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Term One, Week 2, Wednesday 8 February 2023

Important Dates

FEBRUARY

Wednesday 8

- Swimming lessons for all year levels

Thursday 9

- Swimming lessons for all year levels
- Welcome BBQ & Parent Information Night at the school from 5.00pm

Friday 10

- Assembly 9.00am

Monday 13

- Chapel at 9.00am

Wednesday 15

- Swimming Lessons for all year levels

Thursday 16

- Swimming lessons for all year levels

Friday 17

- Swimming Carnival

Monday 20

- Chapel at 9.00am led by Pastor David Gogoll

Tuesday 21

- Shrove Tuesday – pancakes served at recess



BIRTHDAYS THIS FORTNIGHT

Foundation/One

Levi - 21 February

Five/Six

Charlotte - 6 February



Sliding in to a new school year! It was smiles all round on the playground from our new Foundation children as we started the 2023 school year. Welcome to St John's Seth, Ellie, Levi and Alby!

Devotion ~ Submitted by Sue Denholm

A New School Year

Wise people should also listen carefully, so that they learn something new. And people with clever minds can learn to live in a good way. Proverbs 1:5



The first week of school is exciting with new stationery, lunch boxes and uniforms, we look forward to seeing our friends and catching up with the things they have been doing, but sometimes we worry about the unknowns. We find ourselves wondering what if ...

There will always be unknowns. There will always be things outside of our control. There will always be bumps in the road. Whatever comes, we can deal with it with God's help.

The what-ifs in life only have power over me when I forget what-is. God is with us. For what lies ahead is no mystery to him. He knows the crosses he will ask me to bear, and he knows how he will help me carry them. I don't need to wonder what will happen. I know, that whatever comes, I will deal with it with God's help.

Lord Jesus, I ask for Your help as I begin this new school year. Allow me to experience Your presence in the many blessings You put before me. Open my eyes to the new challenges and exciting opportunities that this new school year brings. Open my heart and mind to new friends and new teachers. Give me a generous spirit to be enthusiastic with my studies and courage to accept new opportunities. Help me to be attentive to my teachers and let me experience Your presence in my new friends. Jesus, inspire me to do my best this year.

Amen

Adapted from
Back to School Devotions for Kids and Families
<https://0901.nccdn.net/2-minute-back-to-school>



From the Principal ~ Ms Karen Leese

Off to a great start!

What a wonderful start to the new school year. Over the past week, it has been a real joy getting to know all your sons and daughters. A big shout out to all our classroom and specialist teachers. It is a credit the way you have skilfully designed the learning environments to in a very short amount of time, you have made each child feel safe, welcomed and excited about the year ahead. As St John's we value parents as partners and so, we thank you for the very important role you have played in helping create a positive energy around campus this past week. 2023, there's a lot to like!

Seedlings

Have you sown your seeds already? Be sure to send through photos of how your seeds are growing. I wonder how long it will take before you see little shoots... Throughout the term, I invite you share your theories and ideas about how plants grow from seeds. I encourage you to think like a scientist with your drawings, labelled photos and explanations to prove which herb or herbs you are growing. If you would like some more seeds, see Mrs Grosser, Mrs Mosey or myself in the office. We are looking forward to watching you grow this year, as well as our gardens.



Swimming Lessons

Swimming Lessons are off to a great Start! With the blessing of lovely warm weather. Students have been eager to participate in lessons supported by their instructor Ms Summerton and its been wonderful to see them heading back to school with smiles on their faces and stories to share.



Welcome BBQ and Parent Information Night

We look forward to some fellowship, a bbq and sharing some key aspects of our learning programme with you tomorrow night. Our BBQ will start at 5:00pm before moving into the formal part of the evening. I Look forward to seeing you there.

Swimming Carnival

Save the date! Next Friday 17 February is our annual Swimming Carnival. We look forward with great anticipation to having many of our school families join us at the pool to share in all the fun and excitement that this day brings. Thank you in advance to our Parents & Friends group who will be offering Hot Dogs for lunch on this day!

Seeking relief bus drivers

We would love to hear from anyone who may be interested in being added to our list of relief bus drivers. As a minimum you would need to hold a current LR licence and have a valid Working with Children Check. Please contact the school office if you, or anyone you know would be interested in being a relief bus driver for St John's.

Ipad Cords – message from Mrs Brenda Verrall

We are missing a number of ipad cords that have the USB component. If you have any spare at home, and can assist us, please send them in so that all classes have access to charged ipads.

School News

Forms Packages

A reminder to please return your completed form packages which were sent home on book collection day, to the front office. If you are unsure whether you have done so, please contact the front office to check. Thank you to all the families that have returned the necessary forms so promptly.

School Captains / House Captains

Our school and House Captains are looking forward to demonstrating and developing their leadership skills in their various roles for the school this year.



School Captains Bridget Williams & Marty Mosey



Thiele House Captains Marty Mosey & Bridget Williams and Vice Captains Julia I'Anson & Harry Niemz



Emmaus House Captains Marissa Ross & Dan Ross and Vice Captains India Cluse & Grace Jenke

Class Awards Week 1



Congratulations to the Class Award Recipients for Week 1

L-R: Fyn Rowett (year 1/2 class), Landen Heidrich (Year 1/2 class), Zeth Prasad (Year 3/4 class), Grace Schutz (Year 5/6 class)

 Well done!

Schultüte Presentation

At the beginning of each school year, St John's Lutheran School embraces the beautiful German tradition of gifting 'Schultüten' to the youngest members of our school.

The year 5's (with help of some year 4's and 6's) have lovingly made these in German class and filled them with some stationery items and lollies. They were presented at last Monday's chapel to our current Foundation students: Ellie, Alby, Macey, Levi, Hannah and Seth.

We wish them all the best for their first year of school!

Frau Zeller, German Teacher



PYP Sharing – Mrs Denhom's Foundation / Year One Class

Transdisciplinary Theme:

How we express ourselves

Central Idea: Signs and symbols can be used to communicate a message

Concepts: Perspective ~ Connection

Lines of Inquiry:

- Signs and symbols
- Features used to communicate locally and globally
- Reasons for signs and symbols

Approaches to Learning: Communication skills

Learner Profile Attributes: Knowledgeable ~ Communicators

This week Year One students worked with Foundation students to record information about their summer holiday activities. Students used words and pictures to communicate their message. Students were Communicators when they talked and listened to each other and our Year One students were Knowledgeable when they recorded ideas.



Scholastic Book Club

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Prayer & Care Corner



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

Boxall Family – Jason and Carly	Karen Leese
Brown Family – Terry and Peter	Sonya Mosey
Cluse Family – David and Kathy	Sue Denholm
Connor Family – Matthew and Sarah	Brenda Verrall

Community News

FEMALE FOOTBALL PLAYERS WANTED



The Northern Plains Female Football Competition is starting on the 19th February 2023 for a 7-week season. The age groups are 7-11 (Development Group), Under 14 & Under 17.

If you would like to play football, please contact one of the following contacts for more information.

7-11 Dev Grp	Katie	0411 404 052
Angle Vale	Renae	0413 760 161
Balaklava	Richard	0448 130 274
Blyth/Snowtown	Jeremy	0408 890 805
Hamley Bridge	Gavin	0447 511 177
Mallala	Ruth	0409 671 633
Min Man	Brett	0456 778 451
North Clare	Stuart	0417 830 702
Two Wells	Martyn	0487 701 559

Church Times

Eudunda/Robertstown Lutheran Parish



Sunday 12 February 2023

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

Sunday 19 February 2023

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