

St John's Lutheran School

School Newsletter – 29th March 2023



In our Prayers this week:

Davies Family – Edith Yr1, Violet Yr5
Devereaux Family – Riley Yr6
Dizon Family – Hezekiah Prep, Charisse Yr 11
Doodson Family – Jesse Yr7
Douglas Family – Wiley Yr1, Ransom Yr2, Autumn Yr5, MacIntock Yr6
Dowers Family – Isaac Yr5, Taylor Yr7
Downey Family – James Yr2, Felicity Yr7, Sophia Yr8
Draper Family – Harrison Yr4, Emily Yr6



Sunday Worship Services:

St John's Church (36 Markwell Street, Kingaroy) - 9:30 am

St John's Lutheran School

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Kindness is. . .

We have received an amazing gift of peace from God. This peace doesn't come and go when things go wrong or turn bad. God's peace is always there, even when things around us are challenging. Let's be thankful for this special peace that God has given us - especially as we approach Easter.

"The Bible tells us that Jesus Christ came to do three things. He came to forgive our past, give us a purpose in life, and give us a home in Heaven."- Rick Warren.

God loves everyone in the world so much that he sent his only Son; and through the miracle of the resurrection, still reaches out in love to us all today.



Weekly Wellbeing

If you are finding it hard to believe that we are at the end of Term 1 2023, you are not alone. I don't know about you, but I look forward to a rest after a busy term. Rest is often defined as "a time to stop and relax to enable your body to regain strength". I would like to encourage everyone to take some time over the Easter holidays to take a break and rest. The season of Lent is a season of reflection and preparation before the celebration of Easter on April 9th. Take some time to slow down, reflect on life's priorities, spend some quality time with family and loved ones and just be still. May your Easter break be awesome and filled with joy.

Trevenna Jorgensen - Wellbeing Officer



From the Principal – Mrs Karyn Bjelke-Petersen

We are finishing off Term 1 with many events, which is making the time fly by!

Some parents and carers may have already been for their Parent-Teacher interviews with class teachers across Primary and Secondary. These interviews are a good touch point to check on your child's progress, celebrate successes, and share any concerns. The partnership between families and school is important and there is a lot of research about the importance of a strong parent engagement with the educational process. Research shows this can have a positive impact on student progress. I thank the teachers for their preparation for these Term 1 meetings and for the parents who have made time to meet with the teachers.



Cross-country is a highlight of Term 1 events. It is a fun morning where every child who participates helps their house gain points. The house captains have been actively encouraging all students to participate – as every point counts! House spirit is high, with our active house captains relishing their roles this term.

This holiday break is a little different to previous years, with Easter being in the middle of the holiday break. I hope you have an opportunity to reflect on the real meaning of Easter as a family. Mr Kotzur and Mrs Muller prepared a lovely Easter devotion for primary students last Monday, focussing on Jesus's death and His resurrection. We sometimes tend to get caught up in the commercialism of Easter, but I encourage you to share the following Bible verses of the Easter story, told from different perspectives, with your family. (Matthew Chapters 27 and 28, Mark 15 and 16, Luke 23 and 24 and John 19 and 20). Alternatively, Youtube is full of animated stories that can explain the true meaning of Easter to children. We pray that you will all have a restful Easter, along with precious family time, and time to reflect and give thanks for your blessings over the Easter break.

From the Deputy Principal – Mr Steven Lake

After a long hard think about my own situation, my mind began to wonder about how often we try to rank important aspects of our lives, in particular our own wellbeing. The legacy of Covid-19 has allowed us to try to make sense of our lives. There are times when things become really hectic, and life is out of whack. Perhaps we have a lot of events all at once, or it's the later weeks of the school term and we just need things to go well and smoothly; so, we push ourselves that little bit (or sometimes big bit) extra. We might compromise on our usual exercise routines, save time by not cooking a healthy meal, or spend less time with our family and friends just to get those extra jobs done. We tell ourselves it is just for this week, just till we get through this week. But what impact does it have on our wellbeing and the wellbeing of those around us? Unlike other areas of monetary investment, there is no benefit to compromising in areas of our wellbeing. In fact, the impact can become detrimental and compromise our regular functioning more than we suspect. Whilst there are always things that need to be done, we must not let these things compromise our wellbeing. Over the Easter break, keep time set aside for that exercise you had planned, make sure you cook that healthy meal, and don't forget to spend that much needed time with your family and friends who help to lift us up when we so desperately need it. Make a sizeable deposit in the currency of time towards your wellbeing, and in the short and long term it will pay off.



Of course, everything needs to be in balance. Much study and preparation has gone into assessments recently, and teachers, students and parents have the opportunity this week to discuss how Term One went. We all need to be working right to the end, but still trying to keep a reasonable work/life balance. As we head into Easter, as always, our staff are here to help. Finally, congratulations to all staff and students on a busy but fruitful Term 1. Travel safely and God's blessing.

Parent-Teacher Interviews

Parent-Teacher interviews will continue this Friday, the 31st of March. Please arrive on time to your booked appointment. Primary interviews will take place in your child's classroom.

Secondary interviews will be the secondary precinct. Teachers are allocated to classrooms and their names will be listed on the outside of the classroom.

P&F News

A huge THANK-YOU to all the St John's students, teachers, families, and community members who helped before, during and after the Bookarama last weekend. We managed to fund a new home for thousands of books. We love this event which helps with recycling, promoting reading, and learning, while raising funds for our school. We had a turnover of about \$9000. A special thanks to all the P&F committee members and their families who gave their time, talents and muscles to making the event a success. Kingaroy Joinery were also kind enough to lend us a truck - thanks so much! We are closed for book donations for the time being, but may have a single weekend for book donations in Term 2, before reopening for general book donations in Term 4. We hope we can see lots of folks at the next P&F meeting on Monday, the 8th of May, at 6pm in the school admin building. Have a great Easter!

School Reminders and Information

Pupil-Free Day

A reminder this Thursday, the 30th of March, is the last day of school for students. Friday, the 31st of March, is a Pupil-Free Day. Staff will be on site for Parent-Teacher Interviews.

Term 2

Term 2 commences on Monday, the 17th of April, for all year levels.

Security over the Holidays

If you live in the neighbourhood or nearby, and see any activity that is suspicious, could you please contact the Kingaroy Police immediately.

Tuckshop News

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

Primary Snippets

Year 6 Cairns Chocolate Fundraiser

Year 6 parents please note that there has been a delay with the chocolate orders. We are hoping this Fundraiser will be able to be carried out towards the end of Term 2. We will update you when we have received further communication from the suppliers.

Primary Dance Group

We have had a number of dedicated primary students regularly attend the dance group offered at lunch times by Miss Canniford. As an accredited dance teacher, she has given us a unique opportunity to be able to offer an extra-curricular activity at lunch breaks. This group have worked hard and will participate in the local eisteddfod in April. After gaining expressions of interest from the group, I am pleased to confirm that this group will be performing at the eisteddfod on the morning of April 29th. More information will be given to the students who have regularly attended and are practising for this event, regarding further times and requirements. If parents have any questions, please direct them, by email only, to Miss Canniford at kcan@sjls.qld.edu.au

Year 1 ICT with Mrs O'Hara

Year 1K are having lots of fun designing a road and then coding their BeeBots to move from one place to another along the road. Well done, students!



Crazy Socks Day

Wow, our fundraising efforts have been beyond our expectations!! A massive thank you to everyone who participated and made donations big and small. So here are our final amounts.

- \$726 from gold coin
- \$230 from recycling – 10 cent containers from Term 1 – collected by Year 4
- \$224 from online donations

FOR A GRAND TOTAL of \$1180!!

That is enough to support 118 children in Somalia to go to school! Well done everyone!



Secondary Snippets

Study Time

There will be no study time this Thursday the 30th of March, and no study time in Week 1 of Term 2.

As we have been getting good numbers of students attending, we will continue Study Time on Tuesday and Thursday mornings starting at 7:30am in L2. Mrs Roberts and Mrs Springhall thank those students who have attended this term and encourage others to make use of this opportunity in Term 2.



Cross Country

Here are a few photos of the Cross Country today. More photos will be in next term's newsletters. Thank you to all students who participated, and cheered and encouraged their peers. Thank you to all staff for assisting today, and thank you Parents for coming along to watch. It's been a great day!



Whip-cracking at Proston Show

Mr Kotzur, along with students Joshua Lamping and Braxton Bartlett, did an amazing demonstration on the weekend at the Proston Show. The students performed a variety of rhythmic cracking, which was appreciated by the crowd. Well done to all!



Dates to Remember

March 2023

Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat	Sun
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
Junior Devotion Year 4-6 8:50am Prep - Year 3 10:05am	Parent Teacher Interviews 3.15 – 5pm	Cross Country Fun Tuckshop Day Playgroup 9.00am – 10.30am	Last Day of Term 1	Parent-Teacher Interviews 8am - 3pm		

YEAR 6 CAMP FUNDRAISER **CAR WASH**

**ST JOHNS LUTHERAN SCHOOL
CAR PARK
IVY STREET, KINGAROY**

**SATURDAY
29TH APRIL
8AM - 2PM**



\$15

**BASIC WASH/
CHAMOIS DRY**

\$30

**DELUXE WASH
BUFF/POLISH**

EXTRA \$10 FOR LARGE VEHICLES

**WE WISH TO THANK SUPERCHEAP AUTO KINGAROY FOR
SUPPLYING ALL CAR WASH SUPPLIES.**

**SUPERCHEAP
AUTO**

WANT TO LEARN HOW TO CREATE AN AMAZING MURAL WITH WORLD-RENOWNED ARTIST – THE ZOOKEEPER?

Joel Fergie, aka The Zookeeper is the artist behind some of Australia's most iconic large scale murals and he's coming to the South Burnett to share his craft!

Six lucky young people aged 12-24 will get to work alongside Joel at a full day workshop on Saturday, March 11.

The six young artists will get hands on experience with The Zookeeper AND get to help create an epic new mural on the CTC Youth and Family Services wall near the Kingaroy Skate Park!

If you want to be part of this opportunity, send an email to katem@sbctc.com.au with a photo of a recent artwork you've created, your age, best contact number and why you want to take part in this mural workshop. The six successful applicants will be notified by phone call.

Canowindra's First Mini Easter Fete

Canowindra Residents invite you for a day of fun at our Canowindra Easter Fete.

Date: Wednesday 5th April 2023

Time: 10:00am – 2:30pm

Place: Blue Care Canowindra – 43 Windsor Circle Kingaroy

Entry: Gold coin donation & RAT screening for kids 16 years & over

All proceeds go towards the Canowindra Lifestyle Department

Cash Preferred - Minimal EFTPOS available



A massive
thankyou to our
generous
Community
sponsors

Viv's
Farm
Animals

BBQ
Popcorn
Dagwood
Dogs

Lucky
Door
Prize

Craft Stall
Book Stall
Cookie
Decorating

Raffles
Games
& More!

Cakes &
Sweets
Tea, Coffee
& Drinks

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RAISING AWARENESS FOR PERINATAL MENTAL HEALTH

APRIL 15TH 2023
11 AM - 4 PM
MULANAH GARDENS

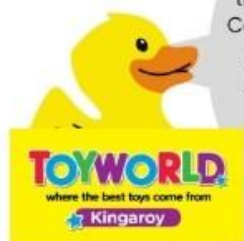
Markets . Raffles . Picnics . Food . Drinks & Cocktails
Special Guest Speakers . Music



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Enquiries - theherkindproject@gmail.com

Spot-a-duck!



CAN YOU FIND MY FRIENDS??
Spot and collect TEN ducks in store these school holidays to win a surprise! Come have some school holiday fun with us; our staff have hidden TEN rubber ducks around the store, all you need to do is find them, collect them, and show them to a staff member to collect your surprise!

Holiday Fun!

Week One!

FREE Colouring In!
In-store from
Saturday April 1st
2023 to Thursday
April 6th 2023.
*regular opening
hours apply*



Week Two!

FREE Face Painting!
In-store from
Tuesday April 11th
2023 to Saturday
April 15th 2023.
*regular opening
hours apply*

Easter Costume Competition!

WIN a \$20 Toyworld Giftcard!

To enter, simply "like" us on Facebook, post a photo of your best Easter themed costume or hat and TAG us using @kingaroytoyworld! Our WINNER will be selected Wednesday April 12th 2023! *Please note, you must like our page FIRST in order to tag us, and only photos tagging our page will be valid entries*



20% OFF Easter Sale!

In-store and online, 3 days only!

offer valid 4th, 5th & 6th April 2023 only, excludes items already on sale, see in-store for further details



Bunya Mountains School Holiday Family Fun Event

Date: Wednesday 5th April 2023

Time: 2—6 pm

Where: Dandabah - on the green in front of the Cedarvale Museum

What's Happening:

- Welcome to Country
- Nature based activities, storytelling and sharing information about the Bunya Mountains
- Sausage Sizzle
- Outdoor screening of the Movie Sing 2 —popcorn provided



Rated PG

This is a Free Event aimed at providing a fun afternoon in the school holidays for families living or visiting the Bunya Mountains

Everyone is welcome to join in the school holiday fun but all children must be accompanied by a parent, carer or responsible adult

Bring along a camp chair or picnic blanket to enjoy the movie

This event is being facilitated by the BMCAI Social and Events Subcommittee

This event is proudly sponsored by South Burnett Regional Council through their Local Small Built Grants Program —Small Events (Funded by the Australian Government)

Outdoor Theatre Equipment has been purchased with a grant provided by the South Burnett's Mental Health Initiative.



We hope you can join us!

Enquiries email: bunyamcainc@gmail.com



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Easter Fun-Day

April
5th

EGG HUNT
AND
ACTIVITIES

9 Am - 2 Pm
at Kingaroy
Memorial
Park

Bring the kids along to a day of fun in the park with lots of Easter activities including crafts, games, music, and sausage sizzle.

Kids are also invited to join the Easter Bonnet Parade and Egg Hunt.

Activities and games available for children up to 17yrs

AFL Q DARLING DOWNS

SOUTH BURNETT SAINTS JUNIORS

TRAINING COMMENCES
TUESDAY 7TH FEB &
THURSDAY 9TH FEB 4:30PM
LYLE VIDLER OVAL

**MIXED BOYS AND GIRLS
U12S & U14S
JOIN US IN 2023**

#TOGETHERWERISE

CONTACT US ON
FACEBOOK
OR SAINTS
WOMEN'S COACH
SANDY BANKS -
0401667402

like us on
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Bunya Mountains Walks Back through Time

"In the Bush where it happened"
Date: 13 and 14th May 2023

Bring the family for the weekend to experience the history of our natural wonder "The Bunya Mountains"

Cost: \$25 person or \$60 for a family of 2 adults and 2 children
Ticket Order Forms and further information available by emailing bunyamcainc@gmail.com

You can select your experiences from the following activities:

- ◊ A Welcome to Country and Indigenous story-telling
- ◊ Shuttle bus excursions to meet Storytellers and Historians situated at a variety of iconic, Bunya Mts locations - some with "one off" or "rare" access to normally off limits areas not open to the public
- ◊ An invitation to a genuine bush picnic
- ◊ An invitation to an ecumenical Campfire Church
- ◊ A bird watching trek with a local bird-watching expert
- ◊ Viewing a variety of historic artefacts at Cedarvale Museum
- ◊ Learning more about the natural wonders of the Mountains from Indigenous Rangers

And more....
A great way for young and old to discover our history together!
[See the program on the back of the flyer to provide details and learn how you can gather further information]




BOOK NOW and We'll Meet you 'in the Bush where it happened!'

From earliest times family groups travelled to the Bunyas to take in the views, enjoy a picnic and boil the billy - always a memorable adventure!

Cedarvale Museum, Bunya Mountains, will be open for the Bunya Mountains Walks Back Through Time event.

This event has been organised by the Bunya Mountains Community Association Inc (BMCAI) and is proudly sponsored by AGL Coopers Gap and supported by the Bunya Mountains Natural History Association

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KINGAROI REDBACKS TOUCH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION

Join the Redbacks for Semester 1 2023.

Juniors will run Jan 30th - 19th June.
4.30-5.30pm. Ages 7-16. \$30

Tiny touchies will run from 30th Jan - 27th March. 4.30-5.30pm. Ages 4-6. \$20

Follow us on Facebook and stay up to date "Kingaroy Touch Association"

For more info contact:
Brendan - 0418142402

Or see us at training every Monday from 4.30pm-5.30pm at the Kingaroy Junior Soccer fields - Oliver-Bond Street, Kingaroy





Gymnastics Nanango

South Burnett PCYC

Prep 1 & 2
Gym 1 & 2

Gymnastics

What: Gymnastics for boys and girls. Register for bookings at the South Burnett PCYC

When: Wednesday's
3.30-4.30pm - Prep 1 & 2 (5-7 yrs)
4.45-5.45pm - Gym 1 & 2 (8-11 yrs)

Cost: Classes to be paid per term

Where: St Patrick's School
16 Alfred Street, Nanango 4615

Contact: South Burnett PCYC
P 07 4168 1889
E southburnett@pcyc.org.au

T&C's: -Fees to be paid by week 2 of term
-Classes are subject to change
-Free Trial for new members only
-Unpaid fees may result in bookings being cancelled
-Fees can be paid in advance, in person or over the phone

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