

# St Marys Senior High School

## **TERM 2 WEEKS 1-2**

### 30 April - 9 May 2025

|     | Important Dates – Term 2 2025 |  |  |  |  |
|-----|-------------------------------|--|--|--|--|
| W1  | Wed 30 Apr                    | First day of classes for students in Term 2        |  |  |  |
| W5  | Tue 27 May                    | School Council Meeting, 6pm                        |  |  |  |
| W6  | Mon 2 Jun                     | School Athletics Carnival                          |  |  |  |
| W6  | Tue 3 Jun                     | Year 12 Student, Parent, Teacher<br>Evening        |  |  |  |
| W7  | Mon 9 Jun                     | King's Birthday – Public Holiday                   |  |  |  |
| W9  | Wed 25 Jun                    | Year 11 Student, Parent, Teacher<br>Evening        |  |  |  |
| W9  | Fri 27 Jun                    | Year 12 Excursion – Western Sydney<br>Careers Expo |  |  |  |
|     |                               | Year 11 Seminar Day #1                             |  |  |  |
| W10 | Fri 4 Jul                     | Last day of attendance for students in Term 2      |  |  |  |

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# Principal's Report

Welcome back to Term 2! I hope you all enjoyed the holidays and were able to spend some time with your families and friends, as well as finding some time for a well-deserved break.

Our school athletics carnival is scheduled to be held in Term 2 during Week 6 on Monday 3 June. We are hoping that a strong school spirit is on display at the carnival, following the success of the swimming carnival. We have some outstanding athletes that I am looking forward to see compete, along with the range of Cluster colours.

Year 12 are now halfway through their final year of formal schooling – although that may sound scary, it is also very exiting with lots of new opportunities becoming available. The 2025 Higher School Certificate personalised written timetable will be published on Friday 2 May – Year 12 students should ensure that they have access to this timetable through their Students Online account. The HSC oral language *Continued over the page →* 



### Principal's Report continued

examination timetable will be released on Monday 28 April. For those students completing major works or performances as part of their studies, Term 2 should involve lots of planning to ensure that they meet due dates in the following term and produce a final product that highlights all of their effort, skills and talents. Students with multiple major works or performances were offered support by Surmeet, our Student Support Officer and have a number of opportunities to draw on the support provided by class teachers, Personal Mentors and Student Advisers. Students who are yet to draw on these supports are encouraged to make contact early this term.

Towards the end of Term 1, I sent Year 12 students an email explaining the school's processes in relation to early entry requirements for university and UAC Student Recommendation Scheme (SRS) applications. These processes will ensure that we can support students meet these deadlines and provide supporting documentation where needed. Students are encouraged to book an appointment with Cheryll, our Careers Adviser to assist with planning their pathways beyond school. This can be done in person in the school library or via the online booking system provided by Cheryll (the link to which can be found in the year group Google Classroom).

Some Year 12 students who have experienced significant disadvantage which they believe have impacted on their studies may consider putting in an application under the Educational Access Scheme through UAC. There are a variety of categories that fall under the EAS Scheme, and I encourage students to use the following link to find further information (<u>https://www.uac.edu.au/future-applicants/scholarships-and-schemes/educational-access-schemes/how-to-apply</u>) or book in a time with Cheryll to discuss particular circumstances.

Congratulations to Year 11 for completing their first term at St Marys Senior High School. We hope that you have settled in well, have a better understanding of our processes, made some new friends and participated in a range of extra-curricular activities to broaden your experiences. As you work your way through this important year, we encourage you to take full advantage of the opportunities available to you. In particular we hope you have actively participated in those extra-curricular activities that interest you, whether they involve sports, music, clubs or community service. Engaging in these activities not only helps to broaden your experiences but also strengthens your skills, fosters teamwork, and enhances your overall enjoyment of school life. As we commence Term 2, we encourage you to continue exploring your interests and setting personal goals. Remember, your teachers and staff are here to support you. We look forward to seeing your growth and achievements in the upcoming terms.

Welcome back and best wishes,

Sally Smithard Principal





# ANZAC Day Ceremony – Wednesday 30 April 2025

**BELL TIMES** 

| 8.20 am - 9.30am    | Period 1                               |
|---------------------|--|
| 9.30 am – 10.40 am  | Period 2                               |
| 10.40 am - 11.10 am | Whole school assembly at the flagpoles |
| 11.10 am – 11.40 am | Recess                                 |
| 11.40 am – 12.45 pm | Period 3                               |
| 12.45 pm – 1.45 pm  | Period 4                               |
| 1.45 pm – 2.15 pm   | Lunch                                  |
| 2.15 pm – 3.20 pm   | Period 5                               |



Please see the schedule below, which outlines when – and where! – student clubs will be meeting this term.

| Want to join a club? Check out our schedule for 2025! |  |  |   |  |   |
|---|--|--|---|--|---|
| Week A  | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  |
| Recess  |  | Basketball Club, Courts – LH     Fatfish, Lecture Theatre – DK     Marys Media, TC-U-3 – SL     PRISM, S-G-2 - LH     Sewing Society, B-U-2 – AL     Volunteering Club, Tech Centre -     SA   | <ul> <li>MAG (Manga, Anime, Gaming),<br/>Tech Centre Open Area – SJ</li> <li>MSA, S-U-5 – DE</li> <li>St Marys Youth Club, Lecture<br/>Theatre - MT</li> <li>Loopy Inc, E-U-1 – LF</li> </ul>   | Amnesty, Lecture Theatre - SS     Chess Club, Library - WS     Fatfish Leaders, E-G-3 - DK     Futsal Club, Courts – KE  |   |
| Lunch   | <ul> <li>Bhangra Dance Club, B-U-3 –<br/>SC</li> <li>Robotics Club, S-U-3 - PF</li> <li>SRC, Library - KB</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Bingo Club, E-G-1 - JB</li> <li>Hobbyist's Prosperity &amp; Society of<br/>Books, Library Media Room - KB</li> <li>Hot Topics, S-G-3 - LH</li> <li>Jam Sesh, V-G-3 - FD</li> <li>Opportunity Knocks, Library - CR</li> <li>SMSHS Badminton, Courts -<br/>CRaft</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Bad Philosophy Club, TC-G-3 – JR</li> <li>Drama Club, V-U-2 – NB</li> <li>Golden Hoops Girls Basketball<br/>Club, Courts – KE</li> <li>Trivia Society, Lecture Theatre -<br/>LHasna</li> <li>Women in Engineering, B-U-3 –<br/>SC</li> </ul> | <ul> <li>Eco Geekos, TC-G-3 – JR</li> <li>Gentlemen's Society - Events,<br/>Lecture Theatre – AS &amp; RD</li> <li>Volleyball Club, Courts – JB</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Robotics Club, S-U-3 – PF</li> </ul> |
| Period 5  | Robotics Club, S-U-3 – PF  |  |   |  | Robotics Club, S-U-3 - PF                     |
| After<br>school                                       |  |  | Table Top Gaming, Tech Centre -<br>MT   |  |   |
|   |  |  |   |  |   |
| Week B  | Monday   | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  |
| Recess  |  | Basketball Club, Courts – LH     Fatfish, Lecture Theatre - DK     Marys Media, TC-U-3 – SL     PRISM, S-G-2 - LH     Sewing Society, B-U-2 – AL   | KPOP Club, Lecture Theatre - SJ     Loopy Inc, E-U-1 - LF     Multilingual Club, S-U-4 – LS   | Amnesty, Lecture Theatre – SS     Chess Club, Library - WS     Fatfish Leaders, E-G-3 – DK     Futsal Club, Courts – KE  |   |
| Period 4  |  |  | Bring It On Dance, Courts - DK  |  |   |
| Lunch   | <ul> <li>Bhangra Dance Club, B-U-3 –<br/>SC</li> <li>Robotics Club, S-U-3 - PF</li> <li>SRC, Library - KB</li> </ul> | Bingo Club, E-G-1 - JB<br>Hot Topics, S-G-3 - LH<br>Jam Sesh Club, V-G-3<br>Opportunity Knocks, Library - CR<br>South Creek Team, Library - KB   | <ul> <li>Drama Club, V-U-2 - NB</li> <li>Golden Hoops Girls Basketball<br/>Club, Courts – KE</li> <li>Women in Engineering, B-U-3 -<br/>SC</li> </ul>   | <ul> <li>Eco Geekos, TC-G-3 – JR</li> <li>Gentlemen's Society – Leaders<br/>Meeting, S-U-1 – AS &amp; RD</li> <li>The Hindhu Body of Students, S-<br/>G-6 – SR</li> <li>Hobbyist's Prosperity &amp; Society of<br/>Books, Library Media Room - KB</li> <li>Volleyball Club, Courts - JB</li> </ul> | Robotics Club, S-U-3 - PF                     |
| Period 5  | Robotics Club, S-U-3 - PF  |  |   |  | Robotics Club, S-U-3 - PF                     |
| After<br>school                                       |  |  | Table Top Gaming, Tech Centre -<br>MT   |  |   |



Our school runs a range of optional tutorials before and after school at no additional cost to students. The schedule for these tutorials is shown below. These tutorials will recommence this term.

If you are interested in attending one (or more) of these, please ensure you get a permission note from the Tutorial Teacher shown. This note must be completed and returned to the Tutorial Teacher before you can attend the tutorial activity.

| SMSHS Tutorial Program Timetable<br>Term 2 2025 ~ Weeks A & B<br>As at 7 April 2025 |                                      |  |  |   | le   |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|---|--|
| Time  | Monday                               | Tuesday  | Wednesday  | Thursday  | Friday   |
|   | Biology<br>Year 12<br>Jess<br>TC-G-3 | CAF8<br>Year 12<br>Sharon<br>B-U-1   | Chemistry<br>Year 11<br>Lidja<br>E-G-4   | Biology<br>Year 11<br>Jess<br>TC-6-3  | Chemistry<br>Year 12<br>Lidija<br>E-G-4          |
| BEFORE<br>SCHOOL<br>7.15 – 8.15 am  | Physios<br>Year 12<br>Waran<br>E-G-6 |  | Earth & Env Solence<br>Year 12<br>Jess<br>TC-G-3<br>English Advanced<br>Year 12<br>Danielle<br>S-U-5 |   | English Standard<br>Year 12<br>Danielle<br>S-U-5 |
|   |                                      | Biology<br>Year 12<br>Jess<br>TC-G-3<br>Economics<br>Year 12<br>Saixchust<br>S-G-6 | Business Studies<br>Year 12<br>Karishma<br>S-G-6<br>Drama<br>Nicole<br>V-U-2                         | Chemistry<br>Year 12<br>Lidija<br>E-G-4<br>Legal Studies<br>Year 12<br>Sokaskas,<br>S-G-6 |  |
|   |                                      | Maths Advanced<br>Year 11 and 12<br>Jacqui<br>S-U-2                                | Engineering Studies<br>Subhas<br>B-U-3   | Physios<br>Year 11<br>Andrew<br>TC-G-3  |  |
| AFTER<br>SCHOOL<br>3.25 – 4.25 pm   |                                      | Maths Standard<br>Year 11 and 12<br>Sharina<br>TC-U-2                              | Englich<br>Standard and<br>Advanced<br>Year 11<br>Danielle<br>S-U-5                                  | Visual Arts<br>Praotical Only<br>Sharon and Vanessa<br>V-U-1                              |  |
|   |                                      | Macio<br>Michael and Fatima<br>V-G-1   | Mathc Ext 1 & 2<br>Reuben<br>S-U-1   |   |  |
|   |                                      |  | Table Top Gaming<br>Matt<br>Tech Centre  |   |  |
|   |                                      | Society and Culture<br>Lauren and Dean<br>S-G-4                                    |  |   |  |



#### Support in the Learning Centre, Term 2 2025

During every lesson, our school has a teacher available to provide students with additional support in our Learning Centre. These staff can provide specific curriculum support in a range of subjects as well as connecting students to the Learning and Support Teachers. *A copy of this timetable is provided by Lucas, our Head Teacher Secondary Studies in the Learning Centre.* 

If you have any questions or concerns, please pop in to see Mel (Head Teacher Wellbeing) in the Learning Centre at your first opportunity.

# School Bytes

We encourage parents, carers and families to see the information provided by School Bytes which is available through our school website: <u>https://stmaryssen-h.schools.nsw.gov.au/</u>

# Some key links to "how to" guides"

- Setting up a parent account in the School Bytes Parent Portal https://support.schoolbytes.education/hc/en-us/articles/5184859634191-Parent-Portal-Set-up-yourparent-portal-account
- Making a payment through the Parent Portal <u>https://support.schoolbytes.education/hc/en-us/articles/5186380941583-Parent-Portal-Make-a-payment</u>





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# **SMSHS – SOURCES OF SUPPORT**



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| Year 11 2025 Student Adviser,<br>Surnames P-Z | Luigi Serra  | luigi.serra@det.nsw.edu.au   |  |
| Year 12 2025 Student Adviser,<br>Surnames A-G | Adam Bernthaler  | adam.bernthaler@det.nsw.edu.au   |  |
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| School Counsellors                            | Aimee Tang<br>Ximia Han<br>Tracey Axisa  | Please text the counsellor phone on 0417228192<br>during school hours to organise an appointment                                   |  |
| Student Support Officer (Rel)                 | Isidro Alfonso   | ТВА  |  |
| Careers Adviser                               | Cheryll Ruskin   | Cheryll.ruskin@det.nsw.edu.au  |  |
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| Deputy Principal<br>Year 12 2025              | Leah Havord  | leah.havord@det.nsw.edu.au   |  |



| Term 2 Weeks 1A @ SMSHS |                       |  |                                      |   |  |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|--|--------------------------------------|---|--|
| Monday 28 Apr           | Tuesday 29 Apr        | Wednesday 30 Apr   | Thursday 1 May                       | Friday 2 May  |  |
| Staff Development Day   | Staff Development Day | First day of classes for<br>students in Term 2<br>ANZAC School Ceremony –<br>adjusted bell times<br>Year 12 English Extension<br>2, Task 2 due<br>Year 11 Design and<br>Technology, Task 1 due | Year 11 Entertainment,<br>Task 1 due | Belvoir Master Class,<br>Drama Students<br>Academy U Leadership in<br>Complexity Workshop 2 |  |

| Term 2 Weeks 2B @ SMSHS  |  |                |   |  |  |
|--|--|----------------|---|--|--|
| Monday 5 May Tuesday 6 May Wednesday 7 May Thursday 8 May Friday 9 May |  |                |   |  |  |
|  |  | Lunch concerts | Year 11 V Year 12 Sporting<br>Challenge<br>Year 11 Textiles and<br>Design, Task 1 due | Year 12 Retail Services,<br>Task F due |  |

| Our Team  | IS  |   | Contact Us  |
|---|---|---|---|
| Principal:  | Sally Smithard  |   |   |
| School Council President:   | Sonia Matthews  | 0 | St Marys Senior High School<br>Kalang Avenue            |
| School Captains:  | Elliot Moore<br>Rosetta Yankson   |   | St Marys NSW 2760                                       |
| School Executive:<br>- Deputy Principal (Year 11 2025)<br>- Deputy Principal (Year 12 2025)<br>- English<br>- Mathematics<br>- Science<br>- Commercial Studies  | Danielle Ervine<br>Leah Havord<br>Julie Robinson<br>Simone Pett<br>Lidija Radovancevic<br>Salochna Reddy                          |   |   |
| <ul> <li>HSIE</li> <li>CAPA</li> <li>TAS / PDHPE</li> <li>TAS / Computing</li> <li>LOTE</li> <li>Secondary Studies</li> <li>Wellbeing</li> <li>First Australians</li> </ul>                                       | Shara Walsh<br>Nicole Bonfield<br>Sharon Francis<br>Matthew Topp<br>Luigi Serra<br>Lucas Widdison<br>Melissa Jacka<br>Leah Havord | ð | 02 9623 8333  |
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