



Important Dates

First Day of School 2025

Tuesday 28 January 2025

From the Leadership Team

Over the course of the couple of weeks, we have celebrated, acknowledged and reflected. 2024 is now almost over and we have lots to be proud of. The third Advent candle – the candle representing Joy was lit at Sunday's masses over the weekend. It is quite apt that we light this candle at this time of our school year. Joy is the unstoppable feeling of happiness. I feel very privileged to be able to see and feel joy every day at school. This year has been extremely busy, but also extremely enjoyable and successful.

As the 2024 school year comes to a close and I reflect on what we have achieved, I feel a great sense of pride and admiration for our whole school community.

I thank all of our very dedicated staff for their willingness and ability to put the kids first, to work far beyond the school day and far beyond the school term. I thank them for their dedication and professionalism and I thank them for their ability to provide an education that is holistic and developmental. Most of all I thank them on your behalf for the care and compassion they show to all the students in our community. I say it often, but we have an exceptional staff group here at Stella Maris and I could not be more grateful for each and every one of you.

I again thank and acknowledge those staff who are leaving us at the end of the year. To **Josh Page, Rebecca Churchman-Hope, Sean Jenkinson, Rose Conte and Emma Rainsford** – thank you for what you have brought to our school community in your time with us.

We wish you all God's blessings and the very best of luck as you move into another direction in your lives.

I'd also like to take this opportunity to thank all the parents of our school for your support and involvement this year. A school can only be successful if it is in strong partnership with families and you truly provide a great partnership. I thank all those parents particularly who have volunteered their time for our school in both formal and informal ways. Your involvement in our school community, your encouragement of your children, and your trust in us to guide them through their academic and personal growth is invaluable.

Over the last week or two, our staff have also been inundated with gifts and presents from our parent community. Your generosity and appreciation is certainly something we don't take for granted, and your words of support and love are so very much appreciated.

And finally I thank the students. You are what makes our school great. Once again, they have stepped up to the mark and continue to impress me with their attitude, pride and joy while at school. Stella Maris is a very special place to live in and this is due in large part to the great gifts that our students bring to school each day.

We also celebrate and acknowledge an outstanding group of students who graduated from our school and will move on to their next secondary education journey. We thank them for their contribution to our school, and we also acknowledge and thank those families who will be leaving Stella Maris at the end of the year.

I'd like to take this final opportunity to wish all families a very peaceful and happy Christmas and a very relaxing, restful and enjoyable holiday. I hope that you celebrate Christmas this year for all the great joy it brings. For those who are heading away, travel safe and we look forward to seeing all families and students back for another great year in 2025!

Kind regards and see you next year,

Ella

Farewell Stella Maris – and Thank You

I wish to thank the Stella Maris Community for welcoming me, and for your support across the past three terms in my role as Acting Deputy Principal. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time working collaboratively as a leader of this wonderful school to work in partnership with you to support your child to flourish in their education.

It has been an honour and a privilege to serve as Acting Deputy Principal this year. Leading such an amazing community has been a deeply rewarding experience, and I feel truly blessed to have shared in the achievements and milestones of our students and staff.

As the 2024 school year closes, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your unwavering support and partnership in your children's education. Your encouragement and involvement play a vital role in shaping their learning journeys, and I am truly grateful for all you do.

As we prepare for the festive season, I wish each of you a safe, peaceful, and joyous Christmas. May this special time be filled with love, laughter, and that you can take some opportunities to have some quality family time to recharge and have fun, ready to return to Stella Maris in 2025 for another terrific year.

Whilst this is farewell from me for now, thank you once again for your trust and support throughout the year. I will always look back fondly on my time here at Stella, and I know that because of this wonderful community I walk from here a better teacher, colleague and leader and for that I am truly grateful.

Kind Regards,

Josh Page

Volunteering at Stella Maris

To volunteer at Stella Maris there are 3 steps to take:

1. Complete the online **RRAHN training** (see flyer) and forward the completed certificate to Kirralee Philips
2. To have your catholic **Working with Children Check (WWCC)**
3. To complete the **onsite induction** and fill out the necessary forms

To obtain your **WWCC** you can bring **100 points of identification** to the school office, and we can start the process for you.

If you have a **DHS** clearance, you can provide your certificate and we can forward it to obtain a catholic clearance.

Please contact **Kirralee Philips** E: kirralee.philips@smps.catholic.edu.au our volunteer coordinator for more information. Kirralee is available most afternoons from 2pm onwards to complete the onsite induction.

Our Patch Holiday Program - Stella Maris OSHC Provider

holiday program
Our Patch Stella Maris
7:00am - 6:00pm

our patch
30th September - 11th October

How To Book

Bookings can be made via the OWNA Childcare App



[Click here to register today.](#)

Costs

Fees start at \$6.60 per child per day based on 90% Child Care Subsidy, assumes parents meeting activity levels and 5% withholding amount

Early Bird	Booked After
Booked Before 6pm 18th SEPT	Booked After 6pm 18th SEPT
\$66.00	\$68.50

There are additional costs for incursions and excursions which are reflected in the program. Standard cancellation policy applies for all other bookings as per the Program Flyer.

What We Provide

- Opportunities for free play in our well-resourced room and grounds
- Incursions and excursions generally run between 8.30am to 3.30pm, please ensure your children arrive prior to this so they don't miss out on the core activities of the day

What to Bring

- Broad-brimmed hat, sun-smart clothing (no singlets) and enclosed shoes (no thongs, crocs, slip on shoes or roller shoes)
- Healthy lunch daily unless otherwise specified on day (staff are unable to heat or cook food for children)
- No nut products
- Large water bottle
- Check program for other special items that might be required for the day (e.g. bikes, helmets, costumes)

p. 1300 018 310
e. customer care@ourpatchgroup.com

holiday program
Our Patch Stella Maris
7:00am - 6:00pm

Enrol your child for Before and After

School Care for 2025 now!

[Before and after school care – Our Patch](#)

<https://ourpatch.education/before-and-after-school-care/>

School Uniform



Exciting Announcement

It is with great excitement we advise you that the Schoolwear Division of Belgravia Apparel (formerly JS Sports) has been acquired by the Thomas Robert Group (TRG) effective 1st October 2024.

TRG is the amalgamation of two iconic schoolwear companies – Noone Imagewear (established in 1947) and Bob Stewart (established in 1925) – who merged in 2021 to form TRG, the largest schoolwear supplier in Australia. As TRG is the market leader in schoolwear, it is our expectation and commitment that this transition will be seamless and will only have a positive impact upon your school community.

The Noone division of TRG, proudly has their own Australian manufacturing facilities in Melbourne which specialises in academic wear. It is also our commitment to continue to support the Belgravia Sports Apparel manufacturing facility at Mawsons Lakes. This partnership will further strengthen our manufacturing bases in both Adelaide and Melbourne, helping keep more jobs in Australia as a result.

We are delighted that all our Belgravia Schoolwear staff including Ben Kitto and Mara Bogisch will be continuing with the Thomas Robert Group.

The staff at Belgravia Schoolwear and the Thomas Robert Group look forward to continuing our long-standing relationship. When placing an order please fill in all the requirements especially the students class & name.

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Yours sincerely

Brian Waldron
Belgravia COO

Michael Farrugia
TRG CEO

Joe Siciliano
Belgravia Elite Sports

Please use this website for purchasing uniforms:

<https://www.noone.com.au/school/stella-maris-parish-school>

Student Absence Notification

Please use one of the following options to notify the school that your child will be absent:

Select **Option 1** when calling **telephone 8306 4888** to advise absentee information. If after hours please leave a detailed message.

Or SMS to Absentee Text Line between **8:10AM - 4:00PM** : 0417 038 063

Uniform Information



Contact Details

Uniform Shop Location: [10 Newton Rd Campbelltown SA 5074](#)

Phone: 08 7095 2535

Email: campbelltown@noone.com.au

Trading Hours

Monday 8:00 am – 1:00pm

Tuesday 10:30m – 5:30pm

Wednesday 8:00am – 1:00pm

Thursday 10:30am – 5:30pm

Friday 10:30am – 5:30pm

Saturday 9:00am – 12:00pm

[Stella Maris Parish School | Noone](#)

<https://www.noone.com.au/school/stella-maris-parish-school>

The full range of uniforms and sizes are available for fittings at SMPS. Please contact Tony in the office to make an appointment. **Sizing Guide** available on their website.

WHS Inductions for Volunteers

Please contact Kirralee Philips to arrange a time.

E: kirralee.philips@smps.catholic.edu.au

P: 8306 4888

Holy Spirit Church

Office Hours: Tuesday - Thursday, 9am - 2pm

Phone: 08 8298 1044

Email: stannparish@adam.com.au

Address: 24A Ramsay Ave Seacombe Gardens SA 5047

PARISH MASS TIMES:

St Bernadette's Church:

Sunday 10:45am

Wednesday & Friday 12 noon

Holy Spirit Church:

Saturday 6pm

Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday 9:15am

Music Tutors

Guitar - Chris Larsson

Mobile: 0424 241 040

Email: chrisslarsson01@gmail.com

Piano - Patricia Heller

Mobile: 0403 645 271

Email: patricianheller@gmail.com

Singing - Hallmark Music Studio

Email: kylie@hallmarkmusicstudio.com.au

Violin - Jenny McDonald

Mobile: 0410 441 974

Email: jenjen7@outlook.com

Drums - Gianni Pedicini

Contact Kylie - Hallmark Studios

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