Continually Surrounded

“The LORD’s unfailing love surrounds the man who trusts in him. Rejoice in the LORD and be glad, you righteous; sing, all you who are upright in heart!” Psalm 32:10-11

God controls and allows every detail of our lives. Nothing happens without His knowledge and approval.

Every day, little changes in schedule or small irritations occur. Every day, we can choose to let these obstacles upset us, or we can rest in the knowledge that God lovingly ordained them as small irritants to help us look to and rely on Him. For example, we can grumble about the frustrating traffic jam that is keeping us from getting somewhere on time, or we can remember that God knows about our deadlines and view the time sitting in traffic as an opportunity to pray. We can complain, or we can rejoice.

May we allow the knowledge that we are continually surrounded by God’s unfailing love to permeate our lives and chase away our complaints and fears.

Sourced from Christian Perspective: Short inspirational Devotionals

Submitted by |Gretchen Byrne

Upcoming Events

FRI 3 JUN
• Assembly hosted by Mrs Folland’s Class
• Shed Men

SAT 4 JUN
• School Disco

MON 6 JUN
• Tri-Skills Gymnastics

TUE 7 JUN
• Principal’s Tour
• SciWorld Workshops for Senior Class

WED 8 JUN
• Chapel Service
• Seniors to Endeavour ‘Mekanikha’ Production

THUR 9 JUN
• SAPSASA State Cross Country
• Parents and Friends Meeting

MON 13 JUN
• Queen’s Birthday Public Holiday

TUE 14 JUN
• School Council Meeting

WED 15 JUN
• Official School Photos
• Afternoon Chapel Service

FRI 17 JUN
• Assembly hosted by Mr Mayer’s Class

MON 20 JUN
• School Reports sent home
From the Acting Principal

CHURCH INITIATIVE: SCHOOL MINISTRY WORKER
As well as sharing a building, St Paul Lutheran School and St Paul Lutheran Church collaborate to share spiritual support and physical resources daily. Recently, Pastor Greg and the Church Leadership Council secured a grant from the Lutheran Church of Australia to employ a School Ministry Worker. The position is aimed at building relationships between the church congregation and the school community, will support the Christ-centred culture of the school and will complement Felicity Tamasi’s Community Chaplain role in the school. More details will follow in the coming months as we work together to establish this role. We are indeed blessed to have the support of St Paul Lutheran Church in sharing Christ’s love to our community.

STAFFING NEWS
For the remainder of this term, Miss Bec Mattner will be taking on an administrative role on Mondays and Fridays, with Miss Amy Grant stepping into Year 6 with Miss Tania Burgan on those days. Thank you to Bec for the assistance she has provided already and will continue to provide in this area.

WINTER UNIFORM THANK YOU
In moving around the school and in conversation with other staff members, it has been pleasing to see our students wearing their winter uniforms very well. Thank you to all families for your assistance in the fabulous presentation of our students.

With official school photo day approaching, I am confident that all students will be ready and looking their best!

Leila Mattner | Acting Principal

From the Director of Learning

SCHOOL REPORTS AND PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS
Progress Reports for all students in Years 1-6 will be sent home on Monday 20 June. This is the first time that these Progress Reports are being used and are based on the new End-of-Year Report format that was used in Term 4 of last year. Reception students do not receive a mid-year report but do receive and End-of-Year Report. Parent Interviews for students in Years 1-6 take place over 4 nights in Weeks 9 and 10, on 27 and 29 June and 5 and 7 July. Times can be booked from the beginning of Week 8 after reports have been sent home. Reception families will also have extended parent-teacher conferences beginning in Week 7. Information regarding these times will be sent home by the Reception teachers shortly.

CONNECTED SCHOOLS ENRICHMENT PROGRAM
Last week, five Year 5 and 6 St Paul students attended the Creative Writing workshop hosted by Endeavour College. They were joined by students from Good Shepherd Lutheran School, Golden Grove Lutheran Primary and Endeavour College and participated in a collaborative story writing exercise. More information and photos from this day can be found at http://www.connectedschools.com.au/about/.

OLIPHANT SCIENCE AWARDS
The Oliphant Science Awards are now open for nominations. All nominations must be in prior to 23 June. The Oliphant Science Awards are an opportunity for students from Reception to Year 6 to develop their interests in science through a competition with a range of categories to suit a wide variety of abilities and interests. If students are interested in registering they need to speak to Miss Bec Mattner.

More information about the awards can be found at http://www.oliphantscienceawards.com.au/.

Jason Fay | Director of Learning
General News

OFFICIAL SCHOOL PHOTOS – 15 JUNE
Notices for official school photos were sent home to parents last week, and photographs will be taken on Wednesday 15 June. All students are required to wear official winter uniform on this day. Please ask at the school office if you have not received information about ordering your photographs.

We will be undertaking uniform checks in the coming weeks. This is to ensure all students have the correct 'school issue' uniform ready for the photo shoot!

All uniform items available from the Uniform Shop.

• Monday 8:30am – 10:30am
• Tuesday 8:30am – 10:30am
• Wednesday 8:30am – 10:30am
• Thursday Closed
• Friday 8:30am – 10:30am

Email orders accepted
uniformshop@stpaulba.sa.edu.au

CHAPEL CHANGE OF TIME – 15 JUNE
Because of our school photo schedule, Chapel on 15 June will be at 2:30pm, rather than the usual time of 9am. All parents and friends are welcome to attend.

SHED MEN GO BUSH 11, 2016
With just on 99 dads and 156 kids SMGB 11, on 20-22 May was the most attended camp to date. Once again excellent weather meant all the activities could be fully enjoyed. Thankyou to the Brenton Davey and his family for hosting us at their Riverton property, Cameron for running the archery again and thank you to the camp organising committee for making such a massive weekend run so smoothly. Sadly we will say goodbye to Andrew Schwarz, Peter Winkley, Sam Bey, and Michael Hall as their children leave primary school this year. Thank you to these dads who have contributed to organising the last 10 camps. We will need some new dads to help on the Camp organising committee for next year, so if you feel you can help please send me an email and I will contact you as we get closer to organising next year’s Shed Men Go Bush.

RECONCILIATION WEEK IN THE LIBRARY
To honour National Reconciliation Week in the Library our lunch-time activities will have a reconciliation theme:

• Tuesday 31st: Weaving craft with found objects.
• Wednesday 1st: Outdoor Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander games (Library will be closed).
• Thursday 2nd: Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander authors story time.

All students are welcome to participate in these activities.

Come and view our display of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander authors in the Library and learn about our shared history and cultures. Through knowledge and understanding we can all work towards a reconciled Australia.

JUNE SHED MEN
Not only does Brenton Davey let us camp on his property for Shed Men Go Bush, he is hosting Shed Men this Friday 3 June at his work, Metsol, 9 Star Avenue, Dudley Park from 6:30pm. Please bring some meat and drinks. If you came to Shed Men Go Bush and enjoyed it, come along and say g’day, we are a friendly bunch of guys that enjoy meeting new dads at the school. Any questions feel free to call Michael Latty on 0409 287 101.

LLL BANKING
All student bank books will be sent to the LLL for the updating of interest from Wednesday 1 June.

Church News

6/7 SPY
6/7 SPY will be held this Friday 3 June in the church hall from 7pm to 9pm. We will be discussing guys and girls. Cost $2. Girls please bring some supper to share. For more information, contact Andrew Joppich on 0488 400 370.
OUR VISION:

OUR VALUES:
God’s Word
2 Timothy 3:16-17
Acceptance
Romans 15:7
Excellence
1 Corinthians 10:31
Respect
Luke 6:31
Compassion
1 John 3:18
Hope
Titus 3:7
Community
2 Corinthians 13:13
Love
1 Corinthians 13:4-8a

POSITION AVAILABLE: CHILD, YOUTH AND HOUSEHOLD MINISTRY COORDINATOR
St Paul Lutheran Church, Blair Athol is offering a new staff position (30 hours per week) to develop and extend its ministry and mission to children, youth and households. For a full position description, or for more information concerning the position, please contact Pastor Greg Priebbenow on 8262 4690 or email pastorgreg@stpaul-church.org.au.

DRIED APRICOTS
Dried apricots are available for $12 per bag. This quality product is a fundraiser in support of Compassionate Ministries. The apricots are available from the school office.

Community News

ENGLISH CIRCLE
Would you like to improve your speaking, listening, reading and writing skills in English? Do you have trouble understanding what some Australians are saying? Don’t throw in the towel! (don’t give up!). Our FREE English Circle class can help. Classes are held on Monday nights from 7pm to 8:30pm at Endeavour College, Mawson Lakes. For more information contact Penny Werner via St Paul Lutheran School office on 8260 2655.