



7 February 2022

Dear Parents and Caregivers of Year 2 Students,

Welcome to Year 2 for 2022 at St Paul's! Year 2 is an exciting year in your child's learning.

Mrs Cathy Henderson, Mrs Julie Woolf, Mrs Carol MacFarlane (Term 1) and Mrs Danielle Morris (Term 2 - 4) are the Year 2 classroom teachers for this year. The school's theme for the year is Service. Year 2 will be delving deeper into this theme throughout the year. We look forward to being a part of your child's learning journey this year.

The following information will assist you in feeling organised for beginning the year:

BELL TIMES

Students should be in class at 8:25am for an 8:30am start. `

It would be beneficial if your child could be at school at least 5 minutes prior to the first bell to allow your child time to unpack their own belongings and get ready for the day. The classroom doors will be open at 8:25am.

School finishes at 3:00pm and we encourage you to meet your child following the school Covid arrangements.

CRUNCH AND SIP

Students are to bring a healthy snack into class each morning. This must be only fresh, dried fruit, or vegetables only (no nuts please as we have students who have allergies). All other foods will be consumed at morning tea and lunch time. Please remember to cater for the weather as food can spoil very quickly in the heat, even with a freezer block.

Please remember that St Paul's is a '**nut free environment**' and no food containing nuts are to be brought to school.

CHAPEL/ASSEMBLY

School Chapel: Wednesday at 8:35am

Junior School Assembly: Friday at 8:35am (fortnightly)

You are welcome to attend these events with us when they resume for the year (pending government restrictions).



LIBRARY

Library books can be returned to school any day of the week. Year 2 will borrow on Tuesdays and will need to bring their St. Paul's Library Bag to school on this day.

JAPANESE

All students will participate in weekly Japanese lessons with Poetschka Sensei. Learning a language is an excellent opportunity to broaden their view of the world and develop a respect for other cultures. Our students will learn about cultural festivals, places and objects through songs and activities.

MUSIC

Classroom music is taught weekly by Ms Carol Ellwood. Students participate in active musical play to develop in-tune singing, rhythmic and melodic accuracy and musical independence. Year 2 students have the choice to attend Junior Voices(choir for Year 1-2 students)and specialised tuition in violin, piano, and theory. More information will be presented in our Parent Information Evening Booklet.

P.E.

Students have a sport lesson on Tuesday with Mr Brad Wooding. If your child is unable to participate due to injury/illness please let one of your child's teachers know.

HOME LEARNING

It is expected that each student reads each night. Home Readers will be provided towards the end of Term 1 / beginning Term 2 and will align with where your child is sitting in their phonological understanding (based on our new Read Write Inc. program),

Please read to your child and encourage them to self select books for leisure that they enjoy reading/being read.

UNIFORM

Formal Uniform days: Monday and Thursday

Sports Uniform days: Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday

TERM DATES

Term 1 Monday 7 February – Thursday 31 March

Term 2 Tuesday 19 April – Friday 24 June

Term 3 Wednesday 13 July – Friday 16 September

Term 4 Tuesday 4 October – Friday 2 December

SCHEDULED EVENTS OF INTEREST FOR TERM 1

10 February – Virtual Parent Information Presentation and the Year 2 Information Booklet sent – on Seesaw

15 February – P&F General Meeting 3:15pm

6 March– Staff Installation and Reaffirmation Service

15 March – P&F AGM & General Meeting 3:15pm

18 March – P-Year 6 Cross Country Carnival

22 March - Parent Workshop VSC for Parent Volunteers 2.00pm & 6.00pm

25 March – Year 2 Aboriginal Glasshouse Mountain Trail Excursion

31 March – Students finish Term 1. **Parent/Teacher/Student Conversations 4pm - 8pm**

1 April – Student Free Day. **Parent/Teacher/student Conversations 8am – 12noon**

We look forward to a wonderful year with you and your children.

God bless,

Cathy Henderson, Julie Woolf and Carol MacFarlane

Year 2 Classroom Teachers

“You’re braver
than you believe,
stronger than you
seem, and smarter
than you think.”

- Winnie the Pooh



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