



**ST PAUL  
LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

*Living and Learning Together in Christ*

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## Upcoming Events

### WEEK 2 TERM 3

#### TUE 1 AUGUST

- UNSW English competition

### WEEK 3

#### TUE 8 AUGUST

- Year One Zoo Excursion

#### WED 9 AUGUST

- Cyber Safety Session

### WEEK 4

#### TUE 15 AUGUST

- UNSW Maths Competition

#### FRI 18 AUGUST

- Wakakirri

### WEEK 5

- Book Week

#### FRI 25 AUGUST

- Book Week Dress up Day

### WEEK 6

#### THU 31 AUGUST

- Fathers Day Stall

#### SAT 2 SEPTEMBER

- Quiz Night

## Do I have to love?

How are we supposed to love everyone when we can't be there all the time for everyone?

We need to ask Jesus to give us his eyes to see people the way he does, and then we simply need to ask God to show us what to do. While it is true that there are unlimited needs in the world, the good news is that God is unlimited. To express his love, God uses different people in different ways. Sometimes we love with a small word or gesture; sometimes it's by giving our resources; sometimes it's by praying for a person. The more we develop our relationship with God, the more we will know the best way to show our love to others.

What if someone is mean to us? Do we still have to love them?

Yes. In Matthew 5:44, Jesus said, "*Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.*" Jesus modelled for us how to love our enemies. He never defended himself, only God, and he told us to forgive others and to pray. Of course, if someone is abusing us, this doesn't mean that we should allow that situation to continue. In Luke 10:10-11, Jesus said that if someone does not receive us, we should wipe the dust off our feet. In other words, God does not want us to expend energy on people who are totally unwilling to receive what we have to give. We are still to act lovingly toward them, but we don't have to hang around them all the time. If God loves the whole world, then why can't he just help that person himself?

The short answer is that God wants us to be in relationship with him and with other people, and he chooses to use us to love one another. As an added bonus, when we love others, we can't help but be changed. If God did all the work, we'd miss out on ways he wants to mold us and teach us.

**Submitted by** Tania Borgan

"Sharing Your Faith and Serving Others" by Kara Powell, 2011.



### ***INSPIRE photos featured this week:***

- Year One Classroom Activities

## **From the Principal**

### **WELCOME TO TERM THREE**

How lucky we were to have the sunshine out to welcome students to their first day of Term Three! Thank you to all families who joined us for opening worship on Monday morning. This term promises to be filled with some great classroom, parent and whole-school events, including Wakakirri, Quiz Night, and Concert.

### **WELCOME STAFF AND STUDENTS**

A warm welcome to Rubie and her family. Rubie is joining us in Miss Aquino's Reception class this term. We also welcome Miss Katy Parrish who is joining our administration team.

### **WELLBEING PARENT INFORMATION EVENING 26 JULY**

This serves as a final call for any interested families who would like to attend our information session at 7pm tonight! Please call the school office to let us know if you are planning to attend. We will be located in the Creative Space, so please come through the courtyard into the school.

### **CONNECTED SCHOOLS NEWS**

Last night, all Connected Schools council members gathered for dinner and an interactive meeting at Good Shepherd Lutheran School. This annual event serves as an important connection point for our schools to discuss our own contexts and future directions as Connected Schools.

Did you know that Connected Schools has its own website and regular updates from all of the schools? Visit [www.connectedschools.com.au](http://www.connectedschools.com.au) or [www.stpaulba.sa.edu.au/about/connected-schools](http://www.stpaulba.sa.edu.au/about/connected-schools) to link from our website.

**Leila Mattner** | Principal

## **From the Director of Learning**

During the first week of the three-week student break, staff took the opportunity to engage in some professional learning. The two day staff retreat was a great success and provided much food for thought. It truly is a blessing in schools when staff have time to reflect on their spiritual journeys and consider how to build more time for this into the busy nature of our usual routines.

The ACLE conference for Lutheran School employees around Australia saw hundreds of educators gather at the Adelaide Convention Centre. This three day conference used the theme, 'People, Planet, Purpose' to address different issues on each of the three days. On top of the high quality professional learning and guest speakers, this also gave staff time to meet and network with teachers from a variety of settings and places around Australia.

Staff also engaged in training with Autism SA and the Association of Independent Schools of South Australia during this week. The chance to look at such a wide range of topics during this week and learn from experts in a variety of fields was ideal at the mid-point of the year. It ensures that all teachers and staff at St Paul have new learnings and goals to help guide them through the second half of the year.

### **UNSW ENGLISH TEST**

Students who registered for the UNSW English Test will be completing this at 1:45pm in the hall on Tuesday 1 August.

**Jason Fay** | Director of Learning

## **General News**

### **LIBRARY NEWS**

Welcome back to Term 3 in the Library. Books borrowed over the holidays are now due back and don't forget to add the books to your child's Premier's Reading Challenge sheet.



We will celebrate Book Week in Week 5 this term with a fantastic week of activities and competitions. There will be a book swap, colouring competition and the book dress up parade during Friday assembly. More information will follow in the coming weeks!

**Wendy McLeod** | Library Resource Manager

### BOOK CLUB

Just a reminder that Book Club (issue 5) orders need to be back by Monday 7 August.

### CALLING ALL SHED MEN!

The next Shed Men gathering is happening Friday 4 August at David's Shed

Time - 6.30pm, Where - 16 Hughes Cres, Pooraka

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.

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

Also, visit <http://www.stpaulba.sa.edu.au/news-and-events/latest-news/147/> for the full version of the Shed Men Go Bush 2017 video. This was shown at Assembly at the end of Term 2.

Thanks, Leon Semmens 0432 575 126

lsemmens@aapt.net.au

## Splash

### SPLASH NEWS

While the teachers and most of the students stayed away from school, the SPLASH staff have just had a very busy three weeks providing a range of activities and excursions to make the break just a bit special for some of the children. With visits to the Ice Arena, Movies, Farm Barn and Maritime Museum as well as many themed days at SPLASH the days were jam-packed with excitement. Many thanks to all students who attended

our Vacation Care program over the break. We hope you had a lot of fun and enjoyed the range of activities. Please visit our Weebly page in the next week or two and check out the photos and news.

Well done to all the amazing SPLASH Staff who worked so hard to make this a great program. A special welcome to two new staff members who joined us for a few days of the program; Mrs Louise Venning and Madeline Grey. They were a great addition to our regular term and holiday staff.

### SPLASH FEES

Parents have been informed through an email this week of the planned increases to term time SPLASH fees. Before school rates increase to \$10.00 with the new after school rate at \$17.00. A surcharge of \$2.00 applies for casual bookings. Please note that these charges are before any Child Care rebates and benefits have been applied. If you have any queries regarding your SPLASH account please contact the school.

**Rebecca Heinjus** | SPLASH Director

## Church News

### ST PAUL PASTY BAKE

The St Paul Lutheran Church Pasty Bake is on again this week! It will be happening on Thursday 27 July (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 six on a tray for only \$12.00. Please place your order by contacting Renate Burls on 8260 5758 by Wednesday 26 July - today (leaving a message is fine) to ensure your order is filled. Thanks.

### SPY NEWS - ST PAUL YOUTH FOR YEAR 6-8 STUDENTS

In Term 3 our theme is FIRE! The dates for you to add to your calendar are:

Friday 4 August  
Friday 18 August  
Friday 1 September  
Friday 15 September



## 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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SPY meets from 7:00pm-9:00pm in the Church Hall unless otherwise noted. Cost \$2.00. Watch Inspire for more details or contact Nicole Hall for more information on 0412 686 342.

## SAVE THE DATE

Sunday 20 August is the date of our next St Paul Community Sunday – Experience Growing. Our St Paul Community Sundays are a relaxed and informal worship service at 9:30am, involving children from our school, followed straight afterwards at 10:30am by a fun, hands-on Experience Event in the hall.

We will again be looking for students to be involved in our worship time, so please let me know if your children are keen! Louise Venning, School Ministry Worker, lvenning@stpaulba.sa.edu.au mobile: 0416 008 129

## KYB - KNOW YOUR BIBLE

Know Your Bible is an interdenominational Bible Study program, started in Australia 40 years ago and now conducted in many overseas countries. The focus is practical living out of our faith and caters for people at all stages of faith and Biblical knowledge. Originally, the studies were designed for women, but men are welcome too.

At St Paul Lutheran we have groups who meet during school term times. It is not too late to join in this term. Each participant requires a study guide costing \$8.00 per term, but arrangements can be made for anyone unable to afford this. During the week before each meeting, the participants are asked to spend about ten minutes a day reading Bible passages and answering the questions. At each session, the answers are shared. The richness of the discussion is amazing and it is a fantastic opportunity for deep fellowship.

Currently there are three groups at St Paul run on Tuesdays at 7.30pm, Thursdays 7.30pm or Thursdays at 1.00pm. Please contact Naomi Burls in the Church Office for more information on 8262 4690 or you can have a chat with Wendy McLeod in the Library.

## 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/>