ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOLNEWSLETTERTerm 3 Week 727 August 2019

St Paul's Lutheran Church Services Sunday 8am & 9.30am If you have questions about the Christian Faith please contact Pastor Mike 0421 131 965.

Diary Dates

Tuesday 27 August Year 2 Retirement Village Visit

Thursday 29 August Father and Daughters' Afternoon 4.00pm-5.30pm

Friday 30 August Kindy Fathers' Day Morning Tea Senior Sports Gala Day

Sunday 1 September Father's Day

Tuesday 3 September eSmart Day

Wednesday 4 September Year 5 Planetarium Excursion

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Rock solid

Who, then, can separate us from the love of Christ? Can trouble do it, or hardship or persecution or hunger or poverty or danger or death? As the scripture says, 'For your sake we are in danger of death at all times; we are treated like sheep that are going to be slaughtered.' No, in all these things we have complete victory through him who loved us! (verses 35-37)

There are not too many agreements that are steadfast any more. I mean 'rock-solid', 'won't budge' steadfast. A person's word, for example, isn't what it used to be. Even when a contract is written on paper, words can be twisted



to mean something else, changes and amendments can be made, or the whole contract revoked.

There is, however, one promise that cannot be changed or revoked. It is a rock-solid promise. God's love for you is a steadfast pact. God's love remains forever, 'even when the biggest of mountains has crumbled away. Even when you feel unworthy or unloved, remember that there is nothing in all creation that will separate you from God's love in Christ Jesus. Jesus is the rock-solid cement who binds you to God's heart.

Lord, thank you for your steadfast love for me. Free me from all doubt and assure me of this love always. Amen.

Thank you for your wonderful support and words of affirmation, about "living" and learning at St Paul's, after last week's busyness which included Book Week, the Book Fair, Learning Expo and Grandparents' Day. These events affirmed our rich culture and sense of community with the school filled with laughter, fun and learning. I loved the spontaneous whole school dance after the book character parade, the large number of visitors to our Expo and the almost 300 grandparents who celebrated school life with their grandchild[ren]. Congratulations to all our learners on how they presented themselves within their respective classrooms and amongst our community.

In all of this I need to affirm and thank the incredible staff of St Paul's who make all of these many events possible with their selfless attitudes, tireless work ethic and continuous pastoral care – thank you!

We have decided to change the collection arrangements for our "Cash for Cans" recycling initiative - please see the attachment with this week's newsletter for further details. To make it a lot easier for both families and the school, this initiative will be relocated to the **Pick-up and Drop-off zone** every Thursday morning starting this week. Items which we will be focusing on for recycling purposes are soft drink bottles and cans, water bottles and small flavoured milk cartons and small plastic milk bottles. Funds raised through this recycling initiative will be earmarked to purchase Agile furniture for our library/resource centre. Thank you for your support in this great initiative.



On the weekend 6 of our Senior School students participated against 170 entrants in the Japanese Speech Competition held on the Sunshine Coast. Well done to Esther, Isabelle M, Mapesone, Amy, Grace L and Chloe on representing St Paul's so well while at the same time growing as confident learners in this area of the curriculum. Thank you to Mrs. Amanda Miller for all the work done behind the scenes in preparing the students for and supporting them on the day – [well done] yokudekimashita!

A large number of our students are highly dedicated and disciplined, train hard and excel in sports and activities away from school. These attributes are indicative of our latest success story Casey Wilmington. Casey is one of the many avid Motocross riders attending St Paul's who I have heard a lot about over the past few years. Casey recently attended and competed in the Queensland State Motocross Titles which was

held over two rounds in Townsville and Toowoomba. We as a school are proud to announce that he has come away as the Queensland Champion in the 65cc bike class and finished 3rd in Queensland in the 85cc division – congratulations young man and we will be watching your progress keenly in the coming years!





This week is all about celebrating the Dads and Granddads who make up our community. We are looking forward to hosting around 120 dads and their daughters on Thursday. Thank you for the significant role which you play in being role models to your daughters and your ongoing support of our school. Have a fabulous day this coming Sunday.

Many blessings to you as a family this week.

Yours in Christ.

Anton Prinsloo Principal

Quote of the Week: There is no shame in fear, my father told me, what matters is how we face it! [George Martin]

FROM THE DEPUTY

Funds from Ninja Run - Nature Play

Funds from the Ninja Run in Term 4 will go towards developing some Nature Play Zones in both the Senior and Junior Play Areas. Nature play promotes health benefits, including cognitive, social and emotional development, and it builds resilience and creativity as well. Experiences in nature as a child also leads to environmental awareness and stewardship later in life. Direct association with nature has both mental and physical benefits. It has also been proven to improve mood and reduce depression and mental fatigue. Children who are involved in regular outdoor play benefit from increased flexibility and gross motor skills. In addition, nature play stimulates a child's imagination and creativity more than a traditional playground.



Collecting Students Early

Should you need to withdraw your child for part of the school day (e.g. doctor's appointments etc.) it is good manners to write a note or email to the teacher informing them of the intended withdrawal. Please report to the office before collecting your child and collect a departure card to show the teacher. Please return to the office with the student's ID card to scan out.

Memorial Service

Sunday 8 September 2019 marks the 10th Anniversary of the death of Elizabeth Dunn. To mark the occasion, her family and friends would like to invite former students, colleagues and parents who knew and loved her, to a BYO memorial lunch at the Courtyard of St Paul's Lutheran Primary School, commencing at 11:30am following the morning church service. Please feel free to bring along any photos, mementos or stories.

Lois Kube

Deputy Principal

PARENTS AND FRIENDS GROUP

Our fundraising goal for the proceeds raised from our Ninja Run will go towards 'building' two new play areas - one in the senior school and one in



the junior school. These areas will be "nature play" areas, and we are excited about the different play options they will bring our students. Much research has been conducted recently that re-enforces the importance of children engaging with the natural environment and just 'playing' outdoors. The benefits of this kind of play are

numerous. If you would like to read more, I highly recommend you start with this article from Nature Play QLD https://www.natureplaygld.org.au/nature-play-in-early-

years-education . Whilst we don't know exactly what each of these play spaces will look like at this moment in time, we are happy to share with you some of our 'inspiration' pictures so you and your children can get excited about supporting this event!

Lyndel Miles P & F President





OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE

What a fantastic week last week. It was a pleasure to see our OSHC children dressed in their book characters, and they were so enthusiastic about this event. Parents, well done, your hard work was a credit to you getting the costumes together for your children. I know it is not easy juggling work children and home.

The children over the last couple of weeks have been working on their projects with us for the class EXPO on Wednesday. From what I saw as I took the children to the different classrooms, it was a fantastic effort from the children and their teachers. Well done.

Over the next few weeks you will start seeing some drying sculptures appearing on our veranda. The children are extending their paper mâché skills to mascots for the OSHC. Keep an eye out to

see if you can guess what there are. Once again I would like to express how proud of the children we are.

Shirley and the team.

CELEBRATING STUDENTS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who were celebrated at assembly:

Prep	Ethan Clarke	Helping someone in need.
Year 1	Jahan M Sophia T	Your positive attitude towards learning and displaying lovely manners. Showing enthusiasm while participating in group activities.
Year 2	Levi S Lucas V Bol M Bridey S	Generously serving his peers Working hard on the Learning Expo project.
Year 3	Sarah L Harrison N Connor E Abigail P	Working consistently on tasks in preparation for the Learning Expo. Actively participating in all activities while on camp.
Year 4	Eric T Scarlett C Jenna M Hayden W	Showing a strong work ethic, using self-control and effective listening skills. Showing courtesy, respect and interest in the residents at the age care village.
Year 5	Cooper H Brent W Samuel K	Being supportive and showing leadership skills in a recent digital technology group activity. Showing enthusiasm, independence and support for others while on camp.
Year 6	Mckenzie K Megwyn S	Displaying a high level of knowledge and enthusiasm during our Christian Studies unit.
rincipal's Award	Marciano W	Having a wonderful servant heart at camp.

INSIDE STORY: Year 3

The Year 3 students had an amazing first camp experience at YMCA Petrie in Week 5. We all participated in pottery, low ropes, an environmental walk, catapult building and Indigenous art and boomerang throwing. There were smiles all round at meal times with everyone enjoying the great food. We arrived home exhausted but happy with wonderful memories and experiences we will remember for a long time.





PHYSICAL EDUCATION



We wish all of our Sports Gala Day teams the very best in their individual and team performances this Friday. We look forward to sharing some photos and overall results next week! Jess Gall

Physical Education Teacher

SERVING THE COMMUNITY

Shoe Box Appeal

The Service Learning Project for this term is **Operation Christmas Child – Shoe box appeal. Week 7 – Something special**. Carry bag, sunglasses, bangles, stickers, necklaces, craft kits, wind up torch, etc

Prohibited items

Items that leak or melt – including toothpaste, shampoo, bubbles, crayons and playdough Food or lollies of any kind - includes medicines and vitamins

Used or damaged items – including worn clothing and old toys

Breakable items – including glass, porcelain, mirrors

Items that can scare or harm a child – including Halloween, war or pirate related items, toy guns, knives, military figures or skull and crossbones

Gambling related items – including play money, playing cards and dominoes Religious literature - including tracts and bibles.

Chappy Teneille Kirby





8.00am Students Supervised

8.20am Warning Bell to Classes

8.30am Learning Begins

10.50am - 11.30pm Morning Recess

12.50pm - 1.30pm Lunch

3.00pm End of School Day



ASSEMBLY TIMES

Senior Assembly Thursday 8.35am

Junior Assembly Friday 1.30pm

CHAPEL TIMES

Senior Chapel Wednesday 8.35am

Junior Chapel Wednesday 9.05am



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Wednesdays 8.00am-9.00am

& 2.30-3.30pm

Fridays 8.00am-9.00am

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