

# Informer 2020

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Year 6 City Camp



## Foundation/Year One

Marik (14 Oct)

## Year Four/Five Class

Amalie (13 Oct)

## Year Six

Ryan (26 Oct)

## This week's devotion...

Taken From 'The Word for Today' - Submitted by Kathy Cluse

### The Power of Kindness

Sometimes we think that in order to be successful we have to be tough, hard-nosed and stoic in how we relate to others. Some folks even go so far as to interpret kindness as weakness and vulnerability.

Nothing could be further from the truth. Kindness signals tremendous inner strength, a strength that others not only appreciate, but respect.

Aesop wrote a fable in which the wind and the sun argued over who was stronger. "Do you see that old man down there?" the wind asked. "I can make him take off his coat quicker than you can". The sun agreed to duck behind a cloud while the wind blew up a storm. But the harder the wind blew the more firmly the traveller wrapped his coat around him. Eventually the wind gave up and the sun reappeared, smiling kindly upon the old man. Before long he mopped his brow, shed his heavy coat and strolled away. The sun knew the secret: warmth, friendliness and a gentle touch are always more effective than force and fury.

Jesus was hard on hypocrites and those who took advantage of others. But to everyone else, including society's rejects, He showed great kindness. He came into an unkind, dog-eat-dog, every-man-for-himself culture where there were no mental health institutions, hospitals, orphanages or organisations of mercy. Yet He poured the milk of human kindness into every bowl of human suffering. And at the cross He demonstrated the ultimate cost of kindness—and in so doing, changed the world for all time. So, 'Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honour one another above yourselves.' (Romans 12:10)



## IMPORTANT DATES

### OCTOBER

#### Friday 16

- Assembly 9.00am in the School Hall
- SAPSASA athletics

#### Monday 19

- School Photos
- No Chapel

#### Tuesday 20

- Staff Appreciation Lunch

#### Wednesday 21

- School Council Meeting

#### Friday 23

- Book Week Assembly

#### Monday 26

- Chapel led by Pastor Joshua 9.00am in the school Hall

#### Thursday 29

- Year Six Exhibition 7.00pm in the school Hall

#### Thursday 29 - Friday 30

- Year Two/Three Camp

### NOVEMBER

#### Monday 2

- Chapel at 9.00am led by the F/Year One Class
- P&F AGM to follow chapel

#### Friday 6

- P & F bus trip to Clare



## From the Principal... *Michael Bowmer*



### Welcome to Term Four.....

I trust that you had a great break from school and spent the last few weeks relaxing and getting refreshed ready for a busy Term 4. For us at St John's, Term 4 is the busiest of all terms in the school year. Each week there is something exciting happening. This first week we have had our Opening Chapel Service and on Friday SAPSASA Athletics for some of our Year 4-6 students. Next week we have School Photos on Monday (so there will be no chapel service on this day) and our special Book week Assembly on Friday. Week 3 sees our Year 2/3 Class on camp to Monarto and the Year 6 PYP Exhibition. From there it just gets busier. Orientation Days for our new students, P&F Bus Trip and of course the highlight of our school year is our Year 6 Graduation. At this stage it is expected that we will need to place a limit on the number of family members who will be able to attend. More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

You may have heard that our school has purchased a new school bus. The students were very excited as they boarded the new bus for the first time on Monday morning. This bus will replace our old Toyota Coaster.

If you know of anyone who may wish to purchase the old bus, please contact our Business Manager, Mr Graeme Ruwoldt who is at the school on Tuesdays and Wednesdays.



Speaking of buses, I have received news that the State Government is reviewing regional bus services. Under the Department for Education's school transport policy, students who live more than 5 kilometres from their nearest appropriate government school are entitled to bus travel to that site. However, if parents choose a different school, the student is only entitled to bus travel if there's a spare seat available and the existing bus route is past the chosen school or terminates nearby. The new grant is designed to assist in delivering transport options to non-government schools located in the regions. I will be keeping an eye on how this develops for our students.



I am looking at seeing if we can apply for a grant to upgrade the carpark. In the meantime, please note that it is important for parents who pick up or drop off their children that they do not park in the 'kiss and drop' zone. This causes cars to back up, and creates frustration which may lead to an accident. Instead, if your child is not ready to be picked up, please park in the longer term parking area or loop around again. Finally, to help with planning for next year a letter will be sent home shortly asking what your intentions for your children's schooling in 2021 will be.

*Michael Bowmer*  
Principal

## School News...

### School Photos

School photos will take place next **Monday 19 October**. There are still a number of photo envelopes yet to be returned. Even if you choose not to purchase any photos, all envelopes must be returned to the school by this Friday. Once again we remind you that students will need to be in full summer uniform for the photos.

**\*Family Photos** If you would like your children to have a photo with their siblings on photo day please phone the school office and request for a sibling envelope to be sent home. Photos will not be taken on the day if you have not completed a sibling request envelope prior to the day.

### Term 4 Uniform Transition

From the beginning of this Term students can wear their summer uniform. There will be a two week transition whereby students can wear either winter or summer uniform to allow for changes in the weather. It is expected that from the beginning of week 3, all students will need to be wearing their summer uniforms.

### Book Week

To celebrate Book Week we are presenting a whole school assembly on **Friday 23 October 2020**. All classes will share work on a book or books that they have studied in class this year. We look forward to seeing students come to school in a costume that depicts a character from a book and encourage students to try and address the Book Week theme *Curious Creatures Wild Minds*. Students may remain in their costume all day or choose to change into their school uniform at the conclusion of the assembly. If you would like your child to change out of the costume worn to school, please communicate this to the classroom teacher.



**\*Due to limited space within the hall and to allow for social distancing, we can only accommodate 104 adults in this space, therefore, we hope to be able to set up a screen under the lunch shelter area where the overflow of guests will be able to watch the live stream of the assembly on a big screen.**

**STOCK  
CLEAROUT  
SALE**

NAVY BLUE TRACK PANTS in a variety of sizes ranging from children's size 12, 14 and 16 to adults size small, medium and large are available through the school office for just \$5 a pair. These are good quality trackpants some are fleecy some are micro fiber material all fully lined with no logos, that are surplus to our needs here at the school. Call in today and pick your self up a BARGAIN!



## Year 6 Camp... *submitted by Kathy Cluse*

On the last week of Term 3, the Year 6 Class travelled to Warradale Urban Camp to participate in a range of activities around Adelaide. We were dropped off at Gawler Train Station and had to rely on trains, buses and trams to get around.

The activities we participated in were a visit to the Adelaide Gaol, Tree Climb, Adelaide Oval tour, Migration Museum, South Australian Art Gallery, South Australian Museum, State Library, Marion Shopping Centre, Ten Pin Bowling, Central Markets, Rundle Mall and the Adventure Rooms. We would like to thank Michael Scholz for coming on camp with us as well as Tania Williams and Regina Scholz for taking our luggage to and from the campsite and shopping for food. We also thanks Nicole Milde for transporting us between Gawler and Eudunda.

### **Here is what the Students had to say about their City camp experience**

"Camp was a great experience. The bus drivers were so nice to us. The best part of the camp was the Escape Rooms. It really tested our brains." – *Regan Mosey*

"This was the best camp I've had so far." – *Milly Roebuck*

"My favourite part was the Escape Room. We did lots of fun things like the Tree Climb and visiting the Gaol." – *Ryan Milde*

"The Tree Climb was great! It was funny at the museum with 'Grandpa' aka (Mr Bowmer)." – *Lucy Mosey*

"I really enjoyed the Tree Climb and Escape Rooms." – *Brett Schiller*

"On camp I really enjoyed going to the Adelaide Oval. The best part was going inside the scoreboard, running out from where the players run out and getting a look at the change rooms." – *Charlie Ross*

"Camp was so fun; we went to loads of things. Even days after camp, I was still tired!" – *Kamora Mosey*

"Camp was so fun. I enjoyed the museum and the art gallery." – *Bailey Scholz*

"On camp we had a lot of fun and learnt a lot of things at the Adelaide Gaol, all the museums and art gallery. Also catching public transport. Thank you parents, for your help." – *Jaz Williams*

"I cant decide what my favorite part of camp was as I enjoyed everything about the camp". - *Maddy Mosey*

# Photos from the Year 6 Camp...



## Year Four and Five - Mrs Verco

Central Idea: People have developed maps to help us make sense of the physical world

Transdisciplinary Theme: How we organise ourselves

Concepts: Form ~ Function ~ Causation

Lines of Inquiry: An inquiry into....

- Different types of maps (Form)
- What maps tell us and how we use them (Function)
- Features of Maps (Causation)

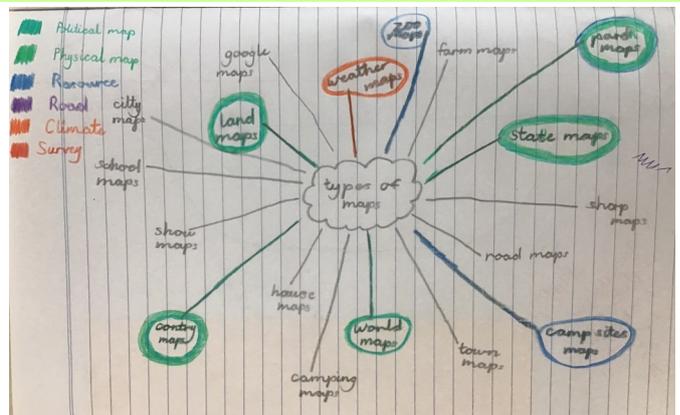
Approaches to Learning: Thinking Skills

Learner Profile Attributes: Thinkers and Knowledgeable

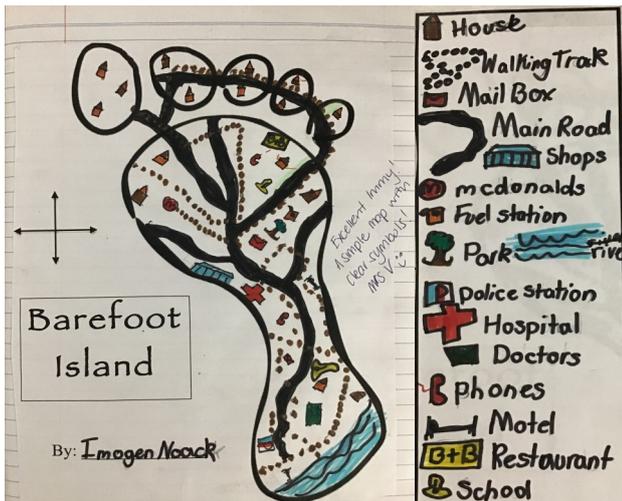
Here is a snapshot of some of the tasks we have completed during this unit:



We used a map of our school to find hidden puzzle pieces to find the Central Idea of our unit.



We brainstormed the different maps that we know of and places where we have seen maps.



Investigated the features of maps including keys and symbols, compass, grid references to show location and scale to show distance.



We used atlases to understand the location of countries and continents on a world map.

We look forward to showing all that we have learnt in our summative assessment task next week.

## Prayers...

We thank God for school holidays and time spent together as families.

We pray for a productive last Term with lots of learning, fun and friendships.

We pray for the families of pre schoolers and the new students that will begin their transition journey with us later this Term.

## Worship times...

### EUDUNDA-ROBERTSTOWN PARISH

Sunday 18 October

Eudunda	9.00am	HC	Pastor Joshua
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- Parish Service
- School Constitution Meeting



### EUDUNDA-ROBERTSTOWN PARISH

Sunday 25 October

Robertstown	8.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua Muller
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Peep Hill	8.30am	HC	Pastor Les Pfeiffer
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Point Pass	8.30am	LR	
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Geranium Plain	10.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua Muller
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Eudunda	10.30am	HC	Pastor Les Pfeiffer
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## KIDS PRAISE

The next Sunday morning "Kids Praise" children's ministry is being held on Sunday 18th October during the 9.00 am parish service at the Eudunda Lutheran Church. All children are welcome. Pre-schoolers must be accompanied by a parent. A completed 2020 consent form is required. For enquiries, please contact Chris Doecke on 0488 047861.

## Community News...

**RELATIONSHIP RETREAT DAY**

Saturday 24 October 2020  
10am - 4pm

How do couples stay connected?  
What happens when things go wrong?  
What do relationships need to stay healthy and thrive?  
Enrich and celebrate your unique connection

You and your partner are invited to come along to:

- Learn new skills
- Understand more fully what healthy relationships look like and what it takes to keep a relationship loving and stable
- Learn how we all struggle and understand how things can go wrong and how to repair issues when do they occur
- Understand what it takes to help a relationship flourish and grow

Our team are caring, qualified and experienced relationship counsellors who are passionate about genuine connection with individuals and couples. We love to see couples connect and grow in order to enjoy rich, fulfilling and meaningful relationships. Stella Swan is a clinical counsellor with many years experience of working with couples and individuals.

**Location**  
Pilgrim Lutheran Church  
19 Edward Street  
Magill

**Facilitator**  
Stella Swan

**Cost**  
\$200 per couple  
\$120 per couple concession  
Subsidies may apply

**Provided**  
Morning Tea  
Lunch  
Afternoon Tea  
Creche - bookings essential

For all bookings and enquiries please contact:  
Stella Swan on 08 8331 3111  
To register and pay please go to:  
[www.lccare.org.au/courses-and-workshops/course-calendar/](http://www.lccare.org.au/courses-and-workshops/course-calendar/)

**P&F BUS TRIP**  
**FRIDAY 6 NOVEMBER**

**GET ON BOARD**

9.00am meeting at school for Assembly

9.30am depart for Clare Valley Mickelloo  
[www.mickelloo.com.au](http://www.mickelloo.com.au)

Lunch at Seven Hill Hotel  
[www.sevenhillhotel.com.au](http://www.sevenhillhotel.com.au)

Back in time for school pick up

Book your seat on the bus NOW via the front office or for more information contact Amy Mepstead 0417347591

**KFC**

**The Term 4 Kids for Christ (KFC) will be held on Friday 6th November at the St John's School Hall, from 3.10pm to 5.30pm. Set the date aside now!**

**For enquiries and bookings (by 5th November) please contact Chris Doecke on 0488 047 861. All Children welcome.**

## Parents and Friends...

The Parents and Friends of St John's Lutheran School invite you to attend a workshop with Bill Hansberry. Bill is an Educational Consultant with a demonstrated history of working in the education management industry. Skilled in Coaching, Conflict Resolution, Team Building, Facilitation, and Restorative Justice. Skilled in the area of Dyslexia and evidence based teaching of reading. Strong professional with a Master of Education (M.Ed.) focused in Educational Counselling from University of South Australia.

### PARENT SESSION

# BILL HANSBERRY

TUESDAY 10TH NOVEMBER 7PM START  
IN THE SCHOOL HALL

90 minutes covering 2 topics :

My child is being picked on

&

How to catch and build good behaviour

PROUDLY BROUGHT TO YOU BY THE PARENT IN EDUCATION  
FUNDING THAT WE AS A P&F WERE SUCCESSFUL IN GAINING



**Please register you  
intention of  
attending via the  
school front office  
ASAP**