



**ST PAUL
LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

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Upcoming Events

WEEK 5

- Book Week

THU 24 AUGUST

- Sports Team Photos

FRI 25 AUGUST

- Book Week Dress up Day

WEEK 6

WED 30 AUGUST

- Parents and Friends consultation morning tea 9:30am (following Chapel)

THU 31 AUGUST

- Father's Day Stall

FRI 1 SEPTEMBER

- Shed Men

SAT 2 SEPTEMBER

- Quiz Night Fundraiser

WEEK 7

MON 4 SEPTEMBER

- Connected Schools Art Visit

WED 6 SEPTEMBER

- Strategic Planning Parent Workshop

THU 7 SEPTEMBER

- District Athletics

WEEK 8

- School Tour 6:00pm

BRINGING JOY TO OTHERS

Have you ever asked God for a touch of His joy in your heart? We may find that touch of joy in His creation or a piece of music which enables our spirit to soar. I experienced God's joy last week whilst watching our Year Five and Six students at The Entertainment Centre at Wakakirri. After months of preparation, it was great to see the students bring everything together through their performance of "Where in the World is Carmen Sandiego?" The joy that was evident on their faces as they left the stage was remarkable and profound.

Joy happens in an instant — a perfect moment captured when all is just exactly as it should be. Think of a wonderful holiday morning with the family, an unexpected present that delights you, or seeing the look of pride on a student's face as they perform with everything that they have. What joy there is in also knowing that God loves us, and when he thinks of us, it brings him joy. What comfort there is in knowing that God is there to celebrate in our successes and comfort us in our failures. What joy it brings him when he sees his children using their gifts and talents to bring joy to others. Our awesome God created everyone with unique abilities and talents that can be used in joyful celebration. Give God thanks for all He has given you and perhaps this week you can ponder the question, what brings you joy?

Jesus teaches me this confidence in God's love, so that the same joy that is in him will be in me and so my joy will be complete, centred wholly in God (John 15:11).

Submitted by Bec Mattner

INSPIRE photos featured this week:

- Year Five and Six Wakakirri Performance



From the Principal

WAKAKIRRI 2017

The past weeks and months have been an incredibly busy and industrious time for teachers, students and parent volunteers in preparing for Wakakirri. It was a pleasure to see our Year 5 and 6 students performing so confidently on stage during what was a very entertaining performance. This year, St Paul Lutheran School moved up to Division Two, 'Experienced' (from Division Three) after only one year of performance under our belt. Earlier this week, it was announced that St Paul received a number of awards, including Best Comedy Story and has now been nominated for Story of the Year.

Performance Awards:

- Excellent Ensemble
- Well-Rehearsed Performance
- Excellent Group Dance
- Excellent Overall Costume Design
- Excellent Set Movement and Staging
- Most Creative Reuse of Materials for Sets and Props

State Award:

- Best Comedy Story Award

National Award:

- Story of the Year Nominee
(winner announced later in the year)

Congratulations to all Year 5 and 6 students for their hard work in preparing and for their excellent performance on the night. A special thank you to all teachers involved, parent volunteers, and especially Mrs Elise von Stanke for her tireless work and inspiration.

TRAFFIC AND PARKING

With the recent wet weather, we have had some busy traffic pick-up afternoons, which have run very smoothly. We are thankful that all parents demonstrate patience in this process. Most days, we are clear of traffic before 3:30pm, which means that we are managing the collection of all students in just over ten minutes.

An issue that has come up recently is the inability of parents to access the courts for parking due to the kiss-and-drop cars queueing up very early. If you are arriving to school for kiss-and-drop, please try to avoid arriving before 3pm so that access is open for cars wanting to park on the courts.

If you are waiting to park on the courts and you cannot get there before the 3:15pm bell goes, please be assured that we have processes in place. Students who are remaining at the classroom after the bell are then able to walk across to kiss-and-drop to be supervised until you arrive. If you are somebody who often parks on the courts and meets your child at the classroom, I encourage you to speak with your child about kiss-and-drop should you not make it in time. Whilst the teachers will also do this, it assures your child that you will in fact know where to find them at the end of the day if you are not able to make it to the classroom. This removes a lot of anxiety for children about changing of plans in these instances.

PARENTS AND FRIENDS/ST PAUL COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT DISCUSSION

A reminder that I would like to meet with any interested parents and caregivers about how our parents and friends group and/or events could look moving forward. Please join me on Wednesday 30 August at 9:30am (following Chapel) in the Conference Room for morning tea. If you are unable to attend, please feel free to send me an email with any suggestions or discussion points. If needed, we will plan a follow-up session.

Leila Mattner | Principal

From the Director of Learning

When we talk about the 'Pedagogical Pillars' at St Paul, there is no greater example of them coming to life than Wakakirri. To see the entire Year 5 and Year 6 cohort, their teachers, Mrs Von and other teachers around the school come together to produce this performance was incredible. Engaging, creative, collaborative and relevant it certainly was. Thank you to this group for being an example to the wider community of what St Paul is all about.



ENRICHMENT PROGRAM

On Monday this week, four students from St Paul attended the Connected Schools Gifted and Talented workshop on Visual Art. Each term a different Connected Schools member hosts a workshop for students in Years 5-8. This initiative provides students with exceptional talent a chance to extend their knowledge, skills and understanding. Over the last two years, workshops have been provided in the areas of creative writing, coding, performing arts, sport, science and art. Next term, St Paul hosts a STEM challenge!

Jason Fay | Director of Learning

General News

SPORTS PHOTOS TOMORROW, THURSDAY 24 AUGUST

We will be taking sports photos for all students involved in team sports or SAPSASA events through the school. For convenience, we remind you that **ALL** students need to wear their sports uniform on this day.

FATHER'S DAY STALL HELPERS NEEDED.

Volunteers are needed to help out on the Father's Day stall on Thursday 31 August from 8:45am-11:00am. If you are able to spare some time and help, please let Trisca know via text on 040 343 7899. Thank you.

CONCERT WANTED - HELPERS FOR OUR 2017 CONCERT- 27 & 28 SEPTEMBER

As concert is fast approaching, we are looking for volunteers to help with various jobs. If you are able to help out, please leave your name at the front office

- Ushers for the matinee and evening performance
- Help setting up chairs
- Serve refreshments for the matinee or evening performance
- Helping to organise and serve refreshments for the evening performance Thursday 28 September

Keep a look out for the **Concert Ticket Order Form** which has come home today with your child, or see the attached Form with your Inspire email. Tickets will be allocated on a first come, first serve basis with a maximum of four tickets per family for the evening performance.

BEAT THE BRICK FUNDRAISER

Last term, each year level was given a bucket to put their spare change into. The aim of this was to raise money for ALWS and in particular, the Sudanese Famine Crisis. The SRC wanted to focus on this as they had learnt about the harsh realities facing those in Sudan who were struggling from a long-term drought. For a long time these people have been living without clean drinking water, their animals couldn't be fed and in some circumstances, the people were forced to eat grass. A couple of weeks ago at assembly, the SRC shared a video of the 'weigh-in' of these buckets. They are very excited to share with you that the entire St Paul community raised \$1036.55! Thank you so much to everyone who generously donated their money to this cause.

Stacey Baldock | SRC Co-ordinator

SCHOOL FOOTBALL

As the season draws to a close, it's timely to say a big thank you to our parent helpers, in particular: Michael Hanin and Justin Irving (coaches) and Luke Knolder, Sonny Keeler and Nick Phung (assistants).



A reminder that the official wind-up for both teams is scheduled for Saturday morning, August 26, at Good Shepherd Para Vista.

Mr Mickan | Coordinator

LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK WEEK 2017

Book Week is here!! The Children's Book Council of Australia announced their award winners last Friday. For more information check out the Children's Book Council of Australia website: <http://cbca.org.au>

Book of the Year: Early Childhood

Winner: Go Home Cheeky Animals written by Johanna Bell and illustrated by Dion Beasley.



Book of the Year: Younger Readers

Winner: Rockhopping written and illustrated by Trace Balla.

Picture Book of the Year

Winner: Home in the Rain written and illustrated by Bob Graham.

Crichton Award for New Illustrators

Winner: The Patchwork Bike written and illustrated by Van T Rudd.

Eve Pownall Award for Information Books

Amazing Animals of Australia's National Parks by Gina M Newton

We have had a fabulous start to Book Week with students making two patchwork bikes during our lunch time activities and over 70 students participating in the Book Swap yesterday.

Don't forget Dress Up day this Friday 25 August

where students can come dressed as their favourite book characters. All students will have a chance to show off their costumes at the annual Dress Up Parade during assembly.

Wendy McLeod | Library Resource Manager

CALLING ALL SHED MEN!

The next Shed Men gathering is happening Friday 1 September at Andrew Macdonald's Shed

Time - 6.30pm **Where** - 9 Edgeworth Street, Prospect

What do you need - Throat lubricant, meat for the BBQ and a yarn or two. Rug up as it may be a bit chilly!

Hope to see you there.

Save the date- Shed Men Seafood Extravaganza... Friday 1 December 2017. More details to follow***

We are also looking for someone to host Shed Men on Friday 3 November 2017. If you would like to open your shed to the St Paul dad's, please drop me a line.

If any dad's are interested in finding out more about Shed Men, please don't hesitate to give me a call or drop me a line.

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Church News

ST PAUL PASTY BAKE – LAST BAKE FOR 2017!

The St Paul Lutheran Church Pasty Bake is on again for the last time for 2017 this week! It will be happening on Thursday 24 August (tomorrow!) and deliveries will take place Thursday after school and Friday morning. Our pasties are house made and baked fresh on the Thursday morning. There are 6 on a tray for only \$12.00.

Please place your order by contacting Renate Burls on 8260 5758 by Wednesday 23 August - today! (leaving a message is fine) to ensure your order is filled. Thanks.

N.E.L.Y. FEUD

NORTH EASTERN LUTHERAN YOUTH

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Who? YOUNG PEOPLE IN SCHOOL YEARS 5-12
When? SATURDAY 26TH AUGUST, 2017
 2.00PM UNTIL 8.00PM
Where? ST PAUL LUTHERAN CHURCH
 44 AUDREY AVENUE, BLAIR ATHOL
What? \$15 GAMESHOWS, DINNER, SNACKS AND HOURS OF FUN!
 TICKETS VIA : WWW.NELY260817.EVENTBRITE.COM.AU
 CONTACT - MARGOT MERTIN 0401 850 814
 NICOLE HALL 0412 686 342

N.E.L.Y. (North East Lutheran Youth) Feud is a Family Feud and game show youth event for young people in Year 5-12 hosted by the North Eastern Lutheran Youth Groups. Saturday 26 August, 2:00pm-8:00pmat St Paul Lutheran Church. Cost \$15 includes dinner.

Please register by Thursday 24 August. Tickets are available at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/nely-feud-tickets-36341085164?aff=es2>

ST PAUL LUTHERAN SCHOOL

QUIZ NIGHT

SATURDAY 2 SEPTEMBER

6:30 pm for a 7 pm start

\$10.00 - Tables of 10 (18 years and over)

****N.B. If you would like to attend but are not able to organise a table of 10, please let us know and we can help find a table for you****

Tickets available from the school office

"Dress up your table" - best themed table wins a prize

BYO drinks and nibbles - tea and coffee provided

Door Prize

Lucky Squares

Raffles

Coin Slide and more...



Games and activities throughout the night so bring lots of coins

Get your tickets now

QUIZ NIGHT FUNDRAISER - SEPTEMBER 2, BOOK YOUR TABLE NOW.

A reminder that our school is holding a fundraising quiz night on September 2. Grab some friends and book a table soon. Tickets are now on sale from the school office for \$10.00 each (tables of 10).

A fundraising event like this isn't possible without the support of the community so we are looking for donations to go towards the prizes on the night. If you would like to contribute, please feel free to send along something and pop it in the collection boxes located around the school.

To ensure a range of items we are suggesting the following as a guide however we would be grateful for any donations:

Reception - food, lollies, chocolates etc

Year 1 - kitchen items

Year 2 - gardening items

Year 3 - entertainment, games etc.

Year 4 - candles, homewares etc.

Year 5 - items for males

Year 6 - stationery items

Items such as wine, vouchers etc. are also appreciated and can be left at the school office.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

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

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

SHOEBOXES OF LOVE

St Paul Lutheran Church has a strong tradition of being involved in Operation Christmas Child. We invite families at the school to join us in making Shoeboxes of Love for distribution to children in other countries. The church has collected and covered shoeboxes, which can be collected from the church office or foyer. Information on what to pack is inside the shoebox or can be found at <https://www.samaritanspurse.org.au/what-we-do/operation-christmas-child/>. Boxes must be returned to the Church Office (or via the School Office) by Tuesday 26 September. Any queries please contact Naomi in the Church Office, telephone: 8262 4690.

UPCOMING SERMON SERIES

Something to look forward to at St Paul Church... A 10 week Sunday sermon series titled "The Moses Story" will begin on Sunday 27 August. Each week we will focus on an event in the life of Moses and reflect on what it means for our own stories as those called, equipped and sent by God. If you would like to know more, please contact Naomi in the Church office on 8262 4690.

PLAYGROUP @ST PAUL

Each Tuesday during the school term the church hall is set up as a play space for children aged 0-5 and their mums, dads or carers. Please join us for fun, play, crafts and a cup of tea or coffee – everyone is welcome. Playgroup runs from 9-10:30am. The cost is \$2.00 per family. St Paul Playgroup is a great opportunity for your pre-school child to get familiar with their school environment.

FACEBOOK PAGE

Did you know the church has a Facebook page? Keep up to date with the St Paul Church happenings by joining us at <https://www.facebook.com/stpaulba/>

SPY NEWS

St Paul Youth for Year 6 to 8 runs on the first and third Friday of the month during the school term from 7:00pm-9:00pm. Our next meeting date is this Friday 1 September. Our theme for this term is Fire! Cost \$2.00. Girls please bring some supper to share. Please contact Nicole Hall for more details on 0412 686 342.