



Important Dates

Sushi Day

Friday 8 November 2024

Yr 3 RSL Excursion

Friday 8 November 2024

Remembrance Day

Monday 11 November 2024

Traditional Games Tuesday

Tuesday 12 November 2024

Year 5 Camp

Wednesday 13 November 2024

Year 5 Camp

Thursday 14 November 2024

Yr 1 Belair Excursion

Friday 15 November 2024

Year 5 Camp

Friday 15 November 2024

Cabra & Sacred Heart Yr 7 Orientation Day

Friday 22 November 2024

2025 Sports Info Evening

Wednesday 27 November 2024

Yr 5/6 Surf Safety Excursion

Thursday 28 November 2024

Colour Run

Friday 29 November 2024

Yr 6 Christmas Markets

Friday 29 November 2024

1st Sunday Advent

Sunday 1 December 2024

From the Leadership Team

Dear Families

As we move towards planning for the 2025 School Year the year level structure at St John the Baptist Catholic School will be as follows:

- Reception 3 classes + mid year intake class
- Year 1 3 classes
- Year 2 2 classes
- Year 3 2 classes
- Year 4 2 classes
- Year 5 2 classes
- Year 6 2 classes

In the coming weeks staff will begin to prepare for the 2025 class placement of students. Students have been given an opportunity to indicate who they learn well with to support of this process. We believe all children are capable of, and should be given the opportunity to make new friendships, in new classrooms with a new teacher. Each experience helps develop resilience in children where they learn to challenge themselves and experience situations that prepare them for life beyond primary school.

We are committed to nurturing all aspects of every child to their full potential. A significant amount of thought and time is invested in this process to foster a positive learning environment and consider the wellbeing of all students. Consideration of student placement is made taking the following into account:

- Class size
- · Academic ability / Learning needs
- Gender mix
- · Peer groups
- Student requests
- Parent requests
- · Sibling divisions
- · Behavioural needs
- · Special family circumstances
- · Social or emotional needs
- · Cohort dynamics

On Wednesday 4th December, students will be given an opportunity to meet their 2025 teacher and their new class mates. This transition process aims to support students to feel confident and positive about the new year ahead.

Remembrance Day

Our Year 5 students will be attending the Remembrance Day service at the City of West Torrens memorial gardens on Monday 11th November. This important event provides our students with the opportunity to honour and remember those who have served and sacrificed for our country and begins the handover of leadership opportunities to next year's student leaders. It is a significant occasion for our community, and we are pleased that our students will be able to participate and pay their respects.

2025 Sports Information Evening

We will be hosting a Sports Information Evening on November 27 in the John the Baptist Centre (school hall) at 6:30pm. This event is an opportunity for parents to learn more about our sports program and receive the information needed for the 2025 sporting year. We encourage everyone to attend and take advantage of this chance to engage with our sports community. We look forward to seeing you there!

Colour Run and Year 6 Christmas Markets

This is a friendly reminder to our school community that the rescheduled Colour Run will take place on November 29. This exciting event will be held in conjunction with the Year 6 Christmas markets, making it a fun-filled day for everyone. We encourage all students and families to participate and enjoy the festivities. Don't miss out on this wonderful opportunity to support our Year 6 students and celebrate together! Further information will be sent home to all families in the coming weeks.

Best Wishes

The Leadership Team

Catholic Identity

As a chaplaincy initiative, the library has been open for recess on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursdays. This provides students with the opportunity to enjoy a slower pace and engage in quiet activities such as drawing, puzzles or colouring in.

Fr Denis Visits

Father Denis has been visiting classes throughout this term. Students are having the opportunity to take a deeper dive through his insight on topics within our Catholic faith. They also have the chance to ask him questions they have been curious about.

Buddy Mass

Next week will be the last of our Buddy Masses for the term. We would like to thank our teachers, students and families for participating in the parish Mass throughout this year. It has been wonderful seeing our community come together for Mass.

Remembrance Day

Our school will gather for Remembrance Day on Monday November 11th at 11am to take a moment and pay our respects to those men and women who bravely went to war for our country.

Amanda Razon

APRIM

In Sympathy



Our prayers are with those who have recently lost loved ones.

May God keep them close.

To the family of Kristiana & Yianni Lianos for their maternal grandmother and to the family of Danielle, Eloise & Olivia Sadler for their paternal aunt.

"Eternal Rest grant unto them O'Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

From the Sport Coordinator



Dear St John's Community,

It has been a busy period for Sport, although in saying that we wouldn't have it any other way. Recently, we have had a number of very gifted students doing amazing things in the wider community, interstate and even globally.

I wish to start by acknowledging Oscar Klingberg (4P) for being selected in the U10's Football SA <u>D</u>evelopment Program for the Southern Region which started in November. Oscar was selected from a pool of 44 students and is now training 3 times a week with the squad. Good luck with this great opportunity, I know you will learn a lot from this wonderful experience.

Last week we had 3 of our students compete interstate. Torah Vanstone, Winnie Vanstone & Scarlett Syson represented Plympton Halifax Calisthenics Club Sub-Juniors in Ballarat at the Royal South Street Calisthenics competition. Their teams became very proud aggregate winners of the Premier NW division. The girls worked really hard all week for their results and I congratulate each of them on their achievements.





Now on a global perspective we have had a sporting achievement occur on the other side of the world in New York. As a school we are very proud to report that Thomas McDonald (5F) competed in the Abbott's Dash to the Finish Line 5km event. This run started at the United Nations building and concluded in Central Park. Approximately 10,000 runners took part in the event, with Thomas recording the 12th fastest time in the 11-14 Year old boy category. On top of this he was the 2nd fastest 11 Year old boy and the fastest Australian boy under the age of 20. I know Thomas takes his running very seriously and these results certainly do compliment his motivation and eagerness for fitness.



On Friday 1st November SJBCS took 48 athletes back to the SA Athletics Stadium to compete in the SACPSSA Athletics Carnival. I must say the weather couldn't have been any better for the students to compete. I was extremely proud of everyone's behaviour on the day and student's positive mindset towards each of their events. Our parent volunteers on the day were a wonderful help assisting the students. At the conclusion of the day SJBCS managed to secure a 3rd place finish for the girls and a 5th place finish for the boys out of 9 schools. Further to this we were awarded 3 individual age-group champion awards. Congratulations to Olivia Sadler (Year 3 Girl), Nash Scottney-Turbill (Year 3 Boy) and Xavier Fontanot (Year 4 Boy) on their individual efforts. To close out the presentations the Year 3 girls combined won the pennant for most accumulated points as a team in that particular year level. A very successful day for all of the students that were involved.





Finally, just a quick reminder to all that next week (Term 4 – Week 5) our school will be celebrating PE Week as a whole school on Tuesday. Students are to wear Sports Uniform on this day and will be involved in some additional physical activity as well as a classroom quiz.

Yours in sport

Sam Putland
SPORTS COORDINATOR

Traditional Games Tuesday



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Finance News

School fee statements were posted out a fortnight ago to those who have a balance, if you did not receive it please let me know. This is the final statement for the year so please pay the balance showing by **Week 6 Friday 22nd November.** If you have a payment plan set

up, please check that your payments will cover the balance by the end of November, or contact me if it needs to be adjusted. If you are unable to complete your payments by the end of the year, please email me so we can discuss options.

As previously communicated via SEQTA our bank account details have changed from NAB to CBA. Please remember to update any direct to bank details you have saved in your internet banking if you pay your fees this way. Other payment methods such as Bpay, Qkr! or school direct debit authorities are not affected. The new bank account details are on the current statements for you to see if needed.

Our new bank details are:

St John the Baptist Catholic School

BSB: 066-782

Account Number: 100000331

Online School Card applications for low income families will close soon so if you have not yet applied, you must do so **now** for it to be approved for the 2024 school fees. School card needs to be applied for each calendar year. Please us the link below or come in and see me as it only takes a few minutes:

Form A (Income Assessment)

https://online.forms.sa.edu.au/content/forms/af/public/application-for-school-card.html

Form B (hardship, change of circumstances or self-employed)

https://online.forms.sa.edu.au/content/forms/af/public/form-b-hardship-or-circumstance-or-self-employed.html

If accepted, this will allow us to reduce your tuition fees, so please apply and let me know you have done so ASAP.

As always if you have any queries or if you are having trouble making payments please email me on accounts@stjohnpl.catholic.edu.au, phone me on 8218 3304 or come in and see me Monday to Friday 8.00am to 4.00pm.

Jodie Veldhoen

Finance Officer

Playgroup News

Playgroup Awards

After just 18 weeks of running our Intergenerational Playgroup Program at the time of our nomination, we were proud to receive an honourable mention at the Playgroup SA Awards of Excellence. I would like to extend my heartfelt thanks to Sarah Harris and Mary Adams from Meals on Wheels for partnering with us to create a welcoming environment where people of all ages can come together and experience the joy of play. We are excited to continue this partnership in the coming year. We look forward to you seeing you soon. Playgroup runs each Friday of the term, 9am till 11am.

Karina Overall

Playgroup Coordinator



Lions Cakes & Puddings

Support your community with a Lions Christmas Cake.



Lions Christmas Cakes and Puddings are available in the front office until 11th December.

Parents & Friends

Wine Drive

The Parents & Friends are raising funds through a Wine Drive in conjuction with The Hwy. Please see flyer and order form below.



WINE DRIVE

QUENCH YOUR THIRST AND SUPPORT









PRODUCT	CASE SIZE	PRICE	REGION	ORDER AMOUNT
SPARKLING				
Alpha Box & Dice Tarot Prosecco	6	\$120.00	McLaren Vale	
Howard Vineyard Blanc de Blanc Sparkling	6	\$150.00	Adelaide Hills	
Bird In Hand Sparkling	6	\$125.00	South Australia	
The Lane Lois Blanc de Blanc Sparkling	12	\$240.00	Adelaide Hills	
WHITE				
Jim Barry Riesling	6	\$110.00	Watervale	















Cleanskin Sauvignon Blanc

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WHITE			
Jim Barry Riesling	6	\$110.00	Watervale
Other Wine Co Pinot Gris	12	\$300.00	Adelaide Hills
Giesen Sauvignon Blanc	12	\$180.00	Marlborough, NZ
Shaw + Smith Sauvignon Blanc	12	\$300.00	Adelaide Hills
ROSE			
Howard Vineyard Cab Front Rose	12	\$260.00	Adelaide Hills
Pikes Luccio Sangiovese Rose	6	\$130.00	Clare Valley
RED			
Mr Mick Tempranillo	6	\$90.00	Clare Valley
First Drop Mother's Milk Shiraz	12	\$250.00	Barossa Valley
Claymore Dark Side of the Moon Shiraz	12	\$250.00	Clare Valley
Kalleske Clarry's GSM	6	\$125.00	Barossa Valley
Hentley Farm Villain & Vixen Shiraz	6	\$130.00	Barossa Valley
CLEANSKIN			
Cleanskin Shiraz	12	\$135.00	Coonawarra
Cleanskin Cabernet	12	\$135.00	Coonawarra
Cleanskin Grenache	12	\$135.00	South Australia
Cleanskin Pinot Noir	12	\$135.00	South Australia
Cleanskin Rose	12	\$135.00	South Australia

NAME	
EMAIL	
NUMBER	

12

\$135.00

South Australia

The Highway will send you a payment link when the order is placed for you to pay online and advise delivery procedure. Any queries, please contact Christine 8297-8155.

RRHAN-EC

Responding to Risks of Harm, Abuse and Neglect – Education and Care

Please be reminded to complete the updated RRHAN-EC course in order to keep volunteering in 2025.

The completion of the online update will need to be completed before 31 December 2024 when your current certificate expires. You need to complete the new RRHAN-EC online update unless you already have a current certificate with an expiry date of 31 December 2027.

To access the online update please use this **link** to login as 'Non Department for Education staff login' OR if you don't already have a plink login, register **here**.

If your RRHAN-EC has already expired or you are new to education, please refer to the following guide which will help you to determine which course you need to do.

Which course is right for you?

My certificate expires on 31 December 2024 - do the online update only (takes about 2 hours).

My certificate is expired – start with the fundamentals. If you also work directly with children and young people, do the masterclass after you've finished the fundamentals course.

Library News

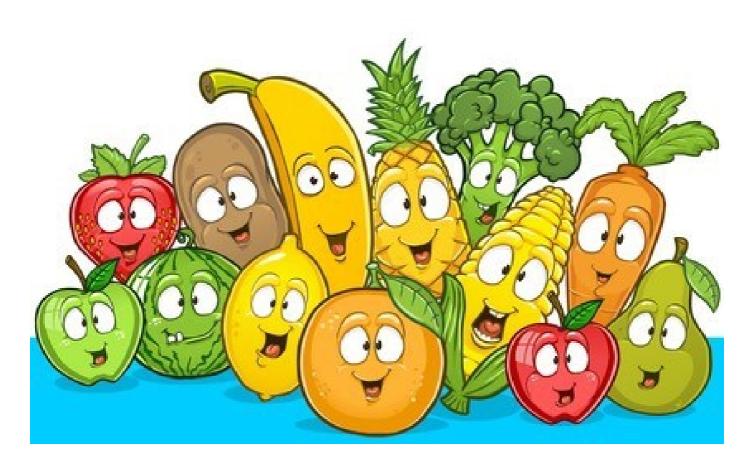


Overdue Books

Lists of overdue books will be sent home soon. If you have any please encourage your students to go on a hunt for them.

Maria French

Canteen News



All orders for both recess and lunch are to be ordered via our Qkr! app.

Canteen orders close each canteen day (Monday, Wednesday & Friday) at 9.00am.

Healthy Canteen (Tuesday & Thursday) orders close on Mondays at 12pm.

Canteen Roster

Term 4

Friday 8th November - Sushi Day

Monday 11th November - Julie

Tuesday 12th November - Jo

Wednesday 13th November - Julie

Thursday 14th November - Jo

Friday 15th November - Jo & Victoria Thurston

Monday 18th November - Julie

Tuesday 19th November - Jo

Wednesday 20th November - Julie

Thursday 21st November - Jo

Friday 22nd November - Jo & Kelly Martland

Canteen Feedback

We would love your feedback regarding the canteen.

Is there anything that you would like to see on the menu that we may be able to consider adding on?

Please send you feedback to jfitzgerald@stjohnpl.catholic.edu.au

Moosies & Juicies Iceblocks

Moosies & Juicies are back in stock. Please order as normal!

Julie Henschke & Jo Fitzgerald

Outside School Hours Care

Newsletter









05/11/2024

SA St John the Baptist Catholic Primary School OSHC

A message from your Service Leader

Hello families,

Firstly, I hope everyone is having a great start to the term! I also wanted to remind all families of ensuring that you have provided the correct information to the OSHC through the Camp Australia app. It is essential that we have updated contact, medical and collection information to ensure that your child is receiving the best quality of care.

Secondly, if families who use OSHC on a regular basis could please ensure that they are booking ahead instead of the day of, we would appreciate it. It helps us to ensure that we have the right amount of staff rostered to ensure we are providing the best quality of care we can. Unfortunately, if you are booking last minute, there is the chance that we will not be able to take your children into OSHC as we have to adhere to the ratios outlined by the Education Standards Board. Regularly checking and updating your bookings is pivotal to ensure that your child can be booked into OSHC on the days you need! We also understand there are times that you are unable to do this and need to book your children in last minute!

Lastly, we value partnership between parents and educators, your involvement plays a crucial role in your child's success at OSHC. Please stay connected with us through regular communication channels so we can help your child to have the most

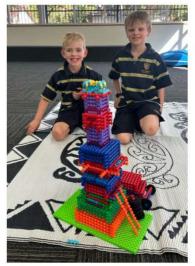
amazing day at OSHC, this can be done through phone $0405\,436\,293$ or on email at

sastjohnbaptist@oshccampaustralia.com.au

Thanks, Tate







Register free and book in 24/7 via our app

To attend our program, you must register your child. You can register an account with us at <u>pp.campaustralia.com.au</u> or by downloading our Camp Australia smartphone app from the Apple App Store or on Google Play. Once registered, it's easy to make bookings and manage your account.







Find out more and book now at www.campaustralia.com.au

Volunteering at St Johns



St John the Baptist School provides a safe environment for all while valuing the partnership between school and home.

As a Catholic community, we welcome and value volunteers. To be able to volunteer, and/or attend at other times throughout the school year, we ask that you hold a current Catholic Police Check (parents/caregivers attending excursions, reading in class, helping in class, attending community events), a current Responding to Risks of Harm, Abuse and Neglect in Education and Care for Volunteers certificate and have completed the volunteers application package.

A Catholic Police Check for volunteers is free for our current parents and caregivers. Application Forms are available in our school office.

This process ensures we maintain a child safe environment. To avoid disappointment, we encourage you to apply for a Catholic Police Check through the school office as soon as possible.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at the school office on 8218 3300 or email Julia Roy on jroy@stjohnpl.catholic.edu.au .

Bright Ideas



We value your insights and involvement in enhancing our school community. Please share any suggestions or ideas you have regarding school improvement. Your input is crucial in creating a positive and effective learning environment for our students.

Insights may be discussed at future School Advisory Board meetings or you may be contacted personally for further follow up!

Please find link here for your suggestions.

Community News

Plympton Parish Thank You



Thank you to everyone who attended the Shared Community Dinner last Friday night.

Thank you for the great variety of delicious food from the cultural backgrounds of those who attended. It was wonderful to see so many people come together to share the bond of friendship.

Thank you to everyone who helped make it such a happy successful evening.

Plympton Parish

Plympton Catholic Parish Mass Times



DAILY MASSES - MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY AT 9.30AM

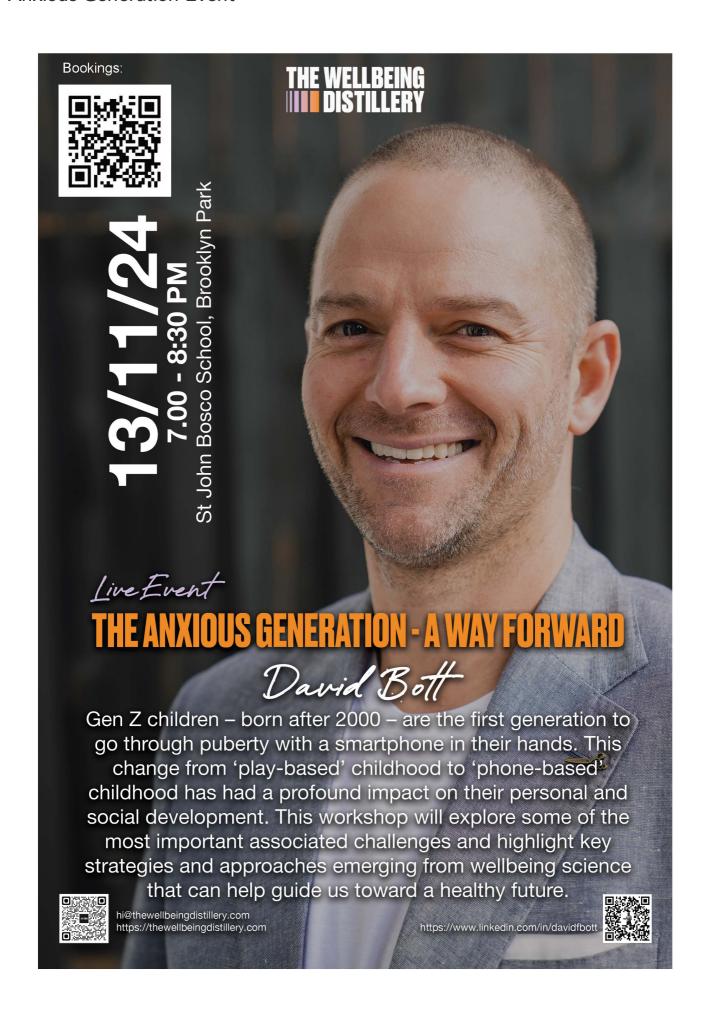
VIGIL MASS - SATURDAYS AT 6PM

MASS - SUNDAY'S AT 8.30AM & 10AM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION - FRIDAY'S 10AM - 12PM

ROSARY - MONDAY, WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY & FRIDAY AT 9.10AM

RECONCILIATION - SATURDAY'S FROM 11.30AM







READY, SET, DRIVE

Hosted by RAA for drivers who are new to Australia

If you're from overseas and require a South Australian driver's licence, or convert your current licence, there are several important things you'll need to know. The Ready, set, drive presentation covers this and more, including:

- licensing for both novice drivers and experienced
- driving lessons RAA drive school
- International driving permits
- registration what is covers and what is doesn't
- insurance the different types are explained
- choosing a safe car
- what to do after a crash

Friday 29th November

10:00am - 11:30am

FREE









Royal Life Saving SA Holiday Swim Program



Now is the time to get those last-minute enrolments in!

Online enrolments will be closing soon, and we don't want you to miss out on booking your children in for Holiday Swim!

The main aims of the program are

- Teach children critical life-saving skills
- Teach basic swimming skills
- Equip kids with the knowledge to stay safe in, on and around the water.

The program is AFFORDABLE so that it remains ACCESSIBLE to families and communities that might otherwise miss out on the opportunity to participate in swimming lessons.

Royal Life Saving also offers pathways into the aquatic industry with their ICONIC Bronze Awards. The Bronze Star, Bronze Medallion, Bronze Cross, Award of Merit and Distinction levels are designed for those wanting to further their knowledge and skill set, before moving into the aquatic industry as Lifeguards and Swim Teachers within their local communities.

The program is returning in December 2024 and January 2025 with the Royal Life Saving Swim and Survive program.

PROGRAM FEES

\$41.50 per child (additional pool entry fees may apply)

Higher awards from \$50

LENGTH/DURATION

5 days (may vary based on location)

5yrs+ 45-minute lessons

Under 5s 30-minute lessons.

If you have any questions, please reach out to us by phoning 08 8210 4500

or email holidayswim@royallifesavingsa.com.au

More information can be found on our website: www.holidayswim.com.au



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Absences



If a student is absent from school due to illness, parents / caregivers are asked to contact the school office by 9.00am via:

- Absentee Line 8218 3300 available 24 hours a day to leave a message
- SMS Messaging 0484 260 996

Birthdays



Congratulations to those who celebrate their birthday in the coming weeks!

November Birthdays

7th Nov - Ariya S (2T)

9th Nov - Penelope I (REC K) & Edward T (2T)

11th Nov - Landon S (4W)

12th Nov - Ari C (REC K) & Max G (6P)

14th Nov - Jai M (4A)

15th Nov - Henry A (6RC) & Remington W-B (REC K)

17th Nov - Nimi F (5F)

18th Nov - Shonnel F (5G) & Sheyana F (REC K)

20th Nov - Shaffrone A (REC B)



QUALITY UNIFORMS

Our uniform is available for purchase from Brandmode, 83 Glen Osmond Road, Eastwood. Ph - (08) 8357 0022

To purchase uniform online please click here.

To book an appointment please click here.

For further information on our Uniform Guidelines, please click here and for uniform booklet, please click here.

Instrumental Tutors

We currently offer the following instrumental tutoring:

Piano

(currently a waitlist)

Tutor - Christine Davies

Ph: 0403 546 091

Email - christineonpiano@gmail.com

Guitar & Ukelele

Tutor - Dido Durmanovic

Ph: 0407 719 836

Email: didodurmanovic@hotmail.com

Singing

Tutor - Lindi Jane Ph: 0413 536 327

Email - snapskakaduclub@optusnet.com.au



We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the lands on which we live, learn and work.

We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual connection and relationship of Aboriginal peoples to this country and commit to the ongoing journey of Reconciliation.

Artwork - Unknown artist

Camp Australia



To make a Your OSHC booking, you need to register with Camp Australia first.

Registration is free and can be done online, or with our smartphone app.

www.campaustralia.com.au

Southern Cross Newsletter



Click here to read the latest news from the Southern Cross News.

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