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Important Dates

NOVEMBER

Thursday 18

- P&F Special Menu – Chicken Burgers

Friday 19

- F/1 Assembly 9.00am ~ **Light it RED for Dyslexia**

- Faith Lutheran Challenge

- F/1 Fun Night/Sleepover

Monday 22

- 9.00am Chapel led by F/1 Class

Tuesday 23

- New Foundations Full Day Transition

Friday 26

- Casual Day – Lutheran Community Care food donation

Monday 29

- New Foundations Full Day Transition

Tuesday 30

- Yr 6 Graduation Dinner

Friday 3

- Whole School Fun Day

DECEMBER

Thursday 9

- Last day Term 4
- End of Year Service

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Year Four Class

Annabelle 24th November

Five/Six Class

Bryce 11th November

Staff

Lisa Pfitzner 19th November



School Walkathon – see page 3 to find out how much money was raised during our recent 'Walk-my-way' School Walkathon

Devotion ~ Submitted by Michael Bowmer



Something you may not know about me is that I have a hobby as a beekeeper. I think bees are amazing little creatures and have a lot to share about how God cares for His world. So what lessons can we learn from bees?

Lesson 1: To thrive in our lives we need to be creating a “royal buzz”. Ask yourself, what kind of sound does your life create. [Ephesians 4:29](#) says, “Let no corrupt word proceed out of your mouth, but what is good for necessary edification, that it may impart grace to the hearers.”

Lesson 2: Work hard. A bee must visit two million flowers to give us one pound of honey. You may be a stay-at-home Momma. You may be a teacher, a blogger, a nurse, or the CEO of a Fortune 500 company. Martin Luther said: “whatever your work may be, do it with all your might unto the Lord. You may never reap the applause of man, but like the bee, you aren’t working for man . . . you are working unto the Lord.”

Lesson 3: If you want to thrive in life, you must mind your own beeswax. Stop comparing your life to the little squares on Instagram. Stop comparing your entire life to someone’s highlight reel on Facebook. God has made you unique. No one else is you, so stop comparing yourselves.

Lesson 4: Work Together. Each bee has its own task to complete to keep the hive functioning - just as you have unique, God-given gifts that allow you the opportunity to thrive in this life. [1 Peter 4:10](#) says, “God has given each of you a gift from His great variety of spiritual gifts. Use them well to serve one another.” (NLT).

Lesson 5: So much study has been done on the medicinal benefits of honey it would be hard to mention them all here. Among a few, honey is an energy booster, cough suppressant, helps with skincare and acne, can reduce sinus issues, and even controls cholesterol. The Bible says in Psalm 119:103, “How sweet your words taste to me; they are sweeter than honey.” To thrive in life, taste the sweetness of the Word of God. Consume all of its goodness and allow its energy to give you strength. Finally, without bees we wouldn’t be able to feed our world. In the same way that we need bees, we need God’s Word in our lives so that we too can not just survive, but thrive.

Adapted from ‘How to Thrive in Life – A Lesson from the Bee’



From the Principal ~ Mr Michael Bowmer

COVID - 19 UPDATE

As you are probably aware, the Commissioner of Police, acting in his role as the State Coordinator responding to the COVID-19 pandemic, has announced the Emergency Management (Education and Early Childhood Settings Vaccination) (COVID-19) Direction 2021.

This Direction requires all individuals to receive at least 1 dose of a Therapeutic Goods Association approved COVID-19 vaccination and a booking to receive a second dose by 10 December 2021, except those who have a medical exemption endorsed by the Chief Public Health Officer.

The Direction applies to all employees, OSHC providers, volunteers, parent helpers, contractors and service providers either engaged by the school or contracted to provided services to the school.

We would like our staff, students and parent community to rest assured that we have implemented measures to ensure compliance with the Direction by 10 December 2021.

I appreciate that this will be difficult news for some but the school has always been fully committed to implementing the best available health advice.

I trust that we can all work together respectfully to ensure the safety of our school community.

MASTER PLAN SURVEY

I encourage all school families to complete the online Master Plan Survey (if you have not already done so) created by our school's architects, JPE. The survey can be found at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/SV623Q8>.

STUDENT-LED CONFERENCES

Thank you to everyone who supported our Student-led Conferences. Mrs Verco has created a short online survey that we hope you will complete as this will give us important feedback and help us plan for future 3 Way and Student-led Conferences. The link has been emailed to families with students in Foundation – Year 4.

WALK MY WAY WALKATHON

A special thank you to all who supported our Walk My Way Walkathon last week. Our students did an amazing job. A special thank you to those who sponsored us – with total funds of \$1392.00 being raised. Every \$26 we raised will send one East-African child to school. Celia Fielke from Lutheran World Service, who joined us on the day, shared these words with us via mail – “*Thanks so much for such an awesome day on Friday. Your students were just amazing – as were the staff & parents. What a fantastic community, well done to you all.*”

EUDUNDA SHOW

Thank you to our Promotions Committee, our P&F and all those who assisted with either Gustavs trail, our School Display or the Hot Pork Roll Stall. It was a great show, and it was great to see how we all pulled together and supported each other.

TERM DATES 2022

Term 1: 31 January – 14 April

Term 2: 2 May – 1 July

Term 3: 25 July – 23 September

Term 4: 17 October – 16 December

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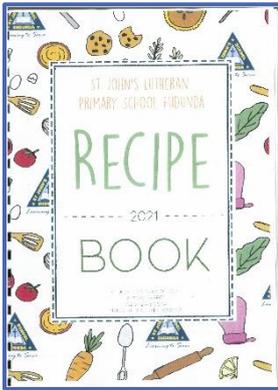
SPECIAL ASSEMBLY



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.**

CASUAL DAY Friday 26th November – Wear your casual clothes and bring a non perishable food item to donate to Lutheran Community Cares Christmas Hamper Appeal. Item suggestions could include canned food, pasta, Vegemite, Milo, Tea, Coffee etc. Items can be brought in to school from Friday 26th up until Wednesday 1st of December.

P&F RECIPE BOOK LAUNCH



The Parents and Friends Committee have recently launched their Recipe Book fundraiser. These books are now available to order at a cost of \$20 each. Please see the flyer that was sent home earlier this week. Orders are now being taken – to ensure we can have enough books printed in time for families to receive them by the end of the year, please place your orders by **Friday 26 November**. Community members who are interested in purchasing the book can request an order form by emailing office@sjls.sa.edu.au.

NEW COMMITTEE FOR 2022

Thank you to those who attended the Parents & Friends AGM held recently. Thank you to those that have served on the Committee throughout the year and welcome to those that have taken on the following roles for 2022;



Chairperson: Katie l'Anson
Secretary: Amanda Schaefer
Promotions Committee: Jo Mosey
Catering/Special Menu: Louise Jenke

Vice Chairperson: Emily Geister
Treasurer: Tania Williams
School Board Rep: Amanda Schaefer
Uniform Committee Rep: Amanda Schaefer

Class Awards ~



Week 4 ~ Award Recipients

Foundation/Year One – Addison Williams
Year Two/Year Three – Daniel Connor
Absent; Marik Mosey
Year Four – Marty Mosey
Year Five/Year Six – Zoe Neal, Amalie Jenke



Week 5 ~ Award Recipients

Foundation/Year One – Chloe Rowett
Year Two/Year Three – Mitchell Schaefer, Charlotte Plueckhahn, Charli Brown
Year Four – Bridget Williams
Year Five/Year Six – George l'Anson, Leni Geister

PYP Sharing ~ Year 4 Mrs Verco & Mrs Wundersitz

Transdisciplinary Theme:

How we organise ourselves

Central Idea:

Goods and services are produced on a supply and demand basis

Concepts: Function ~ Connection ~ Responsibility

Lines of Inquiry:

- How our needs and wants impact on supply & demand
- Factors that influence the supply & demand of goods
- How we can make informed decisions

Approaches to Learning: Social skills

Learner Profile Attributes: Principled ~ Reflective

The Year 4 class have had fun learning about the important elements of this Central Idea. We have:

- Inquired into the difference between a 'need' and a 'want'
- Found out what the words 'supply' and 'demand' mean by playing a game and discovering the different things that can affect the supply of the goods that we buy.
- Discovered that advertisements have the potential to persuade our thinking when it comes to buying different products



We completed a collage of the different needs and wants that we have



We learnt what a good and a service is and the difference between them



We learnt what a good and a service is and the difference between them by playing a game

To complete this unit, the students will be planning, developing and conducting a 'Year 4 Market Day'

Through this task, the students will:

- Survey the school to find out the popularity of different goods and services
- Develop a plan for the supply of the most popular goods and services
- Develop a budget to determine the cost to make/supply their good or service
- Develop an advertising strategy to sell their goods and services to the rest of the school
- Conduct the market, supplying the goods according to demand on a token basis
- Reflect on the process that they have undertaken using the concepts of Function, Connection and Responsibility.

Each class will have the opportunity to visit our Market Day and purchase the goods and services available using a token system. The children will not need to bring money—the Year 4 class will provide tokens for the students to use to make their purchases.

SAPSASA Cricket ~ by Charlotte Nietschke and Demi Mosey

On the 1st to the 4th of November Demi Mosey and Charlotte Nietschke, were lucky enough to represent Barossa and Light at the girls SAPSASA Cricket Carnival.

We played at two different venues across the four days. Our first two games on the Monday were at Almond Tree Flat Reserve, we won our first game but unfortunately lost our second game. On Tuesday we played at Largs North Reserve for both of our games. In our first game we won and in our second game we lost to a team that came second overall. On Wednesday we played at two different venues our first venue was at Largs North Reserve and we won. We had to move to a different location which was Almond Tree Flat Reserve for our second game which we unfortunately lost. On Thursday which was our last day we only played one game which we won easily. Over the four days Demi got 2 wickets and 21 runs. Charlotte got three wickets and 35 runs. We both got to open and had variety of positions when we had to go in to bat. This was a great experience, and we had a lot of fun playing our first real cricket games. We met a lot of new people that by the end of the four days are now our friends ~ *By Charlotte & Demi*



Walk My Way ~ by Kathy Cluse

Last Friday students participated in the Australian World Lutheran Service's Walk My Way. This walkathon covered the following distances: 10km, 8km, 5km and 3km, all up equalling to 26km. 26 is an important number for this initiative as it costs \$26 to send one underprivileged child to school. The track began at the intersection of Plains Road and Plover Road (10km) and ended back at school. The weather wasn't ideal but the cold and wet didn't dampen the student's spirit with many enthusiastic participants. Students were driven out by bus to their destinations and then walked their distance back to school. All students should be proud of their efforts, many underestimated the distance they chose but to their credit they never gave up and completed their set distance.

Thank you to the many families who donated money to help raise these all important funds. To date the amount raised is \$1392.00 The Year Five / Six students calculated this would send 53 students to school! This is four fifths of our school. What an effort!

I would like to thank our many helpers on the day, those who donated water containers, maned a water station or walked with the students. The day would not have been able to go ahead without your help.



Prayer and Care

This week we continue to pray for our class teachers and their class	We pray for the Year 6 students as they finish their last weeks of schooling at St John's:
Mrs Cluse and the Year five Six students and their families	Lachlan Meinhardt Charlotte Nietschke Amalie Jenke George IÁnson
We pray for all families as we end the school year and become busy with plans for Christmas, Hay, Harvest etc....	Demi Mosey Nicholas Mosey Imogen Noack

Church Times

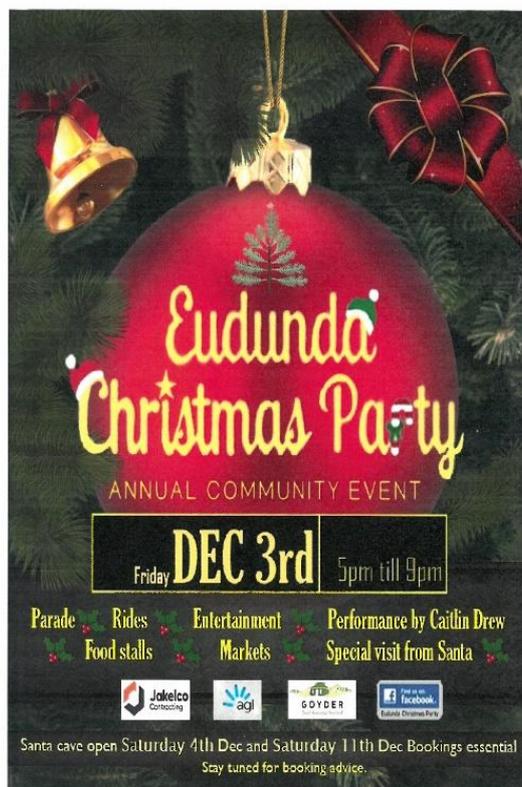
Sunday 21st November 2021

Robertstown	8.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua
Eudunda	10.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua
<i>150th Service</i>			

Sunday 28th November 2021

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

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.

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.

EUDUNDA CHRISTMAS STREET PARTY PERFORMANCE

This year our St John's School Choir will be performing on the back of a float during the Christmas Street Parade. Save the date! **Friday 3rd of December** and come along to join in a fun night for the whole family.