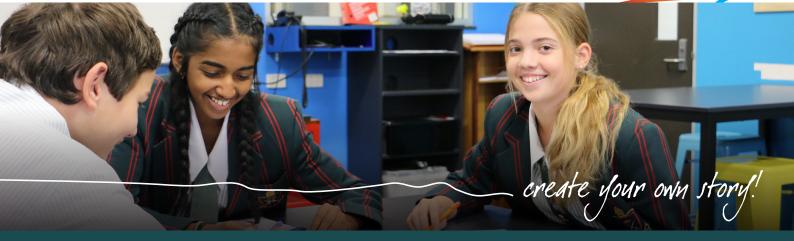
Bursary Application Forms are available from the Headmaster's Executive Assistant, Ms Sam Beeney, via email request: <a href="mailto:s.beeney@stpauls.qld.edu.au">s.beeney@stpauls.qld.edu.au</a>

Bursary applications (including the completed Application Form, Covering Letter and Essay) should be submitted in a sealed confidential envelope by Friday I8 October 2019 (the end of the second week of Term 4) to: Dr Paul Browning, Headmaster, St Paul's School, 34 Strathpine Road, BALD HILLS QLD 4036.

Dr Paul Browning Headmaster







### SECONDARY SCHOOL

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Please find a complete calendar of events via Parent Lounge or Student Cafe.

Year IO Information evening (Subject Market)	24 July
Athletics Carnival	24-25 July
Year 8 GCC meetings	29 July, 3.30-5pm
Year I2 QTAC evening	6 August
Year IO Immunisations	7 August
Year 9 Camp	6-9 August

#### **QUT RESEARCH**

A research team from the Queensland University of Technology (QUT) is conducting a study on underage drinking, bullying and wellbeing during early adolescents. Students in Years II and I2 have been invited to undertake a series of questionnaires to contribute to the research, parents have been provided details and a consent form via email.

More information can be found <u>here</u>.

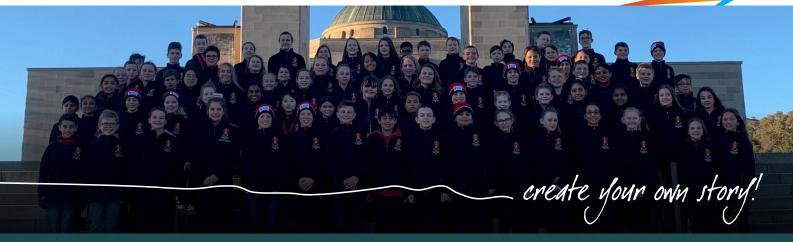
#### YEAR II 2020 SUBJECT EVENING - WED 24 JULY, 6-8PM

A subject information evening for current year I0 students going into year II in 2020 is planned for Wednesday 24th July in the Walker Centre 2. This event will be in an expo format and will give you detailed information on the subjects on offer. Teachers will be on hand to answer questions assisting you in the choosing subjects.

A Subject Handbook is available on the Parent Lounge and Student Café and it is advisable you look over the handbook ahead of the information evening.

For further information please contact Mrs Karen Sharp - k.sharp@stpauls.qld.edu.au





# FROM THE DIRECTOR OF JUNIOR SCHOOL



#### **WELCOME TO TERM 3!**

Welcome back to Term 3!! It was great to see all the children return: some taller, some without teeth and some clearly had holidays where there was lots of sun!

The Parent/Teacher Interviews had a fabulous attendance on Monday and were a good time to re-set goals for the second semester. If you were unable to attend these interviews and would still like to, please make a time directly with the teacher.

Mrs Marianne Connolly
Director of Junior School

#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Please find a complete calendar of events via Parent Lounge or Student Cafe.

Prep Vision Screening	23 & 25 July
PP to Year 2 Athletics	24 July
Years 3 – 6 some Athletics events	
Years 3 — 6 Full day of Athletics	25 July
Year I Mini-Beasts Incursion	26 July
Final PP-Prep transition meeting for parents	31 July
Year 4-12 Australian Maths Competition	I August
EKKA Holiday	I4 August
Father's Day Stall	27 & 29 August
Year 5 Camp	4-6 September
Year 4-6 ICAS Science	5 September
Years 5/6 Touch Footy Carnival	II September
JTAS Athletics	13 September
Years 4/6 ICAS English	17 September
Sneak Peek	18 September
Grandparent's Day	20 September



### JUNIOR SCHOOL

#### YEAR 6 CAMP

This week our Year 6 students travelled to Canberra to learn firsthand about Australia's history, culture, heritage and democracy.

Students attended a memorial service at the Australian War Memorial, where our Junior School Captains laid a wreath and paid their respects on behalf of the group. They also visited the Museum of Democracy, Old Parliament











#### AFTER-SCHOOL FOOTBALL PROGRAM

This fun and outdoor program is for Prep to Year 3 students. Dureing the program games will be played inside an inflatible field, which captures the imagination of students, giving them a great football experience.

See details **HERE**.



### JUNIOR SCHOOL

#### **BOOK WEEK**

We will be celebrating Book Week in the Junior School Library this term. This year's theme is

#### 'READING IS MY SECRET POWER!'

We are busily reading all the books that have been shortlisted to win the Children's Book Council awards. The awards will be announced in August. The students are listening to great stories and participating in exciting, creative and thoughtful activities to celebrate to the work of all the talented authors and illustrators.

Book Week will be held from 17-23 August. There will be a range of activities to celebrate, including a character parade, literature quizzes and coloring in. More information will be available as we get closer.

This term we will also be exploring some exciting technology. Students will have the opportunity to participate in robot coding activities and use the Spheros we have borrowed from CSER.

### Mrs Helen Gardener Junior School Teacher Librarian









### INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL

# SURPRISE VISITS BY INTERNATIONAL FAMILIES AND PAST STUDENTS

St Paul's International School has few opportunities to meet the families of our students. Parents cannot easily attend parent-teacher interviews or attend events held at school. It is always a pleasure to meet our overseas parents and put faces to the names we correspond with by usually only by email. It is lovely when we get to catch up with our past students who often drop in. Here are some recent visitors to St Paul's International School.

Hong Chun (Andrew) KWOK (2014) dropped in with his mother, Lisa KWOK. They were on their way to settle Andrew in to his university accommodation before he started his Master of Architecture degree at UQ earlier this year. Seen here with his SPIS teachers, Terese Reese, Kathleen Power and Sofie Arnold.



Ho Yin (Jeffrey) KWOK (current Yr I2) was pleased to have his younger brother Ho Man (Thomas) KWOK begin his Vacation Program at SPIS. Ms Eiling KWOK, the boys' aunt, accompanied Thomas from Hong Kong.



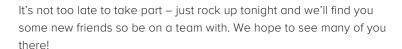
Mrs Terese Reese Head of Studies International School



### **MUSIC**

#### TRIVIA NIGHT - TONIGHT!

TONIGHT, our Music Supporters group is hosting a Trivia Night in the Walker Centre beginning at **7pm**. All money raised by the MSG goes towards the purchase of new instruments (such as the two new upright pianos that we received earlier in the year!) and funding of other projects (musicals, tours, etc.) for music students, so it would be great to see the Music community come out to support this event. Even though it is an MSG event, the questions are all-rounder questions rather than just music trivia and questions will be aimed at both adults and secondary school students so everyone is in with a shot! Both soft drinks and adult beverages will be available for purchase and guests are encouraged to bring some nibblies to enjoy on the night. The theme is Disco Fever and you're more than welcome to dress up in your finest disco attire (although that's not compulsory).





#### **SOLO COMPETITION**

It's over! We promise that it's not just a 'thing' that music teachers say when we say this... but everyone who was at the final of our 2019 Solo Competition was blown away by the increasingly high standard of our musicians from both sections. We were so proud of our students and the hard work they've put into practising and rehearsing pieces of such a high standard. We honestly couldn't pick the first, second and third places this year and we're grateful to our adjudicator, Mr Jamie Kennedy, for making the difficult decisions and awarding prizes to the following students:

#### **YEARS 7-9**

Ist - Gordon Tang (Year 7, violin) 2nd - Layla Heard (Year 7, flute) 3rd - Katelyn Uebel (Year 8, vocal)

#### **YEARS 10-12**

Ist - Callum Heard (Year IO, trumpet) 2nd - Tim Wright (Year I2, drums) 3rd - Zack Keleher (Year I2, piano)

Congratulations to all of our students for a wonderful evening, and a huge thank you to; Miss Davidson and Mrs Stevenson for their hard work and support behind the scenes, Mr Cotgreave for all the tech support, our Music Captains for being excellent MCs, our amazing Music Tutors for preparing the musicians for their performances, Miss Chou and Mrs Jacoby for accompanying the soloists and our very dedicated team from the Music Supporters' Group for providing snacks and drinks for sale on the night. It certainly takes a village, and this community is a particularly special one to be part of.











### **MUSIC**

#### SPS FEST

Not long now until our annual SPS Fest! Our Music students will be running all kinds of excellent activities during lunchtimes for students of all ages to take part in, but the biggest events of the week are two night time performances that you won't want to miss.

The first is our SPS Fest Songwriters' Showcase on Tuesday August 13 at 6.30pm in the Music Centre. This is open for any musicians who have original songs to perform but will also feature some of our Year 10 students who have been involved in I Heart Songwriting Club for the past couple of months. In this time, each student has written an impressive 10 new songs, and they'll each perform a couple of these at our showcase.

Secondly, our musicians will battle it out at our SPS Fest Band and Solo/Duo Competition on Friday August 16 from 3.30-7pm in the Walker Centre. The members of the winning band for the last couple years, Full Distortion, graduated in 2018 so the top prize is well and truly up for grabs! The Music Supporters' Group will also have food and drink available for purchase.

To be involved in any of our SPS Fest activities, please contact Mrs Green.



#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

Please find a complete calendar of events via Parent Lounge or Student Cafe.

MSG Trivia Night	19 July
Choral Retreat	20-2I July
(Auditioned Choir)	
Brisbane City Bands Festival - Queen Street Mall	28 July
(Lento Strings, Allegretto Strings, Vivo Strings, Symphony Orchestra, Big Band, Guitar	
Ensemble, Year 4 Band, Junior Wind Band, Concert Band, Wind Ensemble, Jazz	
Ensemble, Stage Band)	
Pine Rivers Show	2 August
(Red Shirt Choir, Junior School Choir, Year 4 Band, Junior Wind Band, Adagio Strings,	
Lento Strings)	
Essentially Ellington - Marist College Ashgrove	II August
(Stage Band and Big Band)	
SPS Fest Songwriters' Showcase	13 August
SPS Fest Band and Solo/Duo Competition	16 August
Brisbane Sings!	I8 August
(All Secondary Choral students)	
Junior School Recital	I2 September
(For solo performers - please encourage your JS musicians to be involved in this!)	

Even though it isn't until Term 4, another important date to note is Friday October 25 when we have our annual Con Brio event for all secondary school ensembles. More information about this will be available closer to the time.





### **MUSIC**

#### IMPORTANT WEBSITE ANNOUNCEMENT

Unfortunately, we still do not have a fully functioning Music website, though we are in the process of building one. In the meantime, all performance information is available via the main School website, by clicking 'Quick Links' on the top right of the homepage, then 'Music' and 'Music Performance Schedule'. This is updated regularly. There is also information on our St Paul's Music Facebook page, on Instagram @musicsps and in the Music section of the online School newsletter.





### **SPORT**

#### ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

#### INFORMATION FOR THE ST PAUL'S COMMUNITY

- I. The Secondary School Athletics Carnival will be held on Wednesday and Thursday July 24 and 25.
- 2. The main carnival held on Thursday July 25 will commence at 9:00am and conclude by 3:00pm
- 3. EVENTS WEDNESDAY JULY 24 (Students to come to School in normal day uniform and get changed at School. Students not competing do not have to get changed into PE uniform.
  - a. The Wednesday competition events will consist of Javelin, High Jump, Triple Jump, I500M and 400M events.
  - b. There will be an alternative timetable for the day

i.	Period I	9.00am - 9.40am
ii.	Period 2	9.45am - 10.30am
iii.	Morning Team	10.30am - 10.45am
iv.	Period 3	10.50am - 11.30am
V.	Lunch	II.30am - I2.I5am

- vi. PRE CARNIVAL ATHLETICS 12.30pm 1.00pm (Events to start at 12.30pm)
- 4. ALL OTHER EVENTS WILL BE RUN ON THURSDAY JULY 25
- 5. Student nominations will be done through the House system.
- 6. Students may wear their school Sports Uniform (Green PE Shorts, House T Shirt, White Socks, Sneakers, School Track Suit) to and from school (THURSDAY ONLY) They may also wear normal Day or Formal School Uniform and change into Sports Uniform once at school. If normal School Uniform is worn to school, it must also be worn home at the end of the day. Day or Formal wear clothing and Sports clothing are not to be mixed. Seniors may wear their Seniors Jersey.
- 7. When competing, however, students must wear their House shirt and PE shorts (Senior shorts for Year I2). Students wearing multipurpose shirts, other school team uniforms, costumes, or Senior Jerseys and the like will not be allowed to compete. Students are permitted to compete in the St Paul's athletics shorts or bike pants. This uniform code for competition also applies for pre carnival events.
- 8. Students will not have access to the tuckshop on the day (Thursday) and students will not be allowed to leave the Oval areas. There will be only a limited amount of food available for purchase on the day (Thursday only).
- 9. All students are advised to bring plenty of water on the day as well as sunscreen.
- 10. A Sports-Medicine officer will be in attendance all day and will be available from the Northern end of main oval.
- II. Students should keep an eye on House Notices for further instructions and pay close attention in Tutor Group.
- 12. The carnival is an Interhouse competition and an ideal showcase for House spirit
- 13. Parents are most welcome to support on the day, but please observe normal parking areas.

Tim Hughes

**Head of Sport Development** 



### **GENERAL NEWS & NOTICES**

#### PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE

The Premier's Reading Challenge is an annual statewide initiative for state and non-state schools. The Premier's Reading Challenge aims to improve literacy and encourage children to read for pleasure and learning.

St Paul's students from Prep to Year 9 are invited to be a part of the Premier's Reading Challenge this year

- Students will be required to read a certain number of books between now and 23rd August . Students in Prep to Year 4 will need to read 20 books; students in Years 5 9 are asked to read 15.
- Students in Junior School will be participating in the program via their Library lessons. Year 7 9 students can access a reading record sheet from their English teacher, or from the Secondary Library.
- Students who complete the challenge will have their efforts recognised through the receipt of a Certificate of Achievement signed by the Premier of Queensland (and JS students will also be featured on our Super Readers wall in the JS Library!).
- Students are encouraged to read a range of fiction and non-fiction titles (and these can be in languages other than English), and to record their reading by title on a Reader Record Form. While there is no compulsory reading list for the challenge, booklists are available to help students, teachers, parents and guardians select appropriate reading material. Book lists can be found here: https://readingchallenge.education.qld.gov.au/about/booklists

Mrs Judy Bolton Head of Information Services

#### **BUS NOTICE - BUNYA BUS SERVICE**

A reminder to families living in the Bunya area who wish to utilise this service, that a Bus Travel Assistance Application (BTA) form must be completed prior to travel.

If you are considering utilising this service, please forward the completed form to damian@brisbanebuslines.com.au or phone (07) 3354 3633.

This scheduled service is operated by Brisbane Bus Lines; and is not a standard hop on/off bus, we have a set manifest of travellers, and are unable to accommodate ad hoc travel without prior notice.

We appreciate your understanding.

#### SCHOOL FEES

School Fees are due first day back of term, 16 July 2019. Please make payment if you are not on a Direct Debit. To set up Direct Debit, please contact the Accounts team.

Thank you.

Sonya Erhart Fees Administrator



### **GENERAL NEWS & NOTICES**

# STUDENTS IN ESPORTS SEMI-FINAL

Tomorrow our eSports team is playing in the final series in the League of Legends Competition at the The University of Queensland.

So far the team has competed against 28 QLD schools and over 44 teams. This weekend's round of finals is for the Queensland State Title and the winner will proceed to Nationals.

We wish the best of luck to Jack, Matt, Steven, Aidan, Lachlan, Caleb and Jarvis!





# TEACHER RECOGNISED WITH HISTORY AWARD

Congratulations to St Paul's teacher, Mrs Kerry Daud!

At the State History Conference over the holidays, Mrs Daud was awarded the Queensland History Teachers' Association's Outstanding History Teacher Award

The award recognised Kerry's excellent conference presentations over the last number of years. The Association's President, Pip McDonald, commented:

"In addition, your leadership of history education within your school community through innovative whole-school programs such as the Anzac poppy project are to be commended."

This a very significant achievement, and we are grateful for her contributions to the School.

#### Wellbeing a Top Priority at St Paul's

#### St Paul's School, QLD

Rather than following trends of other schools and educational programs, St Paul's is a pioneer which creates its own frameworks aimed at providing a truly holistic education, which focuses on who each child can become, rather than a narrow focus on standardised knowledge and skills.

Recently this approach to student wellbeing was recognised in a national forum. The School was named as a finited in the category of "feel Student Welbeing Program in the National Education Awards.

Commenting on the award consinution, Executive Director of First and Community, Min Poly Grant, said "It is very exciting to see on holdsic, integrated approach to student wellbeing acknowledged in this way. We are committed to seeing each did flooutly, and that involves the

This is achieved through the School's unique student wellbeing program called Ways of Being. This program has five components:

Character and vitues
 Values and ethics
 Physical health and wellbeing

At the heart of Ways of Being is the relationship between each child and their teacher(s), in the primary school, the classroom teacher is responsible for intergrating Ways of Being into the overall learning program, however, in the secondary school it is more complex, with a House-based postoral one system of vertical subor groups complementing the codernic program.

Also central to Ways of Being is the St Paul's Character Framewo comprising ten virtues which all members of the community or encouraged to demonstrate. Complementing this is our Choices of Consequences Framework, which guides students in ensuring the is otherence between their behaviour and their beliefs.



#### ST PAUL'S FEATURED IN ASA MAGAZINE

St Paul's School has been profiled in the latest edition of Anglican Schools Australia magazine. The magazine focuses on our unique students wellbeing program: Ways of Being.

Ways of Being is a holistic, integrated approach to student wellbeing which focuses on building better relationships between students and their teachers, and enabling every student to flourish.

You can read the full article  $\underline{\mathsf{HERE}}$ .



### WELLBEING CENTRE

#### **HELPFUL CONTACTS**

**Beyond Blue** 1300 22 4636

Lifeline 13 II I4

**Kids Helpline** 1800 55 1800

Youth Beyond Blue <a href="http://www.youthbeyondblue.com/">http://www.youthbeyondblue.com/</a>

#### QTAC INFORMATION EVENING - \*NEW DATE\*

The School Counsellors have organised a Queensland Tertiary Admissions Centre (QTAC) Information Evening for all Year I2 students and parents/carers.

Event details are as follows:

DATE: Tuesday, 6 August

TIME: 6pm

VENUE: Chapel

Topics covered will include:

- The application process
- Tertiary studies in Queensland
- Upgrading pathways for Year I2 students
- Course providers

The Counsellors have also set aside time between I2 and 26 August for one-on-one appointments to assist students with any queries they may have regarding their QTAC application/preferences or provide advice if they are unsure of their post Year I2 options or choices. Students can make an appointment after the Information Evening by contacting Mrs Harding either by email at r.harding@stpauls.qld.edu.au or by coming in to Counselling Reception, ground floor, Wellbeing Centre.







### WELLBEING CENTRE

#### **CAREER NEWS**

This service provides students, parents and staff members with up to date career information. The information is updated fortnightly and we highly recommend that you scan it regularly for items of interest, especially for students in the Senior School.

Please click here to access the latest Career News.

Career information is also available on the St Paul's School Careers website, click here.

Click here to see the latest newsletter from the website host, Career Tools.

#### **TSXPO**

Exploring the different jobs and careers available to students post Year I2 can be an exciting and daunting time! To help you in this decision making process, I highly recommend that all students in Years I0, II and I2 attend the Tertiary Studies Expo to explore different career options post Year I2! This is a free event and the major careers expo in Brisbane which means that there are a huge variety of Universities, Tafe, Government agencies including the Queensland Ambulance/Fire and Police Services as well as private providers in the one place, ready to answer all of your questions! It is your one stop shop to learn about all different career opportunities!



#### **USEFUL CAREERS WEBSITE**

My Future www.myfuture.edu.au

Job Outlook www.jobsearch.gov.au/joboutlook



### SUPPORTER GROUPS

#### MUSIC SUPPORTERS GROUP

The Music Supporter's Group is holding a trivia night to raise funds for a grand piano for the Walker Centre Auditorium.

Come dressed in your brightest disco fever outfit as we play that funky music and quiz your brains on all things trivial!

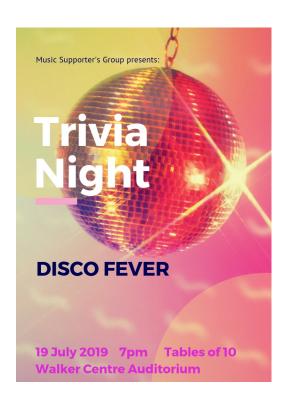
### MUSIC SUPPORTER'S GROUP TRIVIA NIGHT 'DISCO FEVER' THEME

Friday 19th July 2019 6:30pm for 7pm \$20 Adults/ \$10 Students (highschool age & over) Tables of 10

Tickets via flexischools

Raffle prizes, best costume prizes and more

 $Contact\ \underline{msgpresident@spssa.org.au}\ for\ more\ information$ 



#### PARENT CONNECTIONS SUPPORTERS GROUP

# "Education Transformation" What does it mean for parents?

St Paul's School is striving to provide the best possible education for each child so that they can flourish in the world when they graduate.

The best outcomes for a student are attained when the parents and school engage in an educational partnership, together providing the best support and education for that child.

As a parent, where do I start....?

- · How will technology impact my child's learning?
- What are the evolving priorities for education and technology?
- Why the urgency now?
- How does St Paul's support families in a fast changing world?

We are sure you have questions. We have answers. If you are interested in exploring the above, bring you questions along. We look forward to meeting you!

Presented by the Parent Connections Supporters Group (PCSG)

You are invited to a parent workshop

Mon 22 July 6:00-8:00 pm Upstairs in the Tooth Building Light supper provided

To register or for more information contact Sarah – President govers@dodo.com.au





### SUPPORTER GROUPS



#### **VOLLEYBALL SUPPORTERS GROUP**

This term, as well as welcoming back our players from previous years, we have a large number of players who are new to volleyball this year.

A reminder that we have the Volleyball Development Day this Saturday 20th July: Juniors 8.00am - II.00am Parent meeting at II.30am Seniors I2.00pm - 3.00pm

Coaches from Norths Volleyball will be running the day, in conjunction with our St Paul's coaches.

A free sausage sizzle lunch will be provided for all players by the Volleyball Supporters Group. We will not be running a full BBQ or selling food this Saturday.

Please also note that as it is a bye week, there will most likely not be a coffee van on site!

The following 2 weeks are home games. If you are able to help us on the BBQ it would be greatly appreciated. All money raised goes back into supporting all of the players.

You can follow or contact us via:

Facebook - Pumas Volleyball

Instagram - sps\_pumas\_volleyball