



**ST PAUL
LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

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Upcoming Events

WEEK 5

MON 29 MAY - FRI 2 JUNE

- Reconciliation Week

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

MON 5 JUNE - FRI 9 JUNE

- Netball and Football State Carnivals

MON 5 JUNE

- Tri-Skills (Year 3-6)

• WED 7 JUNE

- 9:00am Chapel
- 'Most Likely to Succeed' Parent Screening 7:00pm

WEEK 7

MON 12 JUNE

- Public Holiday (Queens Birthday)

THURS 15 JUNE

- Miss Mueller's Parent Coffee Morning from 8:45am at the Parent Cafe

ADVANCE NOTICE

THURS 22 JUNE

- Official School Photos

Seeing God

The Lord is slow to anger, abounding in love and forgiving sin and rebellion. Yet he does not leave the guilty unpunished. Numbers 14:18

Caricature artists set up their easels in public places and draw pictures of people who are willing to pay a modest price for a humorous image of themselves. Their drawings amuse us because they exaggerate one or more of our physical features in a way that is recognizable but funny.

Caricatures of God, on the other hand, are not funny. Exaggerating one of His attributes presents a distorted view that people easily dismiss. Like a caricature, a distorted view of God is not taken seriously. Those who see God portrayed only as an angry and demanding judge are easily lured away by someone who emphasizes mercy. Those who see God as a kindhearted grandfather will reject that image when they need justice. Those who see God as an intellectual idea rather than a living, loving being eventually find other ideas more appealing. Those who see God as a best friend often leave Him behind when they find human friends who are more to their liking.

Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, I worship You. You are holy, just, kind, and loving. You are God alone.

God declares Himself to be merciful and gracious, but also just in punishing the guilty (Ex. 34:6-7).

As we put our faith into action, we need to avoid portraying God as having only our favourite attributes. We must worship all of God, not just what we like.



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God is God alone.

From Our Daily Bread Website: <https://odb.org/>

Submitted by **Armin Mayer**

INSPIRE photos featured this week:

*Seniors PPP (Personal Passion Project)

*Casual Day Photos

From the Principal

CANTEEN VOLUNTEERS – THANK YOU

Last Friday our student leaders took the opportunity to thank our canteen volunteers at assembly. We are immensely grateful to these volunteers for the time and effort that they put in to support Mrs Chris Semmler. Without our parent volunteers, the canteen simply couldn't operate to the capacity that it does now. Thank you!

STAFFING NEWS – ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT ROLE

We are pleased to announce that a new Administration Assistant has been appointed for St Paul Lutheran School. Mrs Sherri McPherson joins us from previous experience in a Christian school and we look forward to welcoming her. Sherri's position replaces Mrs Ann Belcher, who will be taking six months long service leave in Terms three and four to travel to Canada with husband Tom for his work.

Sherri begins with some induction time at the school at the end of this week and you will see her in the office every day from next week. Please come by and say hello!

TOYS AND FIDGET SPINNERS

Fidget spinners are a popular toy for many children at present. For some children with an identified learning need, fidgets are a great support in the classroom, although these come in all types and generally don't spin. If your child has an identified learning need that

will be supported by a fidget spinner, I encourage you to have a conversation with your child's classroom teacher. For all other fidget spinners, these will be put aside and cared for by the classroom teacher until the end of the day.

We encourage students to interact at recess and lunch times and would like to avoid instances where students feel peer pressure about toys, or where a toy may accidentally get broken. We would like to work together with you to ask that students do not bring toys from home to play with at school, unless specifically identified for a purpose such as a class talk. In order to keep children safe and to avoid distractions, our teachers have of late been looking after an increasing number of interesting and exciting toys from students until the end of the day.

Thanks in anticipation of your support in creating an equitable and social play space for our children.

Leila Mattner | Principal

From the Assistant Principal

AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA

We wish to thank Renate Burls and her team of helpers as they host Australia's biggest morning tea for staff tomorrow. Proceeds from this special occasion will support the Cancer Council.

RECONCILIATION WEEK

This week acknowledges the rich culture and history of the first Australians. We would like to thank Miss Tania Borgan and Mrs Yvonne Folland for their efforts in organising National Reconciliation Week celebrations at St Paul. Students will also be blessed at Assembly as Miss Aquino welcomes special visitors from the Kira Yerlo Kindergarten to perform a special Indigenous dance.

Helen Vonow | Assistant Principal



From the Director of Learning

With the rain starting to appear as the winter months set in, it's worth revisiting some of the expectations around kiss and drop expectation, both before and after school. It is also worth remembering that these routines are enforced by teachers on yard duty, not trained traffic police. Unfortunately dealing with frustrated and sometimes upset drivers is becoming a too familiar experience for these teachers. Please remember, they are just trying to keep everybody as safe as possible.

Key points to consider about kiss and drop

- Priority is given to getting cars off Audrey Ave. Cars in the eastern top car park and on tennis courts will sometimes be asked to wait to alleviate traffic build up on public roads.
- The eastern top carpark and tennis courts are there for people not in a hurry.
- Using Barton St or other surrounding streets for parking is just as quick as kiss and drop and the carparks, if not more so.
- You will sometimes be asked to 'do a lap' around the block if your child is not ready.
- Getting out of your car to help your child with their bag or seatbelt slows the flow of traffic.
- The yellow gate at the eastern top carpark is only opened at 8:45am and 3:30pm. If you park in this car park space you will be asked to wait.

We need community support for the safety of everyone. The 'no right turn' off Audrey Ave has helped but every day we see parents making risky decisions with drop off in the morning in particular. We can make up for time but we cannot turn it back. Please stay safe and support our teachers as they do their best to support you.

Jason Fay | Director of Learning

From the School Council

I'm sometimes asked what the role of School Council is so thought I would take the opportunity to briefly explain what we do, as well as introduce the members of School Council, some of whom are new to Council this year.

St Paul Lutheran School is a school of the Lutheran Church of Australia, and specifically of the St Paul Lutheran Church. Under the school's constitution, the congregational members of the St Paul Lutheran Church elect the School Council, which is made up of a maximum of nine representatives – seven of which must be members of the St Paul congregation, and two additional representatives that do not need to be St Paul congregational members.

The current members of School Council are:

Sally-Ann Bearman

Dennis Clark

Scott Hartwig (Chair)

Eileen Jeffree

Carolyn Nuske

Tiffany Raethel (Secretary)

Greg Ratsch (Vice Chair)

Merryn Ruwoldt

Leila Mattner as Principal is an ex-officio (non-voting) member, with Pastor Greg, Robyn Mader, Jason Fay and Helen Vonow also being key Council representatives as non-voting consultants.

In essence, the role of School Council is one of governance and is focused on areas such as strategic direction, operational and financial sustainability, risk and compliance. Council is not responsible for the day to day management of the school – this sits with Leila and her team. An example is the recent decision to again have three Reception classes in 2018. This was a Council decision based on ensuring the optimal outcome for the school, and one which will now move to Leila and



her team to successfully implement from an operational perspective.

One of the key items on the School Council's agenda for 2017 is the development of a new strategic plan. Very early-stage preparatory work has commenced on this, and Council looks forward to involving the school and church community at the appropriate time.

As a group, we are all passionate supporters of St Paul Lutheran School and are committed to positively contributing through our governance role to ensure a strong present and future.

Scott Hartwig | Council Chair

General News

TERM 2 HOLIDAY BREAK

Term 2 concludes on Friday the 30 June with Closing Chapel at 2.30pm. Please note that there are three weeks of holidays and we return to school to begin Term 3 on Monday 24 July. St Paul staff will enjoy a week of Professional Development during the first week of the break. SPLASH/Vacation Care will be available during the three weeks. Please see the SPLASH News for information.

DISCO

More than 185 tickets have already been sold! A reminder that Disco Tickets will be on sale again alongside the canteen this Friday morning between 8:30am and 9:30am. Tickets are available at the school office anytime.

Children are reminded to wear or bring socks.

Parents/Guardians need to sign children in and return at the end of the time.

Items being sold on the night:

soft drinks, pop top drinks, chocolates, lollies and chips
prices ranging from .50c - \$3.50

Water will be available for free.

Glowsticks, glow necklaces, flashing bouncing balls, spike balls prices ranging from .50c - \$3.50

This is a fundraiser for St Paul and the organisers are looking forward to seeing as many as possible on the night!

WINTER UNIFORM

A reminder that all students are required to wear winter uniform from tomorrow. Our full Uniform Policy can be viewed online at <http://www.stpaulba.sa.edu.au/uploads/files/Uniform-Policy.pdf>

LLL SCHOOL BANKING

Please bring your LLL school bank books to school next Wednesday 7 June so they can be sent off to the LLL for interest to be added. The bank books will be returned to you early next week. If you choose not to bank on Wednesday 7 June, please still send you books to school so your interest can be calculated.

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.

CALLING ALL SHED MEN!

Shed Men gathering is happening this Friday 2 June at Simon's Shed & Workshop.

Time - 6:30pm

Where - 62 Myrtle St, Propect

What do you need - Throat lubricant, meat for the BBQ and a yarn or two.

Simon has said the fire will be raging, but rug up as it may be a bit chilly! Hope to see you there.



SPLASH News

Things are getting very busy at SPLASH. This term we have had a few special focus weeks for Mother's day, Families and Reconciliation week. The students have been encouraged to engage in new activities and be creative. We have seen lots of building such as cardboard go-carts, straw constructions and inventive play like the group who enacted being a TV reporting crew. As well as the usual activities; handball, Wii, crafts, outdoor play, lego and much more!

Booking Reminders:

Please try to contact SPLASH or the school if you intend to send your child to SPLASH – often children have turned up and we don't know they are coming. If our numbers reach more than 89 and you are a last minute drop in you may find that you are charged a full emergency fee.

Tuesday remains our busiest night with our numbers getting up close to 90. If you want to secure a place for this night it is essential that you make casual bookings early – the day before is best.

The best contacts for SPLASH bookings are as follows:

Email: splash@stpaulba.sa.edu.au

During SPLASH: 0408 838 637

For bookings or changes made on the day: School office on 8260 2655.

Rebecca Heinjus is on leave this week but emails and calls will still be received by Dianne and the SPLASH staff.

July Vac Care

July holiday time is soon upon us. Our VacCare program will run for the full three week period from 3 July – 21 July. A full program and booking forms will be available from the middle of next week (7 June), so please look out for this.

Did you know that SPLASH has a WEEBLY page? It is in its early days of construction but I anticipate it will be

the number one place to go to find out about SPLASH activities, find booking forms and Vac Care information and see all the great happenings. Check it out TODAY!

You can access the page through the Parent Weebly (using the parent login). Then follow the SPLASH button to our page.

Rebecca Heinjus | SPLASH Director

Church News

PASTIES ARE HERE - AGAIN!!

The St Paul Lutheran Church Pasty Bake is on again for a second time. It will be happening on Thursday 8 June and deliveries will take place that Thursday after school and Friday morning. Our pasties are house made, baked fresh on 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 7 June (leaving a message is fine) to ensure your order is filled. Thanks!

ST PAUL COMMUNITY SUNDAY AND EXPERIENCE PENTECOST ON 4 JUNE

You are warmly invited to our St Paul Community Sunday Service this coming Sunday 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. We are very excited to have a number of St Paul students involved in the service doing bible readings, prayers, dance and a drama piece. You may even see some of your child's artwork on the Church walls or windows!! We would love to see you there. Everyone is very welcome.

Straight after the Church service, from 10:30am - 12:30pm we will be exploring together, through fun, crafts and games, what the Holy Spirit might be like for our '*Experience Pentecost Event*'.

A gold coin donation for some activities. We look forward to seeing you there!

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 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.

Our next meeting date is this Friday 2 June - SPY Sleepover. Cost \$5.00 for pancake breakfast. Girls bring supper. This event finishes by 8:00am. Please RSVP by this Thursday.

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 7:30 - 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 ; 0423 151 367) for more information or to indicate your interest.

ST PAUL CELEBRATING 50 YEARS - SUNDAY 18 JUNE

St Paul Lutheran Church is celebrating 50 years of ministry, love and blessings this year in 2017. A special commemoration service will be held on Sunday 18 June. There will be one service at 9:30am with a celebration cake and a community lunch. Everyone is welcome.

ENTERTAINMENT BOOKS

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 Please contact Naomi in the Church office on 8262 4690 or the School office on 8260 2655.

PLAYGROUP @ ST PAUL

Tuesday mornings in the Church hall during school terms for children 0-4 with their Carer. Playgroup is a relaxed, informal play space where adults gather for coffee and a chat and children play. Crafts and stories are also on offer. Drop by after school drop off and join the fun.

Time 9:00am-10:30am. Cost \$2.00.