TIME

Time is one of our society's most precious commodities. There just doesn't seem to be enough of it. We cram as much as we can into our days. We spend time working in one way or another because jobs don't do themselves and bills don't pay themselves. There is just too much to do! And then daylight savings began! We lost that hour. How did that impact on you? Are you still struggling to get up on time and having difficulty getting to sleep at an appropriate hour at night? All because of that 'missing hour'?

Time... It is so precious!
And so often we fill our days with so much activity so that somewhere we can spend quality time with loved ones. And time spent doing the things we like or just being with loved ones is a real joy. So we capture those moments on camera or video so we remember that time...

Time...

This term concludes with the amazing celebration of Christmas, a time when God entered humanity, leading him on a path that rescued us from consequences that we could not escape from on our own. Such was the extreme length that he went to in proving his love and commitment to us.
The bible is filled with his thoughts about us and his desire to be with us in all circumstances. He just wants us to know.

He created time for us to spend with him.
And so I encourage you just to have a little 'time out' with him. Here are just a few thoughts of his thoughts about us:
I know you so well~ Psalm 139:1-18
I will never leave you~ Hebrews 13:5b
I am close to you when you feel down and discouraged Psalm 34:18
You are close to my heart~ Isaiah 40:11
I pray that this final term for 2015 will be a blessing to you and your family and that you will come to know a little (or a lot) more of God's great love for you.

Georgie Schuster
Welcome Back
The school term has commenced under bright blue skies, which always puts a ‘spring’ (pardon the pun) into one’s life. We warmly welcome the Jaeschke and Price Family; Paul, Ashleigh, Trudy, Taylah, Jemma and Riley to our school community this term.

Welcome back to Mr Kym Mickan and Mrs Joyleen Mead from long service leave. Mrs Jan Daly will be taking long service leave during Term 4. All Learning Support enquiries can be directed to Miss Cheryl Ziegeler.

Over the holidays, considerable progress has been made with the building program. The school looks forward to all works being completed by Christmas. Keep praying!

Class Allocations 2016
In the coming weeks the school will begin working on the allocation of students to specific class groups for 2016. As parents, you are invited to place in writing and forward directly to me, any specific educational needs your child(ren) has, that the school may not already be aware of. Any new information may be very useful in assisting teachers in the formation of class groups for 2016. In doing so, I sincerely ask you to respect and trust the expertise of the school staff in allocating students for 2016 classes. Please refrain from requesting a specific class teacher for your child(ren). All communication on this matter is to be forwarded to me prior to Friday 30 October.

God’s blessings!
Andrew Messenger
Principal

FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Pupil Free Day on Monday
Monday saw our teachers working intensively with our Director of Learning, Jason Fay, on some innovative planning methods. At the same time, we prepared to move into our new administration area. It is nearly there and looks great! We trust you are ready for an action-packed term with camps, swimming, Christmas concerts and plenty of learning culminating in our end of year service and graduation of our senior students. Welcome back!

St Paul Senior Concert
Once again a huge ‘congratulations’ to all students and teachers involved in the Senior Concert, staged at the end of last term. This was a fantastic spectacle of music, dance, drama and comedy. Photos are now available on CD for a cost of $6 from the school office and uniform shop. Alternatively, you can leave a USB with your child’s name and class with office staff and we will transfer the photos free of charge. A professionally filmed and edited DVD will be available in coming weeks at a cost of $20. Samples of both pieces of
memorabilia can be viewed in the Creative Space during the morning school drop-off and at recess and lunch times for students.

**Summer Uniform**
With some beautiful sunny weather for the commencement of Term 4, please remember that students need to wear summer uniform each day. In addition, all children are required to wear hats when involved in outdoor activities. In other words, ‘no hat = no play’. Our Uniform and SunSmart Policies are available for viewing at: http://stpaulba.sa.edu.au/about/policies/.

**Picnic in the Park - Saturday 7 November**
Flyers for this great event organised by the Parents and Friends Team are coming home with students today. At a cost of just $5 PER FAMILY for a great evening of entertainment, this is definitely value for money. Please return your reply slip via the office along with your $7 payment by 1 November at the latest to help the team prepare. See you there!

**Junior Primary Playground**
Parents of young children, please note that our junior primary playground is designed for primary-school aged children. In addition, SPLASH uses this playground before and after school and it is therefore supervised accordingly. We ask that students who are not signed into before or after school care or children younger than school age do not use the junior primary playground. Age-appropriate equipment is available for all to use on Barton Reserve. Thanks for your help in keeping everybody in our community safe!

Leila Mattner
Assistant Principal

**LEARNING CORNER**

**Learning Program 2016**
On Tuesday 27 October at 7pm in the Creative Space, information about the future of the St Paul learning program will be shared and discussed with interested members of the school community. This night follows on from an evening held in the hall last year regarding the next generation of learners arriving in schools. Teachers have spent considerable time in professional development and learning in the past two years about ‘21st Century Education’. In particular, we have considered how students and even learning itself has changed. We would like to share this journey and outline how this will continue in 2016 and beyond. We look forward to seeing you there.

Jason Fay
Director of Learning

**FROM THE LIBRARY**
Welcome back to Term 4! Last Term during Book Week we had a visit from the talented author and artist Emily Doan. Her visit was a great success and the students really engaged with her colourful, imaginative book. We have copies of her book ‘Who are you?’ available to purchase from the office for $15.00 (cash only). If you
like to support local, young authors this would make a great addition to your home library or a gift for primary school age children (dare I mention Christmas?!).

The warmer weather is a great time to get outside and read – grab a book and a rug and find a tree!

Wendy McLeod
Library Resource Manager

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

New brochures have been sent home today. Orders are due by Tuesday 27 October. Please put orders in a NAMED envelope to the office and check that all information on credit slips/cheques/order forms is correctly recorded. Thank you.

Robyn Mader
Business Manager

COMMUNITY CHAPLAIN NEWS

Toolbox Parenting Group - The Middle Years
Building a great family team and have fun on the way! The Toolbox Group - Middle Years will be held on Monday mornings from Monday 19 October to Monday 23 November at 9:15 am to 11:30 am at Salisbury Lutheran Church, 10 Waterloo Corner Road, Salisbury. Cost is $40 per participant or $50 per couple, including a manual and morning tea. Contact 8281 2976 for details and registration or email café@slc.lca.org.au.

Making the Most of Life with 5 to 12 Year Olds
A half day course for parents, grandparents and carers. Covering a variety of topics that include understanding children as they grow; discovering the best ways of managing behaviour; talking with your child; sibling rivalry and cyber safety.

Cost: Free (sponsored by the Tea Tree Gully Library)
When: Saturday 24 October
Time: 10:30am to 2.30pm
Where: City of Tea Tree Gully Library, Civic Centre
571 Montague Road Modbury SA 5092
Register: library@cttg.sa.gov.au

Felicity Tamasi
Community Carer

TERM 4 SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

Parents are reminded that term accounts are due and payable in full by the end of week one unless a prior arrangement has been made. Please make contact with me urgently if you are experiencing difficulty in meeting your obligations.

Robyn Mader
Business Manager
Picnic in the Park

A family fun night for the community of St Paul Lutheran School

Saturday 7th November from 5pm – 8pm
$7 per family
The Park - Barton Street, Blair Athol

Bring your own picnic! Pack a rug, dinner and drinks. Please note that as this is a family friendly event there is to be NO alcohol.

Tickets to this event must be purchased prior to 1st November from the school office.

Picnic Information

- **BYO** food and drinks. You are responsible for bringing all picnic items (chairs, rugs, dinner, eskys etc). As mentioned above please refrain from bringing alcohol.

- **Only** ice-blocks will be available to purchase.

- This year’s entertainment will include a large inflatable slide and a Side Show Alley (all children will win a prize). The cost of these activities are included in your ticket price.

- Activities that will be available at an additional cost include:
  - Face Painting - $2.50
  - Crazy Hair - $2.50
  - Guess the Jar - $1
  - Name the Teddy - $1

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YES, our family will be attending the St Paul Picnic in the Park

Family Name: ____________________ Name of Eldest Child: _________

Eldest child’s Class:__________ No. of adults:_______ No. of children:_______

Please return with payment of $7 to the school office by 1st November 2014
SHED MEN

Shed Men Marina Adelaide Fishing & Seafood Night
Please place this date in your diary - The Shed Men Fishing and Seafood night will be held on Friday 6 November from 6:30 pm at Marina Adelaide, 1-25 George Robertson Drive, Largs North. There is a cost of $30 per head to be paid by Friday 30 October to the school office. Further details to follow. This will be a fantastic night and we look forward to seeing you all there.

Shed Men Committee

PARENTS AND FRIENDS TEAM NEWS

Chocolates
All chocolate money is due to be returned to the office by this Friday, 16 October. If anyone is able to sell more chocolates at their workplaces, we still have more boxes to sell. Please see office staff.

Parents and Friends Team

CHURCH NEWS

7 SPY - Sleepover
You’ve been asking about it since the start of the year and now it’s finally here! 7 SPY is having a sleepover this Friday 16 October from 7 pm to 8 am Saturday. Please bring sleeping bag, mattress and all required items for a sleepover. Please place your name on the list provided in the school office. All participants must be child safe compliant. Cost will be $5.00 which includes breakfast. All boys are required to complete a permission form as they will be involved in an event during that evening off the church premises. This form can be collected from the school office. For further information please contact Renate Burls on 8260 5758.

St Paul Lutheran Church

COMMUNITY NEWS

Come ‘n Try – first session free
Finishing swim school lessons? Love to swim?
Join us for transition into club swimming at Payneham Swimming Club

New members welcome for the summer season commencing mid-October 2015
Swim for fun, fitness, competition in a family friendly environment
For more information 0427 525 148
www.payneham.swimming.org.au