

St John's Lutheran School

School Newsletter – 15th February, 2017



In our Prayers this week:

Bradshaw Family – Samuel Yr 3,
Laylah Yr 1
Brady Family – Darcy Yr 6, Chloe Yr 4
Brauer Family – Eloise Yr 1
Broderick Family – Baydan Yr 6,
Ellie Yr 1
Browning Family – Thomas Yr 3,
Indianna Yr 2
Brown Family – Kaitlin Yr 7, Liam Yr 5

Sunday Worship Services:

St John's Church (36 Markwell Street,
Kingaroy) 9:45am



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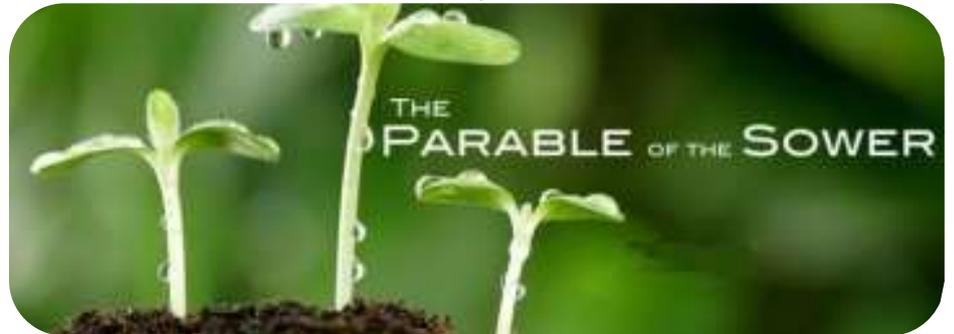
Growing Deep

This week at Junior School devotion one of our grandfathers, Mr Nev Jorgensen, shared some stories about his farming life. He told us that there have been many times when God has provided his farm with just what was needed at the time, a full rain gauge, a container of water to put out a fire, and the people around to help him. He told us how some seeds can be planted so deeply in the ground and still push through the heavy soil on top to reach to sunlight and water, and flourish and eventually provide a crop. Next time you look at a peanut, look closely at the shell, the skin and the nut inside. Inside the nut you will find the teeniest, tiniest of seeds. We also have a seed in us that can grow in God's love when we open ourselves up to His Word and love.

Bible Reading: Mark 4:26-29

Jesus is talking...

'God's kingdom is like what happens when a farmer scatters seed in a field. The farmer sleeps at night and is up and around during the day. Yet the seeds keep sprouting and growing, and he doesn't understand how. It is fertile ground that makes the seeds sprout and grow into plants that produce grain. Then when harvest comes and the grain is ripe, the farmer harvests it and collects all the grain.'



Community Corner

Thank you to the parents who attended our Seesaw parent information session on Monday. There is another session this afternoon, the **15th of February, at 5pm**, in the Administration Conference Room. Seesaw is a digital portfolio system that is being used by our Prep-Year 4 teachers and students.

Also a reminder that there is a **Parent Information Session** being held here at St John's by The Melanoma Awareness Foundation. Come along and become fully educated on the risks, and the importance of prevention.

When: Tuesday, 21st of February, 2017

Where: St John's School Hall

Time: 2pm

For more information please e-mail Sarah at smca@sjls.qld.edu.au



Melanoma Awareness Foundation
Queensland Australia

New Staff Profiles

So that you get to know our new staff, we will feature the new staff members in newsletters over the term. This week we feature Adrian Landherr.

“Having worked as a registered nurse in various locations around the world, I went back to university and attained my teaching degree, after which I moved to Kingaroy in 2006 and commenced teaching here at St. John's. In 2009, I put my teaching career on hold and tried my hand at mining for 8 years. The desire to teach again, however, grew stronger every year and I have returned to teaching Year 6 at St John's in 2017.

My wife, Emma, and I have lived in Kingaroy for 11 years, and have raised two wonderful children who also attend school here.

Let it be known that, living the first 25 years of my life in Melbourne, AFL takes priority over NRL. Please don't be offended. I'm looking forward to the year ahead at St John's, and look forward to meeting parents throughout the course of the year.”



Sunday Night Life – Sunday, 19th of February

All families are invited to come along and share in this devotional time, as our Year 6WL students introduce the school's theme for the year, “Growing Deep”. This first service will be held on the **19th of February at 5pm**, in the School Hall. Please bring a plate of food to share for a time of fellowship after the service.



School Fees

School Fee Statements for Term 1 were mailed out to all families on Monday. Fees are due for payment by Friday, the 3rd of March, and can be paid by cash, cheque, direct debit or EFT at the school office, by phone, or by the credit card slip printed on the bottom of the account.

Families are welcome to make payments earlier or by instalments should they wish. The longer the period over which instalments are spread, the smaller the instalment amount. Another option is to pay your full year's fees in total by the 31st of March to receive a 5% discount on your tuition fees.

Please contact the registrar, Mrs Williams, regarding any of the above options, so that an account can be issued for the full year's fees with the 5% discount applied, or a payment plan set in place.

Students in Years 7 – 9 will receive the State Government Text book allowance credit on their Term 1 statements. If you have any questions regarding your fees, please contact Mrs Williams.

Secondary Snippets

Meals on Wheels – In Junior Secondary the children have many opportunities to participate in community service. Today some of our secondary students assisted Mrs BP with Meals on Wheels delivery. 29 students have offered to be part of this community service!! We know that the clients enjoy meeting our young people as they deliver the meals. The students were well-presented and enjoyed the experience.

Secondary Study Time - It was pleasing to see so many students accessing this session last Thursday morning. Teachers are available from 8am and students are to proceed to L1 and L2 as soon as they arrive at school. It is wonderful to see the dedicated approach our students are taking towards their studies so early in the term. Keep up the great work everyone!

Class Work - All parents are able to access their child's text books by searching for Jacplus.com.au. You will need your child's login details and you will then be able to access these from any device connected to the internet. Students can also access their 'Google Classrooms' from any computer or iPad with an internet connection, and much of the classwork and homework, as well as assignments and links to information can be found in the 'Classroom'. If your child has not shown these to you yet, ask them to give you a tour. They can also access help from their teachers via the Classroom and email.

Project Time - Students have completed introductory lessons on aerodynamics, friction, dragster and car specifications, CO2 as a power source, and Technical Drawing, in preparation for designing their CO2 Dragster. This week they will begin to draw the front and top view of their designs, in preparation for cutting their shape. They will be applying the principals of the pre-lessons to the cars to design the most streamlined and light-weight vehicle. Term 1 Project Time has commenced with enthusiasm and engagement.

Year 7 Vaccinations – Please return your Year 7 Vaccination Forms to the office by tomorrow, the 16th of February. Even if you are not getting your vaccinations at school, they still need to be returned.



St John's School Relay for Life Team

This year staff and Junior Secondary students will be entering a St John's Team in the Relay for Life Challenge in October.

Relay for Life is a fun and moving overnight experience that raises vital funds for the Cancer Council's research, prevention, information and support services. Relay is a chance for the Kingaroy community to recognise and celebrate local cancer survivors, patients and their carers, to honour and remember loved ones lost to cancer and to raise money to help save more lives. Last year our school filled three teams and raised over \$3800! We invite secondary students to be part of this again, and forms have been sent home for parents to sign. Early bird registrations for \$10 are available until Friday, the 24th of February - so if you wish to register your child at this price, please bring your \$10 into the office by this date.



Live It! Youth Group

The kids had a great night at our first Live it! for the year. Lots of games, smores, spotlight and damper! A huge thank you to the Wilks family and the awesome parent helpers for a great night.



Clifton Show Qld Whipcracking Titles

It was a sweltering day at the Whipcracking competition held in Clifton on Sunday. Four St John's students participated: Pita Tidmarsh, Winston Leisegang, Scarlett Norris and Casey Springhall. Scarlett took out the Pee Wee division with a stellar performance. Pita came second in the highly competitive Juvenile division with the judges rating the Juvenile section as some of the best talent they have seen. Winston also entered the Bullwhip section and completed 2 minutes of cracking in 40+ heat. Our students performed really well and represented the school admirably. They really benefitted from seeing the high standard of whipcracking in the Open division and a raft of new tricks to try to master.

Congratulations to Paul Sims for walking away with a place in the Open Men's and the Bullwhip sections, and a huge thank you for coaching the St John's students and being there to support them on the day. We also thank Mr Kotzur and Mrs Landherr for all their ongoing coaching of our whipcracking team. All spectators on the day were relieved to get into the air-conditioned cars for the drive home.



Drop and Go Reminders

As more parents are using this option to pick up their children, please be aware that the Drop and Go Zone is a **2 minute pick-up area only**. If your children are not waiting and are not in the car within two minutes, we suggest driving around the block and passing through the Drop and Go Zone again. If the Drop and Go Zone is not flowing, staff will ask you to move on.

Emu Gully

It was hot! Our Year 7 students toughed it out this week in 38 degree heat to complete all of the activities at Emu Gully. Once again our students did a fantastic job, working as a team and growing as young leaders. They faced their fears and challenged themselves to work at 100 percent. We look forward to going back with next year's Year 7s.



Music News

Due to illness, there will be no band, private or Instrumental lessons for the remainder of this week. Thank you

Health Alert

There have been reported cases of **school sores** within the school community. If your child has this condition, they must be excluded from school until at least 24 hours after appropriate antibiotic treatment has commenced. Any sores on exposed skin should be covered with a watertight dressing.

Year 6 - Canberra Trip Information Night

On Tuesday, the 21st of February at 6pm, there will be a Parent Information Evening to discuss details of the Canberra Trip with Pam Walsh from EducaTours Australia. This will be held in the Hall. Please bring along any questions you may have.

Seesaw Parent Information Sessions

Seesaw is a digital portfolio system that is being used by our Prep-Year 4 teachers and students. Thank you to the parents who attended our parent information session on Monday. There is another session tonight, the **15th of February at 5pm**, in the Administration Conference Room.

It will take approximately 45 minutes to complete the session which would include:

1. Downloading the parent access app
2. Explaining what Seesaw is and the expectations around its use for 2017

For more information, or if you cannot attend a session, please email Ashley Dalton at adal@sjls.qld.edu.au or Sarah McAdam at smca@sjls.qld.edu.au

Students of the Week

1B – Elsie Peterson, Addison Sternberg, Liam Goodrich

1W – Jaxson Shelton, Charlise Cornell

2J – Amelia Jorgensen, Samuel Weller, Isabelle Barton

3M – Shia Lumsden, Jenali Bolden, Ethan Bird

4KR – Bevin Hanna, Callie Trace, Mia Shailer

5CM – Aiden Keevers, Melissa Reeves, Michael Robinson

6L – Noah Doodson, Baydan Broderick

Encouragement Award: Lincoln Norris

1D – Jack Fiedler, Maliha Rae

2H – Cohan Sanders, Chloe Ayre, Sierra Seng, Grace Bjelke-Petersen

3A – Ryder Forlonge, Nicole Gunston, Max Newby

3S – Miley Calvert, Jayden Prendergast

4PR – Cameron Tipple, Abigail Saunders, Indianna Scott

5N – AJ McNaboe, Mahkaylah Christoffel

6WL – Mackenzie Grundy, Scout Burton

Library Award: Year 3S

Date Claimer - Walk-a-thon - 24th Feb 2017

Hopefully all students are busy fundraising for the **St John's School Walk-a-thon**, as forms and money are due back into the office by next **Wednesday, the 22nd of February**.

The **Walkathon** and **Welcome Back Evening** will be held on **Friday, the 24th of February, from 5pm**.

Program as follows:

5pm – Walkathon commences, followed by games.

From 5:30pm – BBQ and Music by the **"MISfITZ"**.

If students are unable to participate in the Walk-a-thon on the day, an alternative time will be organised for them to walk during the following week.

Please note: Students must be accompanied by an adult for the evening. This is a social evening and students will need to be supervised by their parents.

Dinner will be available to be purchased on the evening:

- Sausage in Bread - \$2
- Soft Drink - \$2
- Steakette Burger - \$4
- Glowsticks, Water, Poppas and Fruit Juice Ice Blocks will also be for sale on the evening.

How Does My Child Fundraise? - Students have now received a Sponsorship Form which will assist in raising funds for the Walk-a-thon. Students who raise \$10 or more will receive an incentive prize for their efforts. (More forms are available in the office). We are also set up for online fundraising. Students can create a profile page at www.myprofilepage.com.au and register for online fundraising. This places them in the draw to win an Apple WATCH and if they raise more than \$30 they can go into the draw to win a \$5000 Cruiseabout Gift voucher.

Thank you in advance for your participation, and Happy Fundraising!

If anyone would like to help with the Walk-a-thon, please e-mail Kylie Olsen-Price on kols@sjls.qld.edu.au

St John's P&F Trivia Night - "Through the Decades"

We are looking forward to the St John's P&F Trivia Night on Friday, the 24th of March. The theme for the evening is "Through the Decades" and wonderful entertainment will be provided on the evening by the **"MISfITZ"**. Mark your calendars, organise your costumes, and start getting your table of six together for a fun-filled night out, which also raises funds for our school's ICT program. **TICKETS ARE ON SALE NOW**. For information or to organise tickets, please contact sjlsfpf@gmail.com, or nomination forms are available from the office.

National Futsal Championships

Congratulations to Daniel Price and Giovannah Okesene who represented Qld Country at the National Futsal Titles in Sydney in January 2017. Daniel was part of the U13 Boys team and Giovannah was part of the U14 Girls team playing teams from across Qld, Vic, NSW and Tasmania.

It was a great opportunity to participate at a national level, gain more experience, and develop their futsal skills.

The highlight of the competition for Daniel was when he scored a hat trick in his second game against Northern NSW and he is now looking forward to the 2017 Regional trials during Easter and representing Australia in the UK/Scotland in April.

Giovannah was only introduced to futsal last year ago when she had an opportunity to play for St John's school in Toowoomba. Since then, she has joined her local club to gain more experience in the game. It was Giovannah's first time playing at national level and she adjusted quickly to the level of competition.



South Burnett Secondary Swimming Carnival

Wednesday, the 22nd of February at 2pm – 5:30pm @ Kingaroy Memorial Pool

12 year olds (Born 2005) boys and girls from primary school will be included in school points on the day and there will be age champion.

If 13 years and older students wish to nominate for Wide Bay selection (there are no WB trials) then they must swim on the day to have their 50 m times considered. For other distances and events they **must** bring with them on the day their time printouts from meet manager computer program (from their clubs) which is to be signed by a club official. **This must be brought on the day – no exceptions** as the nominations will be sent to Wide Bay School sport, **This is the only way to nominate** for Wide Bay selection. **12yrs WB** Nominations will have already closed. If anyone has any questions please e-mail Greame Moseling at gmos@sjs.qld.edu.au.

Dates to Remember

January / February 2017

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
13	14	15 Playgroup 9am Seesaw Parent Session 5pm	16	17 2:30pm School Assembly	18	19 Sunday Night Life 5pm – 6WL
20	21 Melanoma Awareness Talk for Parents 2pm Year 6 Canberra Trip Information Night 6pm	22 Playgroup 9am	23 Money due back for Walkathon.	24 2:30pm School Assembly Walkathon - Welcome back Evening 5pm	25	26 Sunday Night Life 5pm – 5CM

Community Notices

Positive Partnerships

'Positive Partnerships' – Working together to support school-aged students on the Autism Spectrum.

Free one day workshop for parents and carers, designed to foster productive school, family and community relationships to provide the best kind of support for your child.

When: Wednesday, 15th March 2017 – 9:15am-3pm

Venue: Pioneer Lodge Motel

Register Online: www.positivepartnerships.com.au (Please see flyer in the community notices with more info)

Infoline: 1300 881 971 or e-mail parentcarer@autismspectrum.org.au

Just letting you know about some forthcoming gigs if you are keen for some live music...

17 th Feb	Fitzy	Kingaroy RSL	from 7pm
24 th Feb	MISfITZ	St John's Walk-a-thon	
24 th Mar	MISfITZ	St John's Trivia Night	from 6pm



BIEDO Women's Wellness Morning Tea



Friday 24 February 2017, 9am – 12noon
Nanango Cultural Centre



Free Admission & Morning Tea

Ladies, bring your friends for a great morning of fun & information. Wear something teal if you like.

Guest Speaker - Dr Madeleine Cooke,
Complete Women's Healthcare

(Dr Cooke runs regular gynaecology clinics servicing North, Central & South Burnett. To find out more, telephone 1800 791 332, email info@completewomenshealthcare.com.au or visit your GP)

All Welcome!



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Kingaroy Junior Redbacks

"On-line" Registration is **NOW OPEN** for ALL re-registering and new players.

Go to www.myfootballclub.com.au and follow the prompts.... by self-registering and paying in full Online by **Thursday 2nd March** you automatically go in the draw to receive a **refund** of one Registration.

REDBACKS Sign On & Information Day - Saturday 11th February, 2017

This is a great opportunity to ask any questions and to try on / purchase any gear required at great prices. 9am – 12pm, at the Junior Clubhouse located at Oliver-Bond Street (off Youngman Street).

Both boys and girls (turning 5 to 15 years) of any playing ability are encouraged to join the **REDBACKS** club. Every player receives a free training ball when fees are paid in full.

For more information please don't hesitate to contact our Club Registrar (Denise) : 0418 536 392 or email us via kingaroyjuniorredbacks@gmail.com and we will respond to your enquiry.

Both returning & new players are to "Register On-line" as early as possible so that organising of teams can commence. Please also checkout our **Facebook** page.



Come & Try

Rugby League

The Greatest Game Of All

The NRL together with Kingaroy Junior Rugby League is hosting a "Come & Try" afternoon. Participants will be involved in a number of fun rugby league games and activities all under the guidance of qualified coaches.

- WHEN:** **Thursday 23rd February 2017**
- WHERE:** **T.J O'Neill Oval Kingaroy**
- WHO:** **Boys and Girls age 6 (Born 2011) to 12**
- TIME:** **4:30pm to 5:30pm**
- COST:** **Free**

More Information: Mitch Sargent
NRL Game Development
Officer
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Come & Try

Rugby League

The Greatest Game Of All

The NRL together with South Burnett Junior Rugby League is hosting a "Girls Only Come & Try" afternoon. Participants will be involved in a number of fun rugby league games and activities all under the guidance of qualified coaches.

- WHEN:** **Thursday 23rd February 2017**
- WHERE:** **T.J O'Neill Oval Kingaroy**
- WHO:** **Girls aged 12 (Born 2005) to 18**
- TIME:** **5:30pm to 6:30pm**
- COST:** **Free**

More Information: Mitch Sargent
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THE GABORI SISTERS GATHERING by the SEA ON TOUR



Kids on Tour 2017 – Free Workshop

Sunday 19 March, 2017 from 9.30 am to 12.30 pm
at 'The Studio', Wondai Regional Art Gallery, On the Roundabout, Wondai

Workshop is open to all children aged from 6 to 11 years

- *All material & equipment is provided.
- *Morning Tea will be provided.
- *Parents are encouraged to attend
- *Bookings are essential

To register please call in at the Wondai Regional Art Gallery
or phone 4168 5926 with your childrens names, ages and contact number.



The Gabori Sisters: Gathering by the Sea on Tour introduces young visitors to the Kaiadilt artists, Elsie, Dorothy and Amanada Gabori, and their homeland of Bentinck Island in Queensland's Gulf of Carpentaria. Through specially designed, hands-on making and multimedia activities children are invited to consider the unique and important relationship the Kaiadilt people share with the sea and discover the creatures that inhabit the waters around Bentinck Island.

*The Gabori Sisters: Gathering by the Sea on Tour' was developed following 'The Gabori Sisters: Gathering by the Sea' exhibition on display at the Gallery of Modern Art, Brisbane, 25 June – 12 February 2017.

