

St John's Lutheran School

School Newsletter – 22nd February, 2017



In our Prayers this week:

Brown Family – Hayley Yr 1
Brownsey Family – Abigail Yr 4,
Joshua Yr 3
Burton Family – Scout Yr 6, Mayella Yr 3
Bywater Family – Lincoln Prep
Calvert Family – Griffin Prep
Calvert Family – Sharlette Yr 8, Maiella Yr 7,
Lincoln Yr 5, Miley Yr 3

Sunday Worship Services:

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

Sunday Night Life 5pm – School Hall



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Growing Deep

It has been great to get a little rain after all that heat. 45.7 degrees – what a scorcher!

In Australia, we often experience drought, meaning we have to go through some very difficult times.

The boab tree in the Kimberley thrives in tough conditions and has adapted to survive times of stress and times of plenty. If our lives are deeply rooted in trusting God, this can help us through the tough times.

Bible Reading: Ephesians 3:17-19 talks about being rooted in God's love.

Song: The Rend Collective - My Lighthouse



Community Corner

Thank you to everyone who attended the Melanoma Awareness talk in the conference room yesterday. We hope that this session was helpful and informative.

LEM Parent Information Session - LEM phonics is a programme for reading, spelling and writing the English language. It provides a system that helps to make the English language easier to understand. It is based on studies and principles which tell us how students best learn.

The LEM programme includes -

Multi-sensory learning, standards of excellence,
Sequential learning (each new concept is building on what is known)

Students learn best within an orderly framework

Challenges students to think analytically

Phonemic awareness - hearing, identifying and manipulating sounds

Rules - Rules are taught to help students learn the structure of various patterns of the English language

There will be a LEM information session for parents held on

Tuesday, the 7th of March at 2pm – in the Admin Conference Room.



New Staff Profile

This week we feature Amanda Roberts. "My husband moved to Kingaroy for work 18 months ago and my son Ashley and I followed him 6 months later. We have three children, Liam (23), Georgia (21) and Ashley (12). We moved here from the Sunshine Coast, where I was teaching at Good Shepherd Lutheran College. I specialised in Business and Legal Studies for Senior, but also have taught Humanities (History, Geography and Civics), Business Studies, and Maths in Middle School. I had the pleasure of doing relief teaching and a short contract at St John's last year. My son Ashley is a student at St Johns and has settled in and made great friends. I look forward to my time here at St John's."



Sunday Night Life - Sunday, 26th of February

All families are invited to come along and share in this devotional time, as our Year 5CM students explore the theme "Be Brave". This service will be held this Sunday, the **26th of February, at 5pm**, in the School Hall. Please bring a plate of food to share for a time of fellowship after the service.



Live it! Youth Group - Woodworking

On Friday the 3rd of March, we will be have a Woodworking Live it! for **Year 6 and 7 students** only. It will run from 3:15pm (immediately after school) until 5:00pm, in the Manual Arts room. Students will need to complete a permission form and return it to the office by Tuesday, the 28th of February. There are only 20 places available.

Secondary Snippets

It is pleasing to see so many students keeping on top of their homework and assignments.

Library - Each form class will be borrowing from the library weekly on the following days.

- Mrs Springhall – Monday
- Mrs Roberts – Wednesday
- Mr Moseling & Mrs Bjelke-Petersen – Thursday

Hats - Secondary students are reminded to wear their hats at lunch breaks. If they forget their hat, they will be asked to get a spare hat if they want to go on the oval etc. or participate in PE.

Project Time - Students used playdough to sculpt the design for their Co2Dragster so that they could then draw the side view and top view. These views will then be used as a template to apply to the balsa wood, so that the shape can be cut out. A few groups will be ready to cut their shapes on Thursday this week. On Tuesday, we got to test run the teacher-made dragsters; video footage of this can be seen of the school Facebook page. Lots of fun and creativity!

Rostrum and Debating - Students are very eager to participate in debating and public speaking. We have thirteen students entering Rostrum this year, and six debating teams who will participate in the local APEX debating competition. See Mrs Springhall with any questions. There is a Public Speaking Google Classroom which can be accessed for more information.



Parenting an Adolescent: 11 Insights That Will Make a Difference – You can click on [this link](#) to read a very useful article about parenting teenagers.

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.**

Free Dress Day - Relay for Life

On **Friday, the 10th of March**, we are holding a free dress day with a gold coin donation to support the St John's School Relay for Life campaign. All funds raised provide vital funds for the Cancer Council's research, prevention, information, and support services. Please wear free dress, but remember to wear a hat and sensible shoes (no thongs).

Dental Van

The dental van is coming to the end of its time here at St John's School. If you have missed out on seeing the dentist or are a new student, please contact the dental van on 0447 359 162 to make an appointment. It may be several years before they are back at our school again. After the dental van have left the school, appointments can still be made for emergency dental on 0447 359 162.

Kids Staying Safe - Child Protection Matters

It's everyone's job to keep kids safe at home at school, everywhere!

At St John's Lutheran School, lots of measures are in place to help students stay safe, and protocols are in place to deal with aspects of harm if these were to happen.



1. Student Code of Conduct - Be a Learner, Be Respectful, Be Safe
2. School staff Code of Ethics - Living out our school values
3. Valuing Safe Communities training for all staff and volunteers available online
4. Bravehearts - It's **Ok** to say **No** if you don't feel safe
5. Morcombe Foundation - Recognise React Report
6. Kid's Help Line - We Care, We Listen - Phone 1800 551 800 anytime
7. St John's Child Protection Policy - Teachers reporting as mandated if kids aren't safe (Copy available to read on the St John's School website or at the office)
8. Safe at Play - Undercover Area staff - Talking things through in a restorative manner

If students feel unsafe, they need to tell a staff member or trusted friend or adult, so that action can be taken to deal with the issues and maintain a safe environment.

St John's Lutheran School has a commitment and duty to keep kids safe!

Together we can do it!



Parent Directory

Due to privacy concerns, the school will no longer produce a school directory with contact details for school families.

Donations

If you have any A4 size cardboard boxes that could be used for a school project in Year 6, please drop them into the office or the Year 6 classrooms. Thank you.

Music Notes

Just a reminder to new music students that school photos will be held on Monday, the 13th of March. All band members will need black long pants, white long-sleeved shirt and black shoes for photo day. The school has vests, ties, etc. which will be supplied to the students on the day.

Year 6 - Canberra Trip Information Night

Thank you to all the parents who attended the Canberra Trip Information Night last night. We hope that this has answered all your questions about the forthcoming Canberra Trip for our Year 6 students. If you were unable to attend this evening and have any questions, please contact the office and we will schedule a time for you to have a chat with Mr Kotzur.

School Fees

School Fee Statements for Term 1 were mailed out to families last week. 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 in the office.

Car Park Safety Reminders

- The car park is one-way traffic only
- The speed limit is 8km an hour
- No children should be set down on the bitumen unless the car is parked in a marked parking space

Please exercise caution when exiting at the eastern end of the carpark. When you are turning out of the carpark, please ensure that you look carefully and be extra cautious of oncoming traffic.

BP Shield Day

Next Wednesday, the 1st of March, our secondary students will be participating in the BP Shield, playing touch football, softball/T-ball, chess and newcombe. We have again combined with Wondai SS and Proston SS to form a Small Schools team. This is a great social opportunity for our students to compete against other schools. A bus will be provided for students to attend this event on the day.

Nationally Consistent Collection of Data

The 2017 national data collection involves all Australian Schools collecting data re school students with disability. Please find attached to this newsletter information for parents and carers.

Students of the Week

1B – Thomas Lynch, Caleb Denman, Gabriella Mitchell

1W – Arlo Corsan, Joshua Lonsdale, Amelia Phillips

2J – Matty Reddacliff, Eden Foreman, Joshua Corser

3M – Chloe Blinco, Beccy Sharp

4KR – Casey Springhall, Kayley Renouf-Dowdle

5CM – Kaitlin Thamm, Christian Jorgensen, Coupa Rees, Aimee Price

5N – Deacon Fleischfresser, Jaycee Tessmann, Jessica Barton

6L – Reagon Goschnick, Nick Kruger

Encouragement Award: Tyrese Wortley

1D – Lucy Trace, Jayce Walters, Ryder Bauer

2H – Jessica Sutton, Derek Josai

3A – Scarlett Norris, Heath Knight

3S – Sienna Taylor, Emma Loveday

4PR – Wil Landherr, Hunter Forlonge

6WL – Hannes deJager, Braelyn Goschnick

Date Claimer - Walk-a-thon - This Friday 24th February

Walk-a-thon money is due back in to the office today. If you have yet to return your money and forms, please bring them in tomorrow, the 23rd of February.

We are looking forward to the '**Walkathon and Welcome Back Evening**' this Friday, the 24th of February, from 5pm up on the oval.

Program is as follows:

5pm – Walk-a-thon 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. Remember to be sun safe: hats and sunscreen!

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.

There will also be a gladiator jumping castle, face painting, raffles and other entertainment on the evening.

Please see the flyer in community notices for more information.

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 sjlspf@gmail.com, or nomination forms are available from the office.

South Burnett Under-12 AFL and Softball Trials

Please see Mr Moseling if you would like your child to participate in the South Burnett AFL or softball trials on the 3rd of March at Taabinga SS. These are not have-a-go days, and students must have good skills and an understanding of the sport. If we have more than 6 students nominate for either event, school trials will need to be held.



Brisbane Lions Visit

Our Year 5 and 6 students were lucky to spend some time this morning meeting some of the Brisbane Lions players who have been visiting the South Burnett this week. Students were able to play games, and participate in training drills. We thank the Lions and their team for coming out to our school.



Dates to Remember

<i>January/February 2017</i>						
Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
20	21	22 Playgroup 9am Money due back for Walkathon	23	24 2:30pm School Assembly Walkathon - Welcome Back Evening 5pm	25	26 Sunday Night Life 5CM 5pm
27	28	1 Playgroup 9am BP Shield Years 7 - 9	2	3 10:00am World Day of Prayer Catholic Church 2:30pm School Assembly Live it! Youth Group 3:15pm	4	5

Community Notices

MISFITZ

24th Feb MISFITZ St John's Walk-a-thon from 5:30pm

24th Mar MISFITZ St John's Trivia Night from 6:30pm



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WALK-A-THON &



St John's Lutheran School - Friday 24th February
2017 - 5pm onwards

Come and join in all the fun...



\$2 Entry

Gladiator Jumping Castle



MISFITZ

RAFFLES

Tickets \$2 ea or 3 x \$5

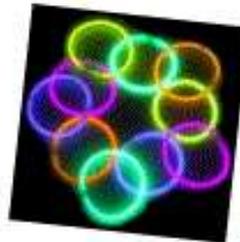
Lucky Dips & Glow Sticks \$1ea

Money Board

Karla's Carnival



\$2 Face Painting



Kids Coin Toss

\$2 a go

DATE CLAIMER:

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – FRIDAY 3RD MARCH 10AM

KINGAROY CATHOLIC CHURCH

ARE YOU a carer?

KINGAROY Support Group
Supporting carers who care for
Individuals with a Disability, Mental
Health illness or Age related illness.

**KINGAROY
CARERS SUPPORT GROUP**

WHEN: 3rd Wednesday of each month
TIME: 10.30am – 12.30pm
PLACE: KINGAROY RSL
Markwell Street KINGAROY

New carers always welcome!

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STEPS CARE FOR CARERS

At STEPS, we recognise that Carers play a valued and important role in our community.

Our Care for Carers program allows Carers to:

- Meet other carers and share experiences in a warm, friendly environment
- Learn self care techniques
- Learn about relevant services in our community through guest speakers
- Access free one to one counselling services

*Free to attend - morning tea provided
Bookings not essential*

"There's a sense of relief to meet people who understand what I'm going through and can share a laugh knowing that 'what happens in the group, stays in the group'." - Bundaberg Carer

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