



7 February 2022

Dear Parents and Caregivers of Year 3 Students,

We hope that you and your families have enjoyed a lovely restful break and are looking forward to the year ahead as much as we are. Year 3 will be an exciting and rewarding experience as the children develop their independent learning skills and we will have lots of fun along the way.

The Team in Year 3 for 2022 consists of:

Classroom Teachers: Mr Matt Nicholls and Miss Jenelle Cross

Learning Assistant: Mrs Robyn Dellaway (Terms 1 and 4) Mrs Donna Lay (Terms 2 and 3)

In Year 3 this year there will be a range of Learning Assistants supporting our students. You will see Mrs Robyn Dellaway (Terms 1 & 4) and Mrs Donna Lay (Terms 2 & 3) most frequently.

Since students will spend a significant amount of time constructing their learning with both Year 3 class teachers, we would like to share some information about each of us to help you get to know us a little better.

Mr Nicholls

You all know me! The football loving, music playing Pom from Somerset, UK. I've taught across the upper primary years at St Paul's for several years. I am big on manners, respect, and accountability. I love using the motto, 'Face it and Fix it'. Face up and own up to any mistake, then we look at fixing the problem. I love art, music and have a 'real' football background. I still love my football, but I also love teaching and helping students to grow.

Miss Cross

I have taught Year 1 and Year 2 at St Paul's. I am passionate about teaching. It is wonderful to be a part of each child's development both personally and academically throughout the year. As an avid lover of tennis and a tea connoisseur, England is very close to my heart. I have a passion for all things health and fitness related, especially when listening to some good tunes!

Together we look forward to teaching your child in 2022 and getting to know you as we work together.

Bell Times

We would prefer our students to arrive at 8:25am ready for an 8:30am start. School finishes at 3:00pm. Please continue to check for updates from the school regarding pick up and drop off and visiting the school campus procedures.

Chapel and Assembly Time

Whole school Chapel will be held on Wednesday mornings at 8:35am and Assembly will begin at 8:35am on every second Friday. Please feel free to come along to these weekly events (dependent on Government COVID – 19 guidelines).

Library

Mrs Stephens will be our Teacher Librarian in the GLAD centre this year. It will be open from 8am to 3.30pm Monday to Thursday. When COVID restrictions are relaxed, parents may visit the GLAD Centre in the morning from 8am or after school with their child until 3.30pm. All students have a

weekly library lesson which supports inquiry learning and reading engagement. Lessons will include book promotions, literary events, learning research skills and story times. Students will borrow library books during this lesson.

Japanese

All students participate in weekly Japanese lessons with Poetschka Sensei. Learning a language provides students with an excellent opportunity to broaden their view of the world, develop a respect for other cultures, and appreciate their ideas and ways of thinking.

At St Paul's, we encourage students to practice and share their vocabulary and Hiragana at home with their families.

Music

Classroom Music is taught weekly by Ms Carol Ellwood. Through active participation – singing, moving, creating and playing - students continue to develop musical independence. In Year 3, students learn more about improvisation, graphic scores and program music.

All Year 3 students participate in a String Immersion Program to extend musical learning, providing a link between classroom and instrumental music. In 2022, students may choose to play one of the following six instruments: Violin, Viola, Cello, Double Bass, Guitar, or Ukulele. Taking place during the school day, students attend one 30-minute session each week with specialist music tutors. Immersion fees are \$65 per term (included in your annual school fees). This fee includes the provision of an instrument and resources for the year, weekly group tuition and performance opportunities.

Physical Education (P.E.)

Students participate in a weekly 45 minute session with Mr Brad Wooding (Terms 1 – 3) and Mrs Jessica Schnieder. Other sports carnivals, gala days and events will occur throughout the year. Please keep an eye on the calendar and announcements for confirmation of these dates.

Home Learning

Students are required to do 15 minutes of reading every day at home. Further information will be provided in our Parent Information Presentation.

Date Claimers

- Monday 7th February – Term 1 commences
- Sunday 6th March – Staff Dedication Service
- Friday 18th March – Cross Country Carnival
- Thursday 24th March – Year 3 Lab Kids Incursion
- Monday 28th March – Brainstorm Productions
- Thursday 31st March – Free Dress Day (last day of term for students)
- Friday 1st April – Pupil Free Day (Parent Teacher Conversations)

Uniform

The Uniform Policy can be found in the Parent Handbook.

- Formal Uniform – Monday and Wednesday (optional)
- Sports Uniform – Tuesday, Wednesday (optional), Thursday and Friday

Please note Year 3 PE lessons are on a Thursday.



Crunch and Sip

Students can bring a small, named container into the classroom containing only fruit or vegetables. Please do not send messy fruit such as watermelon and oranges. No crackers or yoghurt are acceptable for Crunch. Students are encouraged to drink water throughout the day for Sip. Students are required to bring a water bottle into the classroom every day. No juice or cordial is permitted.

Morning Tea and Lunch

Students need to come to school with a healthy morning tea and lunch. Snacks like fruit, vegetables, yoghurt, cheese, crackers & dip are very appropriate for morning tea. A Bento Box, sandwich or salad are fantastic options for lunch time. Packaged items are not appropriate for during school hours and create unnecessary litter in the environment.

No Nut Policy

St Paul's is a nut-free school. **Please do not send any food products with your student that contains nuts.**

Tuckshop

Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday – Orders are due by 9am Tuesday of each week. All orders need to be placed through our online ordering system which can be accessed via the school app or website. There is also a casual menu available that can be ordered through flexischools on each tuckshop day until 9.00am

We look forward to sharing an enjoyable and rewarding year with you and your child.

Warm regards

Matt and Jenelle

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