St John's Lutheran School

School Newsletter - 2nd November 2023



In our Prayers this week:

Taylor Family – Lilliarna Prep Tennant Family – Charlise Yr9 Thackery/Espinosa Family – Joey Prep, Mia Yr6

Thomasson Family – Lachlan Prep Thompson Family – Harry Yr5 Thompson Family – Geffrey Yr10 Toms Family – Natalie Yr5, Jack Yr3 Tones Family – Emma Yr5, Zakary Yr2



Sunday Worship Services:

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

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Kindness is...

It's important to express gratitude to our local and surrounding community fire brigades for their ceaseless efforts in keeping our homes and townships secure. The selflessness and bravery they demonstrate in the face of danger deserve our utmost admiration. Firefighters commit themselves to safeguarding others and prioritising the welfare of society. Stay safe, everyone!

Bible Reading: 1Thessalonians 5:11 Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.



Weekly Wellbeing

This month's Action for Happiness calendar is New Ways November. Trying something new or looking at things from a new perspective, can be hugely beneficial to our wellbeing. Why not see if something sparks your interest!



From the Principal - Mrs Karyn Bjelke-Petersen

We are all wondering how we are already in November. I am sure everyone is also in that downhill run of event after event on their calendars as we head into the holidays and Christmas.

Swimming week for our Prep to Year 3 students is always a busy week. This week is run by our staff and qualified swim instructors. These lessons are aimed at developing children's confidence in and around water, and form part of our PE curriculum. We are grateful that we are able to support parents by offering these life skills.

As we have been experiencing some changes in weather, some very hot days and then cooler changes, please keep your child home if they are experiencing any illness. There is a few bugs hanging around and it helps to keep everyone well if we are not spreading the germs.

Please read the newsletter carefully as there are a lot of notices and updates.

School Reminders and Information

Upcoming Important Dates

- Secondary Celebration of Learning Thursday 23rd November 2023 6pm (Formal Uniform to be worn by all students)
- Primary Celebration of Learning Monday 27th November 2023 9am (Formal Uniform to be worn by all students)
- Year 6 End of Primary School Celebration Church Service Sunday 26th November 2023 5pm (Students can wear smart casual, clothing to have no inappropriate wording or images on clothing, enclosed shoes only)



Bookclub Issue 8 will be going home this week to students. This will be the last one for 2023. A great time to order some Christmas gifts. Orders must be in by Friday the 10th of November.



2024 Instrumental Program

We are sending out information to all current instrumental students this week, for them to consider their involvement in the instrumental program in 2024.

Year 3 students will also receive a brochure and letter inviting them to participate in next year's music program.

We are thrilled to inform our families that Mr Joel Mollenhauer has accepted the role of 2024 instrumental teacher at St John's. Mr Mollenhauer will work three days a week on site with the ensemble / bands and small group lessons.

Mr Sharp will be transitioning to a classroom role in 2024 and we thank him for his efforts in the Instrumental Program over many years. We are also very grateful for Mrs Janet Million's work this year with our beginner band and students. Mrs Million has enjoyed watching the children flourish and gain confidence on their instruments.

Movember at St John's

November has arrived, which meant that some much-loved facial hair has been removed, much to the shock and horror of some staff and students! It took a lot of bravery for some to part ways with their beloved 'stache and beard, great job fellas. Men participating this year are Mr Schmidt, Mr Collier, Mr Lake, Mr Farmilo, Mr Sampson, Mr Francis, Mr Moseling (absent) and Señor Springhall. Mrs Albinger and Mrs Hicks are also MOVE-ing for Movember, clocking up the kilometres in support. If you're able, please follow the QR code and donate to our St John's Lutheran team. The goal is to raise \$1000 and we're already at \$350. Thanks for your support!





Prep Vision Screening

Prep Vision screening will now be held on Monday, the 20th of November.

Uniform and Appearance

We encourage students to take pride in their uniform. Year 7 - 11 are to wear their formal uniform every Tuesday. All students are expected to wear the approved school uniform (including hats), not only while at school, but also while travelling to and from school. Details of uniform requirements are set out clearly in the Information Book. Correct uniform is to be worn each day. Parents are reminded that they sign an annual undertaking to support the school's policies and this includes the Uniform Policy.

Parents are required to provide a written explanation if their child is not in correct uniform. These notes should be addressed to the classroom teacher and handed in or e-mailed prior to the commencement of the school day. If requests are for longer than a week, please address the notes to either of our Principal, Mrs Bjelke-Petersen.

- School Policy is that students may wear one sleeper or plain stud per ear. NO other jewellery except a watch may be worn.
- Black joggers with black laces are the only acceptable footwear.
- SCHOOL HATS must be worn whenever out of doors.
- No MAKE-UP (including nail polish) is to be worn to school.
- Hair is to be neat, clean and worn well out of the eyes. Any ribbons, headbands or hair clips should be in our school colours brown or gold.

World Vision - Free Dress Day

Tomorrow Friday, the 3rd of November, students and staff are encouraged to wear free dress and bring a gold coin donation to support Adriana! We have been sponsoring Adriana at school, since 2014. She lives in Indonesia and is 9 years old.

This term we are holding a Free Dress Day to raise money for Adriana, to help her live in a safer, healthier environment in which she will learn and grow.

We have been sent a video from Adriana. In her language she gives us a personal update for us –



Here is my personal update for you!

Adriana is now nine years old. She is currently in primary school studying grade four. Her health is currently very good. This year she and her family have participated in and benefitted from:

- Water irrigation system improvement
- Clean water safety program
- Community handwashing stations

Thank you to our school community for your ongoing support for Adriana.

P&F News

P&F AGM

At the P&F Meeting and AGM on Monday night, the current P&F Executive Committee was re-elected without any change. We look forward to a fun year ahead.

Christmas Ham Drive

Orders are due on Friday, the 10th of November. Don't forget to order your delicious Christmas Ham! And maybe one for your extended family, workmate or neighbour. SunPork Fresh Foods Kingaroy will be supplying the hams, approximately 5.5 to 6kg in size, cost \$55 each. Pick up date to be advised - late November. Order online now, using debit or credit card. www.trybooking.com/CMFLT. If you order online you do NOT have to return a paper form to the school office.

Primary Snippets

Last Friday was Daniel Morcombe child safety awareness day otherwise known as 'A Day for Daniel'.

Money raised by schools on this day goes towards education about child safety and students were invited to wear red for this occasion. Some lovely Year 4 students helped to sell cupcakes last Friday - raising \$236.20 in total. A big thanks also goes out to our tuckshop ladies who baked these delicious goodies!



Secondary Snippets

ANVDC Debating Finalists

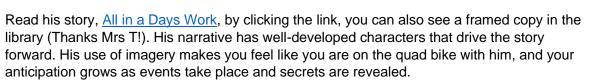
Our Year 7 team, comprising Jayce, Hayley, Josh L and Flint, made it to the finals for the Australian National Virtual Debating Competition. This is a great achievement. The team have made many improvements throughout the season. They receive their topic 24 hours prior to the debate, and they have refined their process to efficiently prepare in just a few hours of work. The students have also demonstrated a growing mastery of presenting a detailed and logical argument.



Much of this is done 'off the top of their heads' as they respond to the opposition's arguments. Unfortunately, they did not make it to the next round in a very close debate with Scots College in Albury. Thank you to Mrs Roberts for coaching this team.

OzKids in Print National Short Story WINNER!!!!

Congratulations to Heath K (Year 9) for winning the Middle School division of the Short Story competition. Oz Kids in Print is a magazine to which we regularly submit work for publication. It is a selective magazine that will publish quality stories, poems, and artwork. They also run a competition each year to select the very best from these categories. Their aim is to foster and encourage young authors and artists. Heath has been invited to attend a presentation dinner in Melbourne this month with his flights and accommodation paid for by the OzKids charity.





Year 9&10 Drama Excursion



Sporting News

Prep to Year 3 Swimming

Swimming lessons for Prep to Year 3 students will be held next week from Monday the 6th to Friday the 10th of November. Please make sure your child has the following NAMED items:

- Sun shirt or swimming shirt
- Thongs
- Towel
- Students can wear googles, ear plugs and swim cap if they wish.
- Sunscreen & water bottle

Please contact the classroom teacher or Mr Moseling if you have any concerns or questions about our swimming program or your child's ability.

Please make sure your children arrive at school on time to ensure they don't miss the bus.

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Bus Leaves School	Begin Swimming	End Swimming	Arrive Back at School
Group 1	Year 1	Year 2	Year 2	Year 1	Year 1	9:00	9:15	9:45	10:00
Group 2	Prep	Year 1	Year 1	Year 3	Year 3	9:35	9:50	10:20	10:35
Group 3	Year 2	Prep	Prep	Year 2	Year 2	10:10	10:25	10:55	11:10
Group 4	Year 3	Year 3	Year 3	Prep	Prep	10:45	11:00	11:30	11:45

Country Cup Netball

St John's Lutheran School is participating in the Country Cup for Netball in Term 4 2023. The third event will be held tomorrow, Friday, the 3rd of November at the Kingaroy Town Courts. Students will aim to play at least five games. We are submitting 4 teams this year: Junior Girls (Yrs 7-9) and three Junior Mixed (Yrs 7-9) teams.

Due to the large number of teams participating this year, our teams will be starting at 8:10am. Our students need to be at the venue no later than 8:00am. Junior girls - 8:10am game; all Junior Mixed teams are playing at 8:30am.

Just a couple of items for Friday.

- Please drop students to the Kingaroy Netball Courts, not at school. We have two staff attending the event: Mrs Springhall and Mrs Seng.
- The event finishes at 3:15pm. We will not be going back to school.
- There will be a canteen operating for EFTPOS or cash.
- Make sure students have hats, sunscreen and plenty of water.
- Students are to wear their school sports uniform. Girls may wear plain black leggings (these need to be of an appropriate length) with the school shirt. The Junior Girls team are to wear their St John's netball dress.
- School rules apply with regards to mobile phone use and students must notify a staff member if departing early.



Class Swimming Lessons - Year 7 & 9

Due to the Netball Country cup tomorrow, Friday the 3rd of November, the Year 9 students swimming lesson has been cancelled. Lessons will resume next week as per timetable.

Week 5		Bus Leaves School	Begin Swimming	End Swimming	Arrive Back at School
Thursday 2/11	Year 7A (20)	10:15am	10:30am	11:10am	11:20am
Thursday 2/11	Year 7B (20)	1:30pm	1:40 pm	2:20pm	2:30pm
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Week 6				Bus Leaves School	Begin Swimming	End Swimming	Arrive Back at School
Wednesday 8/11	Year 9			1:30pm	1:40pm	2:20pm	2:30pm
Thursday 9/11		Year 7B		10:15am	10:30am	11:10am	11:20am
Thursday 9/11		Year 7A		1:30pm	1:40pm	2:20pm	2:30pm
Friday 10/11			Year 7B	10:15am	10:30am	11:10am	11:20am
Friday 10/11			Year 9	12:00pm	12:10pm	12:50pm	1:00pm
Friday 10/11			Year 7A	1:30pm	1:40pm	2:20pm	2:30pm

Week 7	Thursday	Bus Leaves School	Begin Swimming	End Swimming	Arrive Back at School
Thursday 16/11	Year 7A	10:15am	10:30am	11:10am	11:20am
Thursday 16/11	Year 7B	1:30pm	1:40 pm	2:20pm	2:30pm
Friday 17/11	Year 9	10:15am	10:30am	11:10am	11:20am

Dates to Remember

November 2023								
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		
2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8th		
	Free Dress Day World Vision Gold coin donation. Netball Country Cup Kingaroy Courts			Swimming Lessons	Swimming Lessons	Swimming Lessons St John's Playgroup 9am – 10:30am Year 1 – 3 Assembly		
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		
9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th	14 th	15th		
Swimming Lessons	Swimming Lessons					St John's Playgroup 9am – 10:30am Year 4 – 6 Assembly		

Community Notices



Come along for a hot cuppa, morning tea and a guest speaker in a relaxed setting with friends

Thursday 20th July - Fill your cup!
Keeping your mental health in tip top shape. Come expecting to laugh!

Thursday 17th August - Travelling Feel stuck or itchy feet? Hear tips & seniors travel ideas locally & afar.

Thursday 28th September - Preventative Health We focus on important health issues as your age & how to prevent them.

Thursday 19th October - Connect Fest Seniors month is all about connections and celebrating you!

Thursday 16th November - Occupational Therapy We have an OT presenting tools & tips to make your life easier.

Thursday 7th December - Christmas! A Christmas themed morning with entertainment to finish 2023.

Where: Orana Community Hub 24 MacDiarmid Street, Kingaroy

Cost: Gold coin donation at the door

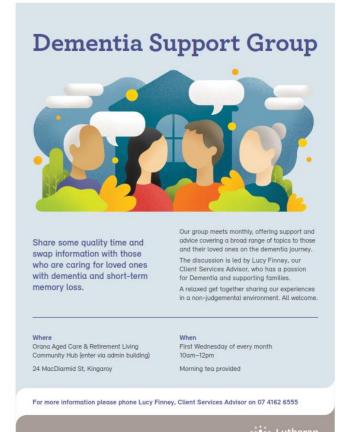
Time: 9:30am - 11:00am **Contact:** For more information phone

For more information phor Lucy Finney 4162 6555



Do you know the signs of







Limited spaces available - book your spot today.



Needing help for your business to thrive and grow?

If you are starting out in business or are well established, want to grow your business or need some support to employ staff we can help you with:

- Free mentoring and business support services.
 Access to grants and financial assistance information
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 Back to Work: Support payments of up to \$20,000 are available for eligible employers who hire eligible unemployed Queenslanders. Ask about the range of fine short courses that support businesses to recruit and intain employees.

 Referrals to other Government agencies including the Queensland Small Business Commissioner advocacy and support service.

 Inform on upcoming business events, seminars, and finums.

 Subsidised training and incentives including agreenticeships and traineeship information.

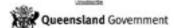
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- Opportunities to supply to the Queensland Government.

This is a collaboration between the Dept Youth Justice, Employment, Small Business and Training Darling Downs Southwest Region (DYJESBT DDSW) and Kingaroy Chamber Commerce Industry Inc (KCCD).

Rene: The KCCI HUB, Kingaroy Street, Kingaroy Glid 4610 from Sam and Zpm Book in for a FREE appointment at detected to confirm your booking. An officer will be in touch to confirm your booking.







SOUTH BURNETT CHORALE





4pm Sunday, 19th November **Our Lady Help of Christians Catholic Church** 37 Gipps St, Nanango

Tickets \$15: www.trybooking.com/CMPSW or at the door.

4pm Sunday, 26th November **Kingaroy Church of Christ**

254 Haly St, Kingaroy

Tickets \$15: www.trybooking.com/CMPSY or at the door

Coming soon:

Lessons and Carols, Kingaroy Anglican Church 16th December

School Crossing Supervisor

The Department of Transport and Main Roads invites you to apply for the position of School Crossing Supervisor at Kingaroy Primary Schools.

- Casual rates start at \$33.27 per hour, (maximum of 1.5 hours per day)
- You will need to be available mornings and/or afternoons on all school days
- You will need to work in all weather conditions and wear full Personal Protective
- 4. If you are successful TMR will provide:
 - a. Health Assessment
 - b. Blue Card (for working with children)

 - d. All personal protective equipment
- 5. Department of Transport and Main Roads is an equal opportunity employer

If interested, please contact Nina Kenning at nina.d.kenning@tmr.qld.gov.au Phone 0428 340 464 or 5482 0332





on Display from 31st October to 22nd November

Darryl Jones

Paul van Vegchel Suzi Wells

Carmel Nott

Diana Bolton Judith Brook

Exhibiting Artists of Jumping Ant Arts:

With mixed-media Brisbane artist Noel Miller umping Ant Arts' members are exhibiting

ree entry. Nibbles and drinks provided.

riday 3rd November 5:30 - 7 pm

Kingarov Regional Art Gallery

Encouraging the Arts in the South Burnett

Jumping Ant Arts Inc.

nnual members' exhibition our invitation to the official Opening

Sam Blanch



