



**ST PAUL
LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

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Upcoming Events

WEEK 4

WED 24 MAY

- Chapel

• FRI 26 MAY

- Casual Day
- Assembly 9:00am (Hosted by Seniors)
- Miss Fisher's Class Carer Coffee Morning

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
- Reception SAPOL Excursion

WED 31 MAY

- Chapel

• THURS 1 JUNE

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

FRI 2 JUNE

- Shed Men

SAT 3 JUNE

- Junior Disco (Rec to Year 3) 5:30pm
- Senior Disco (Year 3 to 6) 7:00pm

WEEK 6

WED 7 JUNE

- 'Most Likely to Succeed' Parent Screening 7:00pm

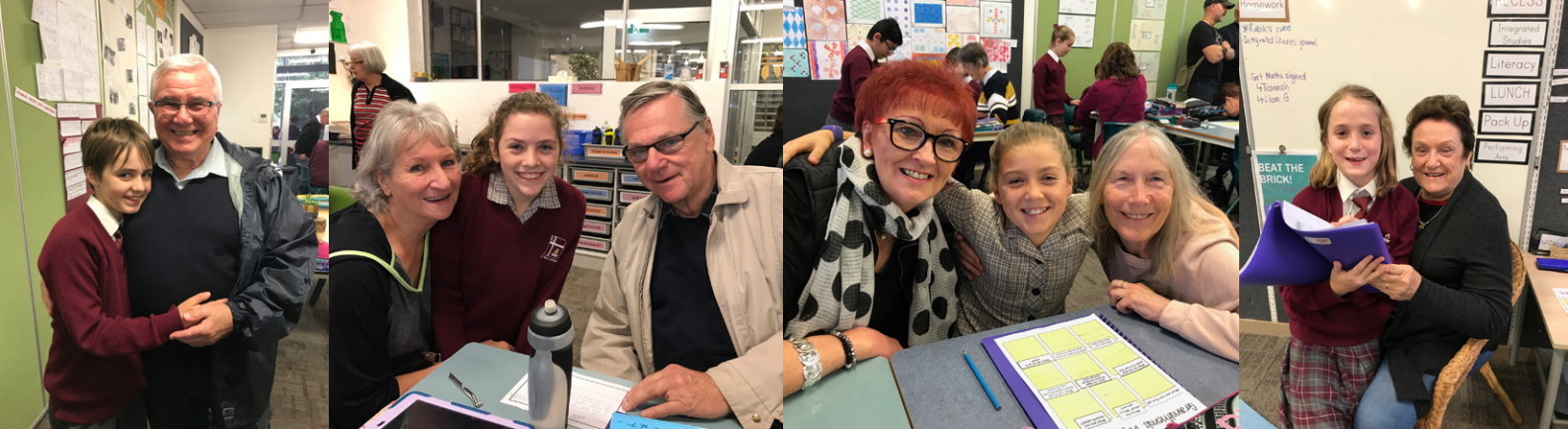
Under Construction

I've recently started some major renovations in my home and moved back into the family home while this messy and stressful work goes on. I found this devotion by Chris Hendrix and it really resonated with myself and I'm sure for others too when we start to question the messiness and stress that change can bring to our lives.

"Ever since we moved into our house, my wife wanted to renovate the living room. She hated it because it was dark and out dated. I fought her on the renovations because I liked the room and also because I knew what renovations would entail. I knew that once we started, it wouldn't end with a simple paint job and floor change. Once we began, it would set off a chain of change for the foreseeable future and I wasn't ready to do that. With the help of friends, she finally convinced me to let go of my fear and embrace the renovation. I saw in the process how God wants to renovate our lives.

God desires for each of us to undergo the process of renovation in our lives. He wants to take out old ways of thinking and replace them with the mind of Christ. He wants to remove the hard parts of our hearts and put in a heart of flesh. He wants to give us fresh insight into His Word, but we have to be willing to submit to the renovations. We have to quit fighting God on the changes He wants to make and allow Him to do His work. Psalm 51 is all about renovating David's life. In verse 10, he surrendered and prayed, "Create in me a clean heart, O God. Renew a right spirit within me." The first step of renovating your life is submission to God's will and design.

The next part is counting the cost. In my living room, I allowed the cost to keep us from renovating. It was more than I was willing to pay because the outcome was unsure. Once I let go of the purse strings, the work began.



The same is true in our personal renovation. We have to understand that there is a price to pay in renovating and we have to let go of the fear that keeps us from releasing God to do in our lives what He wants to do. It may cost us time, relationships, location or money, but in the end, we will receive more than we lost. Renovations in our lives increase our ability and usability.

The last thing I learned is that you have to be patient in the process. It wasn't long into ours that my wife said, "We've made a mistake. We shouldn't do any more. What if we keep going and lose a lot more money?" She was right. In the middle of the process, we lost sight of the vision. We questioned the renovation and almost gave up. We decided to see it through and love the outcome. In the Message, Philippians 1:6 says, "there is no doubt in my mind that God who started this great work in you would keep at it and bring it to a flourishing finish." It might get messy and you might lose sight of what God is doing in your life, but be patient. God will complete the work in you and it will be more amazing than you can imagine and worth the cost."



Submitted by Claire Fisher

INSPIRE photos featured this week:

- Grandfriends Day
- 'Music is Fun' performance

From the Principal

SHED MEN GO BUSH

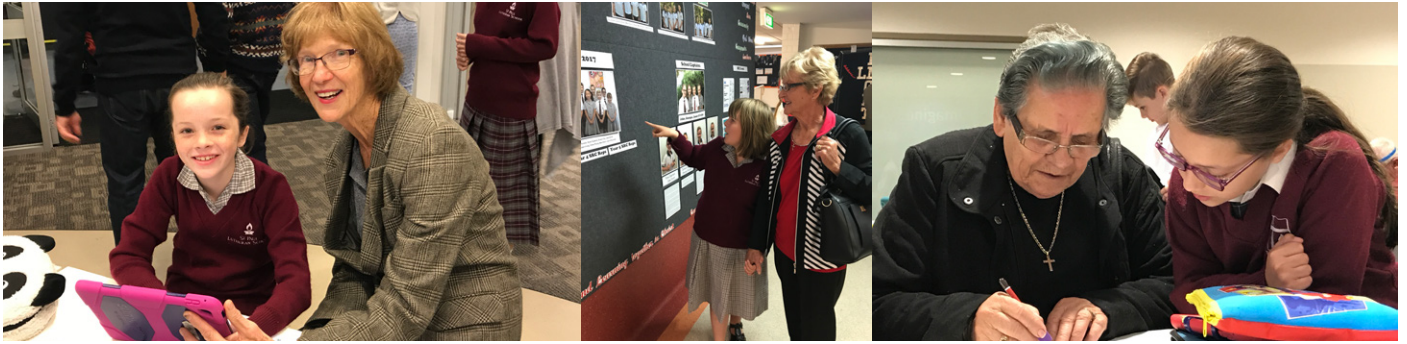
I had the privilege of visiting the Shed Men Go Bush campsite on Saturday afternoon and evening. When I arrived, I witnessed a multitude of incredibly busy, happy and relaxed students and dads going about the important tasks of playing in hay bales and trees, and cooking dinner over the campfires. I may have been strategic in my timing and managed to sample many gourmet camp dinners – who knew there were so many amazing cooks and chefs in our midst?!

Thank you to the Shed Men Go Bush committee for their tireless work in organising an amazing event for our St Paul children. This would not happen without the countless hours you commit to the event. Congratulations also to all dads who were able to make it to the event to spend quality time being dads – it's the most important job you have. (And commiserations to those of you unable to make it – this is no reflection on those with busy lives and pressing priorities that also encompass your roles as dads).

STAFFING NEWS – COMMUNITY CARER ROLE

Many of you are aware that Mrs Felicity Tamasi is on sick leave at the moment. We have been blessed to have the support of Louise Venning, in her role as School Ministry Worker, for many of our students and families in this interim period.

We have now appointed Louise Venning to a temporary Community Carer Role in addition to her School Ministry Worker Role. This is the equivalent of one day per week, and will be spread across several days. When this is finalised, Louise will be very keen to communicate with you all further.



Of course, our thoughts and prayers for Mrs Tamasi continue and we look forward to her returning to her role later in the year.

Leila Mattner | Principal

From the Assistant Principal

STAFF WELLBEING AT ST PAUL

Here at St Paul we consider the wellbeing of all members of our community a high priority. To that end I was blessed on Monday to attend a Staff Wellbeing day run by Principals Australia Institute. Many schools across the sectors were represented with hearts to enrich and strengthen their own learning communities through holistic health, principles for workplace learning, individual wellbeing and positive mental health through PERMA. PERMA is something St Paul has already embraced and will continue to profile over the coming years. The broad learning around enrichment of staff and student wellbeing will feed into strategic direction over the coming year.

SRC CASUAL DAY FRIDAY 26 MAY

A reminder that Casual Day is this Friday 26 May. Students are invited to come dressed as if they were in their dream job. Please bring a gold coin donation in support of Australian Lutheran World Service.

DISCO

A reminder that Disco Tickets will be on sale again alongside the canteen this Friday morning between 8:30am and 9:30am or from the school office at anytime. Over 90 tickets were sold in the first week of sales! St Paul would like to remind parents of the following information regarding the disco:

- To be eligible for a ticket, children must be current St Paul students in Reception to Year 6. As this is a school

disco, the event is not open to the public.

- only brothers and sisters currently attending St Paul are eligible for a ticket. Reception to Year 2 children will need to be picked up at 6:45pm. The session from 7:00pm - 8:15pm is only for students from Year 3 to 6. This will ensure the bigger and older Year 3 to 6 students have full access to the play area without concern for injury to younger students in the same confined space.

- parents who would like to attend on the night must be St Paul Registered Volunteers. Please contact Theresa Doyle on 0408 893 647 if you would like to put your name down as a registered volunteer. Because Registered volunteers will be given specific roles on the night, younger or older brothers and sisters will not be able to accompany their parents. We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause.

The organisers are looking forward to seeing you all on the night!

WINTER UNIFORM

From Thursday 1 June (next week), all students are required to wear winter uniform. Please note in particular that boys should wear long pants with grey socks, and girls' dresses or skirts should be below the knee, but no longer than mid-calf. Please note that we will be sending home friendly uniform reminders the following week to ensure all families understand our uniform expectations ready for school photographs on 22 June. Our full Uniform Policy can be viewed online at <http://www.stpaulba.sa.edu.au/enrolment/uniform/>.

OFFICIAL SCHOOL PHOTOS

Official school photos will be taken on Thursday 22 June. All students are required to wear official winter uniform on this day. Students who are not wearing correct uniform may miss out on having their photos taken. If you need additional uniform items, please be sure to see Jane Sabel in the uniform shop.

Helen Vonow | Assistant Principal



From the Director of Learning

UNI NSW

The UNI NSW Science Test will take place on Tuesday 30 May (next week), in the hall at 1:45pm. Students will need a pencil, calculator, ruler and eraser and meet in the hall at 1:45pm sharp.

OLIPHANT SCIENCE AWARDS 2017

All South Australian school students from Reception to Year 12 are invited to participate in the Oliphant Science Awards. Any students interested in participating need to see Mr Fay for entry details. The Oliphant Science Awards are a wonderful opportunity for school students from Reception to Year 12 to develop their interests in science through a competition with a range of categories to suit a wide variety of abilities and interests.

'MOST LIKELY TO SUCCEED' SCREENING

Since its 2015 premiere at the Sundance Film Festival, the education documentary 'Most Likely to Succeed' has challenged educators around the world to reflect on the nature of education in the 21st Century. Based on a school in San Diego, High Tech High, the film explores questions around the history and future of education and why it is time to examine everything we think we know about the very purpose of schooling. On Wednesday 7 June at 7.00pm, St Paul is hosting a public screening of 'Most Likely to Succeed' for all parents and caregivers. Mr John Proeve, Director of the Lutheran Schools Association, SA/NT/WA will be joining us for the screening, having just returned from a research tour to High Tech High.

St Paul staff have been exploring issues around the nature and future of education for a number of years now, leading to new learning spaces and a Pedagogical Framework based on principles, values and approaches, that are also examined in the film. I urge all parents to attend the film screening to develop a better understanding of the debate around education, the

changing face of the global economy and the way St Paul has already started responding to these challenges.

Jason Fay | Director of Learning

General News

RECONCILIATION WEEK

Each year National Reconciliation Week celebrates the rich culture and history of the first Australians. It's the ideal time for all of us to join the reconciliation conversation and to think about how we can help turn around the disadvantage experienced by many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. Reconciliation Week is held every year between 27 May and 3 June.

This year our focus is to support the Indigenous Literacy Foundation. We invite students and families of St Paul to make a small donation to support their mission. Look out for donation tins or give your donation to classroom teachers. Students will be involved in Reconciliation activities in classrooms during the week and we invite you to join us for assembly on Friday 2 June for a special acknowledgement of Reconciliation Week.

Tania Burgan and Yvonne Folland

CARPARKING ON COURTS

Please check the Carparking map for the tennis courts which has been sent home with your child today and is also attached to the INSPIRE email. Parking in the correct manner on the tennis courts ensures parking for over 30 cars and creates a safer environment for cars and pedestrians.

Carpark and Yard Duty Teachers



From the Sports Coordinator

NETBALL SEASON 2 2017

Netball Registration forms are available this week for Season 2 (Term 3 and 4). Coaches will give current players a registration form at training this week. Extra forms are available at the school office if you are currently not playing but would like to.

All interested players are very welcome to register. Please contact the school office if you have any questions. Registration forms are to be returned to the school office by **Wednesday 7 June**.

SAPSASA CROSS COUNTRY

Last Friday at the TK Shutter Reserve, Klemzig, our 21 St Paul Lutheran Cross Country athletes put their training and courage to the test at the annual Adelaide North East SAPSASA carnival.

And guess what? They all performed wonderfully well! Over half our runners finished in the first 20 across the line in their respective races – very creditable in fields in excess of 60!

Special mentions to Hannah Ratsch, Imogen Davey, Ruby Hartwig, Fergus Venning, Ebony Schache, Archie Kretschmer and Imogen Healy on their top-twelve placings. Archie Kretschmer and Imogen Healy qualified for State Day at Oakbank.

Big 'thank yous' to Mrs Venning for her course-marshalling efforts, Mrs Schache and Ebony for shelter provision and to the host of supportive parents in attendance.

SAPSASA FOOTBALL

Congratulations to Jaxon Barr and Ethan Wilkins on being selected in the 2017 Adelaide North East SAPSASA football (AFL) team to participate in the annual State carnival later this term.

Kym Mickan | Sports Coordinator

Church News

PASTIES ARE HERE!!

The St Paul Lutheran Church Pasty Bake is on again. The good news is our first bake is this week, Thursday 25 May. The great news is there are 6 on a tray for only \$12.00! But - you have to be super quick! Please place your order by contacting Renate Burls on 8260 5758 today or tonight Wednesday 24 May (leaving a message is fine) to ensure your order is filled.

ST PAUL COMMUNITY SUNDAY AND EXPERIENCE PENTECOST 4 JUNE

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

Straight after the Church service, we will be exploring together through fun, crafts and games, what the Holy Spirit might be like. Please join us and "Experience Pentecost" from 10:30am - 12:30pm.

Gold Coin donation for some activities.

SPY NEWS

St Paul Youth for Year 6 to 8 runs on the first and third Friday of the month during the school term 7:00pm-9:00pm. Cost is \$2.00.

Our next meeting date is Friday 2 June - SPY Sleepover. More details to follow - Girls bring supper.

Please contact Nicole Hall for more details on 0412 686 342.

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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ENTERTAINMENT BOOK

Our St Paul congregation is raising funds to continue to support our community in many ways. We need your help! Order a NEW 2017/2018 Entertainment Book or Entertainment Digital Membership now. You will receive hundreds of valuable offers for everything you love to do, and help our St Paul Church fundraising at the same time. Cost is \$70.00

Entertainment Books are available from the church office (8262 4690) and the school office (8260 2655).

"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:

1 June

15 June

22 June

29 June

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