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Term One, Week 8, Wednesday 22 March 2023



Important Dates

MARCH

Wednesday 22

- 3 Way Conferences
- School Board Meeting

Thursday 23

- 3 Way Conferences

Friday 24

- Assembly 9.10am

Monday 27

- Chapel 9.00am led by Foundation/Yr1 class

Wednesday 29

- B&L District Athletics
- Parents & Friends Meeting 7.00pm at Kooky's Cafe

Friday 31

- Assembly 9.10am led by Yr 5/6 class

APRIL

Monday 3

- No Chapel

Thursday 6

- Afternoon Maundy Thursday Chapel Service 2.15pm led by 3/4 Class

Friday 7

- Good Friday

Monday 10

- Easter Monday

Birthday's this fortnight

Five/Six Class

Dan - 3rd April

Devotion ~ Submitted by Laura Anders

Love Others

"I am giving you a new commandment: Love each other. Just as I have loved you, you should love each other."

John 13:34



Loving others is EASY! Except, when it's your brother who's irritating you, or your mum who made you clean the bathroom, or your friend who won't give back your favourite pen, or the bully who won't stop teasing you at lunch. You get the idea.

Loving others is God's command. He doesn't mean only those who are easy to love. Of course, we have passing irritations with people we love, and we get over those. Loving our family and friends is usually pretty easy. It gets hard, though, when the person is hard to love for whatever reason. A classmate who's unfriendly. A person who scares you. A family member who says mean things. But that's what God's command says - 'Love others', and not just the easy ones.

Why is this a big deal? God first loved us! If He can love us with all our flaws, He expects us to love others too. It's our duty as His followers. So, enjoy loving the people who are easy to love. Really dig deep into your heart for how you can show love to those who aren't as easy. You can offer friendship. You can smile at the person who may be scary. You can pray for the family member who may say mean things. This is loving others.

Maybe you are good at writing nice notes to people or giving a great pep talk when someone is down. Think of how you can show love to someone this week and then give it a go.

Source: The hands on Bible: 365 Devotions

We are here to love each other, help each other and lift each other up.



Corisback Power



From the Principal ~ Ms Karen Leese

The spirit of St John's was alive last Friday during our annual Sports Day. Once again we were blessed with glorious sunshine and beautiful weather. It was a real joy to see many acts of kindness, sportsmanship and high levels of participation throughout the day. A big shout out to Mrs Kathy Cluse and Ms Jo Summerton for their organization and preparation that ensured Sports Day 2023 was enjoyed by all.

Bible Presentations

This Sunday, March 26, the Foundation and Year 3 students will receive their Bibles at St John's Lutheran Church during the 9am service. Our Foundation, Year 3 and School Captains who will be attending, are required to meet their class teacher in the narthex at 8.45am dressed in official Summer Uniform. Students who are receiving Bibles will be required to sit at the front of the church with their classroom teacher. After the Bible presentations, students will return to sit with their parents. I look forward to seeing you at St John's Lutheran Church this Sunday.

Working Bee

From little things, big things grow! What started as a few seeds at the beginning of the year is now becoming reality. I am still in awe at what our parent community achieved at the Working Bee on Saturday morning. I have never seen so many chainsaws, angle-grinders, hacksaws, hammers and shovels all working at the same time. From all of us to all of you who gave their gift of time, we say "Thank you!" Thank you for sharing your skills, tools and expertise. In one day we were able to level out the amphitheatre, tidy up the chooks pen, prune back the fruit trees, tidy up the shrubs and bushes on the boundary fence and build all the beds for our community garden. Our garden will be up and running before the end of term. The students are looking forward to growing vegetables and breathing life into our latest outdoor learning area.

3-Way Conferences

We look forward to having our annual 3 Way Conferences across the next two nights here at school starting today at 3:30pm. As a school we value agency and see our students as co-creators of their learning, and seen as equal partners in the goal setting process. 3 Way Conferences are designed to give a snapshot of learning and in partnership develop learning goals that are pertinent for each child. Please be mindful of the schedule and arrive at your allocated time. If you need to extend the conversation we ask that you book another convenient time with your child's classroom teacher later in the term.

School Dentist

The school dentist will be on site here at school on Friday. For those families who registered to have their children seen by the school dentist you will have received direct communication from the provider of this service in relation to your child/ren's appointments.

P&F Fundraisers

A big shout out to our wonderful parent volunteers who have supported the fundraising opportunities this term. Firstly, the Bullride and now the Farmers Market this weekend. Your gift of time is very much appreciated and we are very grateful to those who have put up your hands to help make these events a success. The fundraising levy was put in place several years ago to avoid parents having to feel burdened by multiple small fundraisers such as selling chocolates, bulbs etc. Outside fundraisers were always intended to be an important avenue to raise funds outside of the school and we have been very blessed to have the opportunity to do these two events. Well done St John's parents, you are awesome!

NAPLAN

Yesterday our Year 3 and Year 5 students finished their NAPLAN testing. These national tests provide valuable information for schools and are one of the many pieces of data we use to monitor progress over time. Although they are very important, NAPLAN does not measure how kind, thoughtful, compassionate or loving our learners are. And so, we look forward to the results and continuing our quest to nurture the whole child throughout the rest of 2023.

PYP Sharing Year 3/4 class ~ Submitted by Miss Anders & Mrs Schild

Transdisciplinary Theme:

How the World Works

Central Idea:

The properties of a material determine how it is used

Concepts: Function ~ Responsibility ~ Form

Lines of Inquiry:

- Common natural and human made materials and their uses
- The properties of materials and how this influences their use
- The environmental impact of the use of materials

Approaches to Learning: Social skills ~ Thinking skills

Learner Profile Attributes: Principled ~ Thinker

In our unit 'Properties of materials' students have been exploring the different vocabulary around describing the properties of materials. They discussed how Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people used natural materials and their knowledge of specific properties to build shelters. Students have begun building their own mini shelters with their knowledge of natural materials.



Nellie and Ella focus on creating a strong structure



Jonathan and Paddy working on coverage to ensure their shelter is waterproof



Yearly Unit Overview

Transdisciplinary Theme:

How We Express Ourselves

Central Idea:

People come together to celebrate

Concepts: Form ~ Perspective ~ Connection

Lines of Inquiry:

- Types of celebrations
- Reasons for celebrating
- Cultural Celebrations

Approaches to Learning: Research skills

Learner Profile Attributes: Open-minded & Communicators

To begin our year-long unit 'People come together to celebrate,' students completed a gallery walk around the classroom viewing different images of celebrations. They had to become an 'Inquirer' and show 'Open-Mindedness' whilst discussing what they believed the celebration might be and where in the world it is celebrated. Currently, we have been reflecting on different religious celebrations. We inquired into Shabbat (Sabbath), Rosh Hashanah which is the celebration of creation, Yom Kippur, Sukkot and Hanukkah which is the Festival of Light. These are all Jewish celebrations that have a connection to Christianity. Students are in the process of choosing a Jewish celebration they would like to delve deeper into.



Lewis, Jessica, Jacob & Rachel completing their gallery walk

Sports Day ~ From the PE Coordinator Mrs Kathy Cluse

Our annual Sports Day was a great success last Friday where the weather was warm but perfect and the students very enthusiastic participants. A day like this would not be possible without the help of a large number of parents who assisted in a variety of roles on the day. Thank you to everyone who played a role – we truly appreciate your support.

The day started with the Tabloid Events for students under 9 years of age and the Championship and Novelty Events for students 9 years and over. After lunch the students participated in the sprint, relay and hurdle events with some water fun included. This was followed by the much-anticipated race for the Pre-Schoolers and lastly the Staff, Parent and Student race.

Congratulations to the following winners of our Championship Events and Sprints:

Age Group	Name	First place in	Age Group	Name	First place in
5/6 Yr old boys	Bryce l'Anson	Sprints	5/6 Yr old girls	Hannah Saegenschnitter	Sprints
7 yr old boys	Thomas Neal	Sprints	7 Yr old girls	Lacey Reese	Sprints
8 Yr old boys	Landen Heidrich	Sprints	7 Yr old girls	Addison Williams	Sprints
9 Yr old boys	Jonathan Niemz	Long Jump, High jump	9 Yr old girls	Nellie Mepstead	Sprints, Long Jump, Discus, Shot Put, High Jump
9 Yr old boys	Lewis Boxall	Sprints, Discus, Shot Put, 800m	9 Yr old girls	Harriet Mosey	800m
10 Yr old boys	Sonny Geister	Sprints, Long Jump, 800m	10 Yr old girls	Bethany Jenke	Sprints, 800m
10 Yr old boys	Tyler Heidrich	Discus	10 Yr old girls	Rachel Schutz	Long Jump, High jump
10 Yr old boys	Charlie Boxall	Shot Put, High Jump	10 Yr old girls	Maria l'Anson	Discus, Shot Put
11 Yr old boys	Harry Niemz	Sprints, Long Jump, Discus, Shot Put, High Jump	11 Yr old girls	Emma Doering	Sprints, Long Jump, High Jump
12 Yr old boys	Dan Ross	Sprints, 800m	11 Yr old girls	Ayla Schutz	Discus, Shot Put, 800m
12 Yr old boys	Marty Mosey	Long Jump, Discus, Shot Put, High Jump,	12 Yr old girls	Bridget Williams	Sprints, High Jump
			12 Yr old girls	Julia l'Anson	Long Jump, 800m
			12 Yr old girls	Marissa Ross	Discus, Shot Put

Record Breaker – Special mention and congratulations to Tyler Heidrich who set a new record of 21.50m for the 10 year old boys discus. The previous record of 20.28m was set in 2020 and was held by Bryce Heidrich (Tyler's brother)

All students should be very proud of their achievements. It was great to see all the effort they had put in during PE lessons paying off. Thank you to both the Thiele and Emmaus house and vice-captains for your great organisational skills and encouragement of the students in their events.

The day concluded with the announcement of the final scores; In first place with a score of 623 was Thiele and in second place with a score of 566 was Emmaus. The St John's Sports Day Shield was presented by Mrs Kathy Cluse to the Thiele house captains and vice-captains, Bridget Williams, Julia l'Anson, Marty Mosey and Harry Niemz. Congratulations to Team Thiele on your win!



NEWSFLASH!!!

After the recent SAPSASA District Swimming Event we were delighted to received the news last week that our school was awarded Overall District Champion School for this event. Well done to our Swim Team!



Sports Day Snapshots ~



Prayer & Care Corner



This Week we pray for the following staff and school families;

Angela Dunstan	Amy Mepstead
Jo Summerton	Jade and Jo Mosey
Steve Wegener	Jarred and Andrea Mosey
Janine Falkenberg	Patrick and Karen Neal

Church Times ~ Eudunda/Robertstown Lutheran Parish

Sunday 26 March 2023

Eudunda	9.00	Pastor David Gogoll
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Bible Presentations – Parish Service.

All families of the school invited to come along

Sunday 2 April 2023

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

Parents & Friends News

The planning committee have met and are in the process of organizing the Mother's Day Morning Tea. We are asking local stall holders to come along. A call for helpers will be sent out to families soon with some tasks to help make the morning run smoothly. All families will be given invites to share and promote as this is a wonderful opportunity to have family, community and visitors come to the school for a Devonshire tea, spoiling the mums with some gifts to purchase and fellowship. Save the date.



Community News

TOM CURTAIN
NOTHIN'S GONNA STOP US TOUR
 KATHERINE OUTBACK EXPERIENCE,
 CHRIS MATTHEWS & MELISSA FRASER
 Family friendly event:
 • 1hr National award-winning Outback Horse & Dog Show
 • 1.5hr Live music

EUDUNDA
 FRIDAY 31 MARCH 2023

EUDUNDA SHOWGROUND
 FRI 31 MAR | GATES OPEN 5PM | SHOW 6-8:30PM
 ONLINE TICKETS: ADULT \$40 | STUDENTS (6-17YR) \$25 | KIDS (5YR&U) FREE
 DOOR TICKETS: ADULT \$50 | STUDENTS (6-17YR) \$35 | CHILDREN (5YR&U) FREE
 FOOD AND DRINKS AVAIL | BYO CHAIRS

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ROBERTSTOWN PEACE HALL TURNS 100!

ROBERTSTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL
 100 Years

Come along, mix and mingle
 Merchandise, BBQ lunch, sweets, cool drink & coffee
 available to purchase

APRIL 16 2023
 3 Corey Street, Robertstown

10:30am Arrival / Register
 11:30am Photos
 12:30pm Official Proceedings
 - Speeches
 - Launching of recipe book
 - Opening of time capsule

Come and celebrate Robertstown Primary School turning 100! In conjunction with the Robertstown Peace Hall Centenary celebrations.

Please RSVP by 31st March 2023
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*HELD IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE ROBERTSTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL
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