**January Newsletter 2022-2023**

**Primary News**

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the students for their great efforts and wonderful achievements this year. I thank our students and teachers for helping make 2022 another successful year. I wish you all a wonderful and relaxing holiday break and hope that you all return ready for another busy and exciting year ahead.

**Enrolling now for Prep 2023 and 2024.**

Our Prep School is a great place for your child to begin their learning journey. The School provides an environment, which is safe and secure, encourages creativity and promotes learning. The class operates from 8:15am to 3:00pm from Monday to Friday. The students are exposed to the Early Stage One outcomes from NESA, through an integrated, play based and inquiry based, hands on approach. The program emphasises on early literacy and numeracy development. There are specialist lessons available in Modern Greek and students participate in Greek dancing.

This year the School has decided to run two Prep classes. The second Prep class will run on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. To avoid disappointment of your child missing out on their desired days, we advise you to enrol as soon as possible. Enrolment forms may be dropped off at the School office or emailed to Mrs Xanthoudakis at xanthoudakise@steuphemia.nsw.edu.au

**Primary News Vacancies**

Applications are now open for Kindergarten 2024. If you are an existing parent and have a child ready to start school in 2024, please ensure that you fill out our application form and return it to an administration officer in Reception.

Children enrolling for Kindergarten 2024, must turn five years of age before 31 July 2024. Students enrolled in our Prep class, have automatic entry into Kindergarten and do not need to complete any additional forms.

The School also has some vacancies in some of the other grades. If you have any friends, neighbours or relatives interested in enrolling their children, please ask them to contact the school for an Enrolment Form or download it from our website.

**Prefect Body for 2023**

Congratulations to the following students who were elected by the students and staff to be part of the 2023 Prefect Body.

**School Captains**

Chrysovalandou Condoleon and Haney Zeidan

**School Vice Captains**

Matia Musumeci and Michael Poniris

**Prefect Body**

**Girls:** Katherine Afionis, Elena Glavas, Lucy Karayiannis and Elena Tezaris

**Boys:** George Benjamin, Elias Elia, George Georgiou and Johnny Makrypodis

Congratulations also to the current Prefect Body for a fantastic job this year. I thank them also for their dedication and the outstanding services they have provided our School. You have made us very proud.

**The Year Ahead**

**First Day Back to School**

On **Tuesday 31 January**, we welcome back our Prep to Year 6 students.

**Prep Class**

Parents of the Prep students must escort the Prep students up to the Prep classroom on Level 1 of the Primary Building. Students must arrive between 8:15am and 8:35am. Any students arriving after this time must enter with their parents through the School Office. Arrangements for dismissal will be communicated at a later stage.

**Kindergarten**

The Kindergarten students will meet in the School Hall at 9:00am, where they will be introduced to their class teachers. Please enter through the East Terrace entrance. Dismissal arrangements will be communicated closer to the reopening date. We are looking forward to seeing all our new students and their families.

**Years 1 to 6**

Students in Years 1 to 6 will assemble in the Infants Undercover Area.

**Staff Development Days**

Teachers will participate in Staff Development Days on **Friday 27 January** and on **Monday 30 January.** There will be no school for the students on these days.

**Uniform Shop Opening Hours**

The Uniform Shop will be open on the following days and times during the holidays.

**Tuesday 3 January** 9:00am - 4:00pm

**Thursday 5 January** 9:00am - 4:00pm

**Saturday 7 January** 8:30am – 3:00pm

**Tuesday 10 January** 9:00am - 4:00pm

**Thursday 12 January**  9:00am - 4:00pm

**Saturday 14 January**  8:30am – 3:00pm

**Tuesday 17 January** 9:00am - 4:00pm

**Thursday 19 January**  9:00am - 4:00pm

**Saturday 21 January**  8:30am – 3:00pm

**Tuesday 24 January**  9:00am - 4:00pm

**Friday 27 January**  9:00am - 4:00pm

**Saturday 28 January**  8:30am – 3:00pm

**Monday 30 January**  8:30am - 10:00am

**Tuesday 31 January** 8:30am - 10:00am and then 2:00pm – 4:00pm

**Term Dates for the Primary School - 2023**

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| **TERM 1 (10 weeks)** |
| **Thursday 26 January 2023** | **Australia Day Public Holiday** |
| **Friday 27 January 2023** | **Staff Development Day** |
| **Monday 30 January 2023** | **Staff Development Day** |
| **Tuesday 31 January 2023** | **Prep – Year 12 commence** |
| **Thursday 6 April 2023** | **Term Concludes** |

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| **TERM 2 (9 weeks)** |
| **Monday 24 April 2023** | **Staff Development Day** |
| **Tuesday 25 April 2023** | **Anzac Day – Public Holiday - School closed** |
| **Wednesday 26 April 2023** | **Students commence** |
| **Monday 12 June 2023** | **Queen’s Birthday - Public Holiday - School closed** |
| **Thursday 22June 2023** | **Term Concludes for students**  |
| **Friday 23 June 2023** | **Staff Development Day** |

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|  **TERM 3 (10 weeks)** |
| **Monday 17 July 2023** | **Staff Development Day** |
| **Tuesday 18 July 2023** | **Students Commence** |
| **Tuesday 15 August 2023** | **Dormition of Theotokos – School Closed** |
| **Thursday 21 September 2023** | **Term Concludes for students** |
| **Friday 22 September 2023** | **Staff Development Day** |

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| **TERM 4 (9 weeks)** |
| **Monday 9 October 2023** | **Students Commence** |
| **Wednesday 6 December 2023** | **Term Concludes for students** |
| **Thursday 7 and Friday 8 December 2023** | **Staff Development Days** |

**Swimming Program 2023 – Year 2**

During Term 1, Year 2 will undertake swimming lessons every Thursday for nine weeks, commencing from **Thursday 9 February until Thursday 6 April.**

**Swimming Program 2022 – Year 3 and Year 5**

Years 3 and 5 will take part in a three-week Intensive Swimming Program at C & M Aquatics Centre, Padstow, every Monday to Wednesday, commencing on **Monday 6 February** and concluding on **Wednesday 22 February**. A swimming lesson will be made up on Monday 27 February, due to the swimming carnival, which is scheduled for Wednesday 15 February, so there will be no swimming lessons on that day. More details and a permission note will be handed out upon the students’ return to School.

**Primary Swimming Carnival -** **Wednesday 15 February**

The Primary Swimming Carnival will be held for Years 3 to 6 at Revesby Aquatic Centre on **Wednesday 15 February**. More details and a permission note will be handed out upon the students return to School.

**ST EUPHEMIA COLLEGE**

**Prep to Year 2 - 2023**

**BOOKS/EQUIPMENT**

Exercise and textbooks are supplied by the School and will be sent home for contacting. Please use clear contact only.

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| **Food Storage Requirements** | • Water Bottle• Lunch Box |
| **Exercise Books** | • Supplied by the School |
| **Text Books** | • Supplied by the School |
| **Stationery** | **Prep** • Supplied by the School  | **K-2**• Pencil Case • Glue Sticks• Scissors • Lead Pencils * Twistable Crayons

• Coloured Pencils (Years 1 and 2)• Erasers • Ruler • Pencil Sharpener with lid to collect shavings |
| **Other** | • Display Folder  | • Display Folder  |

**ST EUPHEMIA COLLEGE**

**Years 3 to 6 - 2023**

**BOOKS/EQUIPMENT**

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| **Food Storage Requirements** | • Water Bottle • Lunch Box |
| **Exercise Books** | • 11 A4 x 128 page exercise books • 1 x A4 48 page exercise book • 4 x A4 128 page Botany books • 1 x A4 96 page Music book |
| **Text Books** | • Supplied by the School |
| **Stationery** | • Pencil Case • Glue Sticks • Scissors • Lead Pencils• Pens (Years 5 and 6) • Coloured Pencils* Textas (optional)

• Erasers • Ruler• Pencil Sharpener with lid to collect shavings* Geometry Set
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| **Other** | • 2 Display Folders  |

Once an exercise book is finished, a new one will replace the old one. Students are not to staple books together. Page numbers are a guide depending on the subject. Exercise books with similar number of pages may also be purchased.