

Informer

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Important Dates

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 3

- Staff Appreciation Lunch

Thursday 4

- Outdoor Classroom Day

Friday 5

- Assembly led by F/1 Class

Monday 8

- 9.00am Chapel led by Yr 4 Class
- P&F AGM & General Meeting including meeting with JPE architects

Tuesday 9

- 2022 Foundation ½ day transition
- Master Plan Surveys due

Thursday 11

- Student-led Conferences for F – Yr4

Friday 12

- Assembly 9.00am
- Walk My Way – School Walkathon

Monday 15

- 9.00am Chapel led by Pastor Joshua
- 2022 Foundation ½ day transition
- Student-led Conferences F-Yr4

Friday 19

- F/1 Assembly 9.00am
- Faith Lutheran Challenge
- F/1 Fun Night/Sleepover

Monday 22

- 9.00am Chapel led by F/1 Class

Devotion ~ Submitted by Belinda Niemz

What a friend we have in Jesus

‘I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you’ (John 15:15).

I’m drawn to the words of columnist Doug Larson: ‘A true friend overlooks your failures and tolerates your successes’.

A friend doesn’t just love you: a friend actually likes you. A friend doesn’t endure you: a friend desires to be in your presence. A friend doesn’t bring performance pressure: a friend empowers you to freely be yourself. A friend doesn’t love you for who you will become: a friend loves you for who you are today.

Authentic friendship means being so vulnerable that you give the other person enough ammunition to annihilate you, trusting that they won’t.

It’s almost inconceivable, then, that Jesus, the King of Kings, calls us His friend. But it’s true. We do not need to earn His friendship, and there is nothing we can do to lose it. Quite simply, we are friends with the king! This means we are highly favoured and given special honour. This means *you* are highly favoured and given special honour. You are invited to come just as you are into Jesus’ presence, where you are empowered to freely be yourself.

Nothing can separate us from the loving, healing and sovereign presence of our friend, Jesus. He loved us before we were loveable. His friendship goes above and beyond. After all, He humbled himself and took on the sin of every human being – those who lived before His time, those who lived during His time, and those of us who live today – by laying down His life for us all. Through Him, we are eternally connected to friends around the globe.

Jesus, what a friend we have in You! Your friendship carries us through each day. Thank You for loving us unconditionally and for the abundant favour You pour over us. Your grace is immeasurable. Amen.

Taken from www.lca.org.au/philos-friend



From the Principal ~ Mr Michael Bowmer

This cartoon got me thinking....Just because you have taught it, do not assume it has been learnt. There is a difference between being taught and learning. At St John's, we want to provide opportunities for learners to construct their own meaning and to make sense of their learning and to check in on what students have understood and learnt. This is at the heart of the PYP.



EXHIBITION

Thankyou to all the staff and students who were involved in this year's PYP Exhibition. It was wonderful to see the work being done by our students and receive great feedback that St John's students are extremely well prepared for research when they start high school.

STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

Parents and caregivers of Foundation – Year 4 students would have received a letter last week regarding Student-led Conferences.

SLC's provide a wonderful opportunity for students to share their learning with their family members. They are led by the students themselves and are one way that we work with the students to report on their learning. Please ensure that you have made a booking according to the details outlined in the letter by THIS FRIDAY – there are plenty of time slots available for families to work around other commitments. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Front Office. One way parents can support our students during the conference is to use the TAG method, (another letter will be sent home in the lead up to the conferences to explain TAG further).

WALKATHON

Our school community is stepping out to bring love to life through Walk My Way on Friday 12th November during our Schools Walkathon. Thank you to the many people who have already made generous donations to this cause. To learn more about Walk my Way, or if you would like to make a donation simply follow the steps in the link at <https://walkmyway.org.au/page/StJohnsEudunda>

MASTER PLAN

We have employed JPE Architects to help develop a Master Plan for our school to guide future developments. They have prepared a short survey to assist them and I encourage all families to take a few moments to complete this prior to the 9th of November 2021. In case you missed it, here is the link to the survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SV623Q8>

JPE will also be here for our P&F AGM on the 8th November to speak to our community about what we would like to be included in the Master Plan. This is our opportunity to get creative and make some suggestions to help our school moving forward into the future.

EUDUNDA SHOW

St Johns is proud to be sponsoring the 'Gustavs Trail' at this year's Eudunda Show. We look forward to seeing many of our school families, friends and townsfolk come along to the St John's Promotion tent on Show day, to say hi or to grab your 'Gustavs Trail' Bag and Treasure Map. Also, don't forget to invite your family and friends to check out our schools display of students work in the show pavilion!

Michael Bowmer - Principal

PARENTS AND FRIENDS AGM

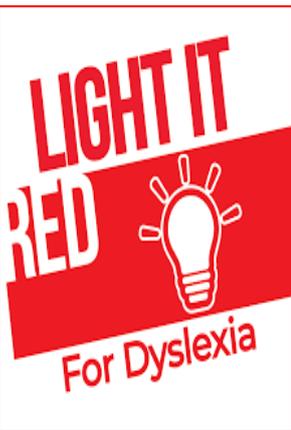
A reminder that the P&F will meet on Monday 8 November for their AGM following the 9.00am chapel service. All school families are welcome and encouraged to attend. Following the AGM there will be a discussion led by JPE Architecture in what parents would like to see on our school Master Plan for the future. This is a good opportunity to contribute to the future planning of our school.

PIANO/KEYBOARD LESSONS

Music lessons for piano/keyboard will once again be available in 2022. The cost for weekly 30-minute lessons is \$15 for children in Foundation to Year 3, or \$20 for Year 4 and older. Music book costs are additional. Bookings for 2022 are needed by the end of this term. Please contact Mrs Chris Doecke on 0488047861 for bookings or enquiries.

SAPSASA CRICKET

Congratulations to Charlotte Nietschke and Demi Mosey who have been selected to represent Barossa & Light in SAPSASA girls cricket. The girls will participate in a 4 day Carnival from the 1st- 4th November. We wish them well and look forward to hearing all about their experience when they return.



Friday 19 November wear a red accessory to help promote a better understanding of Dyslexia

Dyslexia is a specific learning disability that causes difficulties with word recognition, spelling and decoding. Strategies used to support Dyslexia in the classroom also help other students to reach their full learning potential. As a Dyslexia Aware School, teachers at St. John's use a range of strategies including a whole school approach to explicit phonics teaching, decodable reading books and multisensory approaches to learning to give students every opportunity to achieve. **Come along to Assembly to hear Mrs. Janice McPhail talk about learning with Dyslexia and wear a red accessory such as socks, a ribbon, hair tie, bracelet or necklace to show that you are Dyslexia Aware.**

Class Awards ~ Week 2 Term 4

Foundation/Year One – Nellie Mepstead and Landen Heidrich

Year Two/Year Three – Jacob Schutz and Tyler Heidrich

Year Four – Julia IÁnson

Year Five/Year Six – Shayla Scholz



Class Awards ~ Week 3 Term 4

Foundation/Year One – Jobe Ross, Zeth Prasad

Year Two/Year Three – Ella Prosser

Year Four – Caitlin Schutz

Year Five/Year Six – Lachlan Meinhardt, Demi Mosey



Two/Three Class – Ella Prosser 7th November

Year Four Class – Brooke Schaefer 16th November

Five/Six Class – Charlotte Nietschke 4th November, Leni Geister 5th November

Staff – Sonya Mosey 5th November, Steve Wegener 10th November, Angela Dunstan 13th November

PYP Sharing ~ Mrs Ruediger Year 2 & Year 3

Transdisciplinary Theme:

Sharing the planet

Central Idea:

The health of our planet depends on the health of individual ecosystems

Concepts: Form ~ Perspective ~ Responsibility

Lines of Inquiry:

- What ecosystems are and where they are found
- How ecosystem resources are used
- What we can do to help protect our ecosystems

Approaches to Learning: Social skills

Learner Profile Attributes: Principled ~ Caring

Students were grouped according to similar ecosystems they were interested in and they then identified a space they could use. To show their prior knowledge, they created an ecosystem. They used social skills and discussed ways they could make group decisions and self-management skills to finish within time restrictions. Students used research skills to find out what else belonged in their ecosystems and the items that didn't belong.

Students identified what living things need to survive and checked to see if things would survive in their ecosystem. They discovered some food sources were missing and that some species would die out if there was only one animal left. Students also identified and explained what was living, or not living, within their ecosystem. Students will soon be inquiring about whether offsprings are similar to an adult; and show the different stages of life within their ecosystems.

Here is what year 3 student Eddy Verco found out

crabs



where do crabs live?




beach and sea (ocean)

<https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Crab>

what do crabs eat?





shrimp, small fish and sea worms.

<https://study.com/academy/lesson/what-do-crabs-eat-lesson-for-kids.html>

Daniel, Charli, Ella & Dougie



Forest



Jungle



Eddy, Jessica & Mitchell



River



Beach

Australian Bush



Ayla & Tlver

Rachel, Charlie, Paddy, Jacob

Sonny, Bethany, Harriet & Rubi

Year 5/6 Exhibition ~ Mrs Kathy Cluse

St John's Lutheran School Eudunda recently celebrated the Exhibition presentation by their Year Five/Six students. Each student chose an issue which addressed ways people express themselves. The students researched to gain knowledge of issues by conducting interviews using the art of good questioning, surveying people, gaining knowledge through reading books, pamphlets and digital information and going into the community to gain experience firsthand.

All fifteen students presented their information and communicated their understandings to many parents, siblings, extended family members and friends. A highlight of the Exhibition was the song "True Colours" sung by sign language. Their displays included art pieces, construction and written pieces made by the students.

This year our students took creative and innovative forms of action aimed at which can make the world a better place as a result of what issue they have investigated.

The Exhibition has certainly enabled the senior students of St John's Lutheran School Eudunda to be more confident communicators, independent learners and caring young citizens of the world.

How we Express Ourselves



Prayer and Care

This week we continue to pray for our Class Teachers and their class	This term we pray for our Pastors and Lutheran Parishes of our school
Mrs Ruediger and the Year 2/3 students and their families	Eudunda Robertstown Lutheran Parish Pastor Joshua Muller
Mrs Verco, Mrs Wundersitz and the Year 4 students and their families	Light Zone Parish Saddleworth Parish

Church Times

Sunday 7 November 2021

Geranium Plains	8.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua
Eudunda	8.30am	HC	Pastor Freckelton
Neales Flat	8.30am	LR	
Point Pass	10.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua
Robertstown	10.30am	HC	Pastor Freckelton

Friday 12 November 2021

Eudunda	7.30pm	HC	Pastor Joshua
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Sunday 14 November 2021

Robertstown	9.00am	HC	Pastor Joshua
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Community News

Kids For Christ

The Term 4 KFC will be held on Friday 26th November from 3.10 pm to 5.30 pm at the St John's School Hall. Please set the date aside! We will be concluding our "Bugs" theme – small creatures teaching us big lessons about God. All children are welcome. Pre-schoolers may attend if accompanied by a parent. For enquiries and bookings (by 25th November), please contact Chris Doecke on 0488 047861 or via the KFC Facebook group.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 8th of November, 2021

Eudunda Sporting Clubrooms
at **7.30 P.M.**

All interested persons encouraged to attend.

