



Learning to Serve

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Term Two, Week 6, Wednesday 7 June 2023

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Important Dates

JUNE

Friday 9

- Assembly led by the Year F/1 class 9.10am in the school hall

Monday 12

- Public Holiday

Tuesday 13

- No DECD Buses due to EAS
Pupil Free day

Friday 16

- Assembly led by the Year 3/4 class 9.10am in the school hall

Monday 19

- Chapel led by Faith Lutheran College – Josh Hein/Steve Wilksch 9.00am in the school hall
- P&F meeting to be held after Chapel

Friday 23

- Assembly 9.10am in the school hall with Ms Leese
- Yr 5/6 class CSI Day at Faith Lutheran College

Monday 26

- No Chapel



We acknowledge those who are having a birthday this fortnight

Year 1/2

Thomas Neal – 15 June

Year 3/4

Ella Doering – 8 June

Jonathan Niemz – 12 June

Staff

Mrs Verrall – 19 June



Our beautiful fence weaving skills for Harmony Week are now finished and making the school colourful

Devotion ~ Submitted by Lynn Grosser

Gratitude

Give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus. "1 Thessalonians 5:18".

An amazing opportunity stands before us to help shape the lives of our children as they grow into adults of the future. The Bible teaches us to be thankful in all circumstances (1 Thess 5:18). These instructions are good to consider, but how do we teach our children and ourselves to be thankful – to show gratitude to others?

Gratitude is the quality of being thankful; readiness to show appreciation for and to return kindness. Sounds easy! Gratitude is vitally important to one's happiness. However, it is very easy to get caught up in our daily lives, and the woes that go with it, and forget to be grateful for what we have. If it is hard for adults to remember to be grateful for what they have, then it should come as no surprise that kids often end up acting infuriatingly entitled.

So how do we go about teaching kids gratitude?

First and foremost, they need to see their parents and the adults around them modelling an attitude of gratitude. We all need to work on that!

Secondly, we can talk to them about it, but experience has shown that kids always learn better by 'doing'. They need to 'do' something and get messy, active, artistic, or silly, in order to have something really sink in. Also, many things need to be done a number of times to become a good habit or attitude.

May God bless you as you go about your day being happy and full of gratitude. Give thanks to the Lord for He is good!



From the Principal ~ Ms Karen Leese

Reminder - No DECD Buses

Enjoy the long weekend and day off on Monday 12 June. Please remember that due to the Eudunda Area School having a Pupil Free Day on Tuesday 13 June, there will be no DECD buses operating on this day. This is a normal school day for St John's, therefore, parents will need to consider alternative transport for their children to and from school on this day. The St John's School Bus will operate as normal.

Office Emails

Thank you to all for updating your emails so all school matters are now emailed to the office email address - office@sjls.sa.edu.au This email address is shared by all members of staff who work in the administration area. This way we can be sure that important messages such as absentees, bus changes, early departures are followed up accordingly.

Chapel Visitor

On Monday 19 June, we welcome Faith Lutheran College Principal, Mr Steven Wilksch and Chaplain, Mr Josh Hein who will be leading our weekly Chapel service. We are blessed to have Faith College as our Lutheran Education feeder school. Come along and enjoy this time of worship and fellowship over a cuppa.

Garden Name

It is time for us to vote on the three most popular garden names. They are The Patch, Eden and St John's Patch. Please click on the link below and cast your vote. The Voting Poll is open to all students and families. [Cast your Vote](#)



Reports

Our hardworking teachers are currently collating the data they have collected over the first semester for each child. They will use this data to make informed decisions and write comments on each child's progress and achievements using the Australian Curriculum and International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme requirements. This year each child's report will be emailed directly to families as a PDF file. This document can be printed at home and placed into each child's Report Folder. These will be sent home to new families towards the end of term. It is intended that a Reporting Folder can be used throughout your child's learning journey at St John's.

Thank you for your Maker Space Contributions

A big thank you to all the family and friends who have been collecting lids, bottles and other items for our Maker Space. We would still love to add more of the following items to the collection. There's so many things we can design using bottle tops, plastic or metal, lids all shapes and sizes, loose buttons, old cotton reels, string, wool and yarn. Copper wire, balloons, any old incomplete dominoe sets, plastic tubing, velcro, foam, bubblewrap aluminium bendy wire, fishing line, bamboo skewers, tooth picks, old wire coat hangers, cork stoppers, glass jars and left over ribbon can be repurposed in so many different ways. We can let our imaginations go wild with all sorts of cardboard rolls, material off cuts, old knitting and sewing needles that you no longer use. We promise you will get a much more creative product in return.



Class Awards Week 4 & 5



Class Award recipients - Week 4

Back Row L-R: Maria I'Anson (Yr 5/6), Brooke Schaefer (Yr 5/6) Front Row L-R: Chloe Rowett (Yr 1/2), Lacey Reese (Yr F/1) and Layla Rowett (Yr 1/2),



Class Award recipients - Week 5

Back Row L-R: Harriet Mosey (Yr 3/4), Dan Ross (Yr 5/6), Bethany Jenke (Yr 3/4). Front Row L-R: Thomas Doecke (Yr 1/2), Grace Jenke (Yr F/1) and Aleck Schutz (Yr 1/2).

Barossa and Light SAPSASA Football

By Marty Mosey

In week 4, from Monday to Wednesday I went to the SAPSASA Football to represent the Barossa and Light. We had to play 9 games in 3 days. We lost the first 2 games by a bit and the third game we played; we won by 1 point. The next game we won the first 2 games and lost the last game. On the last day of the carnival, we won all 3 games. I made lots of new friends, it was great fun and a great experience.

By Charli Brown

I travelled to Baler Reserve at West Beach to compete in the SAPSASA girls' football for the Barossa and Light. In total, we played 9 games, 3 per day. We started playing on Monday till Wednesday. I played forward and a bit of ruck. We won 7 out of the 9 games. If we had scored 1 more goal, we would have won overall, we came 2nd. Southern Fleurieu won but we were in Division 1, so we were against the tougher teams. I made lots of new friends and it was a great experience.



Parents & Friends Meeting

The next P&F meeting was scheduled to be a nightly meeting however, there has been change of plans and we will meet on Monday 19 June after Chapel and a cuppa. We apologise if this has caused an inconvenience. At the meeting, Ms Leese will venture outside with parents to look at the outdoor learning spaces and we will then collaborate, share ideas and vision of how we can continue to improve these spaces for the students and what funds would be needed to do so. P&F is a wonderful way to be involved in the school and to have input into how fundraising money can be spent for the benefit of our students. You are all most welcome to attend.



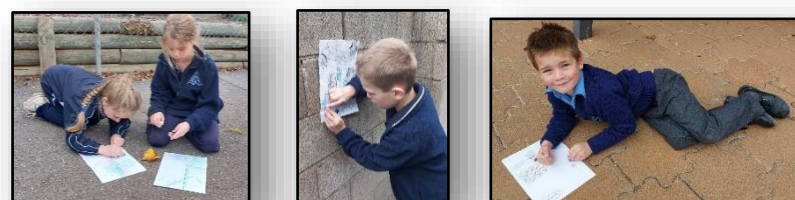
A snapshot from the Art room ~ Submitted by Edith Zeller

The Year 5/6 class is finishing off their Who We Are UOI with the Central Idea based around wellbeing. We have linked this to our art lessons through various activities combining mindfulness and art. Students have expressed their thoughts and emotions through their artwork and learned techniques to calm, relax and focus with art. One of the outcomes are the posters shared in last weeks newsletter that link with German. The art component in this task was to visually express their personal wellbeing in shape and colour.

The Year 3/4 class has started a Where We Are in Place & Time UOI at the beginning of this term. The Central Idea of this unit is based around how places have connections to people. We are linking this in art lessons by looking at forms of interpreting and depicting landscape through our artworks. The students have been working with photographs of iconic Australian landscapes and have experimented with different art media to create a fractioned artwork. They have used a different material for each of the four squares: coloured pencil, crayons, felt textas and watercolour.



Yr F/1 and 1/2 Class



The Year Foundation/1 and Year 1/2 class have started a Sharing the Planet UOI about 'living things' at the beginning of this term. As mentioned in the previous newsletter, I am linking both art and German through the storybook of 'The Mixed-Up Chameleon'. In art lessons, students are using their imagination to come up with their own mixed-up creatures using animal features from different species. We are also looking at the artists technique of creating the book and are in the process of making colourful paper with interesting textures to be later cut up and used for our own collages. The students have embraced this creative process with lots of enthusiasm.

We are blessed in many ways



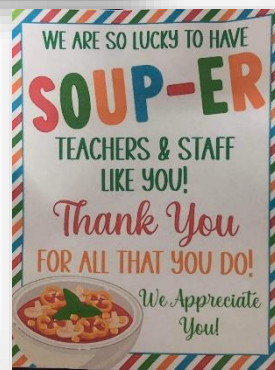
We are very blessed with wonderful parent volunteers that provide our students and staff with Special Menu's during the term. The Spaghetti Bolognese got the thumbs up from us all and our tummy's were full.



Students have been inquiring into what reconciliation means and why we celebrate it. We are blessed that we can encourage our students to 'Be a voice for generations'.



We say a BIG thank you to SSKIDS Tyres for the pallets and tyres that now add a new dimension to our creativity with play. We are blessed to have supportive businesses in our local community.



We are blessed to have caring and supportive Class and Staff Carers who encourage and give positive affirmation to the staff on a regular basis. Last week staff were spoilt with some delicious hot soup for lunch. Thank you!

Prayer & Care Corner



This fortnight we pray for the following staff and school families:

Brad and Bronwen Ross	Laura Anders
Joe and Lauren Ross	Shelley Schild
Nathan and Amy Rowett	Angela Dunstan
Danny Rowett and Becky Richards	Sonya Mosey
Steve Wegener	Lisa Pfitzner
Jo Summerton	Janine Falkenberg

Church Times ~ Eudunda/Robertstown Lutheran Parish

Sunday 11 June

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

Sunday 18 June

Eudunda	9.00am	LR	
Peep Hill	8.30am	LR	
Point Pass	8.30am	LR	
Robertstown	8.30am	HC	Pastor Peter Pfitzner
Geranium Plain	10.30am	HC	Pastor Peter Pfitzner

KIDS FOR CHRIST

The Term 2 KFC will be held THIS Friday 9 June at the St John's School Hall, from 3.10 pm to 5.30pm All children are welcome, especially new children. Pre-school children may attend if accompanied by a parent or grandparent. Come along as we resume our 2022-2023 theme "Animal Tales". For further details and bookings (by Thursday 8 June), please contact Chris Doecke on 0488 047861.

Community News

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JOIN US FOR
CRAFTS, ACTIVITIES,
GAMES AND READING

AGES 10+


CHANGE OF DAY

FRIDAY JUNE 16TH

3.45PM

**SADDLEWORTH LIBRARY
AND COMMUNITY CENTRE**

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FOR BOOKINGS AND ENQUIRIES



Eudunda Miniature Debutante Ball

Friday 23rd June 2023

Time: 7:00p.m. doors open for 7:30p.m. presentation of debutantes

Cost: \$20 High School age and beyond
\$10 Primary School age
Free Under 4 years

Dress: Formal Attire

Supper: A light supper will be provided at the conclusion of the presentation.

