## ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 3 Week 8

1 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

#### September

#### Wednesday 2 September

Grace College 2021 Student Testing 8:40am - 9:25am - PAT Maths 9:50am - 10:51am - PAT Reading

Thursday 3 September Year 2 Historical Village Excursion

Friday 4 September STUDENT FREE DAY Teacher/Learning Assistant Day

Sunday 6 September Father's Day

Monday 7 September Prep Rebecca Johnson Author Incursion

## Give him your fears

'Do not be afraid of the terrors of the night, nor the arrow that flies in the day. Though a thousand fall at your side, though ten thousand are dying around you, these evils will not touch you' (Psalm 91:5,7).

When we dwell in trusting the Lord, especially so in during any time of upheaval and testing such as now, we will discover for ourselves the reality and truth of what the Bible says about him. He is our rock, our anchor in stormy seas. Yes, although there's uncertainty, threat, death or trouble around us, by holding onto him and his promises, he enables us to learn to become an overcomer. When he brings us through again, we will realise we have learned to know both him and ourselves in new ways.

Testing times like these are opportunities for growth. They are times to practise giving our fears to him, receiving his peace, beginning to recognise his presence with us and his sustaining and enabling power at work in us and through us. The Lord's desire is for all people to come to know him and his promises in Jesus (1 Timothy 2:4). We all need his mercy and forgiveness, for without Jesus all of us sit in the 'wicked' camp! Let's pray urgently for others, that this current 'season' may become a turning point for many, to experience the truth of him who does not condemn but forgives any who ask him (John 3:16–17). We represent him to others. Let's give our fears to him, and in exchange, receive his love for others.

Lord, thank you for your Spirit at work in us and through us. Amen.

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

#### **Dear Parents and Caregivers**

Welcome to the first day of Spring for 2020! The start of this season, which begins to bring to an end the dark evenings and crisp mornings, also seems to put us on a faster-paced trajectory towards summer, Christmas and the end of the school year. I don't know about you, but 2020 has been one of the busiest and guickest years which I have experienced [as an educator] - but then they say that time flies when you are having fun and as we get older!



I remain amazed by the determination and resilience of our school community to ensure that the school calendar and subsequent events continue as normal as possible for all the students. This is probably the least we can do given the upheaval which has been 2020. Last week's Book Week and Book Fair are further testimony of our commitment to riding out the school

calendar as best we can. This annual event which celebrates and emphasizes the importance of books and reading went to new heights this year with the introduction of an "Imaginarium", a record number of competition entries in the Junior School and one of the best Book Character Parades held in a long time. It seems to me as if we have begun to step up sharper and bigger as we continue to embrace school life in 2020 - is this because our experiences in a Covid impacted world have made us stronger? Thank you parents for your magnificent support of this year's Book Week celebrations. Thank you the staff, led by Mrs. Danielle Morris, Mrs. Robyn McMillan and Mrs. Emma Bird, for all the work done in planning for and hosting this event. We are pleased to announce that even without face-to-face sales and no grandparent's Day, book sales of around \$6700 still took place which will allow for new resources for the GLAD Centre Library to the value of \$2336.24 to benefit all our students.

Yesterday saw our Instrumental Music and Choir students host and present a virtual Music Showcase which will be shared online for all these students' parents to enjoy – well done to all of you on the progress made this year in your respective programs. Thank you to Miss Brooke Herbert and the Grace Academy Music staff for the time and organization which went into making this possible. Enjoy celebrating this progress and growth with your students when footage of this event is made available over the coming days!

Mrs. Jess Schneider continues to put the students through their Athletics and Cross-country "paces" as she runs modified carnivals for the students during PE classes and Senior School Friday afternoon rotations. Well done to all the students for being so competitive and giving the different events a go and congratulations to those athletes who have stepped up and have either won a ribbon or their respective age group event. Thank you to Mrs. Schneider for keeping the students fit and motivated for what has been a stop-start year of sport for them.

Both the Junior and Senior School Rock Climbing Walls are now up and "climbing" as we continually look at improving and adding to the outdoor play opportunities for our students. These two walls will definitely test the students' strength, endurance and coordination.

I would like to take this opportunity to wish all our Dads and Granddads a wonderful Father's day on Sunday!

Yours in Christ.

Anton Prinsloo Principal

Quote of the Week:

Happy Father's Day: "Direct your children onto the right path, and when they are older, they will not leave it." [Proverbs 22:6]

## FROM THE ACTING DEPUTY

Another busy week saw a fantastic Book Week celebration with a book fair, book blanket read around, the Imaginarium, and of course the wonderful dress up parade. I love seeing the creativity and variety families come up with each and every year. I wonder what more fun next year will bring? Congratulations to Mrs Russell and the debate team who got off to a winning start last week.

Spring is well and truly here going by the beautiful weather we are experiencing right now. Many Spring/Summer season sports and clubs are about to get going again and a fresh sense of enthusiasm is felt around the place with students looking forward to those Summer activities.

It also brings further focus to what is always a full but exciting time of year. Our Year 6 cohort start thinking about their final leg of the primary journey and the next wave of leaders in Year 5 prepare for their training and application process. There are more camps to come for Years 4 and 6 and other excursions/incursions around the school.

We have missed out on the usual events we like to celebrate around this time like Grandparents Day and Father's Day, so our extended best wishes to all dads and granddads for this Father's Day on Sunday.

Mr Matt Nicholls

# FROM THE HEAD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

We love reading at St Paul's and the Book Week events last week certainly showed how much we love books and reading! Book Blanket on Monday was a lovely school community event where the students gathered to hear the Year 6 students read aloud to them. It was wonderful to see how engaged the younger students were and how well developed the expressive skills were in our Year 6 students.

Our Book Parade was so much fun. Staff and students were dressed in their book themed costumes and it was wonderful to see the great fun and enjoyment had by all at both the parade and disco party at the end.

Throughout the week students in Kindy-Year 6 got to explore the transformed Maker Space and let their imaginations run wild in the 'Imaginarium'. Newspaper has been stuck to the windows and the room has been on top secret lock down so that students

would get a special surprise when they first entered the space. The interactive and multi-sensory space was themed in the same theme as Book Week 'Curious Creatures, Wild Minds'. The absolute joy on the face of every student, along with the amazing drawings and stories that students were inspired to create within the space, really brought it to life.

Mrs Emma Bird Head of Teaching and Learning











## CELEBRATING STUDENTS AWARDS

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

Prep	Lumi P	Showing the Fruit of the Spirit – Kindness.
	Heidi D	
Year 1	Hayden F	Following instructions, staying focussed and making good choices.
	Ethan C	Confidently sharing ideas and knowledge with others.
	Carter M	Being positive, happy and ready to learn.
	Madelyn E	
Year 2	Violet C	Putting in effort and working independently during Maths.
Year 3	Evie Z	Giving their best and showing they enjoy learning.
	Louis T	
YEAR 4	Peyton M	Consistently and independently serving our class community.
	Callum B	Showing improved creativity and accurate detail in his historical journal.
	Lucas N	
YEAR 5	Nyandeng D	Participating enthusiastically in the design and launch of our rockets.
	Cooper B	
YEAR 6	Kaleb V	Showing great leadership and engaging enthusiastically with the younger students during the Book
	Samuel K	Blanket activity.
	Lawson C	

# **INSIDE STORY: GLAD Book Week Wrap Up**

What a wonderful week of celebrations for our annual Book Week. We had many events which included starting off the week on Monday with our Book Blanket. Students from Kindy to Year 5 enjoyed a shared reading experience with the Year 6 students. On Thursday a great time was had by students and staff with our Dress-up Parade. Throughout the week we also ran our Book Fair. A very big thank you to everyone who supported this event. It was a huge success enabling us to purchase \$2336.24 in new resources to benefit the students. Congratulations goes to Arah J. who won the \$60 book raffle.



## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Well done to all the 11-Year-old students and our place getters on completing the 2km Cross Country Race! Our athletes are being kept busy with their finalist athletic events and those not competing in athletics are involved in skill development sessions in Soccer, AFL & Basketball. Due to the Pupil Free Day this Friday, finalist events will be scheduled in during this week, however, 12-Year-old 2km Cross Country Race will be next Friday 11 September.

### G.O.A.L.S Junior Holiday Camp is an opportunity for Years 4-6 students to

experience the "Sporting G.O.A.L.S" program offered at Grace Caboolture. This 2-day camp is targeted towards children who are **big** on their sport, providing them with an opportunity to learn in a fun and active environment. Throughout the day children will be experiencing plenty of play practice, skills games and sport competition. There is also a small portion of the day devoted towards more classroom-based learning. Please email Jess for more information jschneider@stpaulslps.qld.edu.au

Mrs Jess Schneider **Physical Education Teacher** 



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Schools

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Warning Bell to Classes

8.30am Learning Begins

SCHOOL TIMES

Students Supervised

8.00am

8.20am

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 Friday 1.30pm

### **CHAPEL TIMES**

Senior Chapel Wednesday 8.35am

Junior Chapel Wednesday 9.05am



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### **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.

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