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Important Dates

All Assembly & Chapel services listed here remain on hold pending further advice from SA Health

AUGUST

Monday 2 August

- Chapel led by Pastor Josh

Wednesday 4 August

- School Board Meeting

Friday 6 August

- Assembly

Monday 9 August

- Chapel led by Pastor Josh

Wednesday 11 August

- Maths Pathways 5/6 class
Parent info night

Friday 13 August

- Assembly



Foundation/One

Spencer Buck - 19 July
Landen Heidrich - 4 August
Bailey Neumann - 7 August

Two/Three Class

Bethany Jenke - 23 July
Mitchell Schaefer - 24 July
Charli Brown - 4 August

Year Four

India Cluse - 30 July

Five/Six Class

Lilly Verco - 21 July

Staff

Pastor Joshua - 25 July



Students were required to undertake 'Learning from home' during the recent lockdown. Pictured here are some of our St John's Students in their 'at home classrooms'.

Devotion ~ Submitted by Josie Wundersitz

Love is patient, love is kind. 1 Corinthians 13:4

No doubt, the past week has tested the patience of many. We have all needed a fair measure of patience just waiting for the week to end, to come out of lockdown and to come back to school. Children and parents have grumbled, siblings have niggled and nagged, many times we have not understood this online learning business, technology has failed, it has been wet and cold and hard to get out to exercise and if you don't like sport there has been nothing to watch on TV! The only one who may have benefitted from lockdown is the family dog!

And that was only for 7 days. Our Eastern friends have certainly had their patience tested.

Something we reminded our students of this week was that God has been in lockdown with them, too. Because he loves us so much, he is always patient with us.

The Bible tells the story of the Israelites who fled slavery from Egypt and spent months in the desert. They complain and grumble a lot about a variety of things, even though God protected them. God is very patient with them. He gives them miraculous bread from heaven, the manna that fell on the ground in the desert. He sends quail so they can eat meat. He treats them gently.

God hasn't changed. He still shows this patience toward us today. He listens to us grumble, He is with us when we cry, He hears our prayers, He reaches out to us and He waits for us to come to him.

God's patience is surprising—and yet, maybe not, if we stop to think about the greatest act He did to save us, laying down His own life for us on the cross. Someone who loves us that much—to live and suffer and die and rise again, all to make us His own—now that is a God who loves us!

adapted by Josie Wundersitz from a devotion by Dr. Kari Vo



WELCOME TO TERM THREE

I hope everyone had a great holiday break and have returned to St John's refreshed and ready for a term filled with learning and a number of special activities (Restrictions permitting).

Our PD Week as a staff was very helpful, with teachers involved in Strategic Planning on the Monday; Tuesday and Wednesday staff were involved in St John's Ambulance Mental Health First Aid training, Thursday we spent time planning for our PYP Evaluation visit and Friday we joined with Clare and Angaston Lutheran Schools for a retreat, completing the 'Connect 3' theological training and a combined closing worship service led by Pastor Traeger from our LESNW District Office.

Unfortunately, once again the Corona Virus has become a concern and only 2 days in to our new school term we moved in to a 7 day lockdown in South Australia. A huge thank you to all of our staff and parents for the extra effort made in this week of home learning.

RESTRICTIONS DUE TO COVID

Today we welcomed students back to school and as advised in previous correspondence to families a number of restrictions will remain in place. These restriction are subject to change moving forward but as of today the following applies:

- We ask that Parents do not enter the school building (Please phone ahead to advise the school if your children will be collected early and wait in the entry foyer on arrival)
- All whole school Chapel and Assemblies are on hold for now
- There will be no excursions or camps until further advice
- No SAPSASA or interschool sporting events

Staff, Visitors and contractors that need to attend the school for essential reasons are reminded of the following check in requirements:

COVID-Safe check in and the regular visitor check in

It's vital that all staff, contractors and visitors, including parents, COVID-Safe check in whenever entering school buildings and wear masks when inside any building. This is required for SA Health, and also for our own Health and Safety procedures. QR codes are clearly displayed at all entrances to buildings and a hard copy sign in sheet is also available in our front office.

The advice from SA Health is that It remains essential that staff, students, and any other visitors do not come on the school site if they are unwell and have any of the following symptoms, even if mild:

- fever or chills
- cough
- sore throat
- runny nose
- shortness of breath
- loss of taste or smell
- diarrhoea and vomiting.



STRATEGIC PLANNING

This is now into its final phase, with a preliminary draft plan being prepared and hopefully ready for distribution later this year.

SCHOOL BEAUTIFICATION

Thank you to all those who helped with our working bees over the holidays. The paving and redevelopment work is progressing nicely however we have had a slight hiccup with the wrong coloured pavers being delivered. The correct ones will arrive soon and when that's finished, we will be organizing some native plants to be delivered so our St John's students can each be given their own 'family tree' to plant and care for.

TERM DATES & ACTIVITIES

We have a number of activities planned for this term, COVID permitting. Because we have had to already cancel a number of events scheduled for the past two weeks, all of our proposed events are dependent upon our government and local requirements. Our upcoming events for this term include:

PYP Inquiry Information Night

Wednesday 18 August for all classes

Bookweek

Will take place 23 – 27 August. The theme this year is 'Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds'.

National Principals' Conference

Is set to be held from 28-31 August, however, due to COVID and interstate travel restrictions, it may be cancelled or held online.

School Photos

Monday 6 September (Winter Uniform this year)

School Concert

We have managed to organize a dance group to come to school for a number of workshops with our students to take place later this term. A final concert for parents and visitors is being planned for the evening of Thursday 23 September.

PYP Exhibition

Mrs Kathy Cluse will be providing parents with an update on this year's PYP Exhibition, with the Year 5/6 Exhibition taking place in Week 3 of Term 4. Date to be advised.

Once again, these dates are subject to change at short notice, we will endeavour to keep you updated as any changes come to light.

WELCOME TO ST JOHNS

At the start of this term as part of the foundation Mid-Year intake we welcomed a new student to the Foundation Year One class. We warmly welcome Spencer Buck along with his parents Justin and Karrissa to the St John's School Community.

*Yours in Christ
Michael Bowmer
Principal*



PYP Sharing ~ Foundation/One Mrs Denholm

Transdisciplinary Theme:

Where we are in place and time

Central Idea:

Places are important for different reasons

Concepts: Form ~ Perspective ~ Reflection

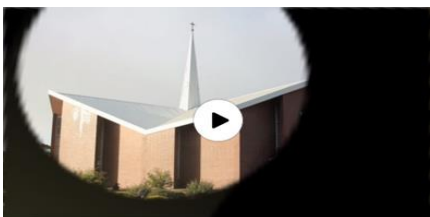
Lines of Inquiry:

- Our local area and its services
- Special places in our world
- How places change

Approaches to Learning: Research skills

Learner Profile Attributes: Inquirers ~ Communicators

This week students have been working on services in our local area. They have completed online activities while working remotely using the Seesaw app. In the first activity students were asked to use the magnifier tool to identify a building that provides a service in our community. They were able to record a verbal response using the microphone tool. In the second activity students uncovered a picture of a local building that provides a service using the eraser tool. They were asked to think about the importance of this service and what would happen if it was not available in Eudunda. In the third activity students were asked to consider local goods and services. They provided a written and verbal response.



The Church, people go to talk to God. **Jason**

This is the church and the school uses it for chapel. We baptize babies and we pray to God and also we learn about God.

Addison

This is the St. John's Lutheran church and you can worship God and get married, baptized and your funeral.

Landen

This is the Lutheran school church. People get baptized and married there and they work there. This is where Pastor Josh does his services. This is important because we can go to worship God. This is the church from my classroom window. **Layla**



My goods are supermarket, bakery, Pet shop and Fish shop. My services are mailman, police, ambulance and school.

Jonathan

Service are people that help you and build your house and stop bad guys. They do a job for you and you pay them for it. There are lots of kinds of goods like treats and healthy stuff like food and you pay to get that. Services and goods are very good because you need those to help you. They are all things that you need and you can get them in Eudunda. **Ella**



The shops in eudunda. You can get lollies and if we need food in Eudunda we get in the car and go there. If there was no Foodland iwe can't get the food that we want.

Harper

This local shop is important because you buy food and drink from here. If it wasn't here you could die of thirst if you didn't get to another shop in time. If it wasn't there people would have to drive to the next town.

Bailey

Prayer and Care ~ We pray for the following staff and school families:

STAFF
Michael Bowmer
Sue Denholm
FAMILY
Justin and Karissa Buck



We thank God for the recent holidays and time spent with family.

We pray for a productive term 3 with lots of learning, fun and friendships. We thank God for being with us all during our online learning during the lockdown period.

We pray for good health and safety with the Covid pandemic uncertainties. We ask that you be with our government leaders and officials as they lead, guide and keep people safe with continued quarantine and isolation requirements.

Church Times ~

Sunday 1 August 2021

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

Sunday 8 August 2021

Point Pass	8.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua
Peep Hill	8.30am	LR	
Eudunda	9.00am	LR	
Robertstown	10.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua

What is the Playberry Program? ~ Submitted by Mrs Verrall



The Playberry is a Multisensory Literacy Program for students who have a diagnosis of dyslexia or have a literacy learning difficulty.

The programme uses "Direct Instruction" to teach phonology, sound - letter associations, spelling rules, syllable types, morphology, syntax and semantics. These key areas are taught in a systematic, cumulative multi-sensory way. This way of teaching is recognised by the International Dyslexia Association as best practice in teaching students with dyslexia, and is the gold standard in proven programs for dyslexic learners.

Each week, students use wooden letters to create the alphabet in the correct sequence and they are used to reinforce letter names, correct orientation, concept of before/after, auditory and visual memory strategies.

Students are given a new teaching point (letter) following the Playberry structure to learn each week and these letters are used as reading and spelling cards which take Phonograms to the point of automaticity (through overlearning). Concept grammar cards and spelling rules are also given to reinforce and support classroom learning.

Classroom teachers, in collaboration with parents select students to participate in the program when places become available.



BOOK WEEK 2021

Book Week runs from 21-27 August and this year the theme is **“Old Worlds, New Worlds, Other Worlds”**. Book week is a fantastic opportunity for your child to celebrate a favourite character from their favourite book by dressing up.

Our whole school **BOOK WEEK ASSEMBLY** will be held on **Friday 27 August at 9.00am**. Save the date and plan ahead with costumes. This is an opportunity to escape into another world where your child can be anything they want to be!



Community News

Eudunda Basketball Club

Annual General Meeting



Wednesday 11th August 7pm

At the Top Pub, Eudunda

We NEED new members to keep the club running successfully. This includes all Senior players and parents of Juniors.

No committee, No Club

For more information please contact

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Saints
EUDUNDA ROBERTSTOWN
NETBALL CLUB

**Kindy
Fundraiser**



Footy and Netball Training Teas

All welcome

Thursday 5th August—Eudunda

Available from 5:30p.m.

Pre Order take away available. Contact Alison Schutz to order
0408 859 962

Hot Homemade Beef or Chicken Casserole
on a bed of rice

\$10/serve

