## ST PAUL'S LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER 18 May 2021

Term 2 Week 5

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 21 May **Kindy Sports Day** Year 1 Australia Zoo Excursion

Tuesday 25 May Faith and Service Captains Breakfast

Friday 28 May Snr Sports Gala Day 1

Saturday 29 May LYQ Dinner

Sunday 30 May Year 1 School Sunday

Wednesday 2 June School Photo Day 1 Prep—Year 6 Class, individuals, siblings, Captains and staff photos (envelopes to be provided)

## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

Dear Parents and Caregivers

Start or finish every day in God's word

Simple, yet difficult!

Love one another (John 15:17)



Simple, eh? How many philosophers, songwriters, poets and authors have echoed the Bible's words: love one

another, with the implication that all will be well. Perhaps the cartoonist Leunig captures it best in his cartoon where he states, 'Love one another and you will be happy; it's as simple and as difficult as that. There is no other way'.

So, yes, it is simple as that, but it is also very difficult. We all know and have experienced that in our everyday living with our family and friends, not to even mention the loving enemies part. Simple as, yet difficult as.

It would be great if I, and if you, could love one another and all life's problems disappeared. But it doesn't work like that, and Jesus knows it better than anyone. Perhaps that's why before he tells us to love one another, he spells out that the Father loves him, and he remains in the Father's love.

Just the same Jesus loves us, and we can remain in his love. Then we can love another. It's not through our own strength or ability; it's because we, you, I, are first loved unconditionally.

Living in that love allows us to love ourselves and love others. This enables us to look beyond those things that distract from loving. Sharing in the joy that Jesus offers and promises (verse 11) allows us to continue to love when it seems humanly impossible. For me (and that person), replacing negative thoughts about someone with the love of Jesus has changed the way I think, act and speak. It's this love won for us and given to us by Jesus that allows us to love one another. It's as simple and as difficult as that!

Lord Jesus, thank you for loving me as your Father loves you. Help me to live in this love. And through your presence and with your help, help me to love all those I encounter. Amen.

As I took time away from work over the past fortnight to recover from surgery, I had the wonderful opportunity to watch and follow school life at St Paul's unfold around me via work emails, SeeSaw, Facebook, Instagram and the weekly Newsletter. I returned to work again this week very affirmed and in absolute awe of the incredibly busy and rich student and community focused environment we find ourselves being part of every day. Our school culture of transparent communication with various stakeholders as well as the pastoral care of the students have really been evident to me during this time. Thank you to everyone for your significant contribution, regular feedback, commitment and loyalty to "our place" every





day. Thank you to Mrs. Lois Kube and Mr. Matt Nicholls for the leadership which they showed and put in place during my time away.

I felt very blessed to have been part of the Year 4 School Sunday as these students shared such a powerful message with us on social compassion and skills, underpinned by our Christian faith. The Year 4 students shared their message through several skits, songs, Bible verses and prayer time – we could almost have these students present a national roadshow to other schools given the relevance of the content shared with us. I loved the way they wore their Jesus glasses every time they had to rethink how to revisit a challenging social scenario. Well done and thank you to each one of the students and their families who attended the Sunday worship service. Thank you to the Year 4 Team led by Mr. Bellert, Mrs. Witham and Mrs. Klinge for the background work done in planning, preparing for and guiding the students to be ready for this event.



The school community needs to again be congratulated on the superb way in which the 2021 NAPLAN assessment cycle has been managed. At St Paul's we are very intentional in reminding ourselves and the students that NAPLAN is only one

assessment cycle, at a point in time during the school year, which will provide us with additional data about certain learning trends. It certainly does not define any of our students as learners but is seen as a learning outcome at a point in time on their journey of learning to learn. Thank you to our Year 3 and Year 5 Teams for supporting the students through this process as well as Mrs. Emma Bird, Mrs. Lois Kube, Mrs. Peta Hare and Mr. Aaron Hayton [IT Support] for the work done behind the scenes in preparing for this assessment event.

Planning is now underway to relocate our OSHC Service from its current location to the Multi-purpose Building by the end of Term 2. The Multi-purpose Building is currently being refurbished for this move. The existing OSHC building will be removed at the beginning of the next term break to allow us enough time to re-establish and landscape in this area in readiness for Term 3. The removal of this old building from the front of the school will have a significant impact on the aesthetic presentation of the school in the years to come. Thank you to Mr. Ian Bloxham, Mr. Ian McKellar and Ms. Karen Dickens for looking after this process – watch this space!

Wishing everyone a safe week and stay warm.

Yours in Christ.

Anton Prinsloo Principal

**Quote of the Week:** Our God created us to find fulfillment and joy in doing His work, in serving others, in living with the compassion of Jesus in this world. **[Darlene Zschech]** 

## FROM THE DEPUTY

#### NAPLAN

This week sees catch-up sessions for any students who were away last week. Thank you to the teachers and the IT Support Team for the delivery of NAPLAN.

#### Named Uniform

Please make sure that all uniform items are named, especially jumpers and jackets. With the cooler mornings, many students come to school wearing jumpers or jackets and take them off as the day warms up. If the item is named it can be returned to the right owner. This unfortunately is not the case if unnamed.

#### Toys/Sports Equipment at school

Students are NOT allowed to bring toys or sports equipment to school unless it is for some sort of presentation etc in the classroom. We do not want much loved toys or expensive sports equipment being lost or damaged.

#### **Home Folders**

All students should take their Home Folder to and from school every day. Students are asked to put their iPad in their Home Folder as well as any Home Learning.

#### Photo Day

Our Photo Day is booked for Wednesday June 2. Today you will receive the envelopes to make your photo orders. This can be completed on line or you may wish to send the money to the school office.

Lois Kube Deputy Principal



## FROM THE HEAD OF TEACHING AND LEARNING



ATTENTION PREP PARENTS: Australian Early Development Census (AEDC)

During May, our school will be taking part in the Australian Early Development Census (AEDC). This is a nationwide census/survey of early childhood development held once every three years. The AEDC is an Australian Government initiative run by the Department of Education, Skills and Employment and includes all children in their first year of full-time school. To find out more about the AEDC, please see the information attached to the newsletter or read the frequently asked questions section on the AEDC website at https://www.aedc.gov.au/parents/fags or phone 1800 092 548.



#### Wattle Seeds in Space

We are so humbled and excited to be chosen as one of the schools around Australia to be part of the 'Wattle Seeds in Space' program run by the 'One Giant Leap Foundation'. Want to see what is happening in real time in the International Space Station, where our wattle seeds are right now? Check out this link: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=DDU-rZs-lc4</u>

Emma Bird Head of Teaching and Learning

# **INSIDE STORY: YEAR 1**

During Year 1s first Inquiry Cycle they have been learning about animal coverings, habitats and diets of different animals. Each student has chosen an animal they would like to investigate further for their Inquiry project. Students have been working on gathering and representing information to design a poster as well as creating a diorama of their focus animal.





## PHYSICAL EDUCATION

Thank you and well done to all Year 4-6 students who self-nominated to trial fro Sports Gala Day teams over the past 10 weeks. Boys Soccer, Girls AFL & Netball teams have now been selected. Information and permission letters have been home sent via parent lounge and must be completed. Fixtures of the competition days are yet to be finalised and will be sent out once received. Any parents and or caregivers who will be attending and interested in umpiring a game or two, please contact Jess via email jschneider@stpaulslps.qld.edu.au

Your help would very much be appreciated!

Jessica Schneider PE & Sport Coordinator

local schools.

## STUDENTS ACHIEVEMENTS

Congratulations to our two students Abby S and Archer W for winning the Jacaranda Colouring in Competition at the official opening of Bolton Clarke's newly redeveloped Fernhill aged care community.

Register online at www.caboolturebaptist.org

Registration closes Midday on 17 June 2021







JULY 1ST & 2ND 2 Big Days for Kids in Grades Prep - 6. Thursday 14 July: Yam drop off, 4pm pick-up. Friday 2nd July: Yam drop off, 3pm Carnival and free sausage Sizzle for all the family, 4pm finish. Includes rides, games, sno-cones! Cost for the 2 days: \$50 pp, includes your child's coloured team shirt, Morning Tea, Lunch and fternoon Tea orovided

**KIDS EXTREME 2021** 

**ST PAUL'S PARENTS & FRIENDS GROUP** 

Our Hot Cross Bun and Pizza Day has been rescheduled to Monday 24th May!!



## 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.