

# ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

Term 3 Week 10

15 September 2020

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

2020

**Friday 18 September**

Free Dress Day - Gold Coin for RSPCA  
Students Finish Term 3

**October**

**Monday 5 October**

PUBLIC HOLIDAY - Queens' Birthday

**Tuesday 6 October**

Students begin Term 4  
Start Smart Incursion

**Thursday 8 & Friday 9 October**

Start Smart Incursion

**Camps:** Year 4 - Mon 12 - Wed 14 October

Year 6 - Wed 14 - Fri 9 October



**'He will cover you with his feathers.  
He will shelter you with his wings'  
(Psalm 91:4).**

What a wonderful picture! We are his chicks, running to him like to a mother hen for protection, scrambling up in under his wings, tucking in under his feathers. Have you ever watched chickens do that? I have. Those chickens are very intentional and determined, squawking all the way if they are afraid! At other times, the mother hen calls them, and they come. They know their source of protection and provision. I have read of a mother hen giving her life to protect her chicks during a fire. Although she died, the chicks ran out from under her feathers and wings. That's dedicated covering and protection!

And that is how the psalmist describes the Lord covering you and me. We can tuck in close, feel his warmth, and listen for his heartbeat. He loves you and me even more than a mother hen loves her chicks. After all, he has given her that instinct for her young. He invites us to trust him, to grow in knowing deep closeness with him at such a time as this. Then this time of testing, of clarifying our focus, is not wasted! 'In everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding' (Philippians 4:6,7).

***Lord, thank you that we find shelter in you! Amen.***

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Thank you for your ongoing patience and support as we continue to navigate a school journey which continues to look different to any previous year. My take-aways for Term 3 are the following:

- ◆ The growing confidence with which our students continue to walk into school every day – this has been a big breakthrough for some who have previously found the morning drop-off a challenge from time to time.
- ◆ The number of older siblings, and for that matter some of our Senior School students, who on a daily basis look out for and assist their siblings and younger students into school or out to the afternoon pick-up zone.
- ◆ The enormous planning and preparation done behind the scenes by the staff to ensure that Term 3 flowed as smoothly as possible as the students participated in excursions, incursions, school camps, Book Week, a Book fair and e-Smart Week.

The end of the term will bring to an end an era as Mr. Andrew Roper, who has been our Maintenance Coordinator for the past 21 year, retires. We thank Andrew for this significant amount of time, the energy, hard work and expertise which he has brought to the job during his time at St Paul's. We wish Andrew and his wife a time of slowing down, safe travels and quality family time as they enter this next chapter in their lives. God bless and take care Andrew! We officially welcome Mr. Ian McKellar, who has been working alongside Mr. Roper over the past few weeks, to this role at the beginning of Term 4.

I need to take this opportunity to thank Mr. Matt Nicholls for the outstanding job which he has done this term as the Acting Deputy Principal in the absence of Mrs. Lois Kube. It has been wonderful to work with him, learn from him and watch Matt grow as a leader. As Mr. Nicholls returns to the Year 5 learning area, I need to express my thanks to Mrs. Renee Newman for her outstanding professionalism, work ethic and pastoral care as the team teaching partner with Mrs. Becky Farrell during Term 3.

**As a matter of equity for all our school families, we will be changing the order for the Pick-Up Zone in the afternoons at the start of Term 4.** This means that those students whose surnames begin with M-Z will be the first group to come and be picked up between 2:40pm -3:00pm while those with surnames beginning with A – L will come out at 3:00pm. Thank you in advance for your cooperation and understanding in this matter.

A number of our parents, who go for a daily walk on the local rail trail after their school drop off in the mornings, will be involved in a walking fundraiser for Camp Quality in October. I have now committed to bring my walking shoes to work and to join this group on one of their morning walks. I encourage you as a school community to look into supporting this group through a sponsorship [please see further details in this week's newsletter].



As we continue to monitor the guidelines and timelines provided by the Queensland Government, we will see a number of activities associated with school life continue next term. These include a number of end-of-year events. We endeavor to provide you with the necessary information and details regarding these events in a timely manner. These events also include our Year 4 and 6 students preparing for their respective camps next term. Unfortunately, parent attendance at school and school events still doesn't fit into the government's timeline. Further details about parent attendance will be made available to you as they come to hand. If you are planning to undertake any inter-state travel as a family in the upcoming term break, please familiarize yourself with the necessary quarantine and return to school processes before returning at the start of Term 4.

This week brings us to the end of Term 3, a term which has well and truly zoomed by, and a very well-deserved break which will allow everyone to slow down, catch their breath and come back refreshed for the final school term for 2020. We look forward to receiving the students back for the start of Term 4 on Tuesday 6 October and until then I will like to wish every family a relaxing and safe Spring term break.

Yours in Christ.

Anton Prinsloo  
Principal

Quote of the Week: *"Not what we have but what we enjoy, constitutes our abundance."*

## FROM THE ACTING DEPUTY

As Term 3 draws to a close, so does my time as Acting Deputy at St Pauls. Thank you all for your support and cooperation during my time in the role. I have really enjoyed the challenge and got to know a great many more students, especially in the Junior School. It was always a nice part of the job to walk around the classrooms and see the students' enthusiasm for the wonderful learning happening each day. It never failed to bring a smile to my face to be greeted so often with a wave and a 'hello Mr Nicholls'. Now, as we prepare to welcome back Mrs Kube after the holidays, I look forward to returning to the Year 5 classroom in Term 4.



### Free Dress Day

Friday 18 September is Free Dress Day in support of our Service Project for Term 3 – RSPCA. Students can wear free dress and donate a gold coin. Your support of this will be greatly appreciated.

### Lost Property

Please contact the office to check the Lost Property Box for any items that may have been misplaced. It is important that ALL belongings are clearly named. This means that if any item does go missing it can be returned to the right owner. **Any items left in the Lost Property Box at the end of term will be disposed of.**

### Hair

Please remember the following, which is taken directly out of the Parent Handbook, if and when having haircuts over the holiday period.

*Hair is to be kept neat and tidy without colour, spikes or tails. Long hair past collar length must be tied back and longer fringes over eyebrow must be secured off the face. Cuts should not be shorter than **Number 3**. There are to be no severe undercuts, tracks or patterns. No hair products (eg. Gel, mousse, etc) are to be used. This applies to both girls and boys.*

### School Shoes

The school holidays are a good time to check the state of your student's shoes. If buying new ones, please remember that plain black lace-up shoes are to be worn with the formal uniform and plain white lace-up joggers with the sports uniform.

### Happy and Safe Holidays

I hope that all our school families can enjoy time together and if travelling, safe travels. See you all back ready for a fabulous term on Tuesday 6 October.

Mr Matt Nicholls

## FROM THE HEAD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

### Timetable Challenge

The Times Table Challenge finishes this Friday! Well done to the students from Years 3-6 for their participation in the challenge so far. Students who receive a bronze medal for the timetables needed in their grade will receive a special times table licence next term.

### School Mural Competition

Please see the attached information about a mural competition that we encourage students to enter. Get creative and design something amazing!

To celebrate Puffin's 80th anniversary and the release of the second book in the Atticus Van Tasticus series, Puffin is giving one lucky school in Australia a school mural, painted by Stephen Michael King.

### To enter:

1. Draw a picture on an A4 piece of paper that you would like to see on a school wall. The picture must contain the character Atticus Van Tasticus and a Puffin (the character and his bird in the picture above). It can be about anything you want.
2. Write your first name, class and school on the back of your entry.

Entries due by Wednesday, 28th October

Mrs Emma Bird  
Head of Teaching and Learning



# CELEBRATING STUDENTS AWARDS

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

Prep	Kerrie M Arya G	Counting forwards and backwards from 15.
Year 1	Saanvi B Flynn P Mae R	Confidently sharing ideas and knowledge with others. Being a kind and caring friend and is always willing to help out in the classroom.
Year 2	Levi B Sharni C Emma M Jahan M Sophie W	Putting in effort and working independently during Maths. Being respectful and using good listening skills on the excursion to the Caboolture Historical Village. Making fantastic progress towards your reading goals.
Year 3	Charlie C	Showing kindness towards her classmates.
Year 4	Lily O	Demonstrating great, independent focus during Daily 5 rotations.
Year 5	Hayden W Milly F Tye Me	Successfully grasping new maths concepts.
Year 6	Abbey T  Benjamin J Rhys J	Showing great leadership and engaging enthusiastically with the younger students during the Book Blanket activity. Enthusiastic contributions during the Science activities on microorganisms.

## FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER



### Maintenance Team Changes

After 22 years of loyal service, Mr Andrew Roper is heading off on leave at the end of this term, and then off to retirement. Andrew has been a wonderful colleague in the school often helping me out on the various building projects that the school has undertaken over the years. He will be missed.

Ian McKellar started this term as the new Maintenance person. Ian comes to the school with experience in carpentry, yard work, and audio visual expertise. Please make Ian feel welcome when you see him around the campus.



### School Fees.

If you have not yet cleared Term 3 fees, please contact the Business Office. Term 4 fees will be issued in the coming weeks. If you are having difficulty with fees, please contact me.

Ian Bloxham  
Business Manager

## INSIDE STORY: RISE

The RISE students across Years 3-6 have had a focus on the Scientific Method.

This project will culminate in students exploring a question and developing a science show to share their experiment and data. Some students will film in front of a green screen and others may choose to develop a short iMovie.

Throughout this unit students have explore different types of data (qualitative and quantitative), learned how to develop a testable question, write a hypothesis and consider the variables in their experiment.

Soon we hope to have the answer to these questions as well as many more interesting ideas about changes in matter, biology, physics and micro-organisms.

Does the amount of fat and the amount of cocoa in chocolate affect how quickly it will melt?

Does the type of milk affect how much 'plastic' is created when it is curdled using vinegar?

How does the location of water affect the number of micro-organisms in the sample?

What surface is the best shock absorber to prevent an egg from breaking?

Year 2 RISE students have just started a Stop Motion Project. We hope to share these with the school community next term.





## PHYSICAL EDUCATION



Despite the impact COVID-19 has brought to St Paul's Representative & Competitive Sports this year, St Paul's students have well-adjusted and taken advantage of all sporting opportunities available to them. Keeping an optimistic outlook for the rest of 2020, thus far, we have been kept very busy within PE lessons, Inter-House Morning Tea and Lunchtime Competitions & Friday afternoon sporting rotations. Although there will be no external sporting competitions next term e.g. gala days, students will once again be welcomed and encouraged to part take in various internal

school sporting activities. Congratulations to our 12-Year-Old Girls & Boys who placed in their 2km Cross Country Race last Friday. We look forward to formally acknowledging our Athletics and Cross Country Age Champions on assembly this Friday.

**GIRLS CRICKET CARNIVAL** - Looking for something fun to do these School Holidays? Look no further! For more information and to register: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/VT6N6M3>

Mrs Jess Schneider



## 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

**ALLERGY SAFE AREA**

**NO NUTS**

## eSmart Prize Winners



Prep	Lucia M – 1 <sup>st</sup> Place David P – Runner Up
Year 1	Olivia K – 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Saige S – Runner Up
Year 2	Leyla F – 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Evie A – Runner Up
Year 3	Gabby T & Alice B – 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Year 4	Amelia B – 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Molly O – Runner Up
Year 5	Kenzie P – 1 <sup>st</sup> Place
Year 6	Cooper H – 1 <sup>st</sup> Place Adit M – Runner UP

## ASSEMBLY TIMES

**Senior Assembly**  
Friday 8.35am

**Junior Assembly**  
Friday 1.30pm

## CHAPEL TIMES

**Senior Chapel**  
Wednesday 8.35am

**Junior Chapel**  
Wednesday 9.05am

Let's be  friends

@StPaulsLutheranPrimarySchool

@StPaulsLutheranKindy

@SPLCCaboolture

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

## UNIFORM SHOP

**Wednesdays & Fridays**  
(CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE)

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



We are a group of St Paul's Walkin' Talkin' mums who walk almost daily after school drop off to keep fit and encourage each other.

We are putting our walking to good use and are raising money for Camp Quality and would love your support! We have committed to each walking 100kms during October and have a fundraising goal of \$1,000. However, we want to support even more kids with cancer and for every \$10 raised over the \$1,000 we will each walk an extra kilometre!

Please click the link to support us and give us a wave if you see us walking!

[https://fundraise.campquality.org.au/fundraisers/Walkintalkinmums?](https://fundraise.campquality.org.au/fundraisers/Walkintalkinmums?_fb_privacy_tracking_cookie=__%7B%22loggedout_browser_id%22%3A%221c616b6e1400040de0d10552a347ba4c79f2a749%22%7D&fbclid=IwAR3wnD6olWtVI_xjTN3Q7LPNcqK2_K43zAI0QFptsIAik7OaL_pxFr8u-0) FB PRIVATE TRACKING =%7B%22loggedout\_browser\_id%22%3A%221c616b6e1400040de0d10552a347ba4c79f2a749%22%7D&fbclid=IwAR3wnD6olWtVI\_xjTN3Q7LPNcqK2\_K43zAI0QFptsIAik7OaL\_pxFr8u-0



## GIRLS CRICKET CARNIVAL

Come out for 2 awesome days of cricket games with surprise carnival twists! All levels welcome!

WHO: ALL GIRLS AGES 8-12

WHEN: 9AM-12PM MON 21 SEPT.-TUES 22 SEPT.

WHERE: CABOOLTURE SPORTS CRICKET CLUB

COST: \$10 PER PARTICIPANT



REGISTER AT [WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/LVC5PYR](http://WWW.SURVEYMONKEY.COM/R/LVC5PYR)