



Issue #19

Important Dates

**Year 6 Musical -
ROCK BOTTOM**

Wednesday 22 November
2023

Assembly - Year 6

Thursday 23 November 2023

**Community Group
Morning Tea at
9.00a.m**

Wednesday 29 November
2023

**School Board
Dinner**

Wednesday 6 December
2023

**Carols Evening -
More information
soon.**

Thursday 7 December 2023

**Student Special
Lunch**

Friday 8 December 2023

**End of Year Mass
(during school day)**

Monday 11 December 2023

**Year 6 Graduation -
Last day for Year 6
students.**

Monday 11 December 2023

**LAST DAY OF
SCHOOL YEAR -
School concludes at
3.00p.m.**

Wednesday 13 December
2023

**FIRST DAY OF 2024
- 29 JANUARY**

Upcoming Events

Class Excursion - Year 6

Date: Monday 4 December

Time: 9:30am - 2:00pm

Venue: The Beach House -
Gleneig

Class Excursion - Year 4

Date: Tuesday 5 December

Time: 9:00am - 2:00pm

Venue: Waterworld Aquatics
Centre - Ridgehaven

Class Excursion - Reception, Year 1 and Year 3 classes

Date: Friday 8 December

Time: 9:00am - 2:00pm

Venue: Odeon Star Cinema -
Semaphore

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Dear Parents/Caregivers,

Incredibly, we are over half way through our final term for the year. Much has happened so far this term, with many activities and events still to come: swimming lessons for the lower grades, the year 6 musical, our carols evening, graduation for our senior students and various excursions to name just some. Please keep an eye on our school calendar and notes as they come home to ensure you are aware of what is going on.

Congratulations to our 2023 Children's University Graduates. I had the privilege of presenting the girls and boys at last night's ceremony conducted at Bonython Hall on The University of Adelaide grounds. Children's University is an innovative program that engages children and young people in exciting, out-of-school learning opportunities to increase their chances for educational achievement and rewards them for taking responsibility for their own learning. Children's University works with community and cultural institutions, supports the development of school-based clubs and activities, and provides many opportunities for parents and communities to engage in the education of our young people (because they are our future). To be involved, participants must be between the ages of 5 and 14 years, with 15 to 18 years old students offered the chance to participate as volunteers and leaders. A big thank you to Mrs Helen Voiklis for all her wonderful work to ensure to students are supported throughout the year and is our star coordinator for the night.



Italian Language Competition

The South Australian Teachers of Italian (SAATI) in conjunction with the Consul of Italy in SA and the Dante Alighieri Society of SA invited students learning Italian in South Australia to participate in a language competition: L'italiano e la sostenibilità - Italian and Sustainability to showcase their ideas and solutions on the topic of sustainability.

Students in 2H and 2K entered the competition and we are excited to announce that St Gabriel's School has won equal second prize in the Year Reception – 2 category!

Maestra Dina and a student representative from each class attended the awards ceremony at the Marche Club. Jessica and Alyssa were excited to accept the award and prize on behalf of their peers and Maestra Dina also won a teacher award at the ceremony.

Congratulazioni studenti! – congratulations students!



Sean Hill - Principal

ADVENT

It is important to remember that the season of Advent comes before the Christmas Season in the Liturgical Year.

While Christmas is lots of fun and we can be tempted to think about the benefits we can enjoy at this time of the year, it is important to be prepared for the real meaning of the Christmas Season.

Without preparing our hearts for the coming of Christ the King, we can forget the great gift God has bestowed upon the world. Christ came to Earth to offer love, peace, hope and joy to the world. This is God's great gift to world, the promise of God's everlasting love of a life in Christ.

So how can we prepare during Advent? Being peacemakers in our families, caring for ourselves by eating well and exercising, speaking kindly to and about others, finding joy in the world.

All of these are easy things to accomplish but often we lose sight of what is important becoming distracted by selfishness and a sense of self-importance.

Let's try and make room in our hearts for Jesus and others this Advent so we can be ready to receive Jesus at Christmas.

To help us prepare well the Clearview-Kilburn Parish will hold a **Christmas Carols Evening at St Gabriel's School on Saturday 9th December at 6.00 pm**. All families are welcome to enjoy singing by community groups and Miss Wymond's Year 1 students. Tracy and Shania will play keyboard showcasing their musical talent. There will be sausages and soft drinks available to purchase on the night.

We hope you can put the 9th December in your diary and come along to this parish event. All are welcome.

Bernie Meixner

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FINANCE

School Fees 2024

2024 School Fee Information has been sent home today via the eldest child. Please complete and return by **FRIDAY 24 NOVEMBER 2023**.

School Fees and Fee Remission for 2023

Please review your fee statement and ensure you are on track to have all fees paid by the end of the school year.

We strongly encourage families to enter into a regular payment plan to keep fees at a manageable level.

Please be assured of the school's support for your family during these difficult times. If you are having difficulty paying fees, please contact Alison to make a time to discuss assistance and payment options available.

School Card 2023

School Card needs to be re-applied for on an annual basis. 2023 School Card application forms are now available online and from the Front Office, please apply as soon as possible.

For eligible families, St Gabriel's School lower income fee will apply once School Card is approved:

1st child Lower fee of \$1,380
2nd child Lower fee of \$1,040
and nil fees for further children.

A credit is applied to your account to reflect the lower fee and a revised statement sent home for you.

School Card Income Limits

The tables below list the income limits for applications lodged in 2023 – based on the family's gross income in 2021/2022.

To qualify for School Card, your family's gross income must be below a certain limit. This limit depends on how many dependent children you have.

You will need to provide proof of income – such as payslips or Centrelink information.

Eligibility income limits for school card:

Number of dependent children	Combined gross family income limit for the 2021/22 financial year	Gross weekly school card income limit
1 child	\$66,412	\$1,277
2 children	\$67,598	\$1,300
3 children	\$68,784	\$1,323
4 children	\$69,970	\$1,369
5 children	\$71,156	\$1,369
Each additional dependent child	\$1,186	\$23

The School Card Scheme is administered by the State Government to provide financial assistance towards the cost of education for full time students of lower income families. Any parent/caregiver who would like more information about the scheme can contact Alison at the school or the School Card section on 1800 672 758 (free call) to discuss or visit the link below:

<http://www.sa.gov.au>

Fee Remission assistance

Parents/caregivers experiencing financial difficulties are encouraged to apply for fee remission ASAP. Please email accounts@sgs.catholic.edu.au for a fee remission form or collect from the School Office if you wish to apply.

We assure parents/caregivers that all details provided will be kept strictly confidential.

If you are having difficulty with meeting your fee obligations or have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact Alison Boyce (Bursar) or Sean Hill (Principal) on 8216 9900.

Thank you

Alison Boyce, Bursar

accounts@sgs.catholic.edu.au

Direct Ph: 8216 9902

GENERAL INFORMATION

Student Attendance

You are reminded to ring the school/leave a message or Seesaw the teacher on the day your child is not attending school - please include the reason for non-attendance.

We'd be grateful if this could be done prior to 9am. Thank you for your support in this matter.

Keeping Safe

Please be aware that on our school website, there are key documents in relation to keeping all children in our school community safe from harm; physically, mentally and emotionally.

- **Catholic Archdiocese of Adelaide Safeguarding Children and Young People Policy**
- **Cybersafety: Keeping Children Safe in the Connected World**

Labelling

Please check and ensure that your child's jumper/jacket, hat, drink bottle and small plastic containers are labelled so that they can be returned to them.

Uniform

TERM 4 - STUDENTS ARE TO BE WEARING THE SUMMER UNIFORM

Please ensure that your child is wearing black laced up shoes with their everyday uniform.

Sneakers are not to be worn for everyday uniform and only to be worn with sport uniform

Click to read [Summer & Winter Uniform List](#)

Click to read [Uniform Pricelist](#)

Clearview Snack Bar - Lunch Menu

Lunches can be ordered by using the Qkr! app - see below or purchasing paper bags and writing your child's name, class and order on the bag with money enclosed. These can be left at the office or given to your child's class teacher.

Click to view [Lunch Menu Price List](#)

Scholastic Book Club Orders

Final Scholastic Book Club orders for 2023 are **due back by WEDNESDAY, 22 NOVEMBER 2023.**

PE LESSONS - News

Dear Parents and Caregivers

St Gabriel's Students Shine at SACPSSA Athletics Carnival

Congratulations to the St Gabriel's students from Years 3 to 6 who proudly represented their school at the SACPSSA Athletics Carnival. Our students embraced the opportunity to be part of a team and demonstrated their active spirit by participating with enthusiasm and sportsmanship.

The Year 5 boys team achieved an outstanding result, earning them the title of Year 5 Age Champions. A special congratulations goes to Cyrus Torabi, who was announced as the Year 5 Boy's Champion. This remarkable achievement is a testament to the dedication and hard work of the Year 5 boys and a source of great pride for St Gabriel's School



Year 5 and Year 2 Students Engage in Sports Extravaganza

Our Year 5 and Year 2 students recently had an exhilarating day at the Come and Try Expo, where they immersed themselves in a world of sports and physical activities. The event was abuzz with excitement and energy as students participated in various sports, including tennis, golf, rugby, and sport rotations.

Our Year 5 leaders took the lead, stepping up as mentors and guiding groups of Year 2 students from different schools through a station of PE activities. They demonstrated their exceptional leadership skills, fostering a positive and encouraging environment for their younger peers.



After-School Sports Program Concludes with Success

Students from Reception to Year 6 have had a fantastic time participating in the After-School Sports Program, which wraps up this week. The program offered a variety of activities, including basketball and soccer clinics run by experienced coaches. It was a wonderful opportunity for our students to get active, develop their skills, and have some fun at the same time.



Get Ready for the Swimming Program!

Our swimming program is fast approaching! In Week 7, students from Reception to Year 4 will have the chance to hone their swimming skills and enjoy some splashing around in the pool. A letter with more information about the swimming program, including timings and requirements, will be sent out to parents soon.

Anita Marino

PE TEACHER

PERFORMING ARTS

Year 6 Musical

The stage is set, the excitement is high as we gear up for our final rehearsals for the year 6 prehistoric musical 'Rock Bottom!' You are all invited to the evening performance on Wednesday 22nd November in the gym at 6.30pm.

Jaqui Williams

PERFORMING ARTS TEACHER



ECOLOGICAL CONVERSION

We are delighted to receive a new chicken coup from Bunnings at Prospect today. The chickens will soon have more space and a more secure night quarters.

Bunnings at Prospect have also helped us with more seedlings and have helped tidy up our garden area. It looks magnificent.

Bernie Meixner

COMMUNITY GROUP NEWS

Christmas Raffle

We are so excited to be having our Christmas Raffle again!! Tickets will go on sale on Tuesday November 21st with a Weber Q up for a first-place win again. More information will be coming out soon, but we are looking for anyone able to donate new items, gift cards, wine, chocolate etc. to be part of our prizes.

Community Group Morning Tea

Wednesday, November 29th, save the date, we will be having a Community Group Morning Tea for all those who have volunteered over the year. More information to follow soon.

St Gabriel's School Enfield~buy, sell and swap second hand uniforms

A Facebook page has been established by a parent as a link for parents to buy, swap and sell St Gabriel's uniform items. This Facebook page is run by parents and not in conjunction with the school or school uniform shop.

When listing an item for sale, please take time to check the items are current uniform and are still able to be worn at school. To check if the item is still current, please call the school on 08 8216 9900.

[Click here to join the facebook group.](#) If you are unable to use this link please search the above name in the title to find the page.

Karla Sparapani

OSHC Newsletter



We are very excited for another term of OSHC, and we hope everyone is excited that we are in the last term for 2023.

Click the link below to read more about what's happening in the OSHC Community!

View this article online to read more

Helpful Contacts/Links for families

QKR App – issue with new Android phones



There is an issue with being able to download the QKR App to new android phones.

The QKR technicians are working diligently towards a solution but don't have a release date as yet. We will advise once resolved.

In the interim, any parents having android issues can make purchases via the QKR website below:

Qkr! by MasterCard (qkrschool.com)

Thank you for your patience.
