



Dear Families and friends,

The Year 6 staff and students hit the road yesterday and have safely arrived at Camp Chaverim. Spirits are high and everyone has been thoroughly enjoying the exciting activities on offer so far.

Throughout their stay, students will be encouraged to step outside their comfort zones and take part in challenges that foster teamwork, communication, and persistence. Activities include indoor rock climbing, low and mid ropes courses, flying fox, archery, and canoeing; plenty of opportunities for adventure and growth!

A big thank you to **Mrs Harkin, Mrs Wells, Mrs Bauman** and **Mr Greany** for their incredible organisation and for accompanying the students over the four days.



We welcome **Real Talk** to St Paul's **this Thursday** to work with our **Year 5** students. This is a wonderful opportunity for our students to learn about themselves and grow in knowledge of the changes that are part of growing up. Based in Catholic values, Real Talk offers engaging presentations designed to help students discover God's beautiful plan for love and life.

Protecting **children** is

EVERYBODY'S

BUSINESS

This week marks **National Child Protection Week**—a vital reminder that child protection is everyone's responsibility. It is up to adults to ensure children are safe from harm, and it takes a united effort across our communities to create environments where every child is nurtured, supported, and protected.

Today and tomorrow, Mr Roberts, Miss Bronwyn, Miss Lisa and I will be attending the Student Protection Conference to deepen our knowledge and understanding of best practices in safeguarding children. This opportunity allows us to strengthen our commitment to creating safe spaces for every student and to stay informed about the latest developments in child protection.

Have a great week!

God bless

Nicole Anderson

The Virtue of Reliability: In Catholic thought, reliability is the moral virtue of consistently honouring commitments and acting with integrity, reflecting a trustworthiness rooted in faithfulness to God and others.

A Prayer for the Virtue of Reliability: Lord God, You are ever faithful and true, a rock that never wavers, a promise that never fails. Teach us to reflect Your steadfast love in the way we live, speak, and serve. Help us to be dependable in small things and great, to honour our word, and to show up with integrity. May others find in us a quiet strength, rooted not in pride, but in trust in You. Make us reliable, Lord, so that through us, Your faithfulness may be known. Amen.

St Paul: Pray for us.

A.P.R.E. News

Thank you, Prep H, for your special Father's Day Prayer Assembly last Thursday and the wonderful Father's Day morning tea that followed. This week **2S** will lead **Prayer** on the virtue of Reliability. All are welcome **Friday** under the **Big Shed at 8.35am**. 2S invites you to stay for a small **morning tea** at the conclusion of the assembly.

Next Tuesday our **Year 1** students will be joining members of our Parish, in **St Paul's Church**, to learn about, and join in with, the **Rosary**. The students have just completed a Short Learning Cycle on Mary. This is hopefully the beginning of all our cohorts availing themselves of this opportunity over the rest of the year.

The **Virtue of Reliability** is a quiet but powerful witness to our faith as it reflects the constancy of God's love and builds trust within our communities. As St Paul reminds us, **"Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as if working for the Lord" (Colossians 3:23)**. When we follow through on our commitments with integrity and perseverance, we mirror Christ's own faithfulness and become vessels of grace in everyday life.

The **last day of term** is fast approaching and a lot is happening on the day. In the morning, for the first time, St Paul's will have a whole school end-of-term mass. This **Mass of Forgiveness** will commence at about **8.45am** on Friday the 19th of September in the **Big Shed**. Silver seats will be out but for comfort you may wish to bring your own chair. The school will be seated on chairs for the mass. The students will then return to classes until 2nd Break. After second break, **2pm**, this year's **Colour Run** will take place on the school's oval, all in our community are invited to join us on the day. A **special thankyou to our School P&F** for their continued support of the colour run.

This Thursday is "Are You OK Day." As a Catholic Community we want to become is a JUST school where students and staff **STAND UP** for their Rights and the Rights of others, especially those most vulnerable. A major focus in the life of our St Paul's community is the concept of **WELCOMING**. How do we treat those around us? Are we supportive of those in our community? Generous in the way we speak, treat and forgive others? Do we stand up for our rights and the rights of others? In so many ways we need to, **"Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute."** Proverbs 21:8. We must, according to Isaiah, **"Learn to do good; seek justice and correct oppression."** We want our school to be one where students stand up for others. Gloria Steinem puts it plainly, **"Whenever one person stands up and says, 'Wait a minute, this is wrong,' it helps other people do the same."**

What a fantastic Term. So much has happened in the cultural, sporting, academic and spiritual life of the school. What an amazing place to teach and learn. At the end of next week my we all *enjoy, relax and refresh for what is yet to come.*

"May the Lord bless you and take good care of you. May the Lord smile on you and be gracious to you. May the Lord look on you with favour and give you peace." (Numbers 6:24-26)

God Bless,
Mark Roberts

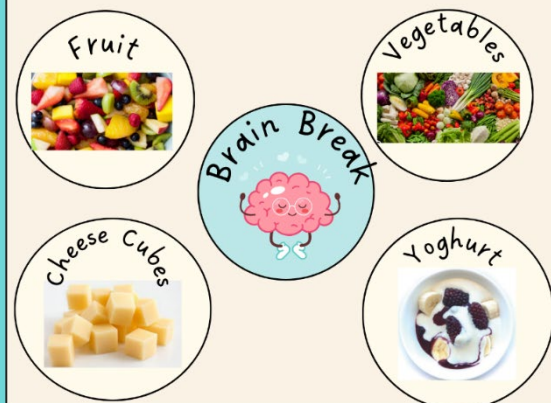
Important Dates

17 th Sept	5pm Board Meeting
19 th Sept	P&F Colour Run & Term 3 ends
7 th Oct	Term 4 begins



Brain Break Reminder

Brain Breaks are designed to fuel the brain for learning, therefore healthy choices are needed each day please.

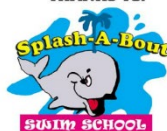


Parents you are invited to the Year 5 Space Science Expo

Tuesday 16th September
2:00 pm - 2:40 pm
The Big Shed at St Paul's

We hope to see you there!

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Enthusiastic Spectators

WHERE & WHEN?

Southside Pool, Rockhampton
21st September 2025
Check-in 7:30am with Events from 8:00am

EVENTS?

10-12 Yrs	200m Swim / 6km Ride / 2km Run
7-9 Yrs	100m Swim / 3km Ride / 1km Run
5-7 Yrs	50m Swim / 1km Ride / 0.5km Run
Under 5 Yrs	25m Swim / 0.5km Ride / 0.25km Run

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11 September
2025

