



**ST PAUL
LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

Living and Learning Together in Christ

inspire

VOL 18, ISSUE 27 | 19 OCT 2016

Upcoming Events

THUR 20 OCT

- Jump Rope 'Jump Off' Day

FRI 21 OCT

- SRC Loud Shirt Day for Cora Barclay
- 7pm Junior Concert Evening Performance

MON 24 OCT - WED 26 OCT

- Year 6 Murray Bridge Camp

WED 26 OCT - FRI 28 OCT

- Library Book Fair

TUE 25 OCT

- 9.15am School Tour

WED 26 OCT

- 9am Chapel Service
- 9:30am Principal's Community Conversations
- 6pm Principal's Community Conversations

THUR 27 OCT

- 7:30pm P & F Meeting

WED 2 NOV

- 9am Chapel Service

THUR 3 NOV

- 9:30am St Paul Open Day
- 2pm Principal's Community Conversations
- 6pm St Paul Open Day

Demonstrations of Love

Do you ever turn on the news at the moment and wonder what's happened to the world? I often wonder if it has always been this way and if we just think it's getting worse because we live in the 'now'. Maybe social media has contributed to our view of the world and our judgement of others. When I look at the way people talk about issues on the internet I see a world full of false, anonymous bravery at the expense of authenticity and it is easy to just walk away from it all sometimes.

"By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another."
John 13:35 (NIV)

Do we 'love' one another or are we just trying to coexist? Did Christ need to die on the cross so that we can all just get by and do the bare minimum? I am tested by these questions as I know I fail to live up to these challenges. We did/do not need a Saviour if our main need is to learn some useful suggestions for coexistence.

When I look at the world's problems I often just change the channel because I feel helpless. How could I possibly help? But lately I have been reflecting on the need for more local action. My family and my friends for example are always presenting opportunities for me to help. In my local community there is a need for service and stewardship. I just need to recognise these moments better as opportunities to prove that I am worthy of His sacrifice.

"Very truly I tell you, whoever believes in me will do the works I have been doing, and they will do even greater things than these, because I am going to the Father." John 14:12 (NIV)



If we focus on the negatives and problems of the world around us it becomes too easy to change the channel. But only through our own demonstrations of love will we prove that we are worthy of His.

Submitted by Jason Fay

From the Principal

WELCOME AND THANK YOU

Welcome to Term Four at St Paul! The final term of the year is always an eventful one, and we are adding our Junior concert evening performance to the beginning. Please be sure to read Inspire each week and check in with classroom teachers should you have any questions about events coming up. Remember to check our calendar regularly or to sync it with your own (see office staff for instructions if you need help with this).

Thank you to all parents and school community members who have wished me well for my appointment to Principal. I look forward to continuing to work with you all to nurture and grow your children and our school.

JUNIOR CONCERT RESCHEDULE

After the weather forced our postponement of Junior Concert last term, we have rescheduled an evening performance for Friday, 21 October at 7pm.

Tickets for the event will of course remain valid. Tickets will be refunded for those who are unable to attend on Friday evening. Simply return your ticket/s to the office before Friday for a refund.

QUALITY SCHOOLS DATA

Early in the year, we invited all parents, staff, and Year 5 and 6 students to take part in a survey, aimed at gaining feedback in many different areas of the school. The feedback from our surveys was overwhelmingly positive and we were also able to identify a number of areas

for continued improvement. In the coming editions of Inspire, I will provide some specific feedback from the survey results, including parent feedback and reporting; behaviour management and student relationships; and the teaching and learning program.

COMMUNITY CONVERSATIONS

Our community conversations will continue fortnightly on Wednesday mornings in Term 4. In addition, I have scheduled two afternoon and two evening conversation opportunities. The dates are:

Wed 26/10 6pm – 7pm

Thurs 3/11 2pm-3pm

Wed 16/11 2pm-3pm

Tues 29/11 6pm – 7pm

To enable valuable conversation time, all sessions will be limited to 20 people. If you'd like to attend any of these sessions, please contact Ann Belcher in the office. These dates are available to view on our website calendar at:

<http://www.stpaulba.sa.edu.au/news-and-events/school-calendar/>

Did you know that you can sync to our school calendar? Please email admin@stpaulba.sa.edu.au to be sent the link.

General News

CLASS ALLOCATIONS 2017

In Term Four, we begin to plan class lists for 2017. If you have any particular requests for class allocations for your child/ren next year, please email me at lmattner@stpaulba.sa.edu.au. Please be aware that this is a complicated process which will take into account educationally, medically or socially relevant information. Therefore, we cannot take parent or student requests simply based on personal preference for teachers. As always, we take seriously the trust you place in us as educators to make the best decisions we possibly can for all students.



STUDENT IPAD COVERS

Please be reminded that all students should have school-issued iPad covers. These have been identified as the most robust to ensure that iPads are protected, particularly with students carrying them around school and in school bags to and from home. These iPad covers can be purchased from the uniform shop should you need to replace them. If you have purchased a different iPad cover, please ensure that you speak with Robyn Mader as soon as possible to discuss the brand of cover, and where we stand with insurance of the iPad should it be damaged.

JUNIOR CONCERT PHOTO GALLERY

The Junior concert photo gallery is loaded and ready for parents to download.

<http://photoplaystudios.com.au> and click on the concert blog post. The site is password protected and the password will be sent via email to all families. Please contact the school office if you have any queries.

SKOOLBAG APP

Did you know that St Paul Lutheran School has an App? You can receive alerts from the school, reminders of upcoming events, newsletter and website prompts. You can even contact the school via the APP for student absences and to update your contact details.

Search for the Skoolbag App on your phone and find the St Paul Lutheran School logo and download. Once installed use the 'more' button at the bottom of the screen to set up the Push Notifications depending on your child/ren's year level. If you have any questions or need help please contact Ann Belcher for assistance on 8260 2655.

JUMP ROPE FOR HEART

Jump Rope 'Jump Off' Day – Thursday 20 October

A reminder that all students will need to wear sports uniform this Thursday 20th October for our official 'Jump Off' to culminate our 2016 fundraiser for the Heart Foundation.

Please note that our 'Jump Off' Day is the cut-off

day for fund-raising. Thank you to families who have already returned sponsorship money and we ask that all outstanding money is brought to school tomorrow. Prizes can only be sent to us after all funds and required paperwork for our school is received by the Heart Foundation. All fund-raising efforts are greatly appreciated.

SRC CASUAL DAY

The Student Representative Council are holding a casual day this Friday 21st October. This day will support 'Loud Shirt Day' for the Cora Barclay Centre which helps children who are deaf or hearing impaired, learn to speak and reach their full potential. This is achieved through a family-centred practice and professional expertise in Auditory-Verbal Therapy (AVT). Students are encouraged to wear 'loud' or bright tops for the day and bring a gold coin donation.

CONNECTED SCHOOLS ATHLETICS

Congratulations to the following students who will represent St Paul Lutheran School at the annual Connected Schools Athletics Carnival on Thursday 10th November.

Ruby Hartwig, Imogen Healy, Miriam Turczynowicz, Heidi Paton, Tahlia Mundy, Fenella Healy, Indyanna Case, Ethan Hughes, Samuel Cursaro, Jonathon Wildman, Fergus Venning, Samuel Clark, Elizabeth Bolo, Poppy Fountain, Chelsea Tape-McGlashan, Ebony Schache, Georgia Pavlidis, Callie Weiss, Hayley Fechner, Srishti Panth, Gracie Oborn, Luke Kostiw, Aleksa Novakovic, Rylan Hopkins, Aaron Theodorsen, James Oliver, Eli Nguyen, Alyssa Thomas, Lydia Paton, Jenny Hlawn Ching, Aleisha Martin, Paige Hanel, Erin Gates, Maeve Healy, Erica Wentrock, Stefano Vorrasi, Jaxon Barr, Levi Heath, Ryan Schwarz, Caleb Christian, Sean Ridsdale, Jordan Jenkin, Kane Jones, Laura Wildman, Riak Lueth, Leticia Scholz, Taylah Jaescke, Alice Bearman, Laura Duncan, Leslie Milobara, Madison Clark, Jaron Kong, Steven Bolo, Nathaniel Keeler, Blayde Harten, Ayden Reeves, Jaden Tape-McGlashan, Alex Jeffree, Jackson Winkley.



BOOK FAIR 2016

Did you know there is only 67 sleeps till Christmas..... and did you know books make great Christmas presents?

Get your Christmas shopping started next week at the St Paul Library Book Fair from Wednesday to Friday (26th – 28th Oct). This is an opportunity for parents and students to purchase items normally available through the Scholastic Book Club. All purchases benefit our school, earning our library free books and learning resources. We will have novelty stationery items and posters for sale starting at \$1 and books starting at \$4 so there will be something for everyone! Students will browse the Book Fair on Wednesday and will be able to purchase on Thursday and Friday. Please see the Book Fair information sheet going home with students today for opening times and purchasing details.

LCC FOSTER CARE

Lutheran Community Care (LCC) would like to invite you to an information evening about Foster Care being held at Endeavour Lutheran College, Mawson Lakes on Tuesday 25th October from 6.30pm-8.30pm.

When children or young people are not able to live at home for various reasons, the first choice of placement is with relatives or someone they know. When this isn't possible LCC Foster Care relies on individuals and families to open their homes to these children.

More information is on the School Community Notice Board, alternatively you can contact the school office or visit the LCC Foster Care website

www.fostercare.lccare.org.au

SHED MEN

You are welcome to join St Paul Shed Men on Friday 4th November for a Seafood Extravaganza being held at Largs North from 6pm.

The cost is \$40 per person and early bird tickets are available for \$35 until 28th October. Cash payments can be made at the school office. Please see the flyer for other details.

UNIFORM REMINDER

Time to pack away your child's winter uniform or wash it, iron it and bring it back to the UNIFORM SHOP for RESALE. TERM 4 IS SUMMER UNIFORM ALL TERM.

SPLASH REBATES

Are you using either before school, after school or vacation care services at the school? **Child Care Rebate** covers 50% of out of pocket child care expenses for approved child care, and is in **addition** to any other child care assistance. In some circumstances families may also be eligible for the **Child Care Benefit** as well. Families are asked to register with Centrelink and provide your CRN numbers to the school.

Any benefits should be marked 'direct to service' and your weekly accounts will be reduced accordingly. Please contact the school office if you are not receiving any benefits and would like to know further information.

SCHOOL ACCOUNTS

School accounts for term four are due and payable this Friday unless you have a payment arrangement in place. Please contact Robyn Mader either by telephone or email should you have any questions.

INTENTIONS FOR 2017

Are you thinking of moving schools next year? If so, please let us know without delay as we are organising our class structures in the coming days. Please contact the office if you have any questions or require any clarification.

SCHOOL BANKING DAY IS WEDNESDAY

Please visit the school office if you would like to open an account for your child.

LAST MINUTE PARENT CAFÉ

The Last Minute Café is open every morning from 8.30am. The Café is opposite the Uniform Shop. Feel free to sit, relax, read a magazine or catch up and meet other parents and friends. The tea and coffee is free so why not take a break before you head out for the day.

OUR VISION:

Connected.
Innovative.
Grounded
in Christ.

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

PROUD MEMBER OF:



A Christ-Centred Community of K-12 Lutheran Schools

St Paul Lutheran School
44 Audrey Avenue
Blair Athol SA 5084
Phone +61 8 8260 2655
Fax +61 8 8262 4216
admin@stpaulba.sa.edu.au
stpaulba.sa.edu.au



Church News

SPY

St Paul Youth for Year 6 and above runs on the 1st and 3rd Friday of the month during the school term from 7.00pm -9.00pm. Cost \$2.00

Our meeting dates for Term 4 are:

Friday Nov 4 – Proverbs -Friends

Friday Nov 18 –Myth busters

Friday Dec 2 –Proverbs –Pride or humility?

Friday Dec 16 – Fast Progressive Dinner Fun

CHILDREN AT ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH

Godly Play is our children's ministry for 4 year olds to Year 4 starts back for Term 4 on Sunday October 23rd .

Our Pre-Teen group which meets on non-communion Sundays also starts for Term 4 on Sunday October 23rd.

Both groups meet during the 10am church service, leaving after the children's talk and returning close to the end of the service.

PLAYGROUP AT ST PAUL

Term 4 starts on Tuesday November 1st at 9am. Our theme is 'On the Farm'. We will have stories and crafts looking at farm animals and farm experiences including a visit from our farm yard friends. For more information or queries about children and youth at St Paul Church please contact Nicole Hall CYHM coordinator 0412 686 342.

ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH PICNIC

You're invited to the St Paul Lutheran Church Picnic. Fun, games and fellowship. A fabulous, family friendly, all age event. Where: Peter McKay Reserve (between Le Hunte St & Gladstone Ave, Kilburn) When: 30 October Time: From 11.30am onwards What to bring: 1 savoury & 1 sweet finger food plate to share (plates & cutlery provided), drinks & seating for yourself and your family/friends.

ST PAUL CHURCH BAND CONCERT

On Saturday 22 October at 7pm the band will be performing a concert of the top 25 of songs from the 'All Together' series to raise funds for the St Paul Church sound system. Coffee and Cake will be available. The whole family is welcome and we will provide a supervised breakout space for children during the concert.