

News @

St Paul's



Term 2 , Week 6, 2026

Mothers Day 2026

Our community came together for a beautiful Mother's Day breakfast, celebrating the wonderful Mums and mother-figures in our lives. It was a lovely opportunity to share good food, warm conversation, and time together in a relaxed atmosphere. We hope all of our Mums enjoyed the special artwork lovingly created by the children on the day, which added a very personal touch to the celebration.

We would like to extend our sincere thanks to everyone who attended, as well as to Pastor James, the dedicated church volunteers, our amazing staff, and the many organisers working behind the scenes who helped bring the morning together. From planning and preparation, to setting up and serving such a delicious breakfast, we are incredibly grateful for the time, care, and effort that went into making the event such a special and memorable occasion for our community.



HAPPY
MOTHER'S
DAY





From the Principal - Mrs Valencia

St Paul's Strategic Imperatives 2026

I am excited to share our *Strategic Imperatives* with you. We recognise that education is changing rapidly, and we deeply believe it is important to remain responsive, future-focused and grounded in our Christian mission.

So why a Strategic Imperative and not a Strategic Plan?

Rather than developing a traditional Strategic Plan, we have intentionally chosen the term Strategic Imperative. A **plan** focuses heavily on details, timelines and fixed outcomes. While planning remains important, a **strategic imperative** is broader and more dynamic. It allows us to remain agile and responsive to the changing needs of education, our students, our families, the wider community and the geopolitical landscape. It reflects forward-thinking priorities that guide decision-making while allowing flexibility and innovation as opportunities arise.

The St Paul's Strategic Imperative is built around six key pillars that will guide the future direction of our school.

Expansion | Pathways | Staff | Community | Pedagogy | Formation



We are committed to **expanding capacity to meet growing demand**, ensuring our facilities, learning spaces, arts and sporting programs continue to grow alongside our thriving school community. We also seek to **strengthen our entry and exit pathways**, building strong connections with early learning providers and secondary schools to support smooth transitions for students and families.

Investing in our staff remains central to our vision. Through partnerships with universities and educational organisations, we aim to **strengthen our staff talent pipeline** and continue building a collaborative and inclusive culture. We are also focused on **deepening connections** with families, local businesses and the wider Moreton Bay community to strengthen St Paul's reputation and impact.

Teaching and learning continue to sit at the heart of our mission. Through **evidence-based, data-informed pedagogy**, we strive to ensure every child is supported to reach their God-given potential. Equally important is our **commitment to student wellbeing** through strong pastoral care programs that nurture resilience, compassion, empathy and accountability.

As we move forward together, we do so with faith and hope in God's guidance for our school. "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." — Jeremiah 29:11. We thank you for your ongoing partnership and prayers as we continue to grow and flourish together at St Paul's.

St Paul's Strategic Imperatives | 2026





From the Deputy Principal (People & Operations) - Mr Keane

Recently, our Year 4 and Year 5 students had the exciting opportunity to attend Taste of Grace, at Grace Lutheran College. This valuable excursion provided students with a wonderful insight into Secondary School life and the many learning experiences available at the College. From the moment they arrived, students were welcomed into a vibrant and engaging learning environment where they were encouraged to participate, collaborate, and challenge themselves in new ways.

Throughout the day, students rotated through a variety of dynamic and hands-on lessons, including HPE, Digital Technologies, Food Technology, Music, and Dance. Each session allowed students to experience specialist learning areas and explore different interests and talents. In Food Technology, students enjoyed practical activities and learned about preparing food safely and creatively, while Digital Technologies encouraged problem-solving and innovation. Music and Dance sessions fostered creativity, confidence, and teamwork; and the HPE activities promoted active participation and positive sportsmanship.

Our students were highly engaged and enthusiastic throughout every activity, demonstrating excellent behaviour and a willingness to try new experiences. Staff from Grace Lutheran College commented positively on the students' participation, curiosity, and respectful attitudes. It was wonderful to see students building confidence and independence as they experienced learning in a secondary school setting, with many leaving the day excited about future opportunities and pathways.

This excursion was also an excellent opportunity to continue strengthening the valued partnership between St Paul's School and Grace Lutheran College. Partnerships such as these provide meaningful learning opportunities for our students and help foster strong connections within our wider educational community. We sincerely thank the staff and students of Grace Lutheran College for hosting such a memorable and enriching experience for our students.





From the Deputy Principal (Curriculum) - Mrs Bird

Understanding the Australian Curriculum General Capabilities:

Spotlight on Personal and Social Capability

The Australian Curriculum places a strong emphasis on developing the whole child, recognising that learning is not only about academic achievement, but also about who students are becoming as individuals and members of the community. One of the key General Capabilities embedded across all learning areas is Personal and Social Capability.

Personal and Social Capability supports students to understand themselves, build healthy relationships, and engage positively with others. This capability is intentionally designed to be taught through everyday classroom learning, not as a standalone subject, but as a vital skill set woven across all areas of the curriculum.

The capability is organised into two key strands:

Self-awareness and self-management

Students learn to recognise their emotions, strengths and challenges, and to develop strategies to manage their feelings, behaviour and learning. This includes setting goals, persisting with challenging tasks, reflecting on feedback, and developing resilience. These skills are essential for lifelong learning and help students grow in confidence and independence.

Social awareness and social management

Students develop empathy, learn to understand different perspectives, and practise respectful communication and collaboration. They are supported to build positive relationships, resolve conflict appropriately, and contribute constructively to groups and communities. Through these experiences, students learn what it means to be responsible, ethical and inclusive citizens.

At our school, Personal and Social Capability is intentionally nurtured through classroom practices, cooperative learning, explicit teaching of social skills, reflection opportunities, and authentic learning experiences. Students are encouraged to understand themselves as learners, to value others, and to use their God-given gifts responsibly and compassionately.

By embedding Personal and Social Capability across the curriculum, young people are supported to flourish not only academically, but also socially, emotionally and ethically - equipping them to navigate relationships, challenges and opportunities both now and into the future.



Arts@St Paul's

Music, Dance & Drama

There is plenty happening across the Arts program at St Paul's as we move through a very busy and exciting term!

Junior Voices is going strong, with our enthusiastic young singers busy preparing a special end-of-term performance. It promises to be *meowsic* to your ears and a wonderful celebration of their learning this semester.

Week 7 marks the start of an exciting new initiative for our instrumental program, with **ANZCA instrumental exams** taking place on Tuesday during the school day. This provides a valuable opportunity for students to demonstrate their progress in a formal assessment setting. On Wednesday afternoon, we will then host our **Piano Soirée**, where piano students share their learning in an informal concert setting. These are important milestones and a great way to celebrate student growth.

Our **Senior Choir** will also visit **St Paul's Aged Care** on Friday of Week 7 for their long-awaited performance. We are especially looking forward to students sharing their love of music with the residents.

The following week brings our first **Twilight Concert** of the year, featuring all Year 3 students in their debut **Strings Immersion** performance. We will also enjoy performances from drum, guitar, violin and saxophone students, **Senior Choir** and **Kids Rock Band**. The evening will run in two short halves with a brief intermission and promises to be a fantastic night of live music.

Our **Drama group** recently debuted their first skit during Worship & Wellbeing, presenting a student-devised piece on "putting on love." It was a thoughtful and engaging performance, and we look forward to their continued development.



Looking ahead, there is still more to come, including end-of-term performances from Dance Troupe, Senior Choir and Junior Voices. Stay tuned for further Arts highlights as the term continues!





Sport@St Paul's

Reschedule

5th June

Handy Reminders:

- Year 5/6 - Gala Day - Soccer boys, Don't forget your long socks and shin pads
- Year 3-6 - Athletics - check the weekly notices and Mrs M's notice board for training
- Prep - Year 6 - HPE lessons - Have a good look for your hat, you will need it every lesson

Gala Day locations:

- Boys Soccer** - First Avenue, Bongaree
- Mixed Netball** - Caboolture Netball Courts, 15 Riverview Street, Caboolture
- Mixed Basketball** - St Paul's Primary School

Wondering what to do on the holidays? St Paul's has not 1 but 2 holiday sport clinics. Please contact reception or hpeteacher@stpaulslps.qld.edu.au to register your interest.



School Holiday Soccer Clinic

Exclusive to St Paul's Students

Monday, 22 June 2026
09.00-2.00 pm

St Paul's Primary School Oval

More Information:
<https://www.caboolturesportsfc.com.au/online-shop-csfc>

\$50 per participant

- Full-day football clinic led by qualified and experienced coaches
- Focus on skill development, teamwork, and fun game-based activities
- Open to players of all skill levels and experience
- Safe and inclusive environment held at St Paul's Oval

all player levels welcome!



Exclusive for St Paul's students

WHEN?
22ND JUNE

FIRST DAY OF THE ST PAUL'S STUDENT BREAK

WHAT WILL WE DO?

- Engaging fitness workouts
- High-class coaching content
- Advice nutritional/wellbeing sessions
- Matchplay Scenarios and Game Improvement
- Teamwork & Leadership Workshops

WHERE?
CABOOLTURE NETBALL ASSOCIATION COURTS

WHAT'S INCLUDED?

- Full day Netball Clinic
- Professional coaching
- NETFIT t-shirt

\$109

netfitnetball.com






From the Library (GLAD Centre)

Class Borrowing Days

- Prep: Friday
- Year 1: Friday
- Year 2: Tuesday
- Year 3: Thursday
- Year 4: Wednesday
- Year 5: Monday
- Year 6: Friday



Let's Keep Reading!

The Queensland Premier's Reading Challenge began on 11th May this year. The Premier's Reading Challenge (PRC) champions reading with the goal of encouraging young Queenslanders to read for pleasure and learning, to improve literacy and give them a brighter future.

It is an annual statewide initiative for Queensland state and non-state schools and home-educated students from Prep to Year 9, as well as children (aged up to 5 years) enrolled in an early childhood centre.

St Paul's participates in the event every year. The PRC is not a competition, but a chance for students to challenge themselves to read **20** (Prep-Grade 4) or **15** (Grade 5 & 6) books over a 3 month period (the challenge finishes on Friday 28 August). The books are recorded on the **record sheet** and are given to Mrs Pratap in the Library once the number of books have been reached.

This year all students who take up the challenge will get to participate in a Rewards Event as well as receive a certificate signed by the Premier of Queensland.

Our students have loved the Family Reading Bingo that we have completed throughout the month of May. Why not keep the momentum going and encourage your child to take on this reading challenge too?

Important Dates

May

- Wednesday 27th: National Simultaneous Storytime
- Friday 29th: Family Reading Bingo Sheets Due



June

- Friday 19th: Last Day of Term 2

We're taking on the
2026 Premier's Reading Challenge
The power of reading

Luna Roo: The Kangaroo Baller - chosen as the book for Australia's National Simultaneous Storytime on the 27 May





From our Chappy

This year our theme is "Together," and this week's chapel was a wonderful reflection of that focus. We are so grateful to Kaleb and Anna, the Faith and Service Captains from Grace Caboolture, who visited and shared with our students.

A big shout out also to our Drama Club! This student-led group has been hard at work writing and producing their own skit to share in chapel.

God created us to do life together, and this week was a beautiful reminder that when we come together, we can truly bless those around us.





From our P&F

Our School Disco is coming up on Thursday 5th June! Ticket ordering is now open on Flexischools. Orders close Thursday 29th May - No late tickets can be accepted after this date. We are also looking for volunteers to help on the night, without volunteer support, events like this cannot go ahead. Please complete the form if you can help on the night [Click Here](#)

School Athletics Carnival - 11th & 12th June
The P & F will be running a lunch deal on the day, including Smash Burgers & Sausage Sizzle. We are also seeking donations of which can be delivered to the Breakfast Club Table each morning or to School Reception - Tomato Sauce, BBQ Sauce, Poppers. Volunteers will also be needed throughout the day to help make the event a success. Further Details on Volunteering & Lunch Deals will be sent out soon.

Our Breakfast Club continues to support students each morning, with approximately two loaves of bread being used daily. The P&F rely heavily on donations from Foodbank for breakfast supplies and fruit. There may be times when we run out of bread or fruit, however we always do our best with the donations we receive.

Shopping for our Mum's at the Mother's Day Stall



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From the Church

Jesus is our Good Shepherd

St Paul's Family Service 24th May 2026.

The Year 3 Family Service on Pentecost Sunday was a wonderful celebration of faith, joy, and community. It was a blessing to see so many students, families, congregation members, and visitors gathered together as we celebrated the birthday of the Church and reflected on the coming of the Holy Spirit in Acts 2.

Our Year 3 students did an outstanding job helping to lead the service. From the readings and prayers to the singing and participation throughout the morning, the students brought great energy, warmth, and enthusiasm to worship. It was especially encouraging to see the confidence and joy with which they shared in leading God's people together in worship.

One of the highlights of the morning was the presentation of Bibles to the Year 3 students. This is always a deeply meaningful moment in the life of our church and school community. As a congregation, it brings us great joy to place God's Word into the hands of our young people and to remind them that these Scriptures contain God's promises, love, forgiveness, and hope for them throughout their lives. It was also great seeing our other new students in year 4-6 receive their bibles on Monday afternoon.

A particularly special part of the presentation on Sunday was seeing members of the congregation personally gifting the Bibles to the students. It was a beautiful reflection of our yearly theme, "Together: Bound in Love," as different generations gathered together around God's Word.

We hope all the students and families felt warmly welcomed and truly enjoyed their time worshipping with us. We pray that this service will remain a joyful memory and that these Bibles will continue to encourage our students as they grow in faith and come to know more deeply the love of Jesus.

Thank you to everyone who helped make the service such a special occasion - our students, teachers, families, musicians, volunteers, and congregation members. Your support and encouragement help strengthen the connection between church, school, and family life, and we give thanks to God for the many ways He continues to gather us together through His Word and Spirit.

Please know you are always welcome to join us at St Paul's Lutheran Church, and that you can contact me with any pastoral care needs or questions about the Christian faith.

Your Servant in Christ
Pastor James (PJ)





Upcoming Dates

June

- 2 - Regional Cross Country
- 3 - Arts @ St Paul's piano Soiree
- 5 - RESCHEDULED Year 5 and 6 Gala Day
- 5 - P&F Disco
- 5 - Prep 2027 Come and Play session 1
- 9 - Arts @ St Paul's Twilight Evening
- 11 - Senior Athletics Carnival Day 1
- 12 - Junior Athletics Carnival
- 12 - Senior Athletics Carnival Day 2
- 15 - School Sunday - Prep
- 18 - Year 4 GLC Science Lab Visit
- 19 - Prep Incursion - Seasons & Bush Tucker Workshop
- 19 - Closing Chapel Service
- 19 - Last Day of Term 2 - Free Dress Day

July

- 13 - First Day of Term 3
- 20 - Year 1 Excursion - Sea Life
- 24 - Prep Vision Screening

