

Important Dates

Pupil Free Day

Monday 19 July

Term 3 Begins

Tuesday 20 July

From our Acting Deputy Principal

The final days of term 2 have provided rich and diverse opportunities for learning, right to the end! Just as we reminded students at our informal assemblies in week 8, 'We play hard until the final siren!' Translated into primary school learner talk, this means, 'We keep learning and doing our best, until the last bell, on the last day of term!' There may have been a few references to some sporting teams in South Australia, that don't always do this (play right until the end that is..... and interestingly, Mr Weeks did not disagree with me), but none the less, the Star of the Sea learning community well and truly got the message; Be your best always and keep finding new opportunities to grow and learn!

Learners across our school, this week, have visited the Adelaide Zoo, attended 'Kerboom Percussion' incursions, welcomed Sr Cynthia and her Old Scholar friends for a visit and sing-along, represented the school at the annual Catholic Primary Schools Netball Carnival and commenced the journey to Confirmation and First Communion. Our Little Stars officially graduated this week, too! They completed two Mid-Year Reception orientation mornings with their new teachers in their new classrooms recently and will be joining our community in Term 3.

At the final staff meeting for the term, the Star of the Sea staff shared with one another, in celebration of another successful school term, their professional 'Specks of Gold' from across the 10-week term. It is a privilege to work in education and there is nothing better than seeing a child's face light up because they have realized they have learnt something new! These are the 'Specks of Gold' we work hard for, celebrating the triumphs and tribulations with all our learners at Star of the Sea. Whether that learning is independently organising themselves for the day, resolving problems in the playground or mastering specific curriculum related concepts, knowing that you have helped another to help themselves, is faith filled! Saint Catherine of Sienna says, 'Be who God intended you to be and you will set the world on fire.' I am most grateful for having the opportunity to share in the learning journey with students, staff and families at Star of the Sea School. Next term we welcome back, Deputy Principal, Matt Perry. Thank you again to everyone and I wish you all the very best!

Sincere thanks

Narelle Sandercock



Recent News

29.06.21

New School Board

Dave Slovinec - Chairman of the Board

This is my second year on the School Board, I have two children at Star of the Sea School. I have joined the Board to understand the direction of the school in regards to education and development, both for the students and the school itself.

Justin Gargula – Chair of Finance

I have been on the Board for three years and I have one child here. I expressed an interest to join because I thought I could offer something on the finance side of the school. I am interested in how a school works behind the scenes.

Nathan Foulis

I am new to the School Board and have two children currently at Star of the Sea School and two more starting in 2023. I am really keen to help guide and shape the direction of the school in a way that is beneficial to current and future students and the broader school community. I feel my skills and experience as a Development and Project Manager might be of value to the Board.

Brad Dunstan

This is my second year on the School Board and I have two children that attend Star of the Sea School. When the nominations came up for the Board, I decided it would be a great way to volunteer, bringing different perspectives and insights to the Board and school community.

Elizabeth Sarris

I am new to the Board this year and I have one child here at Star of the Sea. I wanted to become more involved in the school by joining the School Board and hopefully support making changes to the school that will be beneficial for the students, teachers and parents of the school.

Natalie Canova

I am new to the School Board this year and currently have 3 children at the school. I am on the Board as the P&F representative. It's my way of getting involved in decisions that affect the school's direction.

Emma Nicholas

This is my second year on the School Board, I have a child in Year 3 my Year 7 child recently graduated.

I was asked to nominate by our previous Principal and decided it was a good fit. I wanted to give back to our school community, understand some of the challenges the school faces and offer my assistance and guidance where possible. My field of employment is Human Resources, where I run strategic people and capability projects.

Deanne Stephanos

This is my third year on the School Board and I have a child here at the school. I have chosen to be a part of the School Board as I have a passion to support the leaders of our school to improve the multiple aspects of school life at Star of the Sea School.

Louise Santillo – Teacher Representative

I am lucky enough to be a teacher at the Star of the Sea School, teaching Year 6 this year – this is now my sixth year working here and I have enjoyed it thoroughly.

I thought it would be a great opportunity to get involved on the School Board to see how other aspects of school life work come into fruition.

30.06.21

Strategic Plan

Star of the Sea School is about to launch into the process of developing a new strategic plan to guide our school's development through 2022-2024.

Community involvement is the key to developing a successful plan and we need your help!

We will be holding a number of community involvement meetings to ask for input into the plan:

- What is going well in our school that we need to keep?
- What is ready for change?
- What are your dreams for the future?

This planning process provides clarity and purpose to the processes involved in school renewal and development. The school's Strategic Plan should reflect the values and beliefs of the School's Vision statement and incorporate Catholic Identity, Learning and Wellbeing, Resourcing, Community.

More information and meeting dates will come next term.

Damian Weeks

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Farewell for now

The Star of the Sea community thank, farewell and wish Skye Llewellyn all the best on her parenting leave. We can't wait to hear the exciting news of the safe arrival of her new little bundle of joy!

We wish Marian Izzo a happy and enjoyable long service leave throughout terms 3 and 4. May the change of pace to daily life bring rest, relaxation and rejuvenation!

Best wishes also to Cathy Clark who is taking long service leave for five weeks in Term 3. Enjoy the break and opportunities for more family time.



Netball Carnival

Well done to all students who took part in the Catholic Schools Netball Carnival on Wednesday. We luckily had fantastic weather! Thank you to all parents who took on the role of team manager and thank you to our fabulous umpires who came along on the day. Your support was greatly appreciated.



01.07.21

Sport News

Please note the SACPSSA Athletics Carnival date has been moved from Week 4, Term 3 to Week 4, Term 4. Team lists for SAPSASA and SACPSSA Athletics Carnivals will be available at the beginning of Term 3.

SPORT DATES FOR Term 3 2021

SACPSSA Cross Country Carnival - Thursday 5 August

SACPSSA Touch Carnival - Week 7 day TBC

SAPSASA Athletics Carnival - Friday 3 September

REC- Year 1 Swimming lessons - Week 8

Year 2 - 3 Swimming lessons - Week 9

Term 4 2021

SACPSSA Athletics Carnival - Friday 5 November

These are the dates that have been set so far so mark them in your diaries!

Kristen Victory

Old Scholars

We had some very special visitors this week Pat, Nancy, Connie, Christine, Teresa, Margaret, Eileen & Sr Cynthia Griffin. Most attended Star of the Sea School around 1941/42.



01.07.21

OHSC

PUPIL FREE DAY – MONDAY JULY 19, 2021

We are currently creating a list for the PUPIL FREE DAY. If your child requires care on July 19, please advise OSHC ASAP by either popping into OSHC, email, phone or texting us.

15 BOOKINGS ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE THIS SERVICE, WE WILL CONFIRM WITH FAMILIES IF THIS SERVICE WILL GO AHEAD

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NON - CANCELLATION FEE FROM TERM 3

With ever increasing numbers particularly, on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday afternoons, along with limited placements of 60 students, we have no choice but to apply a

'NON CANCELLATION' FEE from the commencement of Term 3.

We have waived this fee previously however, to enable a financially viable service to our school community, without increasing fees, we

need to apply this charge.

We ask all families to consider the importance and necessity of notifying OSHC of any absentees & cancellations. This allows us to offer placements to other families, maintain correct staffing ratios, provide safety & well-being to all stakeholders and avoid the timely task of locating students who haven't arrived at OSHC.

FROM TERM 3

- All cancellations are to be made by 10:00am for After School Care and by 6:00pm for Before School Care, the night prior.
- Families with permanent bookings who cancel regularly, may need to reconsider the need for permanent bookings, allowing other families to utilise placements.
- ***WE ASK ALL OSHC FAMILIES TO RECONFIRM THEIR PERMANENT BOOKINGS LEADING INTO TERM 3***

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School Ball



Adelaide Oval Stadium Club
John Halbert Room

Saturday 23rd October 2021
7pm - 12am

Tickets \$135 via QKR
Early bird tickets \$120 - available until 23rd July
Cocktail food and drinks included
Formal Attire

Accommodation available at the Oval Hotel.
Please contact the hotel directly on 8368 9900 and mention the ball
to receive your discounted rate.
*Limited rooms available.

In the event of a covid lockdown- refunds will be provided