

11 March 2025

RE: Reception - Year 12 Sports Day - Friday 21 March 2025

Dear Families

Our annual R-12 Sports Day between Tenison, MacKillop and Joseph will be held on **Friday 21 March**. The event will take place during normal school hours of 8:45am-3:00pm (R-2 will conclude at 12:00pm).

SPORTS DAY DETAILS

1. Start and Finish Times:

8:30am All Students arrive for normal home class roll marking (please note slightly earlier to finish on time)
8:45am Carnival begins
9:00am R-2 students participate in a modified sports day in and around St Mary's Shelter
12:00pm R-2 dismissal (collected by parents from their classroom)
3:00pm Year 3-12 dismissal

R-2 students can be collected by parents from their classroom at 12.00pm. Students remaining will be supervised in a classroom until normal dismissal time at 3.00pm and can be collected from the Penola Building. Please click <u>here</u> to complete the online supervision form by **Monday 17 March**.

Food & Drink: The canteen will not be processing student lunch orders on this day. A variety of food options will be available. Alternatively, students are urged and encouraged to bring food and a refillable water bottle from home. If families would like to donate/make food, please drop off to the front office. Please ensure ingredients are clearly labelled and avoid nuts.

Canteen – tea, coffee, ice blocks, snacks, cakes, cold drinks and pastries
3-12 Sports Day Area – sausage sizzle, cold drinks and the Lions Club chip van

- 2. Dress Code: Several dress options are available for students.
 - a) Full sports uniform
 - b) Sports uniform shorts and a coloured t-shirt in their team colour
 - c) We are continuing a best-dressed/team colour theme for students to build community and atmosphere. Therefore, students can be dressed in an appropriate 'costume' that represents their team colour.

Sun-safe practices are expected and will be enforced, including hats (school hat or wide brimmed of appropriate standard), sunscreen and covered shoulders/necks 'costume'. Aerosol spray cans and face paint are not permitted at school; any colouring, etc. must be done at home prior to coming to school.

3. **Inclement Weather:** If inclement weather prevails on Friday 21 March a normal school day will be held. Sports Day will be postponed to a date that will be advised. A Facebook message will be posted, and an SMS will be sent to all families on Thursday 20 March if required.

- 4. **Pre-Events (7-12):** Some events cannot be run on the day on Sports Day due to safety, time and a lack of resources. These events will count towards Sports Day and participation points / placing points will all contribute to the final tally on the day. Students in Years 7-10 will conduct their Pre-Events During normal HPE lessons before Sports Day. Students in Year 11 and 12 will complete theirs at recess and lunch breaks to avoid clashes to normal lessons. Senior students are encouraged to check the notices for days when your Pre-Event occurs and wear your PE uniform.
- 5. Team Events (3-12): To add some more enjoyment and boost participation numbers, this year we will be running some team events the day before Sports Day on Thursday 20 March in Lesson 5 and 6. These events include the three-legged race, tug of war and tunnel ball. All students are invited to participate and can wear their HPE uniform on this day. Team events will contribute to points tallies on Sports Day, similar to the Pre-Events. Families are welcome to attend. In the case of inclement weather on Thursday 20 March families will be notified if the team events need to be cancelled and/or postponed by Wednesday 19 March.
- 6. **Program:** A program will be provided to each child (3-12) and sent home prior to sports day. This will also be available on our website. Students are encouraged to highlight their events in the program to ensure they know when and where they are required to compete throughout the day.

Families are most welcome to attend. In the best interest of child safety and privacy, we ask that parents do not take photographs of other students during this event.

We look forward to the carnival and thank families for your support on this day.

Yours sincerely

Josh Lambert Sports Coordinator

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