



**ST PAUL
LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

Living and Learning Together in Christ

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Upcoming Events

WEEK 8

WED 20 - 22 MARCH

• Year 5 Camp (Aldinga)

WEEK 9

MON 25 MARCH

• Tri-Skills Yrs 3-6

TUE 26 MARCH

• Sports Day Long Distance
• School Tour 6:15pm

WED 27 MARCH

• Class Carer Morning Tea

FRI 29 MARCH

• Sports Day Team Bonding

WEEK 10

MON 1 APRIL

• Tri-Skills Yrs 3-6

THU 4 APRIL

• District Cross Country

FRI 5 APRIL

• Sports Day

WEEK 11

MON 8 APRIL

• Tri-Skills Yrs 3-6

THU 11 APRIL

• Parent/Teacher Interviews -Evening

FRI 12 APRIL

• Parent/Teacher Interviews -Pupil Free Day
• Term 1 Concludes

How Can You Journey Through Lent?

Lent is a time when we look at the sinful side of human nature however; throughout Lent we can also take the time to examine the areas in our life that might need to change. Lent provides us with an opportunity to implement changes and to challenge ourselves to grow and learn through the ministry of Jesus.

What can you do to challenge yourself during Lent?

- o Give up complaining – Focus on gratitude
- o Give up pessimism – Become an optimist
- o Give up worry – Trust in Jesus
- o Give up bitterness – Turn to forgiveness
- o Give up hatred – Return to love
- o Give up negativism – Be positive
- o Give up anger – Be more patient
- o Give up pettiness – Become mature
- o Give up gloom – Enjoy the beauty around you
- o Give up jealousy – Pray for trust
- o Give up sin – Turn to virtue
- o Give up giving up – Hang in there!

As you continue to journey through Lent, consider how you can positively influence your life and the lives of others by 'giving up' negativity and living a Godly life.

Submitted by Erin Gracey



INSPIRE photos featured this week:

• Year 3 Camp

From the Principal

CHRISTCHURCH

Many parents may have had questions from your children and family conversations about the terrible events of last week. We pray for the victims and their families and we pray for peace. Pastor Mark Whitfield, Bishop of the Lutheran Church of New Zealand and Pastor John Henderson, Bishop of the Lutheran Church of Australia, shared a message on Saturday: please click [here](#) to read: Heartland enews Christchurch.

The following article has been shared widely in the past days to assist families to speak with their children, and I recommend it if you would like some advice in this: [The Parenting Place: How to talk to your kids about trauma.](#)

STAFFING NEWS

This week we welcome Mr John McCann to our staffing team. John has some history with St Paul, including having a granddaughter in Year 1 currently. He will join Lorraine and Ian in our cleaning and maintenance team. You will see John around in the mornings for a short while and then he will work afternoon shifts. Please say hi to John and make him feel welcome!

STUDY TOUR

Over many months, we have been planning a staff study tour to the United States. This will be an opportunity to visit and work alongside, learn from, and be challenged by, staff in innovative schools which are widely recognised for their vision for student-centred learning. A large number of teachers will be attending this tour and I thank them for their commitment to a significant professional development tour during the holiday period. In recent years, our teachers have also attending weekend sessions to explore bookmaking and writers' workshop, among other things. The interest in continual improvement amongst our staff is inspiring.

Please see future editions of Inspire for more information about our study tour!

Leila Mattner | Principal

From the Deputy Principal

HARMONY DAY

Harmony Day once again proved to be a rich and colourful day for students at St Paul. Our school is a wonderful example of many cultures and backgrounds living in harmony, which is sadly, something the world needs now more than ever. Our Year 1 Fisher class produced a fantastic video for their assembly last week which is on our Facebook page. It reminds us that it's ok to be different. Thank you to everyone who supported our day of celebration. Happy Harmony Day!

CAR PARKING AND KISS AND DROP

Thank you to everyone who turns left into the school carpark. This makes such a difference to the flow of traffic and most importantly to the other members of the community using Audrey Ave. Please use the roundabouts to join the queue. However, at busy times, do not queue across the roundabout, hindering the flow of traffic while you wait.

If you get frustrated by the traffic on Audrey Ave in the afternoon, remember the park is an alternative, as is picking up children closer to 3.35pm. A staff member is on duty until this time and driving into the school is much easier from 3.30pm onwards. No queuing!

Jason Fay | Deputy Principal

From the Wellbeing Leader

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Information regarding how to book Parent Teacher Interviews has been emailed to all families. Parent Teacher Interviews will be occurring on Thursday 11 of April from 3.45pm-8.00pm and Friday 12 April from 8.30am-4.00pm. Please note that Friday 12 April is a Pupil Free Day for students.

SPORTS DAY

A note regarding Sports Day collection has been sent home. Please return this to the school by Friday 29 of March as this determines student supervision. A reminder that Sports Day will begin promptly at 8.45am and conclude at 1:00pm on Friday the 5 of April. Students remaining at school after 1:00pm will be supervised in the Library until 3:35pm. Please collect



your child from the Library. After 3:35pm, students will be escorted to SPLASH as normal.

PRE-SPORTS DAY EVENTS

Long Distance Finals Students in Year 1- 6 are to wear sports uniform on Tuesday 26 March for pre-Sports Day long distance finals.

Carly Bergen | Wellbeing Leader

General News

CLASS CARERS

At St Paul we are truly blessed to have such a caring community. Class Carers are volunteer parents from each class within the school who are committed to issues of care for school families. They provide short term care for families such as recognizing special celebrations in their lives or offering support during a crisis. A heartfelt thank you to the following parents who have taken up this important volunteer role in our school community for this year:

Mr Sheedy (Rec) – Solmaz Klunyk, Christie Clarke

Miss Gracey (Rec) – Kylie Karvelis, Rachel Wheadon

Miss Fisher (1) – Emmanuel Addo, Veronica Parker

Ms Fyffe (1) – Liann Tape, Brenton and Lauren Hughes

Miss Lethborg (1) – Carolyn Morris, Kylie Coad

Miss Arnold (2) – Renna Harris, Shamila Willshire

Mrs Krieg/Javor (2) – Peggy Chen , Evi Purba

Mrs Voigt/Tew (2) – Donna Hanin, CJ Monger

Miss Marino (3) – Theresa Doyle, Ally Griffiths

Miss Saint (3) – Michelle Copeland, Ingrid Wilson

Miss Mueller (4) – Kristen Little, Melissa Maeder

Miss McMahon (4) – Sally Bearman, Lorissa Beck, Donna Hanin

Miss Slade (5) – Lisa Kelsey – Smith, Leanne Smith

Miss Burgan (5) – Brooke Hopkins, Angela Wilkins

Miss Mattner/Robinson (6) – Nicole Carr, Carolyn Nuske, Janine Thornley, Kylie Irving

We would also like to extend an invitation to all parents and caregivers to come along and have a cuppa and a chat on Chapel and Assembly mornings, Wednesday and Fridays respectively in the church hall.

Bring your friends too!

Louise Venning and Felicity Tamasi

Community Chaplains

SOCCER REGISTRATIONS FOR TERM 2 (YEAR 2)

Parents of interested children (Year 2) please note that Soccer registration notices are being distributed this Thursday, March 21 - in limited numbers via Year 2 class trays. Remember that spare copies will be available from the front office.

Students from Years 3-6 who have not returned their registrations are asked to do so by this Friday (22nd) so we can finalise numbers.

Thank you.

Mr Mickan and Mr Mayer

EASTER CRAFT

On Wednesdays we will be having Easter craft in the library with Mrs Venning and Mrs Hall. The craft activities are open to all students and are very popular. Students can also complete their Easter colouring competition entries during this time.

FOOTY TIPPING 2019

The SPLS Library Footy Tipping Competition is back for 2019! Who can enter? Any current St Paul Lutheran Student. Do I need to understand AFL? No, just have a go. How do I enter? Write your name on the tipping sheet located in the Library.

When do I need to get my tips in? Tips for each round will close at the end of the Thursday preceding the round (there will be no tipping in school holidays).

Need more information? Please talk to Ms McLeod in the Library.

Wendy McLeod | Library Resource Manager

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 CELEBRATION WORSHIP – THIS SUNDAY!!

Our St Paul Celebration Worship Service is on this weekend on Sunday 24 March at 10am. Students from our school are involved in the service, in a skit, doing readings and writing prayers.

Straight after the service at 11am we have an Experience Forgiveness Event in the Hall for families and children to participate in and enjoy. All school and church families are warmly invited to attend. Please bring along a gold coin for some of the activities/food stalls.

EASTER PRAYER AND ACTIVITY SPACES – FRIENDSHIP

On Friday last week during Morning Break at St Paul we held our second Easter activity. This time we focused on The Last Supper, as Jesus' last meal with his best friends beside him. Children had the opportunity to think about and make a person who was special to them out of pipe cleaners and add them to our shared space on the Year 5 deck. Thank you to St Paul congregation members Pam Oster and Dennis Clark for their time and assistance.

SPY – ST PAUL YOUTH

St Paul Youth for children in Years 6-8 runs on the first and third Friday of the month during school terms. Our next SPY is on Friday 5 April March. Time 7:00pm-9:00pm. Cost is \$2.00 Girls please bring supper to share. Any inquiries please contact Nicole Hall on 0412 686 342.