

St John's Lutheran School

School Newsletter – 22nd March, 2017



In our Prayers this week:

deJager Family - Hannes Yr 6, Quintin Yr 2
DeJong Family - Mia Yr 3, Hunter Yr 1
Dean Family - Tiahna Yr 2
Denman Family - Caleb Yr 1
Dioth Family - Cayleigh Yr 3
Dixon Family - Flynn Prep

Sunday Worship Services:

Installation Service for Pastor Mark Doecke (new pastor in the South Burnett Lutheran Parish) 10.00am – School Hall

Sunday Night Life 5pm – School Hall



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Growing Deep

Gratitude is a great attitude!

What can you be grateful for today?

Every day may not be good – but if you look carefully you can find some good in every day.

Stop and reflect on the amazing person that you are and are becoming. Allow God's love to transform your life and renew your hope.

Bible Reading: Colossians 3:12-15

God loves you and has chosen you as his own special people. So be gentle, kind, humble, meek, and patient. Put up with each other, and forgive anyone who does you wrong, just as Christ has forgiven you. Love is more important than anything else. It is what ties everything completely together. Each one of you is part of the body of Christ, and you were chosen to live together in peace. So let the peace that comes from Christ control your thoughts. And be grateful.

Community Corner - Playgroup

This term at playgroup we have had all sorts of interesting things happening and have welcomed a lot of new friends.

The children always have a lot of fun exploring and developing new friendships. Research indicates that children learn best in an environment which allows them to explore, discover and play.

Play allows children to use their creativity while developing their imagination, dexterity, and physical, cognitive and emotional strength.

Play is important to healthy brain development. It is never too early to join a playgroup. We have a range of different ages from newborns to 5-year-olds. Next week is our last morning for Term 1. It is Teddy Bears Picnic day, so bring along your favourite furry little friend and join in the fun. We will recommence next term on Wednesday, the 19th April from 9 -10.30am.

NO Morning Devotion Next Week

Due to the skipping demonstration next Monday, the 27th of March there will be no Junior Morning Devotion. There will also be no Senior Devotion on Tuesday, the 28th of March. Instead this will be incorporated with Closing Assembly on **Thursday, the 30th of March at 1:45pm.**

Sunday Night Life

Thank you so much to the Year 4KR students and their families who supported Sunday Night Life last weekend. The Year 4KR students explored the theme "How We Are Special and Unique". The service was a very helpful presentation about how we all look different on the outside but are the same on the inside. The students performed an excellent poem called "I am Special". Thank you for all your hard work, Year 4KR. We look forward to the Year 6L service **this coming Sunday, the 26th of March.** Students will be presenting an Easter theme called "**Speak Easter – Speak Life**". All families are invited to come along and share in this devotional time 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

Hmm, so this is what the 128 rolls of toilet paper were for! We had 50 students attend Live it! on Friday night. The kids had a great night, thank you to the teachers and parents who helped out!



Prep Open Morning - Wed 29th March

To assist parents with their decision-making about starting Prep in 2018, we have our annual Prep Open Morning on **Wednesday, the 29th of March at 9:00am.** If your child was born between the 1st of July 2012 and the 30th of June 2013, they are eligible for Prep in 2018. If you know any families who may be considering St John's for their child's education in 2018, please contact them and encourage them to attend this morning, where they can come in, look around and ask questions about the Prep program offered here. Please meet in the undercover area outside the school hall at 9:00am for a tour of the school. Morning tea will also be provided.

Prep Enrolments – Families Currently At St John's

If you are a current family with a child who is Prep eligible in 2018, please call in and see Mrs Williams at the office and ask for an enrolment form to complete and return as soon as possible. This helps us establish our enrolment information for 2018. Thank you.

Fun Wednesday – Pizza Day

Next Wednesday, the 29th of March, is the last tuckshop day for Term One. This will be a Pizza Day, and orders must be submitted by 9:30am on **Tuesday, the 28th of March.** No late orders will be accepted. Orders can be made online (preferred option) on the Flexischools website at www.flexischools.com.au, or paper order forms were sent home on Monday.

Tuckshop News

Please note that next term we will be commencing the Winter Tuckshop Menu. Flexi Schools will automatically change to the new menu. If you use paper order forms, please come in to the office and collect the new order forms next term.

Secondary Snippets

Enlighten Education - On Monday, our senior girls in Years 7 to 9 welcomed Storm from Enlighten Education. Storm ran a session for our gorgeous girls called 'Love the Skin You're in'. It is described on their website as "Negative stereotyping, sexism, media images, the fixation on being thin - these are all issues today's girls are facing. In these core workshops for schools, we encourage girls to critically evaluate the messages that bombard them every day, and develop strategies that help them respond intelligently and objectively."

Storm visited us two years ago and the follow-up this week reinforced her message. Parents may also wish to like 'Enlighten Education' on Facebook for some great support and ideas. We particularly thank the **South Burnett Women's Group** who supported this program financially for our girls this year. This local group brought Storm to the area last week to run a program for girls in the district and very kindly added our school to their list of support schools.



ROSTRUM Voice of Youth 2017 - Congratulations to the 21 students that participated in the ROSTRUM Voice of Youth competition on Monday evening. The calibre of speakers was outstanding, with twelve students from St John's, six from Nanango High and three students from Kingaroy High. The adjudicators from our local Toastmasters organisation came along to make the very difficult decision of selecting those to continue to the regional heat in Toowoomba. We are very excited to announce that Chloe Wilks will be moving through to this round. Two years ago she also reached this round, and we hope that this experience gives her greater confidence. She spoke on the topic "A Blank Canvas" and from all reports gave a stellar performance. Abbie Moseling and Oliver Rees were awarded second place in their respective rooms and this means they are reserves. I am so proud of all the St John's students for the extra work they put into preparing themselves for this competition, they all did an admirable job. We would also like to congratulate Summer Millard from Nanango High who will also be moving through to the regional final. This next round will be held at Fairholme College in Toowoomba, on Saturday the 29th of April, starting at 10:30am. Thank you also to the St John's staff who came along to support the evening and ensure that it ran smoothly.

A huge thank you to Mrs Springhall for all of the extra time she gives at lunch break and after school to prepare our students for this event. The students learn so many skills through this competition and I am sure parents and students see the benefits of participating in these extra-curricular events.



End of Term - As the end of term looms, there will be quite a bit of assessment due. There have been some changes to assessment/exam dates due to timetable changes (skipping, sports trials, etc.), so please ask your child to double check due dates to avoid stress and to assist with time management. It has been a busy term but we are almost there!

Gideons Bibles

Thank you to the South Burnett Gideons who presented our Year 7 students with their own Gideons Bible on Tuesday at Senior Devotion.



Compulsory Parent Teacher Interviews - Term 1

Just a reminder that Parent Teacher Interviews will be held next **Tuesday the 28th of March and Friday, the 31st of March**. Prep to Year 9 parent/teacher interviews are held at the end of Term 1, and are compulsory for all students, as we would like all families to be informed about their children's progress.

Please note: Interviews for 6WL and 3A have been organised for an alternative day due to staff absences.

If you have not already scheduled an interview time, one has been scheduled for you. A copy of the timetable was sent home on Monday. If you have not received this timetable please contact the office.

Students of the Week

1B - Alyssa Tipple

1W - Huntah Jonsson, Lillian Thomas

2J - Harrison Smith, Bree Renouf-Dowdle, Quintin deJager

3A - Nathan Gardem, Joshua Black, Koby Childs, Emia Jorgensen, Kaiden Scott, Andrew Heycox

3S - Ava Kefford, Jayden Prendergast, Kruz Jensen

4PR - Jemma Pukallus, Toby Mills, Kaeden Head

5N - Aiden Turner, Travis Lucas

6WL - Jacob Perkins, Kurtis Goodger

1D - Hunter De Jong

2H - Levi Steinhardt, Decklan Schumacher

3M - Melakei Rae

4KR - Carys Goodger, Ryder Lumsden

5CM - Justice Okesene, Jaymin Hansen

6L - Brayden Mills, Reegon Walker

School Fees - Discount Full Year

The 5% discount on tuition fees for payment of your full year's fees for 2017 is due by next Friday, the 31st of March. Please see Mrs Williams if you would like to consider this option.

From the Classroom - 1D

In 1D we have been working hard on counting to 100! We can count in ones, twos and tens. We are also working on organising objects into tens and ones to make them easier to count. Our favourite counting activity is the 'Let's Get Fit - Count to 100' song. Have a look at it here and have some fun!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OTgLf3PMOc>



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

This Friday night, the 24th of March, is our highly anticipated St John's P&F Trivia Night. Please arrive at 6:30pm for a 7pm start, and remember to bring snacks and drinks for your table. Don't forget to bring your ticket to be in the lucky door competition, and plenty of spare cash for game and raffles.

The theme for the evening is "Through the Decades" and wonderful entertainment will be provided on the evening by the "MISFITZ". There is still the possibility of booking a table for six if you get in quickly. For information or to organise tickets, please contact sjlspf@gmail.com or nomination forms are available from the office.

Carpark Reminders

Due to some ongoing concerns in the car park, we thought it would be a good idea to remind everyone about the rules of using the car park and drop and go areas. It is important that these guidelines are followed to ensure safety of all our students and members of the school community.

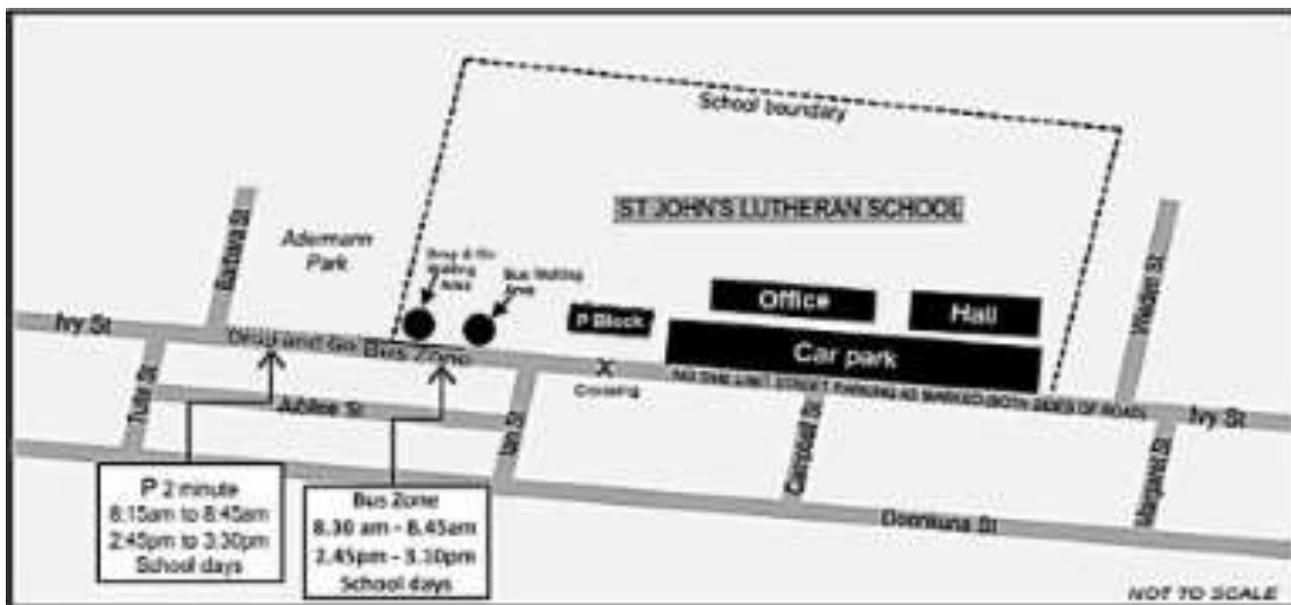
Drop and Go Zone - The Drop & Go Zone is behind the Bus Zone beside Adermann Park. Please note this is not a parking area. Parents are permitted to use the Bus Zone as well, only before 8:30am and after 3:10pm provided the buses have departed. Children must exit vehicles on the footpath side of the vehicle only. Please make sure that, if you use this area during the times mentioned on the signs, you do not park and get out of your vehicle. Keep your vehicle moving forward as cars in front of you depart the area. **Parking in the Drop and Go Zone is for a MAXIMUM of two minutes only. If your child is not waiting and it has been two minutes, we suggest that you circle the block and pull in again.** A list of afternoon Drop & Go students will be compiled during the morning roll call. In the afternoons, Drop & Go students will go directly to the far gate. Supervision of this area finishes at 3:15pm, and children who have not been collected by this time will be asked to wait inside the office area, so parents can collect them from main administration.

Other Parking - There is plenty of parking in Ian Street, with families able to use the supervised crossing to access the school yard.

Car Park - Thank you for your co-operation in this matter so that traffic remains manageable.

Other procedures to remember that are safety issues –

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



Inter-House Cross Country

Our annual inter-house Cross Country is being held on Thursday, the 30th of March. Students who are aged 11 to 15 compete in a 3km event, students aged 9 to 10 compete in a 2km event, students who are aged 7 to 8 compete in a 1km event. Preps and 6-year-olds will complete a fun run circuit. Students who are 14 and 15 years old are able to nominate for the 4km event, which is necessary if they would like to compete at the South Burnett Cross Country. Students are encouraged to participate as best they can, with points being given for places and for completing laps. We look forward to seeing you there!

PROPOSED TIMETABLE - Please arrive 20 minutes before your child's event, to ensure you don't miss it. Please remember that students are to wear their house shirt for the Cross Country.

Time	Distance	Age - years
9:00am	3km and 4km	13/14/15 and 14/15
9:25am	3km	12
9:50am	3km	11
10:15am	2km	10
10:35am	Fun Run	Prep
10:45am	Morning Tea	
11:15am	2km	9
11:40am	1km	8
12:00pm	1km	7
12:20pm	Fun Run	6
12:30pm	Presentations	
12:45pm	Lunch	

Skipping Display - Date Change - Monday the 27th of March

All parents of students in Years 1-9 are welcome to come along **next Monday, the 27th of March**, to watch their students display some of the skills they have learnt in skipping this term. Please see times below.

Year 7,8,9	8:45am – 9:25am
Year 1	9:25am – 9:55am
Year 3	10:00am – 10:45am
Year 5	11:15am – 12:00pm
Year 6	12:00pm – 12:45pm
Year 2	1:15pm – 1:45pm
Year 4	1:45pm – 2:25pm

South Burnett Trials

Congratulations to Kaitlin Thamm, Jolene Garlick, Braelyn and Reagon Goschnick, and Josaiah and Justice Okesene for making the South Burnett Basketball team last Friday.

Congratulations to Mackenzie Grundy and Kurtis Goodger for making the South Burnett Touch Football team on Friday also. Well done!



Music Notes

Please remember that there are no Instrumental Music lessons next week due to the Cross Country. Senior and Junior band will also **NOT** be on. Lessons and Bands will recommence in the first week back next term. All students in Year 4 who play woodwind (flute, clarinet, saxophone), brass (trumpet, trombone), percussion (drums) and bass guitar will start band practice next term in Week 1. This beginner band rehearsal will be on Friday mornings at 8:00am in the Music Room.

We request that your child arrives no later than 7:50am, so that we can start on time.

Dates to Remember

March / April 2017

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
20	21	22 Playgroup 9am	23	24 NO School Assembly Trivia Night 6:30pm for 7pm start	25	26 Sunday Night Life 5pm – 6L
27 Skipping Demon- stration NO Junior Morning Devotion	28 NO Senior Morning Devotion	29 Playgroup 9am Prep Open Day 9am	30 Cross Country 9am Closing School Assembly and Devotion 1:45pm	31 Parent Teacher Interviews Pupil Free Day	1	2



Looking for Prep in 2018?

Does your child's birthday fall between 1st July 2012 and 30th June 2013....If so they are eligible for Prep 2018

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PREP OPEN MORNING

Wednesday 29th March - 9:00am - 10:30am

- You are invited to our Open Morning
- Meet us in the undercover area of the school hall - morning tea provided
- Come for a tour of the school with our friendly staff.

Focusing on the 3Rs: Relationships, Responsibility, Results