

ST PAUL'S PRIMARY SCHOOL

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NEWSLETTER

TERM 3 WEEK 2

JULY 28 2016



PRINCIPAL'S PERSPECTIVE

Dear Members of St Paul's School Community

Today we celebrated the commencement of Term 3 with a beautiful opening Mass with Fr Tim in the Barbier Hall. After Mass the children were presented with a scapular of Our Blessed Lady of Mt Carmel, to remind them that Mary is our spiritual mother, who will love and help us, just as she did her Son, Jesus. Let us pray that our Mother Mary will wrap us in the mantle of her protection and always be with us.

WA Bishops' Religious Literacy Tests for Years 3 and 5

During the next two weeks, the Year 3 and 5 students will be participating in the annual WA Bishops' Religious Literacy tests, which provide a snapshot of student performance in RE. During these tests, the students' faith is not evaluated, rather their knowledge and understanding of the RE curriculum is assessed, using a combination of multiple choice, short and extended response items. This year the students will be completing the tests on line for the first time. They will have had an opportunity for a test run before the actual test. Year 5 will be tested on Thursday 4 August and Year 3 will be tested on Wednesday 10 August.

The Catholic Schools Performing Arts Festival

This Friday at 8.45am, Mr Nick Dabbs will be holding a special Music assembly to showcase the talents of St Paul's School Band and the Years 3/4 and 5/6 Choirs. Next Tuesday 2 August, St Paul's School Band will be performing at the Don Russell Performing Arts Centre in Thornlie (12.30-2.30), under the direction of Mr Nick Dabbs. We wish them well as they prepare to represent St Paul's at this event.

2017 Pre Kindy Enrolment Interviews

As mentioned previously, this term I will be carrying out the enrolment interviews for places in the 2017 Pre Kindy. Children who are turning three before the end of June next year are eligible to apply. If you know of any parents with young children interested in Pre-Kindy 2017, please encourage them to get their applications in as soon as possible.

Joanna Noonan
PRINCIPAL



OUR VISION STATEMENT

St Paul's Primary School is committed to Christ-centred education, inspired by the vision of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions and the teachings of St Paul, empowering us to seek the truth and grow in knowledge from darkness into the light of Christ.

REFLECTION

Prayer to Our Lady of Mount Carmel

*O beautiful flower
of Carmel,
most fruitful vine,
splendour of
heaven, holy and
singular,
who brought forth
the Son of God,
still ever
remaining a pure
virgin,
assist us in our
necessity!
O Star of the Sea,
help and protect
us!
Show us that you
are our Mother!
Our Lady of
Mount Carmel,
pray for us.
Amen*

REFLECTION

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PHOTOGRAPHS

Parents please note that First Communion proofs are now available in the office for your perusal. There are envelopes available for you to make your orders for photographs.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday 1 August	Prayer Assembly	8:45am	Year 6
Tuesday 2 August	Class Prayer	9.00am	Year 1
Thursday 4 August	Mass	9.15am	(Yr 4-6) Year 4

CONFIRMATION DETAILS

Please put these dates in your diary regarding Confirmation:

Confirmation Parent/Candidate Workshop: Thursday 28 July @ 6.30pm Barbier Hall

Confirmation Parent Meeting: Thursday 4 August @ 6.30pm St Paul’s Church

Confirmation Retreat: Tuesday 6 September @ St Paul’s Church (All Day)

Confirmation Mass: Friday 9 September @ 6.30pm St Paul’s Church

CONFIRMATION PARENT/CANDIDATE WORKSHOP

Tonight at 6.30pm in the Barbier hall, we have the Parent/Candidate Workshop for Confirmation. We expect all parents and their child receiving the sacrament to be present at this workshop. A reminder to hand in your enrolment form and pay the fee required for this sacrament, if you haven’t have already done so

The following **Thursday 4 August, at 6.30pm**, in the **St Paul’s Church**, there is a Confirmation Parent Meeting that **all parents are expected to attend**. Father Tim will be speaking at this meeting.

PARISH/SCHOOL MASS

On Sunday 7 August at 9.30am in St Paul’s Church, the Year 2 students will host our Parish School Mass. We invite all the St Paul’s community to join us for Mass and then stay for morning tea hosted by the Year 2 parents.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Our fundraising this term will be to support St Vincent de Paul’s Winter Appeal. This year on Monday 8 August we will be asking the children to come to school in their pyjamas and bring along a blanket or a gold coin donation for the St Vincent de Paul’s Winter Appeal. We look forward to seeing all the children at school in their pyjamas on that day. Thank you in anticipation.

Mac Callisto
ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL



JULY / AUGUST

Fri 28	Music Assembly Squash Tour
Mon 1	Prayer Assembly Yr 6
Tue 2	Class Prayer Yr1 Performing Arts–BAND @ Don Russell, Thomlie After School Sport
Wed 3	ICAS English
Thurs 4	Mass 9:15am Bishops Religious Literacy Test Confirmation Parent Meeting 6:30pm Church

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Happy birthday to the following students who celebrate their birthday this week :

Aiden Sack
John Chatzimichail



START SMART INCURSION

It's never too early to teach children the value of money! Research indicates that it is crucial to develop financial literacy skills from an early age. So on Monday 25 July our students in Year 1-6 participated in the Commonwealth Bank Start Smart Incursions. These sessions taught important financial literacy skills in a way that students could understand and enjoy. It was developed with a panel of leading specialists in primary education, cognitive development, instructional design and financial literacy. The students were engaged throughout and are now equipped with money management skills for life.

PERFORMING ARTS OPENING MASS

Last Friday July 22, two Year Six student leaders (Taylor Harris and Juliette Trestrail) accompanied Mr Yock to the annual Catholic Performing Arts Festival Opening Mass. The student leaders were involved in the entrance procession as flag bearers for St Paul's. We look forward to the next six weeks as a number of individual, group and class performances take place.

Jesse Yock
Assistant Principal



P & F NEWS

Hi everyone,

I hope you are enjoying the start of term.

The P&F met last Friday, 22 July 2016, and agreed the calendar of events for this term. Please mark the following dates and events in your diary:

- Friday, 19 August 2016 (time t.b.a.) - P & F meeting in the Barbier Hall (time t.b.a.)
- Wednesday, 31 August - Athletics Carnival lunch
- Friday, 2 September at 7:30am in the Barbier Hall - Father's Day Breakfast
- Friday, 16 September 2016 - P&F meeting in the Barbier Hall at 9am
- Thursday, 22 September (last day of Term 3) - School Disco

The Golden Ravioli fundraiser is coming soon, and Entertainment Books are still for sale. Please contact Clare Salfinger or your Class Representative if you would like to purchase a book. They are fantastic value.

We will be calling for volunteers to help with the provision of lunch at the Athletics Carnival. We would also be grateful if at least two families from each year group could provide some baked goods (such as cupcakes, biscuits, slices or scones) to sell at the Athletics Carnival. If you haven't been able to help with an event yet this year, this might be the one for you, and we would love to hear from you. Many thanks.

We would also LOVE to hear from anyone who is able to help with the Father's Day Breakfast on Friday, 2 September this year. All volunteers will be incredibly appreciated and rewarded with great coffee. We are looking for people to help set-up and prep the afternoon before, or to cook and serve from 6:30am (or whenever you can get to school) until 8am (or whenever you have to leave) on the day of the breakfast. Even if you can only spare half an hour for the Father's Day Breakfast, we would love to hear from you. Any help is greatly appreciated.

Juliet Bruining

LUNCH ORDER ROSTER

Friday 29 July	Heather Allingame
Monday 1 August	Clare Salfinger
Wednesday 3 August	Kelli Delaney

PARISH NEWS

ST PAUL'S PARISH ALTAR SERVER ROSTER 30 July & 31 July 2016

6pm Mass	8am Mass	9:30am Mass
A Munro	M Yozzi	P Parker
I Crean	M Crock	A Ramos
S Gregory		

HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES

Year 6 Geography Investigation – Where in the world do we come from?

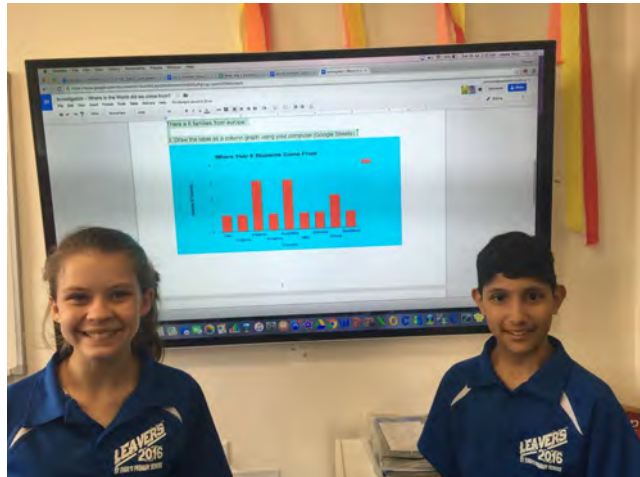
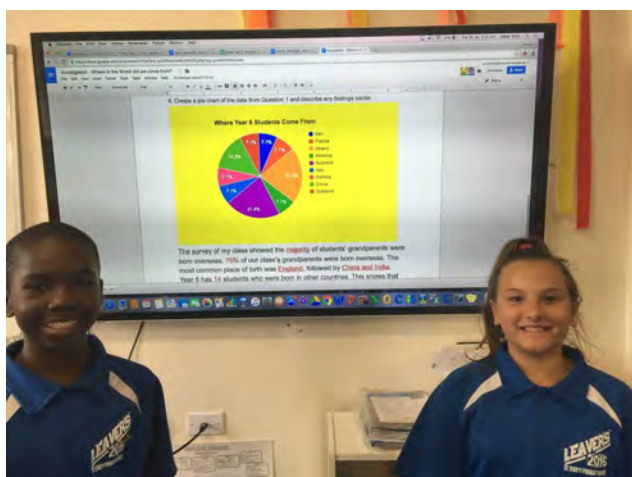
As part of a study on how students are connected to other places, students participated in investigating the connections of the class to other places through birth. Students were guided through an inquiry and were asked to:

- survey class members to find out where their grandparents were born ☑
- collate their findings in a table ☑
- construct a column graph and pie chart displaying their findings ☑
- summarise their findings. ☑

Our findings were as follows:

“The survey of my class showed the majority of students’ grandparents were born overseas. 78.6% of our class’ grandparents were born overseas. The most common places of birth were Ireland and Australia, followed by China. Year 6 has 11 grandparents who were born in other countries. This shows that Australia is a diverse country.”

(Juliette, Year 6 Student)



CLASS NEWS

KINDY

THEME: OLYMPIC GAMES CULTURES, COUNTRIES

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Look at how we are all different but the same as we explore the world around us.

ENGLISH

Writing: (Produces written symbols with the intention of conveying an idea or message)

Children will be provided opportunities to role-play writing. Children will continue to look at letter names and sounds.

READING

As we explore our theme, the children will hear stories told from other countries and also learn more about the culture of these countries.

They will also have an opportunity to share with their peers their adventure with Baxter the Bear as he visits their houses this term.

SPEAKING

Parents and family members will be invited in to share their culture with the children and participate in a cooking activity or craft activity linked to this.

They will use interaction skills such as listening while others speak and use appropriate voice levels, articulation and body language, gestures and eye contact.

NUMERACY

Read, trace and write whole numbers, make sets of objects and do simple addition sums. We will be working on the area of Measurement and use abstract material to measure.

SCIENCE

Earth's Place in Space (Linked to our theme-learning about our world) explore the countries of the world on the map and globe.

PRE PRIMARY

This term we are exploring AUSTRALIA. We will look at Australia as our country and different places that are in Australia, as well as Australian stories, plants and animals. Our theme will be enhanced with a visit from West Oz.

Story writing, new sounds and CVC words and taking home reading books are all part of our Literacy program for this term.

This term we will commence news telling with our news bags. Oscar and Rufus will still have fun going to different places on the weekend.

After this theme we will look at Spring and insects. We are hoping to hatch chicks and have some insects visit our classroom.

Measuring, number, oral addition and subtraction, counting and recognising numbers to 20, are all part of our Numeracy program.

In Religious Education we are exploring prayer through the Religious Units "I can talk to God" and "Celebrate" which introduces Pre Primary to Eucharist. We will read stories from the Bible to show this.

We will participate in our FIRST SPORTS CARNIVAL. We can't wait!

All in all, it is going to be a "jam packed" term. You can see our beautiful work when you visit for our learning journey at the end of this term.

CLASS NEWS

YEAR 1

Thank you for your warm welcome to St Paul's. We have had a busy yet smooth start to term three.

This semester's focus in Geography and Integrated Studies will be weather and seasons. We will be looking at the seasons and climate, while collecting and recording data and information.

In literacy, we will focus on complex sentences by including different types of punctuation and experimenting with adjectives and verbs in our writing. Our Maths focus will be skip counting, place value and money. In religion we will be focusing on how special we are and how blessed we are to belong to God's family. We will continue to focus on prayer in different forms. We look forward to you all joining us in our class prayer on Tuesday 2nd August at 9am in the classroom.

YEAR 2

After the lovely break, the children are cracking on with their learning already, with lots of exciting activities. We are really looking forward to starting on our theme which is..... SUPERHEROES!! Be sure to expect to see some SUPER AWESOME Writing and Art pieces based on our theme around our classroom.

As you are probably aware, we have been counting all of the days we have been at school since the beginning of the school year and we are very close to 100 days!!!! This means that we get to have a very special 100th day celebration at school!

During this term we will be studying Geography. Our first major focus is on the world map and identifying oceans, continents and many more! In T&E, we are looking forward to creating an escape car for a superhero!!!! VROOOOM VROOOOM!

Learning journeys will also occur towards the end of this term and the children will proudly show off all of their hard work to you.

I hope we all have a wonderful term together! Let's make it EPIC!!!

YEAR 3

Getting back into the classroom routine was super easy this term. The students have demonstrated epic organisational skills and great responsibility towards their own learning, which was fantastic to see.

We are about to kick start our Geography unit on Australia's states and territories, as well as the language groups of Australia's Aboriginal and Islander Peoples. We will learn how to locate information from a variety of resources, conduct researches and record information and finally present our findings to our classmates. In English we will be learning how to write informational reports, which will be tied nicely into our geography topic. Our focus in Maths will be on 3D shapes, capacity, and adding and subtracting sums with regrouping. In Religion, we are currently learning about ordinary and moral choices leading into the unit focusing on the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Learning Journeys are coming up at the end of this term and we just cannot wait to showcase all of the learning that we have done this term and much more!

CLASS NEWS

YEAR 4

In Year Four the students have already started on several themes of work.

In Geography, they will be learning about the continents of Europe and Africa. They will be doing an assignment comparing and contrasting parts of the two continents. This will involve researching, note taking and preparing a poster to show their findings.

In Science, the students will be learning about ecology and world biomes. They will be doing an assignment with the main focus on how the animals, plants and environment interact and influence each other.

In Religion, the class will be covering the two units. 'God Knows Everything' emphasises the learning gifts we have been given by God. 'The Spirit That Strengthens' is all about the Holy Spirit and how the Church has been assisted by it through the ages.

The Year Four class has started to learn coding and will continue throughout the term.

They will also be learning about the Olympics. The main focus is on the sports, the history of the Olympics and the ideals for which the games stand.

The students will be preparing speech in a style known as Pecha Kucha on a topic of their choice using a program called Genius Hour.

In Maths, the focus is on patterns & algebra as well as mapping and graphing.

YEAR 5

The Year 5 students have an exciting and busy term ahead with activities such as TOMs, ICAS testing, Athletics, Performing Arts Festival, Masses and Assembly. This term we welcome Miss Monica Gilhooley from Notre Dame University to Year 5.

During Week 3, the students will participate in the Bishops' Religious Literacy Test. Students will explore the Sacraments of Confirmation and Prayer in Religious Education. In writing, students will examine features of informational texts, poetry and newspapers. We continue to build our reading gym by extending the programme to include both Year 5 and 6 students. In Mathematics, the students will continue with our Maths Pathways trial program. They will be engaged in maths rich tasks, small group teacher instruction, online learning, testing and conferences. There will be a class focus on algebra, financial mathematics and volume & capacity.

S&E will see the students complete their Australian history unit and commence learning about Geography. Students will use Google Maps to explore the location of the major countries in Europe and North America and the influence of people of the environmental characteristics of places. In Health we are working on developing our organisational skills and being a good friend.

YEAR 6

What an action packed term we have in store for those of us lucky enough to be in Year 6! We begin preparations for the Sacrament of Confirmation, with our Mass being held in Week 8. Our 'Tournament of Minds' and 'ROBO CUP' participants are well into their training and looking forward to their competitions. Year 6 will also be entering the Performing Arts Festival this term with a choral speech piece entitled 'Dear Friends', by Roald Dahl in Week 6. We are looking forward to the extending our work with Robotics and Coding, as well as our Learning Journey evening.

In literacy our focus turns towards persuasive texts and inferential and evaluative comprehension. Numeracy this term will have a specific focus on money and financial mathematics, patterns and algebra, length, area and interpreting timetables. A Money Smart unit of work will be completed where students participate in individual and team challenges to further their understanding about financial literacy. Religion units of work include, "Empowered by the Spirit" and "Guided Through Prayer". In our Geography sessions we will look at cultural diversity and the different factors that make up Australia's relationship with its neighbours.

Catholic Performing Arts Festival 2016

Dear Parents

Over the next few weeks students from Year 3 – 6 will be involved in the Catholic Performing Arts Festival. All signed permission notes by now should have been returned to school.

The performances are as follows:

Group	Location	Date	Performance Times
School Band	Don Russell PA Centre Thornlie	Tuesday, 2 nd August	10:45 – 11:45
St Paul's Chorale	St Benedict's Church Applecross	Tuesday, 9 th August	10:00 – 11:00
Years 3/4 & 5/6 Choirs	Vasto Club, Balcatta	Thursday, 18 th August	9:30 – 10:45 (Students must be at school at 8:30 as bus-departs at 8:40am)
Year 6 Choral Speech	Wellington Room, Morley Recreation Centre	Monday, 22 nd August	12:45 – 14:00

As previously advised, photographs may also be taken of performances/performers for publicity purposes related to the Festival that may include articles in the official magazine of the Catholic Education Office, Community Newspapers and the Catholic Arts website. If you do not want your son's/daughter's image used, please contact Mrs Flexman or Mrs Quinn immediately.

Please note that the **FULL SCHOOL UNIFORM (including jumper, red ribbons, grey tights for girls and 'polished' shoes)** must be worn for all events.

Parents are welcome to attend the performances. Please note the following charges.

VENUE ADMISSION CHARGES (all prices are GST inclusive)

Day Admission

- Adults \$4.00 Children school age, not performing \$3.00 Children, under school age, no charge

Evening Admission (Concert Bands/Orchestra, Big Band, Jazz Combo, Contemporary Band)

- Adults \$6.00 Children school age, not performing \$3.00 Children, under school age, no charge

Evening Admission (Secondary Choral, Secondary Drama & Mime)

- Adults \$5.00 Children school age, not performing \$3.00 Children, under school age, no charge

Season Passes (available at venues) Covers entry to all venues except Perth Convention Exhibition Centre and Perth Concert Hall

- \$12 per person: \$25 per family

Admission to Church Venues

- Donation

Perth Convention Exhibition Centre

- Adults \$22 Students \$18

Bookings (General Public) through Ticketek from Mon 25th July ph 132 849 (toll free number) or online www.ticketek.com.au

Festival Concert : Monday, 12th September at 7.00pm : Perth Concert Hall, St George's Terrace Perth

- Adults \$22 Children/Concessions \$18 *Bookings through Ticketmaster from Mon 1 August ph 136 100 or online www.ticketmaster.com.au*



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St Paul's Term 3 2016
New Tennis Hot Shots
Tuesday 26 July 3.15pm
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St Paul's Primary School Parent Calendar

Term Three 2016

Mission Focus – ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

Wk	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat/ Sun
1 JULY	18 Pupil Free Day Staff PD	19 Students commence Prayer Assembly - Yr 2 No Class Prayer	20 Catholic Performing Arts Festival commences	21	22 Performing Arts Festival Opening Mass P & F Meeting 9am	23/24
2	25 Prayer Assembly - Yr 1	26 Class Prayer 9:00 Yr 4 After School Sports Board Meeting 6:30pm	27 Maths Olympiad Testing Jump Rope	28 Whole School Opening Mass / Scapular 9.15am (PP- Y6) Yr 5 Parent / Candidate Confirma- tion Workshop 6:30pm Barbier Hall AMT Testing - Extension	29 Assembly – Music	31/31
3 AUG	1 Prayer Assembly - Yr 6	2 Class Prayer 9:00 Yr 1 Performing Arts – School Band 12:30-2:30 @ Don Russell, Thornlie After School Sports	3 ICAS English	4 Bishops Religious Literacy Assessment (BRLA) Y5 Mass 9:15am (Y4-6) Yr 4 St John Vianney Confirmation Parent Meeting 6:30pm (Church)	5 Bishops Religious Literacy Assessment (BRLA) Y5 Catch Up ROBO CUP Competition	6/7 Parish/School Mass 9.30am Yr 2
4	8 Mary MacKillop Prayer Assembly - Yr 5	9 No Class Prayer Constable Care Incursion K-6 Performing Arts – Liturgical Chorale 10:00-11:00 @ St Benedict's Church, Ap- plecross After School Sports	10 Bishops Religious Literacy Assessment (BRLA) Y3	11 St Clare Mass 9:15am (Y4-6) Yr 6	12 Bishops Religious Literacy Assessment (BRLA) Y3 Catch Up Assembly – Year 6	13/14
5	15 OUR LADY'S ASSUMP- TION Mass 9.15am (Yr 3-6) Yr 5 No Prayer Assembly	16 Class Prayer 9:00 Yr 6 ICAS MATHS After School Sports	17 Maths Olympiad Testing	18 No Mass Performing Arts -Yr 3 /4 & Yr 5/6 Choirs 9:30-10:45 Vasto Club, Balcatta	19 P & F Meeting 9am Squash Tour Yr 6	20/21
6	22 BOOK WEEK Prayer Assembly - Yr 4 Performing Arts – Y6 Choral Speech 12:45-2:00 @ Morley Rec Centre	23 BOOK WEEK Write a Book in a Day compe- tition Class Prayer 9:00 Yr 5 After School Sports Board Meeting 6:30pm	24 BOOK WEEK Book Week Parade	25 BOOK WEEK Mass 9:15am (Y4-6) Yr 4 St Louis	26 BOOK WEEK Assembly – Tournament of Minds	27/28 Parish/School Mass 9.30am Yr 1 TOM Regional Final ECU Joondalup
7 SEPT	29 Prayer Assembly - Yr 3	30 Class Prayer 9:00 Yr PP After School Sports	31 School Athletics Carnival PP- Y6 Inglewood Oval	1 Mass 9:15am (Y4-6) Yr 6	2 Fathers' Day Breakfast & Liturgy Yr 5 Pre-Kindy Father's Day Morning Catholic Performing Arts Festival concludes	3/4 Fathers' Day
8	5 Prayer Assembly - Yr 2	6 Confirmation Retreat No Class Prayer Communal Reconciliation (Y4 -6) After School Sports	7 Maths Olympiad Testing	8 Staff Prayer No Mass Year 3 parent 1:1 Macbook Information Evening 6:30pm Barbier Hall	9 Assembly – Year 5 CONFIRMATION MASS 6:30pm	10/11
9	12 Prayer Assembly - Yr 1 Catholic Performing Arts Festival Concert	13 Class Prayer 9:00 Yr 3 After School Sports	14 Learning Journeys 3:30-5:30pm (PP-Y6)	15 Exultation of the Holy Cross Mass 9:15am (Y4-6) Yr 4	16 Interschool Games Day East P & F Meeting 9am Golden Ravioli Pick up	17/18
10	19 Prayer Assembly - Yr 5 Interschool Athletics Carnival	20 Class Prayer 9:00 Yr 2 Board Meeting 6:30pm	21	22 Last day of Term End of Term Whole School Mass 9:15am (PP-Y6) Yr 6 St Matthew P&F Disco	23 PUPIL FREE DAY Staff PD	24/25