

From the Principal - Mrs Valencia

Welcome to 2023!

At St Pauls, we like to focus on a particular theme each year. Last year we looked at the theme, Service – The Heart of Community. I am delighted to announce that this year's theme is GROW.

In 2023, we have two sets of focus words we will be unpacking in our community – a theological focus and an educational focus.

- **Theological Focus:** Grace – Redeemed – Outreach – Wisdom
- **Educational Focus:** Grit – Respect – Opportunity – Wonder

Our theme image for 2023 is a tree with deep and wide roots. This image reminds us that when we are deeply rooted in God's Grace, living as His redeemed children, we can receive great wisdom through His Word and the Holy Spirit. As a result, we want to develop avenues of outreach into our community where we can live lives of service as His people.

When we are deeply rooted in God's Grace, redeemed, and drawing on the inspired wisdom of His word, we can grow the fruits of the spirit and truly experience the wonder of the world. We seek to respect creation and all those God has placed in our path, and we develop a sense of determination and grit as we strive to live and breathe every opportunity that God has placed on our journey.

The bible reminds us in 2 Peter 3:18, to "Grow in the Grace and knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ." This is precisely what we hope to do this year.



Pastor Mike - Devotion

It's good when we can be free to be who we are. Our little people always need to be encouraged to let their personalities shine. Jesus was on the same wavelength when he said:

"You are the salt of the earth. But suppose the salt loses its saltiness. How can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything. It will be thrown out. People will walk all over it. You are the light of the world. A city on a hill can't be hidden. Also, people do not light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead, they put it on its stand. Then it gives light to everyone in the house. "In the same way, let your light shine in front of others. Then they will see the good things you do. And they will praise your Father who is in heaven." – Jesus (Matthew 5:13).

As you wander around our school campus, enjoy greeting people with a smile and walk together, helping each other along as needed. Most of all, appreciate each other, for just who each of you are.

Who's Who in the Zoo?

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TIPS



Meet...



Mrs Zoe Matthews

Mrs Matthews is joining us for her second year at St Paul's teaching in year one. Mrs Matthews is known for her friendly demeanour, strong work ethic and exceptional care for our little people. She is very approachable and is a blessing to our school community. We love you Mrs Matthews!



Place your family name tag on the passenger sun visor to ensure you are helping the pick up zone to run efficiently!

Have you checked out the latest parent monitoring apps for iPads and phone: LINK VIA QR CODE:



What's coming up?



- 2 - Parent Information Evening
- 3 - Chapel @ 8.40am
- 3- School Fees Due
- 6 - Arts@St Paul's lessons begin
- 6 - Assembly @ 1.30pm
- 10 - Chapel @ 8.40am
- 12 - Staff Installation / Rededication Service @ 9am
- 13 - Assembly @ 1.30pm
- 13 - Brainstorm Productions Incursion - Prep-Yr 6

