St John's Lutheran School

School Newsletter – 9th November 2023



In our Prayers this week:

Trace Family – Georgia Yr10, Will Yr7
Trapp Family – Ebany Yr2, Ava Prep
Treveton Family – Emcee Yr10, Lukes Yr8,
Sophia Yr5
Tunstall Family – Delaney Prep

Twang Family – Nyadak Yr4, Chambel Yr7, Nyaon Yr9

Vanderwinkel Family – Marlee Prep Van Schyndel Family – Oliver Yr4, Eliza Yr2, Isaac Prep

Vanohr-Lapthorn Family – Rachael Yr4



Sunday Worship Services:

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

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Kindness is...

Life is a journey with many memories. Isn't it sometimes meaningful to take time out to reflect and remember? Precious memories and past events help sustain our present and shape our future. This Friday, we commemorate Remembrance Day. This also helps us to reflect on the incredible sacrifice of those who served in wartime, and the freedom they have gained for future generations.



Weekly Wellbeing

Unwind

As the festive season fast approaches, it's easy to get frazzled with all the celebrations, extra jobs, deadlines and assessments. Take a moment to ask yourself, when was the last time I enjoyed some uninterrupted downtime?

We should make time every day to unwind, disconnect and relax. One of the most important ways to unwind is to have some alone time! (And yes, this means without your phone). Some other things that might help include going for a walk outside, taking a short nap, taking a bath, doing some colouring in, doing some breathing exercises, and listening to music that you enjoy.

Remember to enjoy small moments of relaxation throughout your week, don't leave it all until the weekend. Relax and enjoy the rest of your week!!!

Trevenna Jorgensen – Wellbeing Officer.



From the Principal - Mrs Karyn Bjelke-Petersen

Despite this week's weather not being the warmest November weather, our lower primary students managed to participate in our Swim program. The program serves as an excellent precursor to the summer season, as the school holidays and various water activities beckon us to cool off. We extend our gratitude to the staff and parents who dedicated their time and effort to ensure the program's success, despite its demanding nature. While the changes in routine, excitement of bus travel, and getting dressed can be overwhelming for some students, the culmination of a five-day continuous program proves to be worth it. We appreciate the opportunity to execute this program and the pool managers' efforts in ensuring equitable access for all participating schools.



Next Monday, we welcome Mr Adrian Wiles to St John's to work with the leadership team to collate data and responses in the final steps for the Strategic Plan. This will then be prepared for a final draft before sharing and celebrating this document with the school community early next year. This document will provide a framework and goals for our school for the next four years. We are thankful for Mr Wiles' extensive experience and understanding of Lutheran Education to guide us through this process.

This week, I would also like to express my gratitude to our staff. Over the last number of weeks, I have had some days off-site for some minor but lingering health issues. I wish to acknowledge the leadership team for all they have done in my absence. I have truly appreciated all of our staff's efforts over these last few weeks to get the tasks attended to and get on with what needs doing on a day-to-day basis.

Please take the time to read about all the events and opportunities that have occurred over the last week – there really has been a lot happening!

From the Deputy Principal – Mr Steven Lake

Welcome to Week Six. The primary students have been busy engaging in swimming lessons, from Prep to Year 3. They have been tired but happy and I have been fortunate to have some great conversations with some of our students about their lessons. Our older students have become used to being in newly formed classes, in preparation for transition into Year 11 and 12 in 2024. All students have been working to complete online modules in Study Habits and Academic Integrity. These are aspects of our senior school that need to be fully understood by our students. In addition to this, our students have started learning new content as it pertains to their chosen subjects, as per choices in 2024.



As we near the end of term, it is very important that all students complete all assignment work and continue to develop their skills in their various subject areas. Just because students may have completed some assessments for this term, there will still be work that needs to be completed right up until the end of term. There will be a few important events coming up with our Celebration of Learning for Secondary on Thursday, the 23rd November, at 6pm. In addition, our present Year 6 students will be given the opportunity to experience a day in the life of a secondary student on Wednesday, the 29th of November, where they will be joined by other students from other schools who will be attending St John's in 2024.

Our new building has been progressing very quickly with a lot of internal fitting out being completed over this past week. We are looking forward to being able to use our new facility in 2024 as it will give us the much-needed space required for our expanding secondary school. Every day there are new additions that have been completed and it has been interesting for all of our community to see the progress continue on such an impressive but important part of our school.

School Reminders and Information

Remembrance Day Whole School Devotion

Parents and Caregivers are invited to attend our Remembrance Day Ceremony and Chapel Service tomorrow, Friday the 10th of November, at 8.50am in the hall. This will be run by some of our student leaders, and it will be one of the events that will have both primary and secondary students together in one space, apart from those year levels who are swimming at that time.

Book Club

Orders must be in by tomorrow, Friday, the 10th of November.

Upcoming Important Dates

Prep to Year 4 Classroom Showcase – Tuesday, the 21st of November – 3:30 – 5:30pm Secondary – Celebration of Learning Years 7 – 11 – Thursday 23rd November 2023 – 6pm Junior School Captain Speeches – Friday, the 24th of November - 9:30am (after Secondary Devotion in the hall) Year 6 End of Primary School Celebration Church Service – Sunday 26th November 2023 - 5pm Primary – Celebration of Learning Years 5 & 6 Students – Monday 27th November 2023 – 9am Announcement of Junior School Captains- Monday the 27th of November – 9am (at Celebration of Learning) Year 6 to 7 Transition Day – Wednesday the 29th of November Announcement of House Captains – Early 2024

Back to School - Uniform & Book Shop Opening Times

Last Week of School	Monday 27 th December - Friday 1 st December 2023	8:00am - 9:30am 2:00pm - 3:00pm	
Week Before School Starts	Monday 15 th January - Friday 19 th January 2024	Mon 8:00am - 2:30pm Tue 8:00am - 1:30pm Wed 8:00am - 1:30pm Thu CLOSED Fri 11:30am - 3:00pm	
First week of school	Monday 22 nd of January <u>AND</u> Wednesday 24 th January 2023	Monday & Wednesday 8:00am – 9:30am	

<u>Uniform App</u> - During term time, parents can also use our School App to purchase uniforms and items purchased can be sent home with students.

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 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 scan the QR code or click the link and donate to our St John's Lutheran team. The goal is to raise \$1000 and we're already at \$945. Thanks for your support!



Movember - St John's Team



National Tuckshop Day

Last Friday was National Tuckshop Day and we want to acknowledge and say a big thank you to our wonderful tuckshop ladies. Mrs Litzow, Mrs Birch and Mrs Canniford work tirelessly to provide tasty and nutritious food for our students. We appreciate you!



P&F News

Christmas Ham Drive

Ham orders are due this **TOMORROW**, **Friday the 10th of November at 4pm!** Don't miss out! \$55 per ham, likely to be approx. 5.5kg each. Hams will likely be ready for collection on Monday 27/11/23 - more details will follow. Order now at www.trybooking.com/CMFLT or you can order at the school office by filling out a paper form and paying by cash or card.



P&F Levy Reimbursement

If you have attended P&F meetings or volunteered with P&F events this year, you may be eligible to claim a reimbursement of your P&F levy for the year. Please email silspf@gmail.com for more information.

Primary Snippets

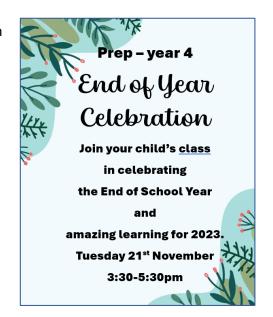
Year 6 End of Primary School Celebration

We are looking forward to the Year 6 Primary Celebration on Sunday the 26th of November at 5pm. This is an opportunity for our Year 6 Students and families to come together to reflect upon the journey so far and the future ahead as they transition to secondary school. A note was sent home to all parents last week to RSVP to the class teacher. If you have lost your note, spares are in the office, or alternatively, email your child's teacher. We ask students can wear smart casual clothes, no inappropriate wording or images on clothing, and enclosed shoes only. Thank you for your continued support and involvement in your child's education.

Prep to Year 4 Showcase

Parents are families are welcome to attend an End of Year Celebration in your child's classroom. This is a great opportunity to reconnect with other school families, do Christmas craft, and look back on a busy, hardworking year with your child. Families are welcome to pop into the classroom from 3:30 to 5:30pm on Tuesday the 21st of November.

We look forward to seeing you there!



Remembrance Day in the Library

The poppies sprang up on library hill again this year for Remembrance Day. At the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month, we will remember them. LEST WE FORGET

Library lessons also focused on Remembrance Day this week. Classes listened to different stories and then created poppies.







Year 2J have been artistic and have made a Poppies of Remembrance Quilt. They have done such a beautiful job!





Secondary Snippets

Drama, drama, drama!

7A Drama performance was a very colourful affair with students putting in a great deal of effort into their costumes. Riley did a fantastic job as the sound effects guy!





Year 7 Science

Year 7 students have been consolidating their learning of the particle theory by building density towers with various liquids. They are thoroughly enjoying this component this term!







Sporting News

Active After School Sport

It's been a great term for students who have participated in Sporting Schools. A reminder to parents that sporting schools will finish in Week 8 of this term (20th – 24th of November).



All Schools State Athletics Championships

Congratulations to Emily Bolden who competed at the "All Schools State Athletics Championships" this past weekend in the U14 Girls age group. Emily placed 14th in Discus, 10th in Shotput, and she threw a PB in Hammer and came second.

These results have allowed her to qualify at the National All Schools Athletics Championships to be held in Perth in the coming months. A huge effort!!









Country Cup Netball 2023

We had four teams compete over the three carnivals - one Junior Girls and three Junior Mixed. We came away as Champion Junior Mixed with SJLS Team 3 bringing home the trophy. We also had a clean sweep of MVPs in Junior Mixed with Flint, Finn and Toby. Junior Girls' MVPs went to Emia and Nicole. Special thanks to our umpires today: Emia, Nicole, Nyaon, Bree, Tyla and Mrs Seng. Our scorers were a real asset today, thank you, Nic, Tom and Will. Thank you to the amazing team of volunteers and to Helen Maudsley for her supreme organising. We had a fabulous day!















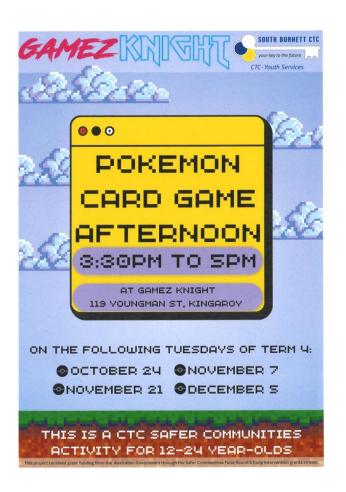


November 2023								
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		
9 th	10 th	11 th	12 th	13 th	14 th	15th		
Swimming Lessons	Swimming Lessons					St John's Playgroup 9am – 10:30am Year 4 – 6 Assembly		
Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday		
16 th	17 th	18 th	19 th	20 th	21 st	22 nd		
				Prep Vision Screening (Last week of Sporting Schools)	Prep to Year 4 Classroom Showcase	St John's Playgroup 9am – 10:30am Year 1 - 3 Assembly		

Community Notices







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 wear.
- If you are successful TMR will provide:
 - a. Health Assessment
 - b. Blue Card (for working with children)
 - c. Training
 - d. All personal protective equipment
- 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





SOUTH BURNETT HORALE





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



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 Lucy Finney 4162 6555

