

Newsletter

12th Dec

17th Dec

Friday, 3rd May 2024

We support and respect all children, as well as our staff and community. We are committed to the safety, participation and empowerment of all children. We have zero tolerance of child abuse, and all allegations and safety concerns will be treated very seriously and consistently with our robust policies and procedures.



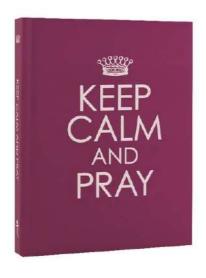
Pope Francis' prayer intention for May

is: For the formation of religious and seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Dear St Charles families,

Taking time to stop, reflect and pray for all that is happening in our lives is a very important part our our daily lives at St Charles. As stated in our school vision, the gospel values, *love*, *respect* and *inclusion* are at the heart of learning and teaching at our school. Each Monday morning we welcome all families to join us in our classrooms to pray and be part of Christian Meditation. I hope you are able to make a little time at the beginning of your busy week to join us, I am sure you will find that making a little time for prayer will help to ground you and focus you for your day.



2024 TERM DATES

3rd May	Story and Craft Time for preschoolers 10:00-11:00 am
7th May	Currawong School Environmental
	Excursion Years 3-6
8th May	Confirmation Retreat Day- St Kevin's Church 10:00-2:30 pm
9th May	Confirmation parent/child worksop 7pm at St Kevin's
404h Mari	Mother's Day Stall
10th May	Mother's Day Breakfast 9:00-10:00 am
16th May	Interschool Sports- Year 5/6 9:00-3:00 pm
17th May	Story and Craft Time for preschoolers
•	10:00-11:00 am
19th May	Confirmation 1:00-2:00 pm
21st May	Hot Food Day for Students
24th May	District Cross Country Year 3-6 students
30th May	Principal Morning Tea 9:00-10:00 am
31st May	Story and Craft Time for preschoolers
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4th June	Cross Country Years 3-6
10th June	King's Birthday Holiday- school closure
•	Interschool Sports Year 5/6
13th June	Story and Craft Time for preschoolers
14th June	10:00-11:00 am
	Whole School ABC Music Performance
26th June	Last Day of Term 2 3:15 pm finish
	Term 3 begins
15th July	Year 5/6 Camp
2nd-4th Sep	
5th-6th Sep	Last Day Term 3 3:15 pm finish
19th Sep	First Day Term 4
7th Oct	Grandparents Day
25th Oct	Year 6 Graduation
10th Dec	Year 6 Big Day Out
11th Dec	Last Day Year 6 students

Term 4 ends 3:15 pm finish









Over the past few weeks our students have been busy with their learning and have been engaged in many learning experiences.

Last week students experienced the awe and wonder of 'Space' during their STEM lesson in a portable planetarium at school. This was a wonderful experience which supported their new learning from Term 1.

Time to pray, reflect and remember for ANZAC Day was led reverently by our school leaders. We are so fortunate to have such revent role models who led our younger students in prayer. Congratulations to Gabby (Year 5/6A) and his family who won the special ANZAC Day teddy bear raffle!

This week Anni and Virginia visited our students to talk to them about our friendship school in the Philippines. Our students were very interested to listen to what school is like at Mantayupan Elementary School, a very different schooling experience to what they experience each day. The questions and concern our students showed how our students understand and live our gospel values of love, respect and inclusion.

And last but not least, what fun our junior students had with their Nudel Kart incursion earlier this week!

Please don't forget next week we have our Mother's Day breakfast! I am looking forward to our mums and other special ladies joining us on Friday 10th May (9:00-10:00 am) in our multi purpose room. Just a reminder that we also have our Mother's Day Stall on Thursday 9th May (no peeking mums!)

WHAT IS THE NCCD?

The Nationally Consistent Collection of Data on School Students with Disability (NCCD) takes place every year. The NCCD is a collection that counts:

- the number of school students receiving an adjustment or 'help' due to disability
- the level of adjustment they are receiving to access education on the same basis as other students. Students are counted in the NCCD if they receive ongoing adjustments at school due to disability. This 'help' allows them to access education on the same basis as a child without disability. The NCCD uses the definition of disability in the Disability Discrimination Act 1992. Schools provide this information to education authorities.

Marketing Update:

There are many exciting things happening at St Charles which help to promote our amazing school. School tours and enrolments have taken place and are continuing this term. Last term I met with staff from our office (MACS- Melbourne Archdiocese Catholic Schools) to share our marketing plan. The support from MACS has been exceptional and they are confident in the continued enrolment growth at St Charles. I am currently working with Francine Walsh (Senior Program Lead, System School Planning) to organise OPEN DAYS later this term. Francine has a particular model for schools to follow which have proven to be most successful. Our Open Days will be as follows:

Tuesday 28th May 9:00-10:30am Thursday 6th June 9:00-10:30am Wednesday 12th June 9:00-10:30am Tuesday 18th June 9:00-10:30am Tuesday 13th August 9:00-10:30am

Last term we began to offer 'Story and Craft Time' at St Charles. This has been a wonderful new way to engage new families in our school. If you know anyone with preschoolers whammy like to come along please let them know. Story and Craft Time will be running this term in the library as follows:

Friday 3rd May 10:00-11:00 am Friday 17th May 10:00-11:00 am Friday 31st May 10:00-11:00 am Friday 14th June 10:00-11:00 am

NEWS FROM OUR GRADES:

In writing, the Foundation, 1/2 students are learning how to write informal and formal letters. This week we have been learning how to write a postcard following the writing process. Students planned, composed, edited and published a postcard to a special person of their choice about what they did on the school holidays. The students had so much fun completing this task, and did such a fantastic job!



Principal's morning teas are back in 2024. Please come along to have a chat about our school or just even to catch up. The next Principal's morning tea will be:

Thursday 30th May 9:00-10:00 am

Any families who are unable to make it to a Principal Morning Tea are more than welcome to share their topic of discussion in the following google form: https://forms.gle/nfsWT]Da4f1GuGgG6

If you would like to join me for a chat and morning tea, please send me an email (principal@scbtemplestowe.catholic.edu.au)

For any families who would like to follow our school on facebook, please use the following link:

https://www.facebook.com/scbtemplestowe

At St Charles we have a private school Instagram account (only our school community is permitted access). If you would like to follow St Charles on Instagram search for **stcha_rles**. Please send me an email with your username (principal@scbtemplestowe.catholic.edu.au). Until I receive your email I will not accept your request.

Wishing all our St Charles families a very happy, safe and fun filled Term 2 of learning!

Please remember I am always here to support your family.

Kind regards,

Miranda Zuzic

Principal

principal@scbtemplestowe.catholic.edu.au

Term 2 Assemblies

<u>Date</u>	Class sharing
29/4	5/6A
27/5	P/1/2
24/6	3/4CW

A Plus Schoolwear

<u>Click here</u> to order school wear. For instructions on how to order <u>click here</u>.

CDF PAY

<u>Click here</u> to access CDF Pay. For instructions on how to use CDF Pay <u>click here</u>

Harry's Cafe (Lunch orders)

<u>Click here</u> to view the menu and for instructions on how to place a lunch order for your child.

Caritas Australia

<u>Click here</u> to view Caritas Australia's website.

Out of School Care

OSHC enrolment forms can be collected from the Hall/OSHC Room. If you have questions please contact us at 0477 007 374.

OUR FRIENDSHIP SCHOOL

The name of our friendship school is Mantayupan Elementary School. Mantayupan Elementary School has 310 students and is high up in the mountainous area of the Province of Barili, southern Cebu. Public education in the Philippines suffers from underfunding and a severe lack of resources and Mantayupan Elementary is no different. Class sizes are large, basic resources such as paper, books and pencils are scarce and there is no playground equipment or sporting equipment.

Supporting our friendship school is our social justice focus for Term 2. We are inviting all families to donate items in need that we can send in a balikbayan box. Each class has been assigned specific items to donate (please see the below). Children's underwear is also needed, so it'd be much appreciated if you are able to donate a pack of underwear too (sizes to fit 5-12 years). Tea Towels and face washers are also greatly needed. Thank you in advance for helping our Filipino friends.

F/1/2 - donate hair brushes, hair ties, skipping ropes, textas, highlighters

3/4 - donate toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, pencil cases, crayons, pencils, shareners

5/6 - donate small balls such as downballs and tennis balls, thongs, exercise books, pens









Child Safety Standards

Child safety standards in Victorian schools are designed to create a safe and secure learning environment for children. These standards encompass various aspects, including physical safety, emotional well-being, and protection against abuse and neglect.

Physical safety standards involve measures such as ensuring safe infrastructure, regular maintenance of buildings and equipment, and implementing emergency response plans. Schools are required to conduct regular safety drills, install appropriate safety features like fire alarms and extinguishers, and provide adequate supervision during activities.

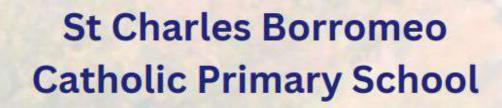
Emotional well-being is another crucial aspect of child safety standards. Schools are expected to foster a positive and inclusive environment that promotes mental health and well-being. This includes implementing anti-bullying policies, providing counseling services, and promoting respectful and supportive relationships among students and staff.

Child protection standards are in place to prevent and respond to child abuse and neglect. Schools have a legal obligation to report any suspected cases of abuse and provide appropriate support to affected children. Staff members undergo mandatory training to recognize signs of abuse and understand their responsibilities in reporting and responding to such incidents.

Child safety standards in Victorian schools emphasise the importance of parental involvement and communication. Schools are required to establish clear communication channels with parents or guardians, ensuring they are informed about safety policies, procedures, and any incidents that may impact their child's well-being.

Last year in the school review it was acknowledged that our work in this space was exemplary, this year St Charles Borromeo will continue to provide a secure and nurturing environment where all students will flourish.

Please reach out if you have any questions. Ellen Pearson (Student Wellbeing Leader)



Open Days

9:00am-10:30am

Tuesday 28th May
Thursday 6th June
Wednesday 12th June
Tuesday 18th June
Tuesday 13th August

Book your tour here



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Mothers Day Stall

Thursday 9th May



Nothing over \$8.00

Please bring a cloth bag for your purchases



MOTHER'S DAY BREAKFAST

Mum's, Grandma's, Aurities, and other special Ladies, you are invited to St. Charles Borromeo to share breakfast with your children for Mother's Day.

Date: Friday 10th May 2024

Time: 9:00am to 10:00am in the Multipurpose room

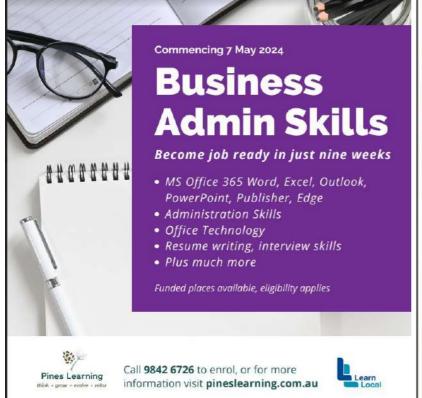
\$30.00 per family

We ask that you order tickets and pay through CDFpay.

The event will close up Tuesday 7th May















Do you want to play tennis for St Gregory's Tennis Club?

We have a couple of teams that need you in our junior competition for 9-11 year olds.

We play on a Saturday mornings 8:30-10:30am (local suburbs only.

For more details contact: Gianna 0438 410 506 or Email: sgtg.tennis@gmail.com 2025 enrolments for Doncaster Gardens
Preschool
are now open!

Applications
close April 30

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