



**ST PAUL
LUTHERAN SCHOOL**

Living and Learning Together in Christ

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Upcoming Events

WEEK 8 - HARMONY WEEK

FRI 20 MARCH

- Wear Cultural Dress or Orange

WEEK 9

MON 23 MARCH

- Tri-Skills Gymnastics (Years 3-6)

TUE 24 MARCH

- Sports Day, Long Distance

WEEK 10

MON 30 MARCH

- Tri-Skills Gymnastics (Years 3-6)

WEEK 11

MON 6 APRIL

- Tri-Skills Gymnastics (Years 3-6)

WED 8 APRIL

- Last day for students - Parent/Teacher Interviews (Evening)

THU 9 APRIL

- Term 1 Concludes - Parent/Teacher Interviews (all day) Pupil Free Day

St Patrick

This week may have seen one of the quietest St Patrick's Day celebrations in living memory. The story of St Patrick is close to my heart. Growing up in Ireland as a young boy and learning about God and faith at school, the Holy Trinity would inevitably come up. Even at times when it didn't have to!

You see the Irish have this unique bond with the doctrine of the Holy Trinity due to the shamrock. You probably know about St Patrick and his work in Ireland, although in terms of the narrative and the reality of his work, there is much debate. St Patrick drove the 'snakes' out of Ireland (the unfaithful?) and brought Christianity to the island at a time when Celtic paganism dominated practices and beliefs.

The story goes that St Patrick used the shamrock (the word shamrock comes from the Irish word for clover) as a metaphor for the Holy Trinity and in doing so brought enlightenment to Ireland. According to the legend, St. Patrick was traveling and happened upon a number of Irish chieftains along a field. The tribal leaders were curious about the Trinity and asked St. Patrick for an explanation. So he bent down, picked a shamrock, and showed it to them, and explained how the three leaves are part of the one plant, and how similarly the three Persons, Father, Son, and Spirit, are part of one Supreme Being. Thus a great teaching tool was born!

Matthew 28:19(NIV) Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.'

Submitted by Jason Fay



INSPIRE photos featured this week:

• Sports Day Sprints

From the Acting Principal

COVID-19

An important letter regarding measures the school is taking regarding the Coronavirus/COVID-19 was sent home earlier this week. Please make sure you read this communicate. If you did not receive this information, please contact a member of the admin team.

COMMUNITY

I have stressed the concept and value of community regularly in Inspire over the last 18 months. We have based a key structure of our wellbeing programs at St Paul around the community model. At a time when it can be easy to look out for yourself first and others second, the power of community is more important than ever. Recently at the supermarket, I met a 90 year old Italian man and his son who were looking for pasta.

The elder of the two couldn't understand why there was none on the shelf. His words to me struck a chord. 'We survived the war because we shared. We shared the pasta we had. Everybody had enough pasta. This is crazy'.

The way we approach this point in history will be remembered by our children and our students. The attitudes and behaviours they see from the significant adults in their life will shape them. I pray that it teaches them the power of community.

Jason Fay | Acting Principal

From the Wellbeing Leader

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS- IMPORTANT INFORMATION

In light of the current climate, the decision has been made for all Parent Teacher Interviews to be conducted over the phone. This has implications for the current schedule, however please note that Thursday 9 April will be a Pupil Free Day. Further information regarding Parent Teacher Interviews will be communicated to families very soon. Thank you for your understanding.

PRE-SPORTS DAY EVENTS

Long Distance Finals: Students in Year 1- 6 are to wear sports uniform on Tuesday 24 March for pre-Sports Day long distance finals.

Carly Bergen | Wellbeing Leader

Community Chaplain News

CLASS CARERS 2020

Class Carers at St Paul are volunteers in our school community who care for and work together with their Class Teacher/s and fellow Carers to help create a warm and friendly environment in our school. Each class normally has two Class Carers whose role it is to encourage a positive relationship with their classroom teacher, and to be the practical care liaison person/s in each class. Class Carers work very closely with our Wellbeing Team at St Paul, in particular Carly Bergen, Wellbeing Leader and Louise Venning our Community Chaplain.

On Friday morning in week 7 our Class Carers got together for a Morning Tea Meeting. Nineteen of our wonderful Carers attended and it was a great way to introduce new Carers to the group and to have a time for Carers to get to know each other. Another important component of the meeting was to talk about the role, to answer questions and to support each other.

Thank you to all who offered to become a volunteer in our school in this role this year. We appreciate the level of enthusiasm we received. Please see below the names of our Class Carers for each class in 2020. They are your Class Carers and are here to help support you, our St Paul families, in times of need. We sincerely thank them for their care and for the time they are giving to this valued role in our school.



LIST OF CARERS AND CLASSES:

- Sheedy - RE** - Di Monger, Jess Edgecomb
- Gracey - RE** - Kylie Munchenberg
Maryanne Campbell-Hand
- Baldock - 1**- Kylie Karvelis, Kylie Phillips
- Lethborg - 1**- Tammy Richter, Megan Snook
- Sheridan/Jeffery - 2**- Kylie Coad, Tamra Purton
- Tew/Saint - 2** - Liann Tape, Sharon Carthew
- Voigt - 2** - Carolyn Brandt, Minna Roberts
- Arnold - 3** - Christie Clarke, Shamila Willshire (Heinrich)
- Fisher - 3** - Mel Maeder, CJ Monger
- Fyffe - 3** - Leanne Cotter, Donna Hanin
- Mueller - Year 4** - Shin Yie Chew (Chan), Brenton Hughes, Lauren Hughes
- McMahon - Year 4** - Julianne Duke, Theresa Doyle
- Woodward - 5** - Ally Griffiths, Carolyn Morris
- Burgan - 5** - Sally Bearman,
- Mattner/Robinson - 6** - Leanne Smith, Karen Gillard, Lyn Ratsch, Gabby Surinya-Reynolds

TOOLBOX PARENTING COURSE @ ST PAUL

Last week at the first Class Carer Meeting of the year, we were blessed to have Bob Wilhelm from the LCC (Lutheran Community Care) and Jo Chamberlain from the LCA specifically Blueprint Ministries join us to talk about their collaboration with Churches and Schools in presenting the Toolbox Parenting Courses. Toolbox Parenting courses were initiated and developed by 'Parenting with Confidence', a NZ based charity founded in 1993 by Ian and Mary Grant.

Toolbox parenting courses are bursting with practical strategies, ideas and insights to inspire and equip you on your parenting journey – wherever you're up to

(Baby and Toddler Years, Primary Years or Teenage Years).

Last year in Term 2, St Paul School and Church hosted a Toolbox Parenting Course for parents and carers of Primary aged children (5 to 9 years). It was a wonderful group which really celebrated coming together to learn and to share with each other about the ups and downs of parenting, whilst learning some new parenting tools!

In Term 2 this year, we are looking to again run the Primary Years Course. The course is held over six weeks in a relaxed and conversational small group setting with a trained facilitator. We are currently taking expressions of interest for parents and carers who are interested in finding out more about this wonderful parenting course.

If you would like more information you can also visit the website www.parentingplace.nz

Please contact myself if you would like to know more about this terrific opportunity at our school. Blessings, Louise Venning, Community Chaplain lvenning@stpaulba.sa.edu.au

General News

TERM 1 SCHOOL FEES

Information regarding Term 1 School Fees was emailed last week. Please read this information carefully. If you have any questions, please email accountsreceivable@stpaulba.sa.edu.au or call 08 7078 854.

LOST PROPERTY

Please ensure all items that are brought to school are clearly marked with your child's name. This allows a speedy return on an item that has been misplaced.

The Uniform Shop has iron on name tags, pre printed, 10 for \$5.00

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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Maundy Thursday 7:00pm

Good Friday 9:30am

Easter Sunday Early Morning
Service 6:30am

Easter Sunday 9:30am

Uniform Shop News

The Uniform Shop will not be accepting second hand uniforms for the rest of this Term. If you were intending to drop any garments, please hold off until next Term. A Reminder that all items must be freshly laundered and pockets empty.

We will not accept any garments that are very thin, frayed, worn or with stains, tears, holes or with obvious repairs.

Thank you in advance

Jane Sabel | Uniform Shop Manager

Church News

EASTER SERVICES AT ST PAUL

Everyone is invited to join us at our Easter Services at St Paul. We would love to welcome you there.

SPY - ST PAUL YOUTH

St Paul Youth for children in Years 6-8 is held on the first and third Friday of the month during school terms. Our next get together is this Friday 20 March. Time 7:00pm-9:00pm. Cost is \$2.00. Girls to please bring supper. For more information, please contact Nicole on 0412 686 342.

BACKPACKS 4 SA KIDS

At St Paul we are collecting items for Backpacks 4 SA Kids. For the months of March & April backpacks are desperate for donations of underwear for boys and girls, especially older children up to size 16. Donations can be left on the table in the narthex or at our school front reception. Please keep this mission project in your prayers.

LUTHERAN COMMUNITY CARE

For the month of March LCC are asking for tin pasta, shampoo, spreads and tinned vegetables to replenish their shelves. Donations can be left on the table in the Church narthex or via our front reception. Thank you for your support.

PLAYGROUP @ST PAUL

Playgroup @St Paul is held each Tuesday during school terms, from 9:00am-10:30am in the Church Hall. Children 0-5 years and their parent or carer are invited to join us for a time of play, craft, stories and singing. Our theme for Term 1 is 'A few of my favourite things'. All welcome. Come along and join the fun. Cost is \$2.00 per family. Please bring a small snack for your child for snack time.