



NEWSLETTER

Wednesday 18th December, 2024



DIARY DATES

TERM 1

JANUARY

Tuesday 28th	School office reopens
Wednesday 29th	Students commence Term 1

FEBRUARY

Monday 3rd- Friday 14th	Year 3-6 Swimming Program
Wednesday 5th	Prep rest day
Wednesday 12th	Prep rest day
Wednesday 19th	Prep rest day
Wednesday 19th	School Swimming Carnival

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

As we finish the end of another school year, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your ongoing support and partnership throughout 2024. It has been a year filled with growth and learning, as we have worked together to nurture the spiritual, academic, and personal development of all students. You should be so proud of your child and what they have been able to achieve this year.

This time of year invites us to reflect on all we have achieved as a school community. From the celebrations of the sacraments to the dedication of our students in their classrooms, there is so much to be proud of.

I would like to extend my gratitude to our wonderful teachers and staff members, whose dedication, creativity, and tireless efforts have made this year such a success. Their commitment to providing a nurturing and faith-filled environment ensures that every child feels valued, supported, and inspired to achieve their best. This was evident during our Year 6 Graduation and the kind and thoughtful words that our Year 6 students used to describe

TERM DATES 2025



TERM 1 - 29th January - 4th April
TERM 2 - 22nd April - 3rd July

PUBLIC HOLIDAY

Monday 10th March
 Monday 9th June

STUDENT FREE DAY

Friday 7th March
 Friday 6th June
 Friday 4th July

staff members during their individual speeches that were shared on the night.

To our graduating Year 6 students, we send our congratulations and prayers as you prepare to begin the next chapter of your journey. You have been a wonderful part of our school community, and we are confident you will continue to bring your unique gifts to the world. Remember that you will always have a home here at St. Michael's and we look forward to hearing about your future successes.

Students spent some time in their 2025 classrooms this week. Our 2025 staffing arrangements have nearly been finalised. We are hopeful to have this completed by the beginning of the school year. Please see page two for the full details.

Finally, I wish all our families a safe and restful holiday. May you find time to relax, celebrate, and create cherished memories with your loved ones. I look forward to welcoming you back in 2025 for another exciting chapter at St. Michael's.

St Michael's Primary School acknowledge and pay our respects to the Gunaikurnai people, traditional custodians of the land on which the school is built. As a school community, we commit to walk alongside our First Nations people for reconciliation, truth and justice.





Truth



13th December

Georgia.S: For focusing on tasks and remembering not to rush her work.

Scarlett: For always being a helpful and kind student in the classroom.

Frankie: For showing an eagerness to learn and perform the concert dance.

Georgia. J: For working on her writing and spelling and checking her work.

Fletcher: For showing resilience when faced with challenges.

William: For his great dancing and learning the steps to our song.

Tommy: For his great dancing and learning the steps to our song.

Matilda: For being such a wonderful and reliable helper all week.

Emmy: For showing initiative and assisting with packing up after the concert. Well done!

Emily: For showing resilience and presenting her speech whilst recovering from illness.

Mitchell: For showing initiative and assisting with packing up after our concert. Well done!

BIRTHDAYS

Happy Birthday to the following people who recently celebrated their birthday and those who are celebrating before the end of the year.

Anika 9th December

Fletcher 13th December

Oscar 20th December

Erika 20th December

Tilka 26th December



2025 St. Michael's Staffing

Our 2025 staffing has nearly been finalised. We would like to welcome Mrs Lisa Hudson to St. Michael's. Lisa will be at St. Michael's one day a week where she will teach a PE and Health specialist class. We also welcome Mrs Lindie Anderson to St. Michael's. Lindie will take up a position as an Education Support Officer. Mrs Amy Freeman will be at St. Michael's for the first 5 weeks during Term 1 before she begins her Parental leave. She will be supporting teachers and students in a variety of roles during this time.

Prep- Kellie Hole (4 days) and Lauren Bayliss (1 day)

Grade 1/2- Jade Wheeler (5 days)

Grade 3/4- Tilka Brown (4 days) and Lauren Bayliss(1 day)

Grade 5/6- Anika Duncan (4 days) and TBC (1 day)

PE and Health- Lisa Hudson

Art- Carmel Kuizenga

Performing Arts- Lauren Bayliss

Italian- Tilka Brown

Religious Education Leader- Jade Wheeler

Mental Health and Wellbeing Leader- Suzi Herbert

Education Support Officers- Tina McGill, Kerry Ashlin and Lindie Anderson

Office-Jennie Missen and Tania Sawers



Your local Beleza store will be closing at 4:00pm on Friday the 20th of December 2024, and will reopen from Thursday 2nd of January 2025. To give families as much opportunity as possible to prepare for the 2025 school year, we will also be running extending trading hours between Thursday the 2nd of January to Saturday 1st of February in the lead up to the start of term, with opening hours as outlined below:

Monday to Friday: 9:30am to 5:00pm

Saturdays*: 10:00am to 1:00pm

Saturday 25th of January 10:00am to 3:00pm

**Saturday trading hours during the extended trading period unless otherwise specified*



School Fees Schedule 2025

Fees - Per Family	
Family Fee	\$1,362

Levies - Per Student							
	Prep	Yr 1	Yr 2	Yr 3	Yr 4	Yr 5	Yr 6
Curriculum*	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200	\$200
Book Levy**	<u>\$ 80</u>	<u>\$ 80</u>	<u>\$ 80</u>	<u>\$ 80</u>	<u>\$ 80</u>	<u>\$ 80</u>	<u>\$ 80</u>
Excursion***	<u>\$ 90</u>	<u>\$ 90</u>	<u>\$ 90</u>	<u>\$ 90</u>	<u>\$ 90</u>	<u>\$ 90</u>	<u>\$ 90</u>
Big Day Out	<u>\$ 50</u>	<u>\$ 50</u>	<u>\$ 50</u>				
Camp				\$150	\$150	\$360	\$360
Total Year Level Levy	\$420	\$420	\$420	\$520	\$520	\$730	\$730

*Includes Compulsory Stationery Purchases

**Book List Items Purchased by School

***Includes Excursions, Incursions, Swimming, Gymnastics and Sport

If families experience difficulty paying fees or other school expenses, please contact the office at your earliest convenience. Payment plans can be arranged to suit individual circumstances. Plans are also available for eligible Health Care card and Pensioner Concession card holders.

Student Free Days 2025

28/01/2025

07/03/2025

06/06/2025

04/07/2025

06/10/2025

03/11/2025

28/11/2025

16/12/2025- Students Final Day of 2025