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Term Two, Week Four, Wednesday 25 May 2022

Important Dates

May

Wednesday 25th

- B & L Cross Country
- Simultaneous Storytime @ 11am - Family Tree by Josh Pyke

Thursday 26th

- Special Menu – Soup

Friday 27th

- Foundation Assembly

Monday 30th

- Chapel 9.00am
- Book Fair

June

Friday 10th

- YR 3/4 Assembly 9.00am
- KFC in the School Hall 3.10-5.30

Monday 13th

- Public Holiday

Tuesday 14th

- Pupil Free Day

Friday 17th

- Assembly 9.00am



Birthday's this fortnight

MAY

Foundation Class

Austin 25th
Blake 31st



Today at St John's our students engaged in National Simultaneous Storytime. Where, all over Australia, the same book is read at the same time by over 1 million people!

Devotion ~ Submitted by Sonya Mosey

Thank God for Dirty Dishes

I have learned, in whatever state I am, to be content. Philippians 4:11

We may believe, that in general, we appreciate what we have. But when we suddenly don't have something we rely on, we realize maybe we had been taking that something for granted.

Think about the following.....

A storm causes the electricity to go out. That means no phone charger, no lights, no microwave. It means you may miss the 'big game' on TV or tuning in to find out what happens in your favourite 'mini series'.

When was the last time you thanked God for electricity?

A flat tyre can make the morning routine anything but routine! Will you miss your appointment, be late for work, or fail to reach the airport on time? Do you trade cars with your spouse or your adult child – or do you call an uber and worry about the tyre later?

When was the last time you thanked God for the tyres on your car?

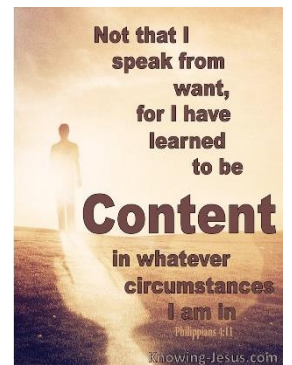
Your once High Schooler is now attending university halfway across the country. Despite the trail of mess they left behind in the home – you miss them dearly.

You no longer find empty glasses in unexpected places, an unwashed frying pan on the stove, or wet clothes left in the washing machine.

When was the last time you thanked God for dirty dishes and clothes left for you to dry and fold?

No matter how thankful we think we are, all of us can grow in gratitude.

Taken from Devotions for a thankful heart – Zondivan Publications



From the Principal ~ Mr Michael Bowmer

COVID UPDATE

The Work Health and Safety Act 2012 (SA) includes an obligation on our learning community to “eliminate risks to health and safety, so far as is reasonably practicable and, if it is not reasonably practicable to eliminate risks to health and safety, to minimise those risks so far as is reasonably practicable”.

COVID-19 has been assessed to be an extreme and high risk in our learning community. Because of this, **our school still requires staff and volunteers to be fully vaccinated, whilst staff, parents and visitors are encouraged to keep wearing masks.**

WELCOME BACK TO CHAPEL AND ASSEMBLIES

It has been wonderful seeing a few parents back at our school Chapel and Assembly services. In case anyone has missed this message, (as previously advised via class Seesaw), parents are once again welcome to join us at 9.00am on Monday's for Chapel and 9.00am on Friday's for Assemblies in the School Hall. Please wear a mask if you are attending these services.

UNIFORM

Uniform is an important aspect of St John's Lutheran School Eudunda. It fosters a sense of unity and purpose and develops self-respect, school pride and discipline.

It is expected that all parents who enrol their children at this school comply with the uniform requirements as outlined upon enrolment. The Uniform Policy is also available on our school's website by following this link

<https://www.stjohns-eudunda.sa.edu.au/uniform/>

The students of St John's Lutheran School are expected to wear correct school uniform at all school times and at official school functions. If for some reason this is not possible, parents are asked to send a note of explanation to the school. All uniform items are available to be purchased from our School Uniform Shop. St John's Lutheran School depends very much on the support of parents in seeing that the uniform is worn correctly and that items clearly not in line with the values, ethos and tone of the school are not worn.

ENROLMENTS

Expressions of interest are now being sought from families with children who are eligible to start school Mid-Year 2022 and at the commencement of the 2023 school year. If this is you, we invite you to please contact the school office for further information on commencing the enrolment process.

BUS POLICY – Safety Comes First!

Yesterday at 2pm we received news that there was a fire burning at Marrabel, and that the main road into the town was closed. As this road is part of our regular bus route we had to make a quick decision and with the safety of all concerned the decision was made to cancel yesterday afternoon's St John's bus run. I do apologise for the inconvenience this may have caused some families, but hope that parents understand that time was short and a decision needed to be made quickly. Please be reassured that we will not put our students or employees at risk.

WALK SAFELY TO SCHOOL DAY

Last Friday as a whole school we enjoyed a walk in the sunshine in recognition of 'Walk Safely to School Day'. Apart from the physical benefits, regular walking has a favourable impact on children's cognitive and academic performance. The event is also aimed at promoting road safety to primary school children throughout Australia.

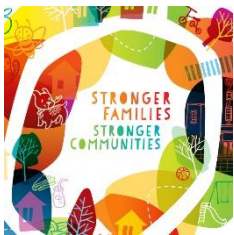
PUPIL FREE DAY

Tuesday 14 June, 2022 will be a Pupil Free Day. Teachers will use the day to undertake training in using a new integrated reporting system for our End of Semester Reports using our Administration software – 'PC School'.

Michael Bowmer - Principal



Other School News



NATIONAL FAMILIES WEEK 15– 21 May - 'Stronger Families, Stronger Communities'

Last week was National Families Week and was time to celebrate the meaning of family and to make the most of family life. As a school community we take the time to reflect on the critical role that families play in teaching, supporting and nurturing children as they grow. We hope you had a great week celebrating your family!

LONDON COMES TO VISIT

Some of you may have heard your children talk about London. Perhaps you've heard them say "We took London for a walk at lunchtime today" or "London came in to our classroom today" or "We gave London a carrot to eat today"! And perhaps you've wondered....who is London?

For those of you who don't know, London is a dog!

London is Mr Bowmer's black Labrador who likes nothing more than when he gets the nod in the morning from his master to indicate that he can hop in the car and come to school for the day!

London loves spending time visiting each classroom and being patted by the children as well as enjoying time in the yard with them at recess and lunch.

And for this food driven canine – often a lot of his time is spent under the lunch shelter after the children have gone off to play!

And yes, London loves carrots!



A drawing of London by Daniel Connor Yr3

Class Awards – Week 2 & Week 3



Class Award Recipients Week 2, Term 2

L-R: Emma Doering (5/6 class), Marik Mosey (3/4 Class), Zeth Prasad (1/2 class), Jason Connor (1/2 class), Grace Schutz (Foundation).

Class Award Recipients Week 3, Term 2

L-R: Rubi Neumann (3/4 class), Kennedy Geister (5/6 class) Ted Plueckhahn (1/2 class), Harper Geister (1/2 class), Mason Schutz (Foundation)

PYP Sharing~ A snapshot from the German Room by Frau Zeller

The Foundation class is working on the topic of food, which links in with their classroom inquiry unit. We use the much-loved children's book *Die Raupe Nimmersatt* (The Very Hungry Caterpillar) to discuss the different food items in German, learn some vocab through flashcard games and songs and talk about what foods we like and don't like to eat.

I was also able to find some Monarch caterpillars again for observation and the class now has a chrysalis in their room to – hopefully – watch the butterfly hatching.



The Year 1/2 class is focusing on the Who We Are UOI with the Central Idea of "Children around the World" have similarities and differences in this term. Like the 5/6 class, we will have the opportunity to exchange emails with a Swiss class from Zürich. The students have written emails with Mrs Ruediger and have included some questions in German as well. They were able to use their prior knowledge from the UOI of Term 1 to write their German questions. We will then be working with the responses we get, and also complete tasks to compare similarities and differences of school in Switzerland and here.

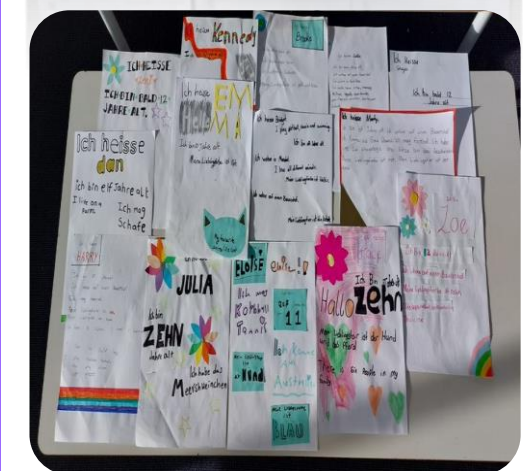


The Year 3/4 class has recently started the second UOI with the Central Idea of "There are many aspects that shape who we are". In this unit we will focus on reinforcing language and vocab used to describe ourselves in German. Each student will create a page to contribute to a class book. This is based on the German and Swiss tradition of a *Meine Freunde Buch* (Friendship Book) or *Poesiealbum*. We looked at different examples of friendship books including my own *Poesiealbum* from 1981. The students will include information such as their name, age, where they come from, where they live, their favourite colour and animal and what they like. It will be a great keepsake for them to remember their friends and classmates by.



The Year 5/6 class has just finished a bilingual storybook unit which we linked to the classroom UOI about "Finding Peaceful Solutions to Conflict".

I am now very excited that I have been able to find a class in Switzerland to connect with for our next UOI in German. This Year 5 class from Zurich will work with us to exchange letters and documentations about similarities and differences of school life for students in Switzerland and Australia. This will link with the classroom UOI with the Central Idea of "Learning about People gives us an insight into their Culture and How they Belong". The students have started to create a page about themselves to be used as an introduction. They will include some German as well as English writing for this task.





Our Scholastic Book Fair will commence next Monday 30th May and run for a week in the School Hall.

All classes will get an opportunity to visit the Book Fair during their library 'Browse and Borrow'. Your child may bring a 'Wish List' home, detailing items that they are interested in. This is by no means compulsory and should only be seen as a guide. Every dollar spent earns money for our library to purchase new books. Items start at \$1.00, so there is something for everyone. A pamphlet with some of the items available will be sent home next Monday.

Kids For Christ

The term 2 KFC will be held on **Friday 10th June** from 3.10 pm to 5.30 pm in the St John' Lutheran School Hall. For enquiries and bookings (by Thursday 9th June), please contact Chris Doecke on 0488 047861. All children are welcome, especially new kids, so invite a friend! Pre-schoolers may attend if accompanied by a parent. We'll be starting our new theme for 2022-2023 entitled "Animal Tales". Come along to find out what this will be about?!

Prayer & Care Corner

This term we continue to pray for our staff and school families

STAFF	SCHOOL FAMILIES
Renaë Ruediger	Mark & Alinta Neumann
Belinda Niemz	Aaron & Belinda Niemz
Kathy Cluse	Matthew & Renaë Plueckhahn
Lynn Grosser	Rav Prasad & Jessica Quinlan

Church Times ~ Eudunda/Robertstown Lutheran Parish

Ascension Service – Thursday 26th May
7.30pm HC (Parish Service) at Eudunda



Sunday 5 June 2022

Sunday 29 May 2022

Eudunda	8.30am	HC	Pastor Joshua Muller
Neales Flat	8.30am	LR	
Robertstown	10.00am	LR	
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