## ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 1 Week 10

30 March 2021

St Paul's Lutheran Church Sunday Services are on Sunday at 9:00am and online via Facebook and YouTube.

If you have questions about the Christian Faith, please contact Pastor Mike on 0421 131 965 or 5432 4419

## **Diary Dates** 2021

Friday 2 April Good Friday

Sunday 4 April Easter Sunday

Term Break Office Hours will be 10.00am until 2.00pm.

Monday 5 April Easter Monday

Monday 19 April Student Free Day

**Tuesday 20 April** Start of Term 2 4-8pm Student-Parent-Teacher Conversations

Wednesday 21 & Thursday 22 April 3.30-5.30pm Student-Parent-Teacher Conversations

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

As we come to the end of Term 1, I can only look back in awe at the incredible growth as a community which has taken place at St Paul's over the past 10 weeks. Last week's Cross-country event, which saw many families and friends back on campus, affirmed the coming together of our school community after the many restrictions imposed on us in 2020.



What has really stood out for me is the way in which our Prep students, new students and Year 6 students have all embraced the various responsibilities, school culture and many opportunities afforded them daily. The Year 6 students must be commended on how they have stepped up as leaders and pacesetters in our school. The uptake of the Service Leadership Program is testament to this with a record number of Year 6 students involved in numerous jobs and duties around the school daily.

As we all know "school life" doesn't just happen and so I need to acknowledge the incredible staff who work in our place as well as the wonderful support and loyalty which we receive from the you, the parent body, every day - I thank everyone for this!

Congratulations and well done to the whole school on your enthusiastic participation at last Friday's Cross-country Carnival. The weather conditions were perfect for running after a week of continuous rain. Thank you to the many parents, family members and other visitors who supported the students on the day. Thank you to the St Paul's staff as well as the Grace College students and staff, who were ably led by our PE Teachers Mrs. Jess Schneider, for your participation and help in hosting this event. Congratulations to all the age group winners and Gregor House on being named as the overall winners on the day. Good luck to our Senior School Cross-country Team as they prepare to compete at the District Cross-country Championships in Term 2.

As we come to the end of Term 1, we need to say goodbye to two staff members who will be leaving us. Ms. Lisa Evans, after 10 years of service to the school, has indicated her intention to change career paths. I would like to acknowledge the wonderful work ethic and attention to detail which Lisa has brought to the job. I must also thank Lisa for the ease and professionalism with which she stepped into the role of Acting Principal's Assistant twice as she worked closely with my office. We will also be saying goodbye to Mr. Neil Sampson as his time as our Acting Deputy Principal ends on Thursday with the pending return of Mrs. Lois Kube to her role. It was affirming to see and hear our school through Neil's eyes again, after his previous time with us, as well as the fine-tuning which Neil has brought to some of the daily events at St Paul's. I would like to wish both Lisa and Neil every blessing as they step away from their time at St Paul's to embrace the next part of their journey.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish every family a safe and restful Easter break as we reflect on and celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus.

## Face Up to the Cross

You are most welcome to come along to the Easter services at St Paul's:

Thursday 7pm, Good Friday 9am, and Easter Sunday 9am.

Hopefully, we can connect the Cross of Good Friday to what is happening in our life. Hopefully there is



more than "What a magnificent, epic story of self sacrifice that is." It is quite possible to miss the "For us". It's quite easy to avoid connecting this story to your own story.

All of us have to face up to something ... something we are terribly afraid of ... the many threats to the life we are meant to enjoy ... something we lack the courage to do ... something we are ashamed of ... something we need to say to someone who has hurt us, or who we have hurt. As we face up to the cross, it helps us to face these parts of our life. We will receive strength as we hear him say to us, "For You". This makes all the difference in the world as you face up to the biggest challenges in and threats to your life. This Good Friday and Easter, FACE UP TO THE CROSS, and learn again how Jesus ... only Jesus ... gives his life so that we may have life to enjoy.

"For God loved (ALL) the World so much that he gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him may not die but have everlasting life." John 3:6

Pastor Mike Neldner

Keep safe and healthy.

Yours in Christ.

Anton Prinsloo Principal



Quote of the Week: He is not here, He has RISEN. [Mark 16:6]

## FROM THE DEPUTY

In writing this last newsletter for the term I realise that the activities below may be cancelled due to the present COVID outbreak. Hoping that these events can take place early next term.



#### **ANZAC** Ceremonies

Schools ANZAC Ceremony 10am Wednesday 22 April ANZAC Square Brisbane This ceremony is still going ahead at this stage and will be attended by our School Captains accompanied by two parents travelling by train.

#### St Pauls ANZAC Ceremony

9am Friday 23 April at school. Our Special Guest Speaker will be Ron Avenell.

Caboolture ANZAC Ceremony usually on ANZAC Day has been cancelled.

Many thanks to all who have been both friendly and encouraging over these last two months. I have enjoyed my brief contract here and wish all the very best for 2021.

Mrs Kube is now ready to return next term and looking forward to seeing you all.

God bless

Neil Sampson Acting Deputy Principal

## FROM THE HEAD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

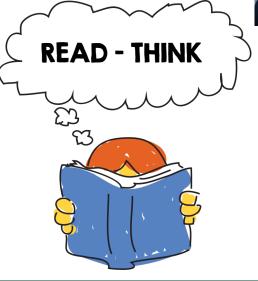
#### **Reading Initiative**

RD GIVES WISDOM From Term 2, St Paul's students will be offered the opportunity to engage in a range of activities each term in relation to a specific theme. The theme for Term 2 is 'READ - THINK'. Mrs Morris and I have been busy creating the program and initiative and Mrs Morris will release details at the beginning of the term. Students who complete the set of challenges will be eligible for a special St Paul's wrist band with the theme words printed on it. This wrist band can be worn during all of 2021 as part of the everyday school uniform. We hope to encourage a love of reading and exploring texts in our Library through the initiative.



It has come to my attention that we still have a number of students who are not borrowing Library books. 15 mins per night of reading is compulsory across our school and we allocate borrowing time each week for students to self-select texts of interest to take home. It is an expectation across our school that students borrow at least one book per fortnight. If your child has consistently not borrowed, Mrs Morris will begin sending a letter home to inform parents. The purpose of this letter to inform you as a family of a pattern that we are noticing and to encourage your child to borrow one book per fortnight in their area of interest. Please have a discussion with your child about the types of books that they might be interested in reading and borrowing from our school GLAD Centre.

Mrs Emma Bird Head of Teaching and Learning





2021 SCHOOL THEME - WISDOM - The Lord gives Wisdom [Proverbs 2:6] Knowledge comes from Learning. Wisdom comes from Living. Anthony Douglas Williams.

## CELEBRATING STUDENTS AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students who have recently received Student Awards:

Prep	Alex C Carter H	Providing detail in giving a Topic Talk.
Year 1	Bella D Savannah R	Being a kind and generous friend.
Year 2	Aria P	Being brave and working hard to progress in reading.
Year 4	Kody C Gabby T Isabella W	Showing great listening skills and a positive attitude throughout Term 1.
Year 5	Amelia B Rushton R Lilly S	Setting an example for others by consistently showing respect with her whole self. Consistent determination and enthusiastic participation during the Year 5 School Sunday.
Year 6	Marli P	Challenging and applying herself in learning areas.

# **INSIDE STORY: MUSIC**

In Prep, we are learning how to keep a steady beat while speaking and singing, developing gross and fine motor skills while performing, exploring high and low sounds in our voices, and listening to music. In Year 1, we are learning the difference between the beat and the rhythm (of the words) and beginning to recognise patterns in music. In Year 2, we are learning how to work together as an ensemble, playing percussion instruments, and developing confidence performing for each other. In Year 3, we are learning how to sing in canon while performing body percussion, and gaining a deeper understanding of how music works (recognising patterns and structure). In Year 4, we are focusing on improvisation and timbre (the unique sounds that instruments make), playing percussion instruments, and learning how to arrange rhythmic patterns to compose music. In Year 5, we are improvising and composing music, working in small groups to perform songs with multiple vocal and instrumental parts, and learning a pout loging on the vork in drum circ



and learning about Indigenous music from Queensland. In Year 6, we are improvising and focusing on rhythmic work in drum circles, and learning about musical heritage, work songs and more complex forms of music including call and response.

Students have also been preparing for the upcoming musical showcase, now taking place on Tuesday 27 April in the Chapel, commencing at 6:00pm. The String Ensemble, Year 2 Strings, Rock Band and St Paul's Choir will be performing, along with students presenting a variety of items playing brass, woodwind, strings, guitar and piano. I encourage you to attend this event to support all of the performers in their musical endeavours.

Mrs Carol Ellwood.



## FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

#### Casual Office Admin Person – Expression of Interest

The Business Office is seeking expressions of interest for casual staff, to work at times within the school's office administration. Please email the expressions of interest, along with a cover letter and resume to the <a href="mailto:businessmanger@stpaulslps.qld.edu.au">businessmanger@stpaulslps.qld.edu.au</a>

#### **School Fees**

Term 2 school fees will be issued shortly. Payments can be made via parent lounge, B-Pay, direct credit. For those needing time to pay the fees off, please ensure you have communicated with the Business Office, to save any reminders coming your way.

lan Bloxham Business Manager



## KINDERGARTEN

#### Grandparents Day 2021

Due to the lock-down we have had to postpone the Kindy Grandparents Day. We will announce the new date for this day next term.

Sam Beaman Service Leader



## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

It was a close competition at our Inter-house Cross Country Carnival last Friday.

Well done to all our student competitors who conquered the muddy conditions. Gregor House was victorious with 196 points, followed by Archer on 173 & Jeffreys on 171 points.

Thank you to the staff, parents and caregivers for their support and attendance.



Due to the lockdown and the fact many schools have not yet run their school carnival, the **District Cross Country** has moved to the alternative date of Friday 23 April, 2021.

Wishing you all a safe and restful Easter Break.



Jessica Schneider PE & Sport Coordinator



### SCHOOL TIMES

8.00am Students Supervised

8.20am Warning Bell to Classes

8.30am Learning Begins

10.50am - 11.30am Morning Recess

12.50pm - 1.30pm Lunch

**3.00pm** End of School Day



#### **ASSEMBLY TIMES**

Senior Assembly Friday 8.35am

Junior Assembly Thursday 8.35am

#### CHAPEL TIME

Whole School Chapel Wednesday 8.35am



@StPaulsLutheranPrimary School

@StPaulsLutheranKindy

@SPLCCaboolture

@SPLPSBuySwapSell

@StPaulsLPSAlumni

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

#### **UNIFORM SHOP**

Monday 8.00-9.00am & Wednesday 8.00-9.00am & 2.30-3.30pm.

Orders can be submitted online on Flexischools or ordered through the school office and delivered to students on uniform shop days.