ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 1 Week 2

2 February 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

Tuesday 2 February

5.15pm Year 1 Classroom walk-through 5.45-6.45pm Year 1 Parent Information Evening

Wednesday 3 February

5.15pm Year 2 Classroom walk-through 5.45-6.45pm Year 2 Parent Information Evening

Thursday 4 February

5.15pm Year 3 Classroom walk-through 5.45-6.45pm Year 3 Parent Information Evening

Friday 5 February

YEAR 3-6 Interhouse Swimming Carnival

WORDS OF WISDOM

Every Staff member of our School, Kindy and OSCH received one of these cute little fellas as a gift at our Sunday service at St. Paul's. Our thanks to the two staff members who hand crafted each of these with lots of love and care. We welcomed and introduced our newest staff members, and celebrated the gift that they are in our School and Church community.

This year, we are being challenged to explore

"Wisdom". Our school logo features the Proverbs 2:6 text which says that Wisdom is a God given gift. So, it is



more than just intelligence. Wisdom is deeper than "smart". So, what is it and what does it look like when it becomes a part of our living?

An owl looks with its big eyes. It has night vision. I immediately think of God given vision which allows us to see things differently, especially in a world that can get so dark.

No one-liner can immediately explain Wisdom. We need to explore its meaning. The flip side of Wisdom is foolishness. Keep an eye on our exploration of Wisdom this year.

Prayer: Jesus, give us wisdom in this new year. Help us appreciate that this gift is not something we achieve by ourselves. It's a gift you share.

Pastor Mike

PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome to Week 2! The students must be acknowledged and congratulated on how well they have settled back into school life. I think that a 3-day opening week is just perfect as it allows us as adults to get back into the swing of things, but most importantly it gives our children a wonderful window of time to reconnect, make new friendships, get their heads around new routines and expectations, get to know their new teachers and to begin to set their course for the new school year. Thank you for your support, words of encouragement, listening to and just being there for your child[ren] at this critical time in their lives - and it's wonderful to have you back on our campus too!

It was our pleasure to host you at our FAD [Family Admin Day] the week before last. Once again, the day was hugely successful in allowing us as a community to make those vital connections to ensure a smooth start to the school year. The feedback from both parents and staff has been to retain the format of assigning families to blocks of time as it allowed for a day without any bottlenecks in the GLAD Centre and preventing any overcrowding in the classrooms. Thank you to the St Paul's staff for all the work done in preparing for and hosting 81% of our school families at this event.

Our school theme for 2021 is WISDOM. This year's theme was inspired by considering and unpacking our school Motto of, "The Lord Gives Wisdom" [Proverbs 2:6].On our daily journeys we will see, hear and are given words of wisdom to consider for our lives. Many people think that wisdom comes from learning, but in fact it's knowledge which comes from learning. Wisdom in fact comes from living, but this could still leave us feeling all at sea as our ultimate wisdom comes from God. This wisdom comes from going to the Bible often as well as daily prayer. It is God in us and through God in others that true wisdom is practiced. My challenge for you this year is to reflect, at the end of each day, on the wisdom gained.

During this fortnight, every year level will be hosting their respective Parent Information Evening. An addition to this year's event is the option to visit your child's learning spaces from 5:15pm onward and then attend the information sharing part of the evening in the comfort of the school's Chapel. I would like to encourage every family to attend to get to know your child's teachers a lot better, to hear firsthand about the expectations and information pertaining to a particular year level and to begin growing





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a strong working relationship with the teaching team looking after your child this year.

Staff news: It was our pleasure to officially welcome our newest staff members at a Staff Commission and Dedication Service on Sunday. We look forward to them enriching our community as they share their many talents and strengths with us in 2021. Welcome Mrs. Bec Qualischefski [Year 6], Miss Amanda Seeman [Year 5], Mrs. Julie Woolf [Year 2], Mrs. Amanda Wyatt [Learning Support], Mrs. Lizzie Hewitt (Japanese) and Mr. Aaron Hayton [IT Technician]. Mrs. Lois Kube will also be on leave from Week 4 until the end of the term with Mr. Neil Sampson [our previous Deputy Principal from 2012 – 2015] to return as our Acting Deputy Principal during this time.

Good luck to the Year 3 – 6 students as they get ready to participate in our Inter-house Swimming Carnival this coming Friday. It's wonderful to be able to have parents and caregivers attend, but please be aware of and adhere to the necessary protocols which have been put in place by the Caboolture Swimming Pool. A big thank you needs to go out to our PE Teacher, Mrs. Schneider, for the planning and preparation which have gone into making this event possible. PS: don't forget to pack your bathers for the much-anticipated parents vs students vs staff relay at the end of the day!

Wishing everyone a wonderful Week 2.

Yours in Christ.

Anton Prinsloo Principal

Quote of the week: "Knowledge comes from learning. WISDOM comes from living." [Anthony Williams]

FROM THE DEPUTY

From the Deputy Principal

It certainly is lovely having the students and their families back with us for what will be another busy but fabulous year here at St Paul's.

Chapel and Assembly

Parents and carers are always welcome to attend our weekly chapel and assemblies. Chapel – Wednesday 8.35am

Junior Assembly – Thursday 8.35am Senior Assembly – Friday 8.35am



Morning Drop-off

Please remember that the students are only supervised from **8.00am** therefore they are not to be dropped off any earlier unless attending OSHC.

Afternoon Pickup

Please remember that the students are supervised in the Pick-Up Zone and in the Main Undercover Area until 3.30pm by which time it is expected that all students should be picked up.

Prep Pick-Up

If you are walking in, to pick-up your Prep Student, please wait in the Main Undercover Area until the announcement is made to collect your child from the Prep team near their classrooms.

Students bringing toys and equipment to school

Please note that students are not allowed to bring toys or equipment to school unless arranged with the teachers for such things as Topic Talks.

Student Leaders' Induction

The induction of our Students Leaders for 2021 will take place on Friday 19th February at Senior Assembly at 8.35am. All parents, carers and families are welcome to attend.

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.

GLAD Centre

The GLAD Centre is open for families to visit and borrow books from 8.00am – 8.30am and 3.00pm – 3.30pm every day.

Lois Kube Deputy Principal

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

FROM THE HEAD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING

Welcome back to school for 2021. A special welcome to our new Prep students and families, along with our new students and families across Years 1-6. We hope that you are settling into our warm and friendly school community.

This year, Classroom Teachers in Years 1-6 (in conjunction with the Learning Support team and myself) are walking a journey with short term planning cycles in English. Every 3-4 weeks, teachers will be released for some time to look at student needs and the data of their cohort, to develop targeted units of work that aim to enhance student skills, understanding and development. At St Paul's we are passionate about delivering student centered, targeted and relevant learning and we are excited to see how short term planning enhances student learning in English.

I would like to extend a big thank you to Mrs Brooke Reed, Mrs Danielle Morris and Mrs Jessica Schneider for their work in coordinating additional subject areas throughout the school this year. Mrs Brooke Reed will be coordinating our Drama program for Years 2, 4, 6; starting with Year 2 who will begin their lessons during Term 1. Mrs Danielle Morris will coordinate Media Arts and will deliver this program to Years 1, 3 and 5 throughout their Inquiry unit; starting with Year 3 during Inquiry Cycle 1. Mrs Jessica Schneider will coordinate our Dance Program which will run in Term 3, during PE lessons for Years 1, 3 and 5.

Throughout the term we also have some exciting incursions coming up including a Brainstorm Productions show in Week 7 and a hands on Maths incursion with World of Maths in Week 8. Keep an eye out for more information about these incursions in the newsletter over the coming weeks.

Mrs Emma Bird Head of Teaching and Learning

FROM THE BUSINESS MANAGER

Term 1 School Fee Statements will be issued by email on Thursday 4/2/21. The due date for payment will be Friday 19 February 2021.

The uniform shop has reopened and will be available for purchases on Wednesday 8.00-9.00am and 2.30-3.30pm and Fridays 8.00-9.00pm. Flexischools orders can be submitted and delivered to the classroom on these days. Second hand uniforms are available for sale with a 25% discount applied. This FRIDAY however, the uniform shop will close at 8.45am, due to the swimming carnival.

Due to an increased amount of uniform bookings this year, and delivery delays coming out of Melbourne due to COVID shut downs, some items in uniform shop are currently now out of stock. We apologise for any inconvenience and will keep you updated as these items arrive.

Ian Bloxham Business Manager

KINDERGARTEN

We are pleased to announce that beginning 2022, St Paul's Lutheran Primary School will commit to a **Kindy into Prep Loyalty Discount** of \$800* when you take up an enrolment into Prep.

Once your child's interview and subsequent enrolment has been confirmed during 2021 or at the beginning of the new school year, the school's Business Office will be in contact with you to confirm this process and apply this discount to your Prep school fees.

We look forward to partnering with you as a family in the future and welcoming you into our school community.

* Some conditions apply to this offer.

Sam Beaman Service Leader

MORETON BAY REGIONAL COUNCIL

As a new school term commences, Council's Local Laws unit undertakes a Proactive School Patrol Program where officers undertake scheduled school patrols, both in the morning and afternoon, to ensure that vehicles are parked in a safe and lawful manner.

The primary aim of the program is to partner with schools across the region to ensure that students and family members/caregivers are able to safely move around the school area as part of dropping off or picking up students from the school. St Paul's forms part of this Proactive program where Local Laws officers may be scheduled to attend at some time throughout the school term.

Local Laws officers have fact sheets and other relevant information that is provided to drivers to assist with education surrounding safe parking in school zones. Enforcement through the issuance of Penalty Infringement Notices is carefully considered as part of each Proactive School Patrol.

Visit <u>www.moretonbay.qld.gov.au/parking</u> for further guidance on parking restrictions or any further information. Members of the School community are welcome to contact Moreton Bay Regional Council on 3205 0555.







PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Welcome back everyone to St Paul's Sport for 2021. Starting with a SPLASH, the annual **St Paul's Year 3-6 Inter House Swimming Carnival** is **this Friday 5**th **February.** Students are to arrive at school at the normal time, before departing by 9am for the pool. Students must wear sports uniform and are to bring sufficient food, water, sunscreen & BYO Swimming Caps (can be any colour). SUBWAY LUNCH will be available – fundraising for the Year 6 Camp. Envelopes were distributed on Monday 1st Feb and MUST be returned by this Wednesday 3rd Feb. Students can nominate on the day what races they want to swim in, however, students can only swim in one distance e.g. 25m or 50m for each stroke. If students usually catch the bus home on Friday afternoon, it is asked that pick up arrangements from school be made in case we are held back.

The Caboolture Pool and Fitness COVID PLAN requires that spectators meet the following requirements:

- All Parents / Caregivers / Spectators must sign-in on arrival via paper form or through a QR Code.
- Physical Distancing of 1.5m is required.
- All spectators are to wear a mask when physical distancing is not possible.
- All spectators must stay on the entrance side of the pool, no mixing with students.
- Everyone to maintain good hand hygiene.
- Everyone to stay home if they are unwell.

Qualifying 10, 11 & 12 Year Old students, will be invited to attend the **Caboolture District Swimming Trials in Week 3**, **Wednesday 10th February**. It is with disappointment that I announce that the Inter-Lutheran Competition has been discontinued. We have reached out and connected with schools in the local area and among us, as an alternate, we are organising a **Northern Cluster Meet for Swimming (Monday 1st March)** & **Cross Country (Monday 29th March)**. If you have any concerns or questions, please don't hesitate to make contact with me: <u>ischneider@stpaulslps.qld.edu.au</u>.

Mrs Jess Schneider PE & Sport Coordinator

TUCKSHOP

Welcome to the new school year. I hope you have all had a wonderful holiday and spent some lovely time with your beautiful children.

Tuckshop will be running exactly the same as last year. Orders will be online through Flexischools with the full menu having a cut off of 9.00am Tuesdays and the smaller casual menu available until from 9.00am each day.

After seeing a hack for toasted wraps, I have added a few flavours of these to the Wednesday menu. I hope you enjoy them. I am always open to any suggestions for menu items.

I would love it if anyone has a little time in the mornings to help out in Tuckshop. We will have chats and coffee and my undying appreciation for the help. Please remember to sign in at the office if you are able to stay to help.

I hope to catch up with you soon.

Jenny Venier Tuckshop Convenor



SPLICE KIDS PLAYGROUP is back.

Every Tuesday at 9am **during the school Term.** Don't forget to bring your Morning Tea.







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



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

UNIFORM SHOP

Wednesday 8.00-9.00am & 2.30-3.30pm Friday 8.00-9.00am

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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