

## The Weekly Bulletin | Wednesday 16 October 2024

### WHOLE SCHOOL UPDATE

#### IMPORTANT SAFETY ANNOUNCEMENT FROM WA POLICE | Graceful Blvd Crossing

The WA Police have recently assessed our Graceful Boulevard Traffic Crossing. They discovered that there are several parents and students who do not wait for the wardens to blow their whistle to indicate that it is safe to cross. During the assessment, they even observed a student rushing out behind the warden which almost resulted in them being hit by a car.

For the safety of everyone using the crossing including the wardens and other road users, we urge our students and parents to comply with the instructions given by the wardens. Please respect the safety of everyone in our community.

#### SCHOOL FEE PAYMENTS | Due on Friday 18 October

A reminder for families who have selected to pay their fees on a quarterly/termly basis, please note that the final payment is due on or before this **Friday 18 October 2024**. Thank you to the families that have already paid and finalised your fee accounts for 2024.

If you require any clarification in relation to your fee balance or payments, please contact accounts at [accounts@stjames.wa.edu.au](mailto:accounts@stjames.wa.edu.au) or call 08 6336 8330.

#### 2025 TUITION FEES RAFFLE | Purchase Your Tickets!

We are thrilled to announce an exciting raffle that offers our families the chance to win their 2025 Tuition Fees paid in full. Tickets can be purchased from Monday 14 October until Friday 29 November (unless sold out prior). The lucky winner will be drawn on Monday 2 December and announced during the Awards Evening.

Tickets are \$25.00 each. There is no limit on the number of tickets you may purchase. Even your family members and friends can purchase tickets on your child's behalf.

- The First Prize is 100% of tuition fees for the oldest child enrolled at St James' for the 2025 school year (up to the value of \$6,980.00).
- The Second Prize is 25% of tuition fees for the oldest child enrolled at St James' for the 2025 school year (up to the value of \$1,745).

The prize does not include any levies or other charges.

The proceeds from this raffle will directly support our students, families and the enhancement of our school facilities, benefiting the broader St James' community.

We extend our gratitude to our Parents and Friends (P&F) Committee, whose efforts and commitment to improving our school community have made this raffle possible.

Visit [RaffleLink](#) to purchase your tickets!

## **CUB SANDWICHES | Final Session of the Year Cancelled**

We regret to inform that our final Cub Sandwiches session of the year on Wednesday 23 October has been cancelled due to supply and resource issues with our partners. All tickets have now been refunded through Trybooking. Cub Sandwiches will return next year. Thank you for your support throughout 2024.

## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD | Boxes due by 31 October**

St James' is proud to participate in Operation Christmas Child, packing shoeboxes for children in need across Australia and the world. The shoeboxes include items such as toys, clothing, hygiene products, school items and other special items.

All St James' students and families from Kindy to Year 12 are welcome to participate in this worthy cause in Term 4. You can pack as many boxes as you like, individually or as a family.

Shoeboxes for packing are available from Mrs. Smith in the JS Reception, or you can use a standard-sized shoebox. All shoeboxes should be returned to the collaborative area displays or JS Reception by the last week of October 2024.

Please remember to include the \$12.50 postage either by:

- Placing cash in an envelope on top of the items inside your box, OR
- Paying online and attaching the barcoded tag you receive to your box, which will allow you to track its journey.

Thank you for your time, money and kindness in creating a special box for a child in need.

## **LAST DAY OF TERM 4 | Tuesday 3 December**

A reminder to all parents/guardians that the last day of Term 4 will be Tuesday 3 December.

## **JUNIOR SCHOOL UPDATE**

### **CHATGPT NOTICE | Junior School Students**

ChatGPT is an artificial intelligence tool. It is like an intelligent robot that you can talk to and have it answer questions about anything you're curious about. Whilst clever and beneficial in many ways, ChatGPT is not used in the Junior School. Students must be 13 years or older to use this application.

Please keep this in mind if you child has requested to install the ChatGPT app or have done so already. The app is blocked on student devices whilst they are at school. Students are not permitted to use the app for completing homework. Junior School teachers will continue to focus on the essential literacy and numeracy skills as directed by the Schools Curriculum and Standards Authority.

The official ChatGPT Terms and Conditions of Use are below:

**Minimum Age:** *You must be at least 13 years old or the minimum age required in your country to consent to use the Services. If you are under 18 you must have your parent or legal guardian's permission to use the Services.*

## **LOST PROPERTY | Items Building Up**

A reminder for students and parents to check the lost property located outside of Junior School Reception. There are a significant number of items that have built up.

## **SWIMMING LESSONS | Term 4**

Lessons for Year 1 and 2 will take place this week and next week. Please contact your teacher if you have any further questions.

## **YEAR 5 | Captain's Speeches**

Year 5s will deliver their Captain's Speeches after lunch on Friday this week.

## **ELC GRANDPARENT'S MORNING TEA AND BINGO | Save the Date – Friday 25 October**

We are pleased to announce that our [ELC Grandparent's Morning Tea and Bingo](#) will take place on Friday 25 October. More information will be communicated to you soon.

## **SENIOR SCHOOL UPDATE**

### **VOLLEYBALL SPECIALIST PROGRAM | Term 4 Training Information**

Training for the volleyball specialist program will commence this week and run until Week 8. Below are the year groups and times:

- **Year 10/11/12:** Tuesday 7.15am – 8.15am
- **Year 8/9:** Wednesday 7.15am – 8.15am
- **Year 7:** Thursday 7.15am – 8.15am

Training will not take place in **Week 4**.

### **CURRENT YEAR 8/9 STUDENTS | Year 9/10 Subject Selections 2025**

Option forms for 2025 were due last week. Please take a photo or screenshot of the form BEFORE handing in to Student Services for booklist purposes.

### **TRADE CENTRE ART ROOM | Newspaper and Paper Towels Needed**

Our Trade Centre Art Room requires more newspaper and power towel rolls for student projects this term. If you have any of these items to spare, please drop these to the Senior School Reception.

## **COMING UP**

### **THIS WEEK AT ST JAMES' | Week 2**

- **Monday 14 October – Friday 18 October** – Year 1 & 2 Swimming Lessons
- **Monday 14 October – Friday 18 October** – Year 9 OLNA
- **Thursday 17 October** – Valedictory Eucharist/Ceremony
- **Friday 18 October** – Year 5 Captain's Speeches
- **Friday 18 October** – Pre-Primary Circus Workshop
- **Friday 18 October** – Junior School Principal's Lunch

- **Friday 18 October** – Year 11 Finch Lunch – Leavers Jacket Handover

### **NEXT WEEK AT ST JAMES' | Week 3**

- **Monday 21 October – Friday 25 October** – Year 9 OLNA
- **Monday 21 October – Friday 25 October** – Year 1 & 2 Swimming Lessons
- **Monday 21 October** – Year 3 WISE Girls Presentation
- **Tuesday 22 October – Thursday 24 October** – Year 5 Surf Survival Lessons
- **Wednesday 23 October** – Year 7 Parent Information Evening
- **Thursday 24 October** – Senior School Student Council Meeting
- **Thursday 24 October** – Year 6 to 7 2025 Transition Day
- **Friday 25 October** – ELC Grandparent's Morning Tea & Bingo
- **Friday 25 October** – NIPSSA Athletics (Years 3-6)
- **Friday 25 October** – Year 11 ASC Leaders Day

## **Community Noticeboard**

### **CONTRIBUTING IN THE COMMUNITY DINNER | Tuesday 22 October, 6.00pm – 8.45pm**

Befriend invites you to attend a Contributing in the Community Dinner (on them) on Tuesday 22 October from 6.00pm – 8.45pm in the St James Chapel. In this relaxed and easy-going session, you will consider, “What do you care about?” and “How might you share what you care about with others?”

For more information, please view the information flyer [here](#).

### **MASTERMIND AUSTRALIA | Final ATAR Exam Focus and Middle School Program**

Mastermind's final ATAR Exam Focus and Middle School Program is now available. Visit [their website](#) to view the options available for Year 7-12 students.

### **HILLARYS YACHT CLUB | Sailing Day**

Hillarys Yacht Club are hosting a Discover Sailing Day on Saturday 19 October. It's a free day for the whole family where you can experience a day at the club with a range of activities. [Click here](#) for further information and to register.

### **ALKIMOS SURF LIFE SAVING CLUB | Registrations Now Open**

Registrations for the Alkimos Surf Life Saving Club are now open. We offer a range of programs designed to teach valuable water safety skills, promote physical fitness, and provide opportunities for personal development. Our programs cater to various age groups and skill levels, making it an ideal activity for students and their families. Please [click here](#) for contact details.

### **FOXLINK BUSINESS DIRECTORY | Submit your Business**

A reminder that St James' families can submit their business for inclusion in the Foxlink Business Directory. Visit the [St James' website](#) to view the current directory and submit your own business. All businesses must be approved by the Principal prior to inclusion in Foxlink. The directory will be updated each month with any new and approved businesses.

## BUTLER NETBALL CLUB | Spring Netball Season

The Butler Netball Club is hosting an eight-week spring season for all children to enjoy an introduction to netball. [Click here](#) for more information and to register.

## NORTH COAST BALL CLUB | Registrations Now Open

Registrations for the 24/25 Tee-Ball (for ages 3 through 12), Machine Pitch, Baseball and Softball season are now open. For more information or to register your interest please visit the North Coast Ball Club [website](#).

## CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE INITIATIVE | Member Number C11039223

Thank you to everyone who has already contributed to the Containers for Change initiative at St James'.

If you would like to contribute to Containers for Change, please use one of the following methods:

1. Drop your empty soft drink containers into one of the red bins outside our Junior School classrooms, or,
2. Take your 10c containers to any Containers for Change donation point using our unique **Member Number C11039223**.



Best wishes

St James' Anglican School