



# Informer 2020

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Staff & Students embraced the opportunity to dress up for Book Week



## Foundation/Year One

Daniel (26 Oct)

## Year Two/Three

Ella (Nov 7)

## Year Four/Five Class

Edward (Oct 17)

Charlotte (Nov 4)

Leni (Nov 5)

## Staff

Mrs Mosey (Nov 5)

## This week's devotion...

by Vision Christian Media, The Word for Today devotion.

Submitted By Renae Ruediger

### Do what God has told you

'You need to persevere.' [Hebrews 10:36 NIV](#)

Try to imagine what life on the ark must have been like for Noah. He probably didn't get much sleep. He was feeding, cleaning and caring for thousands of animals around the clock. And it must have smelled to high heaven. Did you know that African elephants produce 136kg of waste per day? It was smelly and messy.

And that's a pretty accurate picture of what obedience sometimes looks like. It's hard work, and it gets harder. The blessings of God can complicate your life. But unlike sin, they bring a level of joy and fulfilment you have never known (see [Proverbs 10:22](#)). No matter what vision God has given you, it will take longer and be harder than you ever imagined. Noah offers a little reality check, doesn't he?

If a decade sounds like a long time to patiently pursue a God-ordained passion, try more than ten! It's amazing what God can do if you just keep hammering away year after year! We tend to overestimate what we can accomplish in a year, but we underestimate what God can accomplish in a decade. The key is to be a planner and a plodder. Planners see into the future and cast a vision; plodders put one foot in front of the other and keep going one day at a time. Success is not just about getting where God wants you to go, it's about who you become in the process. It's crossing the finish line the way the apostle Paul did:

*'I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, and I have remained faithful.'* ([2 Timothy 4:7 NLI](#)) So, do what God has told you.



## IMPORTANT DATES

### OCTOBER

#### 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/1 Class
- P&F AGM to follow chapel

#### Friday 6

- Assembly 9.00am
- P & F bus trip to Clare

#### Monday 9

- Chapel led by the 4/5 Class
- Foundation 1/2 day Transition Visit

#### Thursday 12

- Colour Run

#### Friday 13

- St Johns Pupil Free Day

#### Sunday 15

- Choir Singing at the Colin Thiele Celebrations in the Town Gardens



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

It was wonderful to see so many students and staff getting into the spirit of Book week last Friday and our Wear Red for Dyslexia Day on Monday. Under our CoVid social distancing restrictions, the capacity of our school hall is 104 people. A huge thankyou to our parents for their understanding and braving the cold weather outside. We know that this is not ideal, and unfortunately will be with us for some time to come. Our School Board discussed the implications of social distancing on our End of Year Service/Grade 6 Graduation and the numbers available to fit in the St John's Lutheran Church here in Eudunda. Once again, numbers are limited, and so we will be managing the number of people who can be physically present through a ticketing system. More details will be sent home shortly. Also happening this week is our Grade 6 PYP Exhibition, and of course our Grade 2/3 Camp to Monarto. Thank you to all of you who have volunteered to help with these events.

Next week, we have our P & F meeting on Monday, our Outdoor Education Day on Thursday and our annual P&F Bus trip—this year we are off to Clare.

Our PYP Exhibition is happening this week. This is an important milestone in the education of our students. One for which they have been preparing for since they began at St John's in Foundation. The exhibition is a demonstration of the students taking control of their own learning by planning an inquiry into a topic of their own choice around the theme 'Sharing the Planet'. With this exhibition, our Grade 6 students have been able to learn the skills required, gain an appreciation of the attitudes needed and find the knowledge to complete their own successful research inquiry. They are learning to reflect on their pre-conceived notions about their particular issue and finally to take meaningful action to address the topic they have researched. A huge thankyou to Mrs. Cluse for all of her work guiding the students, the teachers who have acted as mentors and the Grade 6 parents who have supported their children.

Last term, the new Uniform Committee conducted a Uniform survey about your thoughts on our Summer, Winter and Sports uniforms. Thankyou to all who took the time to complete and return the survey. We had 32 responses, and these have been collated and presented to the School Board. Overwhelmingly, most parents thought our uniform was fine as it is, but many gave some suggestions for improvement. Our Uniform Committee are looking at these suggestions and will present any changes to the School Board for approval.

Thankyou also to those who have returned their intentions for enrolment at St John's next year. Planning for 2021 is well under way. School Board has agreed to not increase school fees for another year, based on the combined effects of last year's drought and this year's Corona Virus. In a couple of weeks we welcome next years Foundation students for their first 1/2 day transition visit to St John's. We will also hold a 'Step Up' day for all students to experience time in the next year level.

St John's Lutheran School board welcome applications for positions on the board starting 2021. Application forms are available through the front office with submissions closing 30th November. Submissions can be returned either via the front office and should be addressed to the Chairperson or emailed to [rscholz27@gmail.com](mailto:rscholz27@gmail.com)

Finally, please include Pastor Josh in your prayers as he considers a Call to serve as a lecturer at Flierl Seminary in Logaweng, Finschafen Papua New Guinea.

*Michael Bowmer*  
*Principal*

## School News...

### Light it RED for Dyslexia

Thank you to those staff and Students who came to school wearing their RED accessories in support of Dyslexia Awareness on Monday. A total of \$76 was raised which will go towards supporting student learning here at St John's.



### Choir Performance

On Sunday 15 November our school Choir have been invited to sing at the 25th Anniversary of the Colin Thiele Statue in the Eudunda Town Gardens. Families of choir students have previously been advised that only 1 parent per student could attend. We have since been informed by the committee that there is no longer any restriction on numbers, therefore, any interested persons are able to attend, however we do need to notify the committee of who will be attending. If you are interested in coming along, please phone the school to RSVP by Friday November 6.

### Uniform

The uniform committee wish to advise that the extension for the phase out period of the old grey 'Midford brand' full-elastic waist short will come to an end at the close of Term 4. From Term 1, 2021, boys will need to be wearing either the Perm-A-Pleat short or the 'Scaggs' brand full-elastic waist shorts.

### Colour Run

As previously advised St John's will hold a color run event for the whole school on **Thursday 12 November**. Parents are welcome to attend and watch the students participate (further details will be provided closer to the day). A reminder that students will require an old white, or light colored T-shirt, for this event.

### Bill Hansberry Workshop

A reminder to please RSVP your attendance to the Bill Hansberry Parent Session being offered by our Parents & Friends group. At this stage we have minimal numbers registered so we encourage our school families to 'Spread the Word' and invite any interested members of the community to attend.

### P&F Bus Trip

There are still several spots available to attend the P&F Bus Trip to the Clare Valley on Friday 6 November. These trips are a great opportunity to meet with other school families and enjoy a fun filled day. Please phone the school office to

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

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

GET ON BOARD

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

Invitation

**25th Anniversary of the Unveiling of the Colin Thiele Sculpture**

Celebrating Colin Thiele's 100th Birthday at the Eudunda Centenary Gardens

SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER  
12PM-4.30PM

JOIN US IN THE GARDENS FOR A FREE BBQ LUNCH, OFFICIAL SPEECHES, READINGS, MUSICAL PERFORMANCES & DEVONSHIRE AFTERNOON TEA

A COVID-SAFE plan is in place for this event.

RSVP BY 6/1/20

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 your intention of attending via the school front office ASAP

## SAPSASA Athletics Carnival ... *submitted by Kathy Cluse*

On Friday 16th October on a wet day, 12 students represented our school at the Barossa and Light SAPSASA Athletics Carnival at Lyndoch Oval. Congratulations to the following students for their efforts and representing our school so well:

Bryce Heidrich, Max Mosey, Lachlan Hill, Leni Geister, George I'Anson, Jaz Williams, Charlie Ross, Ryan Milde, Brett Schiller, Bailey Scholz, Regan Mosey and Maddy Mosey

All students put in their all and were very well behaved, they were a credit to our school. They should all be proud of themselves.

A huge thank you to parents who provided transport. We were very appreciative of the following parents who helped man the Girl's Long Jump all day: Regina Scholz, Steph Heidrich, Jess Geister and Nicole Milde

Congratulations to the following students who placed in the top five for their events:

*Leni Geister* – 1st in Shot Put, 1st in 200m, 2nd in High Jump, 2nd in 100m, 2nd in 800m and 2nd in Long Jump

*Charlie Ross* – equal 1st in High Jump and 4th in Long Jump

*Bryce Heidrich* – 2nd in Shot Put

*Jaz Williams* – 3rd in Shot Put

*Lachlan Hill* – 2nd in 100m heat and 4th in Long Jump

*Bailey Scholz* – 3rd in 100m heat

A further congratulations to Leni Geister and Charlie Ross who have been selected to represent the Barossa and Light team at Santos on Monday 18 November 2020. Leni will be participating in Shot Put, 200m and the 100m Relay team while Charlie will be participating in the High Jump. We wish them all the best and look forward to hearing about their experience.



## Book Week... *submitted by Brenda Verrall*

Last week, we celebrated our annual Book Week with an assembly, ending in a parade down the centre of the hall and outside to show off our costumes. What a pleasure to see all students dressed up as their favourite characters from a variety of different books. This year, a book was presented to a student from each year level with the best costume.

Congratulations to:

**Foundation:** Zeth Prasad - a king

**Year One :** Daniel Connor – a robot

**Year Two:** Marik Mosey – a cowardly lion

**Year Three:** Julia I'Anson - a horse, complete with saddle

**Year Four:** Bryce Heidrich - Captain Underpants

**Year Five:** Charlotte Nietschke – Hermione – Harry Potter

**Year Six:** Jaz Williams – Grizelda (a step sister ) Cinderella



Thank you to parents who put in so much effort to ensure students looked fantastic on the day.

Well done!!!

## Prayers...



This week we pray for Mrs Denholm, the Foundation and Year One Students and their families

We also pray for Pastors of our Lutheran Parishes. This week we pray for Pastor Joshua Muller Eudunda/Robertstown Lutheran Parish

## Worship times...



### EUDUNDA-ROBERTSTOWN PARISH

#### Sunday 1 November

Neales Flat	8.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua
Eudunda	9.00am	LR	
Robertstown	10.00am	LR	
Point Pass	10.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua

### EUDUNDA-ROBERTSTOWN PARISH

#### Sunday 8 November

Eudunda	8.30am	HC	Pastor David Preuss
Peep Hill	8.30am	LR	
Point Pass	8.30am	LR	
Robertstown	10.30am	HC	Pastor David Preuss

**Staff Worship** On Sunday 8 November some of our school staff will be attending worship at Robertstown Lutheran Church for a 10.30am Holy Communion Service.

## Class Awards from week 1

### Foundation/Year One

Ella Doering

### Year Two/Year Three

Annabelle Preston

### Year Four/Year Five

Demi Mosey

### Year Six

Milly Roebuck



## Community News...

### KIDS FOR CHRIST

The Term 4 Kids For Christ (KFC) is on Friday 6th November at the St John's school hall, from 3.10 pm onward, for a 3.30 pm start, concluding at 5.30 pm. We'll be continuing our theme called "Bugs". Bookings and completed 2020 consent forms are essential – please contact Chris Doecke on 0488047861 by Thursday 5th November. All children and families are welcome. For further details, please refer to the leaflets given out at school, as well as the KFC Facebook group. Please note the new pick-up arrangements – either outside the hall or inside if coming right in and spreading out. This isn't the final KFC for the year – we still have our Christmas event in the December holidays.

### **Eudunda Playgroup AGM**

Monday 16th of November 2020

11 a.m. at Alison Schutz's home

### **Kindy Governing Council AGM**

Wednesday 2nd December 2020

6:00pm at Kooky's Kafe

