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It is great to be back at school after the holidays and to see our students refreshed and ready for another terrific term. Over the holidays we were blessed to have a new fence installed in our Junior Playground by a group of men from our Lutheran Church. A big thank you to Brendan Roll for coordinating the very generous blessing of time and talents from members of our congregation.



Thank you to those students who represented our school at the Anzac Day ceremony on Tuesday. We had a group of students from Years 5/6 make wreaths at the Civic Hall on Monday and our school leaders, Zahli and Nate, laid a wreath on behalf of our school. It was very special to be part of this community event.

Tomorrow our Years 3-6 students are participating in an incursion called Freestyle Dance Ministry which is a Hip Hop Dance workshop. Could all students in Years 3-6 please wear their sports uniform.



Students are looking forward to our Cross-Country event which will be held next Tuesday, the 2nd of May on our school grounds. We will start at 11.30am and begin with the juniors. Students will be running in age groups and will need to wear their sport's uniform and bring a spare change of shoes and/or school uniform clothes. Parents are welcome to come along and support their child/ren. If you can assist on the day, please let the front office know or Mrs Megan Alexander.

Hats

Please remember to send back student hats to school after washing them over the holidays. Students are encouraged to wear their hats whenever UV levels are forecast to reach three or above. UV levels are typically 3 and above from mid-August to the end of April but all students require their hats at school all year round.



Uniform

For the remainder of this week and next week, students have the choice of wearing either summer or winter uniform, however, please do not mix and match. Tights are not to be worn with the summer uniform and socks must be the correct colour and length (no low cut or below ankle). In addition, boys are allowed to wear shorts all year round.



Open Days

Upcoming Open Days are Wednesday 3rd May and Monday 22nd May. Any prospective families are welcome to attend. Please register at the front office upon arrival for a tour.





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Ruby's Big Chop

Ruby is very generously donating her hair so that it can be made into a wig for someone who has lost their hair due to a medical condition. Ruby will be chopping her hair on Friday 12th May here at school and donating to Variety's Hair with Heart. We would like to encourage everyone to support Ruby by either donating via the QR code or via the tin at the front office. In addition, our SRC would like to organize a Crazy Hair Day on Friday 12th May. For the cost of a gold coin donation, students can come to school in casual clothes with crazy hair. All proceeds will go towards Ruby's Big Chop.

Grandparent's Day

Thank you so much to all those who attended our Grandparent's Day last term. It was such a special day and the students thoroughly enjoyed spending time with you.

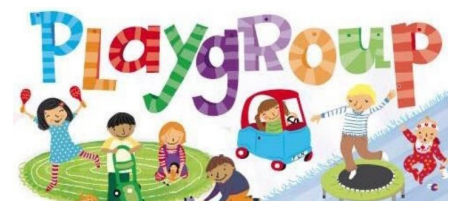


Scholarships

Applications for scholarships being offered in 2024 for new students commencing Foundation – Year 6 are now being accepted. If you would like further information or would like a Scholarship Application Form, please contact the front office or email admin@stjohnsportland.vic.edu.au

Playgroup

Playgroup resumed again this week. For more information, please contact our front office on 5523 3833, Facebook page or our Playgroup Coordinator, Mrs Jess Cook jessmarycook@outlook.com





Continued from Mrs Pritchard

Chapel...

Tomorrow is the first Chapel for Term 2. All are welcome to attend. Assembly will follow.

Child Safety

In our SchoolTV portal, you will find a range of topics each published monthly with comprehensive videos from leading specialists and organisations. You will also find Fact Sheets, suggested books, apps, websites and much more with content from organisations such as Beyond Blue, ReachOut, HeadSpace and others. <https://stjohnsportland.schooltv.me/category-latest-newsletter>



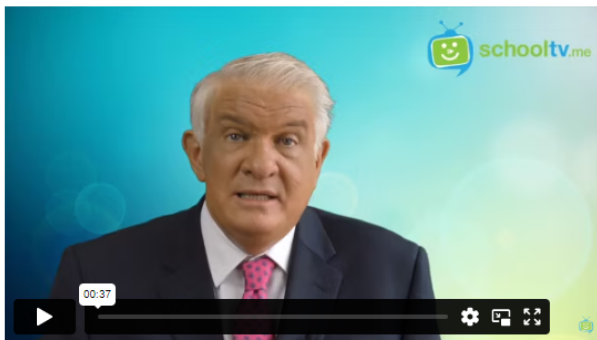
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I trust you get great value from every edition and happy, safe parenting!



BULLYING

Bullying, harassment, discrimination and violence are all interpersonal behaviours that can create or contribute to negative social environments.



ONLINE GAMING

Many parents are concerned about the addictive effects of gaming, however not all gaming should be viewed negatively.



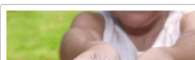
MANAGING SCREEN TIME

Parents play an important role in modelling a positive screen use approach by establishing some ground rules.



UNDERSTANDING ADOLESCENCE

Parenting adolescents can be exhausting and often demanding, but no parent has all of the answers all of the time.



FRIENDSHIP & BELONGING

Loyal friendships are built upon teaching your



RAISING GIRLS

Girls need positive role models. However,



Student Awards



Term 1 Week 9 —RECIPIENTS

Foundation/Year 1

- ☆ August Benbow
- ☆ Nellie Hogan

Year 1/2

- ☆ Ezzianah Finch
- ☆ Olive Hogan

Term 1 Week 9 —RECIPIENTS

Year 3/4

- ☆ Molly Mibus
- ☆ Marius Carr

Year 5/6

- ☆ Zahli Alexander
- ☆ Jessica Sheehan

Kookaburra

Award Recipient



***Cara
Mibus***





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Devotion...

EMPTY HANDS AND AN OPEN HEART

He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.

- Isaiah 40:29

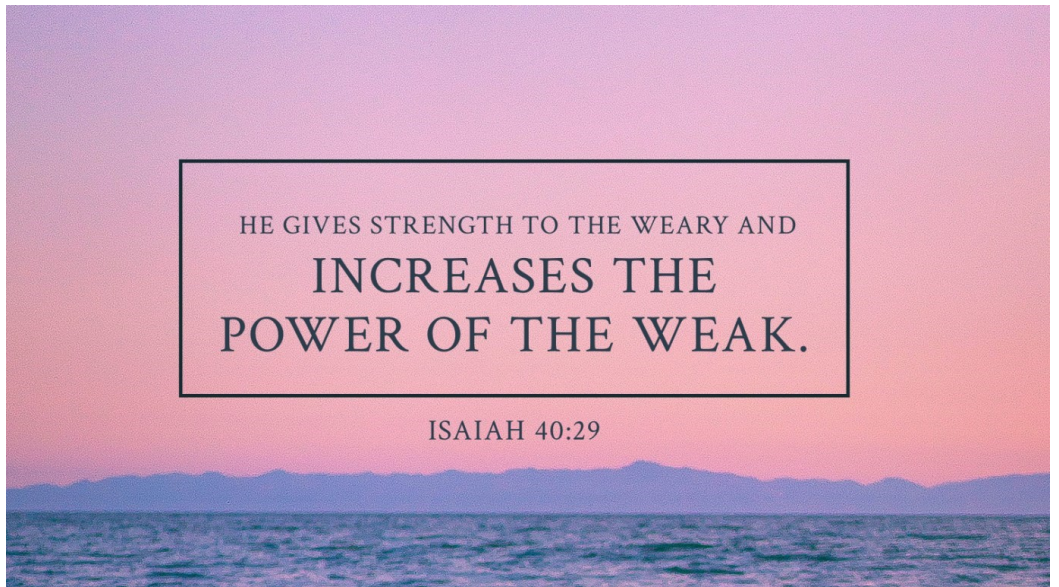
Come to Me with empty hands and an open heart, I will fill your hands with My blessings and your heart with My Love.

I know every need that you have in your life—big and small. I know about your needs for food, clothing and shelter. I also know your needs for friendship, for belonging, for love and acceptance. And I know that your life has been tough at times, and you get tired.

So come to Me. I will give you all you need. I will give you the strength to keep going. I will be the Friend who never lets you down. And I will love and accept you—always.

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Wreath Making





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ANZCA Day March





What's coming up ...

OUR SCHOOL CALENDAR

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SAT/SUN
Term 2 Week 2	1st May	2nd May - Cross Country	3rd May - School Open Day - Playgroup 9am—11am	4th May - Playgroup 9am—11am	5th May - 9am Chapel & Assembly - Grace's Baby Shower 2pm	6th & 7th May
Term 2 Week 3	8th May - Year 5/6 Camp - Mother's Day Stall	9th May - Year 5/6 Camp	10th May - Year 5/6 Camp - Playgroup 9am—11am - Firefighter Visitor Year F-2	11th May - Playgroup 9am—11am - District Cross Country	12th May - 9am Chapel & Assembly - Crazy Hair Day & Casual clothes - Ruby's Big Chop	13th & 14th May - Mother's Day
Term 2 Week 4	15th May	16th May	17th May - Playgroup 9am—11am	18th May - Playgroup 9am—11am - Firefighter Visitor Year F-2	19th May - 9am Chapel & Assembly	20th & 21st May
Term 2 Week 5	22nd May	23rd May	24th May - Playgroup 9am—11am	25th May - Playgroup 9am—11am	26th May - 9am Chapel & Assembly	27th & 28th May

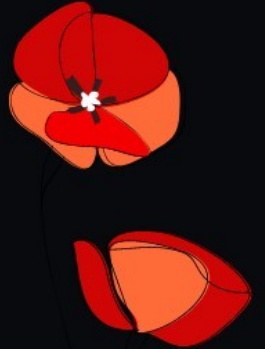


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Community Notices...

PORTLAND CITIZENS' BRASS BAND PRESENTS

Sounds of War & Peace



A tribute to the services

A selection of pieces inspired by the popular music of war-time



April 28

7 pm | Portland
Civic Hall

Tickets via TicketTailor -> scan QR code

