ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

Term 4 Week 6

12 November 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 2019

Monday 4 - Friday 15 November

Prep—Year 2 Swimming

Friday 15 November Sports Gala Day

Sunday 17 November

FLL Junior Robotics Competition Noosa

Monday 18 November

Prep Build-a-Bear and Apple Store Excursion

Tuesday 19 November Volunteers' Morning Tea

P&F Group Meeting 3.15pm

Friday 22 November Pupil Free Day

Sunday 24 November Kindy School Sunday Church Evening Service 5.30pm

Monday 25 November Year 1 Woolworths Excursion

Tuesday 26 November Year 6 End of Year Excursion Joel Pukallus is a pastor and volunteer chaplain for Queensland Fire and Emergency Services, Toowoomba Command. Yesterday he wrote this letter to all Lutheran Schools of Qld to help focus our concern and prayers:

Since September 1st, there have been over 2000 bushfires in Queensland. As of last Sunday (Nov 10) there were 71 still burning, with conditions set to deteriorate further around the end of this week. (Sat 16 -Sun17) There has now been a State of Fire Emergency declared over half of Queensland, and all of New South Wales, as efforts continue to combat this unprecedented fire season. Many people have noticed smoke in the air in the last few days, and are wondering where it is coming from.

It was recently asked of me to let people know just what is involved in these fires, and who to pray for, what to do to help.

Many firefighters in affected regions have been fighting these fires and have been on high alert since early October, and they are tired. Fatigue and dangerous work are not a good combination. Please pray for our firefighters. If you see them in the street, thank them for what they do.

Rural firefighters who battle these blazes often do so in their own home area. This means that while they are away fighting fires, their own homes may be under threat or even lost. Please pray for those who go to protect their communities at the expense of their own homes.

The families of firefighters spend long hours worrying if their loved ones will be safe, and what effect the constant dangerous work will have on their loved ones. I have sat with those who have lost their homes to bushfires, and they are utterly devastated, lost, with no idea what to do next. Fires take everything, with little or no warning. Please pray for those who have lost homes. Please also pray for those who have been evacuated, and don't know if they even have a home to go back to.

Air operations continue tirelessly, dropping water on these fires, and without them, firefighters would have no chance of stopping the fires. In the current drought, finding enough water to get to the fire trucks, or to drop from above, is difficult. Please continue to pray for widespread soaking rain over the Eastern States of Australia, as it is the only thing that will bring this fire season to an end, and stop the devastation.

Thank God for the human spirit, and for all who are pulling together to "give a mate a hand". Please thank God for all of them, and ask for his protection on them.

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers

What a wonderful afternoon we had last Friday afternoon when the P&F Group hosted the Ninja Run obstacle course. Even though it was hot out on the oval, the students had an absolute blast, showed great determination and encouragement of one another - I think many of the adults enjoyed themselves too! Once again our strong community spirit was on display for all to see. Thank you to our P&F Group and the many parent volunteers, who were ably led by Mrs. Lyndel Miles, for organizing, planning and hosting such a hugely successful event. An amount of \$7500 has been raised from this event, which is quite remarkable, and will be earmarked for the development of our Nature Play areas in 2020. Well done to everyone!

Last Saturday three Senior School Robotics teams represented St Paul's at the Regional FLL Robotics Competition in Noosa. Even though these teams, consisting mainly of Year 4 students, did not qualify for the upcoming FLL State Championships, they gave a very good account of themselves and have gained invaluable experience for what awaits them over the next year or two – well done to all of you! Thank you to those parents and caregivers who gave up most of their Saturday to support the students' passion and hard work in this area of interest. Thank you to Mr. Josh Witham, our St Paul's Robotics tutor, as well as Mrs. Lynda Witham, our supporting staff member, for the hours of work put in behind the scenes to make this opportunity available to the students – bring on 2020!

The smoke haze which has begun to hang around due to the bush fires, has reminded me of just how close this emergency has impacted our school with Noosa Northshore evacuated on the weekend. Our Year 5 students have for the past few years, attended the school camp located in this part of Noosa. From all accounts the camping ground has not been impacted by the fires. This has also prompted me to remind all of us, as a community, to please support the "Sunshine Coast Water Angels Project" which we are a part of this term. Please remember to shop for some bottled water and drop it into the front office as we work towards donating free water to the town of Warwick at the end of the term. The current hot weather has again reminded me as to how blessed we are to have airconditioned classrooms across the whole school.

Well done to those Year 5 students who this week will step-up with nomination speeches as they apply for the various leadership roles available to them next year. The large number of students who have nominated for a leadership position tells me that the student body will be in good hands next year with this group setting the pace, tone and expectations for the rest of the student body to follow in 2020.

As we come to the final 3 and a bit weeks of the 2019 school year, a number of significant end-of-year events will take place. You are strongly



encouraged and warmly invited to participate and support your student in these events as we celebrate and wrap up the 2019 school year. Some of these events include the Volunteers' Morning Tea [Tuesday 19 November], Christmas Carols and Concert Night [Friday 29 November] and the Prep-Year 6 Closing Chapel and Awards Service [Tuesday 3 December].

Good luck to our Senior School students as they compete in their final Gala Day for 2020. Play hard, play fair, play to the whistle and show great sportsmanship by being humble in either winning or losing.

Have a safe week everyone.

Yours in Christ.

Anton Prinsloo Principal

Quote of the Week: If you have the COURAGE to begin, you have the COURAGE to succeed. [Author unknown]

FROM THE DEPUTY

Permission Forms - Parent Lounge

Permission forms for excursions and camps are now only be accessible through Parent Lounge. General information for excursions and camps will be emailed to the relevant year level parents. Access to Parent Lounge will require your unique login. If you require any assistance with any of this process, please see the School Office.

Pupil Free Day

Please note that this Friday 22 November is a Pupil Free Day as our teachers will be Proofing Reports.

School Leaders 2020

The School Leaders for 2020 will be announced at Senior Assembly on Thursday 28 November beginning at 8.30am. Parents are welcome to attend.

Christmas Concert & Carols Night

On Friday 29 November all classes will be involved in the **Christmas Concert and Carols** Night at the Tullawong Hall. Please keep this date free, allowing your child(ren) to be involved.

Lois Kube **Deputy Principal**

Christmas Concert & Carols We invite you to our family friendly event on Friday 29th November 2019 **Tullawong State School Hall 60-94 Smiths Road Caboolture** Doors open at 5:00pm Concert begins at 6:00pm

The Christmas Narrative by St Paul's Lutheran Primary School Music & Dance by Grace Lutheran College

Sizzler Toast & Sausage Sizzle, Popcorn & Glowsticks on sale

A joint initiative of St Paul's Lutheran Primary School and Kindergarten, St Paul's Lutheran Church, Grace Lutheran College Caboolture, St Paul's Lutheran Aged Care Village and Intercept.

FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

The 2020 Fee Schedule is now available from the school Reception.

New Classroom

Midson's builders have all but signed off for the new building, with the practical completion certificate issued. Our Grounds and Maintenance team, Karen and Andrew, have been putting the finishing touches to the building and the gardens. Students have been making use of the area, with the insulated undercover area providing a whole new outdoor learning area for the school. Some parts of the landscaping will be out of bounds for a time, while the garden plants become established.

At the end of the term, classroom renovations will kick off, in Year 1 & 2. Teachers and Office Staff have been busy organising and ordering new furniture that will fill these 'new' agile learning areas in 2020. It is expected that the time frame for construction work will be tight, but ready for the new year.

Ian Bloxham **Business Manager**



CELEBRATING STUDENTS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who were recently celebrated at assembly:

Year 3	Leila G Diing K	Making excellent choices and practising self-control.
Year 4	Alex C Harper P Tye M Barnaby T Ashton B	Showing great school pride, respect and participation while on the Bike Safety Excursion. Showing self-control in finishing tasks. Showing self-control in class. Showing more self -control finishing tasks.
Year 5	Missy S Jayden L	A well prepared, interesting and confident or <mark>al pre</mark> se <mark>ntati</mark> on.
Year 6	Tiana G Sinead S	Consistently showing great active listening skills throughout the year.

INSIDE STORY: LIBRARY

As part of library lessons the Year 4 students have been learning how to write references for books and websites. To further consolidate their knowledge, students are working in groups to create an iMovie which will be used to teach other year levels the process of writing a reference for a book. Students not only need to show what is included in a reference but where this information can be located. We are super excited to see their end results.









PHYSICAL EDUCATION



The FairPlay initiative is a Queensland Government's 10-year strategy to get more Queenslanders moving, more often. In supporting kids to get active, FairPlay supports families by providing vouchers up to \$150 to eligible Queensland kids towards sport and active recreation and participation fees. Round 2 of FairPlay opens in January 2020. For more information please visit: https://www.qld.gov.au/recreation/sports/funding/fairplay

All the best to our Sports Gala Day teams and coaches competing this Friday 15th November! Play Fair, Play Strong!

Jess Schneider
Physical Education Teacher



PARENTS AND FRIENDS GROUP

What a fun filled afternoon we had on Friday at the Ninja Run with our school community – with students from Kindy to Year 6 involved! Despite it being a scorcher of a day the kids all still had a great time! Thanks to the many parents who helped us set up and be officials out on the course.



We were able to give away HEAPS of random prizes to participants on the day and we are so grateful for these prize donations from these wonderful companies/ organizations. Please support them if you get a chance!

- * Sizzler restaurants
- * Sir Thomas Brisbane Planetarium
- * Grace Lutheran College Caboolture
- * Caboolture Bowl
- * Intensity Amusements
- * Event Cinemas
- * Golden Circle

We are so blessed here at St Paul's to have such wonderful staff, - so a big thank you to the teachers, learning assistants, and office staff who all played a role in making the day run smoothly. I want to make special mention of Mr Andrew Roper, Mrs Karen Dickens and Mrs Jess Schneider who worked all day to help us get the course and all the shade tents set up and then packed away again at the end of the day.

Of course, an event like this doesn't just come together overnight so an extra special thankyou to the P & F Executive and members of the Ninja Run Committee who have been planning this event since Term Two this year. We are so appreciative of the efforts of Kim McDonald who sourced big and little tyres (and painted them!) and made the balance beams and seesaws to add to our course.

We are thrilled to announce that our fundraising from the Ninja Run has raised \$7 500 for us to put towards the development of two nature play areas in our school. We can't wait to see these areas made for the students to be able to enjoy at morning tea and lunch times!

The winners of the major fundraising prizes were:

Highest individual fundraiser in Senior School: Caleb Forshaw (Year 3)

Highest individual fundraiser in Junior school: Ruby Hallet (Year 2)

Highest individual fundraising family: Forshaw family

Highest fundraising class in Senior school: Year 5

Highest fundraising class in Junior school: Year 1

Thanks for supporting this event - we trust your children enjoyed themselves! ©

Lyndel Miles, P&F Group President.











SCHOOL TIMES

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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Join the P&F closed group: https://www.facebook.com/ groups/SPLPSPandF/

UNIFORM SHOP

Wednesdays

8.00am-9.00am & 2.30-3.30pm

Fridays

8.00am-9.00am

Orders can be submitted online on Flexischools and delivered to students on uniform shop days.