



PERSEVERANCE

'Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us...'
Hebrews 12:2 (ESV)

A couple of weeks ago I had the pleasure of watching the students in my class tackle a range of aquatic activities while on camp. From knee-boarding to kayaking, sailing to sit-ons, it was wonderful to watch them all step up to challenges they were faced with and try new things, especially as many had to step out of their comfort zones and persevere with difficult or scary tasks. To see looks of anxiety turn to beaming smiles of triumph is truly a blessing for a teacher. These successes were not only possible because of a commitment to try something new but also because of enduring and persevering attitude to keep on trying.

When the pressure is on, when we feel under the pump or are in a situation that makes us fearful or uncomfortable, it is easy to throw the towel in and simply give up. As Christians though, nothing is more important than perseverance and endurance as faith gets us started but it is often perseverance that keeps us going. In Hebrews 12 it says 'Let us run with endurance the race that is set before us...'. It can be quite easy to pray a prayer or confess our faith, but to keep on following Christ, even when the pressure is on and we are challenged or experience trials, that takes perseverance.

As another school year draws to a close and we farewell another group of students, it is important for us all to remember that we don't know what the future holds for us. What we do know is that God's love endures and so, just as the Senior students did on camp, we should push ourselves to start each new day and face each new challenge with faith in God and a commitment to persevere.

Bec Mattner

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Coming Events

Thur 5 Nov

- LLL Banking
- Class Carer Dinner

Fri 6 Nov

- Assembly hosted by Miss Denko's Class
- Shed Men

Sat 7 Nov

- Picnic in the Park

Mon 9 Nov - Fri 13 Nov

- PE Week

Tue 10 Nov

- School Council Meeting

Wed 11 Nov

- Chapel Service
- Volunteers Morning Tea
- Remembrance Day Service for Seniors

Thur 12 Nov

- LLL Banking
- Reception Transition Morning I
- Years 4/5 to Endeavour

Fri 13 Nov

- Assembly hosted by Miss Karczewski's Class

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FROM THE ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL

Picnic in the Park this Saturday!

The Parents and Friends Team have been hard at work preparing for the picnic this Saturday. At a cost of just \$7 PER FAMILY for a great evening of entertainment, this is definitely value for money. If you have not yet returned your form and would like to attend, please call the office to let them know (for numbers) and purchase your ticket at the picnic. See you there!

Swimming Lessons

Swimming forms for all students from Reception to Year 5 were sent home this week. Please remember to read carefully and return both the St Paul excursion consent form and the DECD swimming consent form. Your child's classroom teacher may also give specific details about requirements for swimming lessons so please check communication carefully and remember that your child will need his/her bathers and towel in Week 6 for Years 3, 4 and 5, and in Week 7 for Reception, Year 1 and Year 2.

Volunteers Morning Tea

We would like to acknowledge the outstanding effort of our parent and caregiver volunteers at a morning tea to be held on Wednesday 11 November at 9:30am. We have many volunteers assisting in varied areas of school life from sport coaching to reading, helping in the canteen, classroom excursions and much more. Many of our extra-curricular activities would not exist without volunteer helpers such as you. If you have helped out in the school in any way this year, we would love to see you there. Please RSVP by phoning the school office on 8260 2655.

iPad Information Session for Year 3 in 2016

Students currently in Year 2 will receive iPads in 2016 as our Year 3 cohort. We have scheduled an important information session for Wednesday 25 November at 7pm. As there are some new initiatives, this will be compulsory for at least one parent of each student moving into Year 3. All Year 2 students will bring home invitations today.

Concert DVDs and Photographs

Film of last term's Junior Concert are available for purchase from the school office and Uniform Shop. The professionally filmed and edited DVD is priced at \$20. Photographs are also available on CD for \$5. 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.

End of Year Service

Save the date! Our End-of-Year Service, including the Year Six and Seven Graduation, takes place at 7 pm, Wednesday 9 December at Endeavour College, Mawson Lakes. More information regarding this will be shared closer to the end of the term.

Leila Mattner
Assistant Principal

LENS Athletics



ENDEAVOUR ART VISIT

On Tuesday 20 October students from Endeavour visited St Paul Lutheran School to participate in an art activity with the students in Year 4/5. Students were required to use charcoal and ink to create an art piece inspired by this years Book Week theme, 'Books light up our World'. It was a wonderful, messy afternoon and it was great to see all students enjoy creating the artwork and interacting with the students from Endeavour. To celebrate our artwork students will be visiting Endeavour in Week 5 to see their artwork on display.



Below are some comments from the day:

'I thought it was really enjoyable because I love art. We used charcoal and ink which made our fingers dirty but it was lots of fun.' Amy Tran

'It was a really good activity and it was good to see my finished product. I was very happy with it.' Gabriel Prenzler

'I like that the art activity related to the book week theme, 'Books light up our world'.' Laura Wildman

Jess Denko
Year 4/5 Classroom Teacher



PHYSICAL EDUCATION WEEK

Next week, 9 to 13 November, is the 31st annual Physical Education Week in South Australian schools. PE Week endeavours to highlight the importance of Health and PE to the learning and development of children.

Our students will have the opportunity to celebrate PE Week - this year's theme is 'Living Actively' - by participating in various activities listed below:

- Monday: Apple Healthy-eating House Competition launch.
- Tuesday: Whole-school Aerobic Health Hustles. Senior 6 & 7s to lead.
- Wednesday (Remembrance Day): Skipping classes - lunch time with Senior students.
- Thursday: Continuous Circular Cricket - Staff & Seniors - lunch time on the Park. (Final day for Apple Awards for students making healthy choices for their 'Healthy House').
- Friday: Healthy House Awards and Sports Presentations at Miss K's Year 4/5 Assembly; St Paul Table-tennis Championships for Years 4-7 (ongoing).

A reminder that the canteen provides many healthy lunch options for students and staff. Mrs Semmler's delicious, nutritious frozen pineapple rings (60c) and orange wedges (30c) will be on sale at lunch time commencing next Monday and continuing through to Week 8.

Parent/caregivers please note: All students (unless otherwise notified) are required to wear Sports Uniform from Tuesday onwards next week.

Kym Mickan
Sports Coordinator

CONNECTED SCHOOLS ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

Last Wednesday at the Enfield Little Athletics Club, Clearview, 51 of St Paul's gifted athletes took centre stage in the annual carnival involving Good Shepherd, Golden Grove and St Paul Lutheran.

Conditions were pretty warm and so was the competition! Many athletes from all three schools demonstrated, not only considerable natural talent, but also courage, determination and persistence.

Several people were asked to reflect on their experiences:

Levi: *'It was my first time at LENS and it was great fun. The 200 metres was my best effort - I came first.'*

Olivia: *'I thought our athletes tried really hard. There were lots of personal-best efforts and everyone supported each other well.'*

Special thanks to Mr Brokate for assisting with setting up and packing up, Mrs Mattner for scoring, Mrs Scholz and Mrs Duncan for their long spell at the barbecue, Miss Mattner - our chief photographer and team manager, Cameron Trautwein for starting duties and Mr Messenger for opening the carnival.

Kalani and Miss Mattner reflected on the final result: *'In a way, it's good that someone else won. The drought has now broken for Good Shepherd - a bit like West Adelaide this year in the SANFL, theirs lasted for 32 years!'*

Kym Mickan
Sports Coordinator

SHED MEN

Shed Men Marina Adelaide Fishing & Seafood Night

The Shed Men Fishing and Seafood night is being held this Friday 6 November from 6:30 pm at Marina Adelaide, 1-25 George Robertson Drive, Largs North. This will be a fantastic night and we look forward to seeing you all there.

Shed Men Committee



YEAR TWO NETBALL IN 2016

If you currently have a child in Year 1 who is interested in playing netball in 2016, please register your name at the front office in the next two weeks.

If there are sufficient children interested, there is the possibility of after-school training sessions during Terms 1 and 2, in order to help prepare the team for their competitive games in Terms 3 and 4.

The main focus areas would be basic ball-handling skills and game organisation including positions.

Please be aware that these sessions can only happen if we get volunteer help from parents to coach and run them. If you are in a position to assist in any way, please contact either myself or Ann Belcher as soon as possible.

Kym Mickan
Sports Coordinator

LUTHERAN HOMES INCORPORATED

LHI, the largest Lutheran aged care provider in South Australia, is recruiting volunteer board members. Professional experience in the areas of finance, aged care, health, community services or property development would be well regarded, as would being (although not essential) a member of the Lutheran Church of Australia. Further information including a position description can be found on our website www.lhi.org.au under careers.

Colleen Fitzpatrick
Deputy Chairperson, LHI Board

CHURCH NEWS

7 SPY

Come along to 7 SPY this Friday 6 November and meet our guest speaker then stay for a fun night of games and worship. Boys please bring supper. Any questions, call or text Andrew Joppich on 0488 400 370.

St Paul Lutheran Church

SPORTS RESULTS

Netball

Diamonds

The Diamonds have had a good start to their final term of netball at St Paul. Unfortunately we went down to OLOH Gold in Round 1 (26-12) but bounced back the following week winning (25 -2) against Tyndale Lightning. Last Friday night the girls continued their success defeating Tyndale Stars (32-24). The girls are playing well as a team and working hard on what we have been focusing on at practice!



Cricket

Navy

St Paul Navy Junior Cricket Team vs Good Shepherd. We had our best performance in the field taking 11 wickets and scoring an impressive 86 runs for the loss of just 2. A stand out game from Jordan Jenkin taking 2 catches and an outstanding run out with a direct hit from the field. Some big hitting from Ryan Schwarz and Jaden Tape McGlashan both hitting sixes helped our scoring. A big thank you to Levi Heath for filling in and nearly taking a hat trick in his first over and for the two Good Shepherd boys who evened out the numbers playing for us. A great team effort.

Senior

St Paul (67) was defeated by Prospect (86). Not much separated the two teams for this game. Prospect were more consistent with their batting, however, St Paul performed well with the ball and in the field with many good fielding efforts resulting in run outs. The stumps went down with some good direct hits!



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