



**ST PAUL
LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

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Upcoming Events

WEEK 3

WED 17 MAY

- School Council Meeting 7:30pm

THURS 18 MAY

- Connected Schools Worship (Year 4-6)
- Music is Fun Performance

FRI 19 - SUN 21 MAY

- Shed Men Go Bush

WEEK 4

MON 22 MAY

- Tri-Skills (Year 3-6)
- School Tour 9:30am

WED 24 MAY

- Miss Fisher's Class Carer Coffee Morning

FRI 26 MAY

- Casual Day
- Assembly 9:00am (Hosted by Seniors)

SUN 28 MAY

- School and Church AGM 7:00pm-9:00pm

WEEK 5

MON 29 MAY - FRI 2 JUNE

- Reconciliation Week

MON 29 MAY

- Tri-Skills (Year 3-6)

TUES 30 MAY

- UNSW Science Competition

THURS 1 JUNE

- SAPSASA State Cross Country
- School Tour 2:00pm

FRI 2 JUNE

- Shed Men

God's Great Gift of Grandparents

This week our School celebrates "Grandfriends Day". Many who attend will be grandparents of school children. I wonder what part grandparents (whether living or deceased) have played in your life. It has been some years since the last of my grandparents died but their influence in my life remains strong. I am especially thankful for the part that my maternal grandfather Ardie played in my life. He was a humble, wise, caring and giving man. He made me feel special and gave me the gift of his time (including helping me learn to drive). Above all, he clearly loved Jesus and helped me to understand the nature of God's love.

The New Testament includes two books that were originally letters from the apostle Paul to Timothy. Timothy was an early Christian evangelist and the first Christian bishop in Ephesus. Paul met him during his second missionary journey and he became Paul's companion and co-worker along with Silas. 2 Timothy 1:5 tells us that Timothy's grandmother Lois was an especially important figure in his life. She was a person of living faith who had passed on her beliefs to her daughter and grandson.

Grandparents can play a very special part in communicating faith and values to their grandchildren. In their God-given calling and role as "elders" they have wonderful gifts to offer:

SELF-WORTH. Children feel great when their grandparents give them positive recognition and unconditional love.

HERITAGE. Whether they live close by or far away, grandparents can do much to give children a sense of their identity and belonging.

ACCEPTANCE. Children need to know that the adults who are important to them accept their enthusiasms, ideas and activities. Such acceptance by grandparents is hugely affirming for grandchildren.



LOVE. The gift of "I will be there for you at all times, no matter what" – whether spoken aloud, written in a letter, or shown by deeds – will always be the most treasured and remembered gift of all.

Yes, grandparents are a wonderful gift of God to our families and our community. This week, take a few moments to think of your grandparents. Thank God for them. Thank them directly if you are able to. And if you are a grandparent yourself, ask God to help you live and serve as a sign of his love, care and grace.

Blessings

Submitted by Pastor Greg

INSPIRE photos featured this week:

- ALWS Awareness Day
- Year 4 Camp at Mylor

From the Principal

SHED MEN GO BUSH

This weekend will see many of our students and their Dads or mentors heading to the annual Shed Men Go Bush camp. I pray for some dry weather and for a wonderful time for all dads in relationship-building with their children. I also wish to acknowledge the hard work of the Shed Men Go Bush committee for all of their preparations. Thank you!

CONNECTED SCHOOLS

In addition to Connected Schools worship tomorrow (please see more later in Inspire), a large amount of collaboration is occurring behind the scenes for Connected Schools. As I write this article, Jason Fay is at a Connected Schools Learning Leaders' meeting to continue to plan opportunities for gifted and talented events, as well as learning opportunities amongst our teaching staff. The professional development program during our pupil free days in July is an example of this collaboration.

Our Connected Schools website is also continually being updated with news from each of our schools and from combined activities. For parents with students

heading to middle school or secondary school soon, or those who are currently looking to enrol at Endeavour, click this link to read an article from Simon Maddern, Acting Director of Middle Years at Endeavour College: <http://www.connectedschools.com.au/our-stories/getting-involved/>.

Leila Mattner | Principal

From the Assistant Principal

GRANDFRIENDS DAY THANKYOU

A sincere thankyou to so many members of our community who either prepared for, worked amongst or visited as part of Grandfriends Day today. To all the Grandparents and Grandfriends who made a special effort to be here – you have touched the lives of our children in a very special way! To the teachers and support staff who prepared their programmes and tasks with great flexibility, the church staff for their input into Chapel, and our cooks, food providers and volunteer parents who served as part of our morning tea. Thankyou!

CONNECTED SCHOOLS WORSHIP

A reminder that Year 4-6 students will be worshipping in the Endeavour Centre at Endeavour College on Thursday 18 May at 10:15am. Students will leave on the bus at 9:30am and return by lunchtime. Students should be in their official winter uniform for the day. A special thankyou to Mrs von Stanke for working with a small group of music students who will contribute to the worship music at Endeavour. Morning tea will be served following the service. St Paul families and community members are welcome!

MUSIC IS FUN PERFORMANCE

Music Is Fun has visited St Paul on a number of occasions in the past and we again look forward to seeing their new show in 2017. As part of the Performing Arts Curriculum, all students will see this colourful and engaging performance in the Hall on Thursday afternoon.



SAPSASA CROSS COUNTRY

Twentytwo of our Year 4-6 students will be travelling to the Adelaide North East SAPSASA District Cross Country Carnival at TK Shutter Reserve this Friday. Our 10 year olds will run 2km and our 11 and 12 year old students will run 3km. Thankyou to Mr Mickan for organising this opportunity for our athletes.

SHED MEN GO BUSH

Our prayers go with the Shed Men Go Bush Planning Community and their participants this weekend as they go bush to enjoy a variety of activities including campfire making, bush cooking, rock climbing, archery, leather making, life be in it, tractor rides, coke bottle rockets and damper making. We look forward to the photos. Enjoy!

SRC CASUAL DAY

The SRC have been asking students at St Paul the following: "What do you want to be when you grow up? Have you a dream job? Maybe a teacher, doctor, nurse, footy player, hairdresser, Broadway musical star, circus performer... the list goes on!"

On Friday 26th May (Week 4), students are invited to come dressed as if they were in their dream job. Please bring a gold coin donation that will go towards our continued support of Australian Lutheran World Service.

DISCO

A reminder that Disco tickets will be on sale alongside the canteen this Friday morning between 8:30 and 9:30am. Please be advised tickets are also available at the school office anytime throughout the week.

Helen Vonow | Assistant Principal

From the Business Manager

COMMUNITY LOTTERY

A big thank you to the many families that have already returned their lottery tickets. Funds raised so far for the new playground total \$1000. Please keep them coming in so that we can plan for something great in this space.

SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB

Thursday 18th May is the final day to return your Scholastic order. Orders can be paid online or by cash delivered to the school office.

General News

LOST SCHOOL JUMPERS

Can all parents/caregivers please check that your child has their own woollen jumper. We have a few woollen school jumpers that have gone missing with names on them. Can you please take the opportunity to check that your jumper is named and you have the correct one at home. Please remember to label ALL clothing as jumpers are expensive to replace.

CANTEEN WEEK

Next week is canteen week and we will celebrate the volunteers that work tirelessly in the canteen assisting Mrs Semmler to make sure that we are all well fed when we need. As part of the celebrations we will be having a *Fish and Wedges* day next Tuesday. Pre orders with payment need to be given to the canteen by the end of this week. On Friday at assembly we will formally acknowledge the work that the volunteers do in the canteen with a presentation ceremony by the school leaders followed by a short morning tea.

LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CARE FAMILY FUN OPEN DAY

National Families Week will be celebrated from May 15th to May 21st. To celebrate all families that Lutheran Community Care work with, partner with and serve, a Family Fun Day will be held at Glynde Foster Care Office (15-17 Glynburn Rd) on May 20th.

Lutheran Community Care extend an invitation to their sponsors, donors, partners, employees, volunteers, clients, foster carers, supporting congregations and the local community. The event will include a sausage sizzle, coffee, face-painting, music, a pop-up op shop and more! So why not go along and join in on a fun day! For more information about Lutheran Community Care's Family Fun Day, please visit <http://www.lccare.org.au/>

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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Church News

ST PAUL COMMUNITY SUNDAY ON 4TH JUNE AND EXPERIENCE PENTECOST

Please join us as one whole St Paul community at our next St Paul Community Sunday on 4th June at 9:30am. We will be celebrating Pentecost, when we remember the coming of the Holy Spirit. Pentecost is when we celebrate the birth of the Church we know today, so there is much to celebrate!

Straight after the church service, we will be exploring together through fun, crafts and games, what the Holy Spirit might be like. Come and "Experience Pentecost" with us from 10:30am - 12:30pm. Gold Coin donation for some activities.

SPY NEWS

St Paul Youth for Year 6 - 8 runs on the first and third Friday of the month during the school term 7:00pm-9:00pm Cost \$2.00. Our next meeting date is this Friday May 19th - Loaves and Fishes - Boys bring supper.

Also for the diary: Friday June 2nd - SPY Sleepover. More details to follow - Girls bring supper. Please contact Nicole Hall for more details on 0412 686 342

"COME & C" COURSE

Pastor Greg will soon be running a course called "Come & C" on Thursday nights, from 7:30pm - 9:00pm (room to be advised). This Course will provide an overview of foundational Lutheran teachings about the Christian faith.

It is suitable for adult baptism preparation, adult Confirmation preparation, and would also be of spiritual benefit to any other adults wanting to revisit or explore more deeply the core teachings of Christianity. There will be four sessions in school Term 2, and a further five in Term 3. The dates for Term 2 will be: 1st June, 15th June, 22nd June and 29th June.

Please contact Pastor Greg (pastorgreg@stpaul-church.org.au ; 0423 151 367) for more information or to indicate your interest.

FAITH ACTS IN THE HOME

One of the key priorities of our Child, Youth and Household Ministry at St Paul is to encourage Faith at Home and the new Faith 5 monthly publication for May is out now. Copies are available from the Narthex of the church, on our Facebook page https://www.facebook.com/stpaulba/?ref=aymt_honepage_panel or please email Nicole Hall, CYHM Coordinator to be added to our email list cyhm@stpaul-church.org.au