

Informer

Term Two, Week 8, Wednesday 21 June 2023

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Important Dates

JUNE

Thursday 22

• Special Menu (Tacos) served at lunch time

Friday 23

- Assembly 9.10am in the school hall led by the Yr F/1class
- Yr 5/6 class CSI Day at Faith Lutheran College

Monday 26

No Chapel

Friday 30

- Casual Day Wear Your PJ's
- Closing Term 2 Chapel led by Ms Leese at 2.30pm in the school hall

Monday 31 - Friday 7 July

 Staff Professional Development

JULY



Monday 24

• Term 3 starts with Opening Chapel at 9.00am with Ms Leese. Morning tea supplied by the P&F

We acknowledge those who are having a birthday this fortnight

Year 1/2

Chloe- 26 June Thomas D – 28 June



Year 3/4 Sonny – 25 June

Happy Birthday Zeth 25 – June

Birthdays in the holidays (July) Bridget – 8, Mrs Falkenberg – 15, Bethany – 23, Mitchell – 24, Haadi – 25.



Devotion ~ Submitted by Edith Zeller

Holidays

I will give thanks to You, Lord, with all my heart; I will tell of all Your wonderful deeds. (Psalm 9:1)

There aren't too many people who do not look forward to holidays. It is always nice to know that there is a break in the near future. However, there are some people who truly focus on up-and-coming holidays with all their heart.

These people count down to their next vacation and are committed to marking each day off on their calendar. Thanks to the over sharing nature of social media, there are even some who keep their friends updated daily with how many days until they head off on holidays!

All their spare change goes towards their holiday spending and all their spare time is spent trawling the Internet for activities they can engage in while they are away from work. A new vacation wardrobe is purchased and every conversation tends to find its way around to talking about the pending trip!

You may not go quite to this extreme, but I know that I certainly look forward to a break from work. I get excited by the anticipation of time away from alarms and deadlines. When I read in Psalm 9 that the writer gives thanks to the Lord with all his heart, it made me realise that it is easy for me to look forward to holidays with all my heart, but I don't always give thanks to God with all my heart. The anticipation I have for taking a break is easily more focused upon than looking forward to connecting and praising God.

Don't get me wrong, holidays are great, important and often well-needed, however, our God gives us purpose, loves us unconditionally, and fills a void that no grand holiday will even come close to fulfilling.

Happy Holidays!









From the Principal ~ Ms Karen Leese

New student and Foundation Mid-Year Orientation

We welcome back the Iram family to St John's after their time in India. Raheema has recommenced in the Year 4 class and Abdul Haadi has started his transition to school program, in readiness for him to commence his schooling with us at the beginning of Term 3. We wish them God's blessings as they join our school community. Please look out for them and make them feel welcomed.

Garden Name

Thank you to all who voted online for the naming of the garden. We are pleased to announce that the winning garden name is 'St John's Patch'. We will be adding a sign to the arch-way in the near future which will continue to make the garden a special place that we all love to visit. Next time you are on campus be sure to wander up to the St John's Patch and have a look. I wonder what we will be able to cook with our delicious produce next term?

Reports

This coming Friday on June 30, each child's Semester One Written Report will be emailed directly to you. The end of semester written report is the collation of a wide range of assessment and documentation strategies we use at St John's to monitor and understand each child's unique learning journey. An information letter regarding reports will be emailed to families on Monday.

Staffing Updates for Semester Two

On behalf of the whole school community I wish to pass on our thanks to Sonya Mosey who has blessed our school over many years with love, passion and thoroughness. We will miss her smiles, warm welcomes, diligent work, her love for children and her servant heart. We wish Sonya God's richest blessings for all her future endevours.

Brenda Verrall and Shelley Schild will be taking Leave in Term 3. On behalf of all of us here at St John's I wish them both all the best as they take a break to recharge their batteries, renew their enthusiasm and energy for their work here with us at St John's.

We have been blessed with having Katrina Loveday here for her 3rd year UniSA placement, which is now complete. I am pleased to advise that Katrina will be continuing with us one day a week doing some LSO work in the area of Performing Arts. Katrina has a real passion for dance, music and choir which we are keen to embrace and are looking forward to the opportunities this will bring for our students.

Professional Development Week

Staff will be at school for the week 31 June - 7 July for a series of Professional Development activities, including a CPR update and a staff retreat. Our office and anciliary staff will also be attending these events as well as general tidying up and finishing off activities for the semester.

Have a safe and refreshing break

On behalf of all of our staff, we wish you a relaxing and restful break. It has been a very busy semester and this will be a much needed chance for us to all take time to feel refreshed and rested. We all look forward to seeing you when we return to school on Monday 24 July. Happy Holidays!



Class Awards Week 6 & 7



Class Award recipients - Week 6

Back Row L-R: Paddy Ross (Yr 3/4), Harry Niemz (Yr 5/6), Mitchell Schaefer (Yr 3/4). Front Row L-R: Ted Plueckhahn (Yr 1/2), Seth Schutz (Yr F/1).



Class Award recipients - Week 7

Back Row L-R: Jacob Schutz (Yr 1/2), India Cluse (Yr 5/6), Emma Doering (Yr 5/6), Jessica Preston (Yr 3/4). Front Row L-R: Austin Schutz (Yr F/1), Mason Schutz (Yr F/1.)

SRC Semester One Report ~ Submitted by Laura Anders

This semester the SRC has been busy making suggestions and decisions regarding school issues. They have planned 2 Casual Days raising money for a variety of charities. They have assisted with the decision-making process of naming the school garden, put forward ideas for the schools 120th year celebrations in 2024 and ran a successful Mother's Day stall. All representatives have eagerly participated, sharing ideas and opinions during meetings. Our next Casual Day on Friday week 9 will raise money for Lutheran Care who support with emergency relief services of food, vouchers, bedding and linen.

I would like to thank the School Captains and the Semester One SRC members who have done an amazing job at being the student voice for their classes. I look forward working with the Semester Two SRC members next term once voting has taken place.



SAPSASA News ~ Submitted by Kathy Cluse

Congratulations to Marty Mosey and Sonny Geister who represented the Barossa and Light for the State Cross Country Carnival on Thursday 8 June. Both boys ran a wonderful race in wet and cold conditions, finishing in the 1st half of runners. Well done boys, we are very proud of you.

All the best to Marissa Ross, Bridget Williams and India Cluse who have been selected in the Barossa and Light SAPSASA netball team. They will play at the SA Netball Stadium in Week 9 with Mrs Cluse as coach. We wish them all the best and look forward to hearing how they go.





A snapshot from PE Lessons ~ Submitted by Jo Summerton

This term during our PE lessons, we are having four sessions with Cherie from Tri Skills. We will be focusing on gymnastic skills, which are transferable and helpful skills to many other sports and daily activities.

Our theme for the first week was "shape". We learnt the safe way to land -"the motorbike" and shapes such as bear, tuck, straight/tall and star. We had 4 stations with 4 activities at each station.

The second session was focussed on "rotation". Many opportunities were given to rotate on a horizontal and vertical axis, and even mid air!

Students have been brave in trying new skills, challenging themselves to better techniques and already there have been improvements.



Life in the garden ~ from little things, big things grow ____

























Prayer & Care Corner

This fortnight we pray for those who volunteer and serve in our school community:

Class Carers School Board Parents & Friends



We pray for:

All school families and staff	Staff as they engage	Good health in the	Our hard working staff
for a restful and refreshing	and enjoy PD week	winter months	and parent volunteers
holiday period			

Church Times ~ Eudunda/Robertstown Lutheran Parish

Sunday 25 June

Eudunda	10.30am	НС	Pastor Les Pfeiffer
Robertstown	10.00am	LR	
Neales Flat	10.30am	НС	Pastor Peter Kriewaldt
Point Pass	8.30am	НС	Pastor Les Pfeiffer

Sunday 2 July

Eudunda	9.00am	LR	
Peep Hill	8.30am	НС	Pastor Graham Jenke
Point Pass	10.30am	НС	Pastor Graham Jenke
Geranium Plain	10.30am	НС	

For church times during the school holidays please visit the website - https://www.erlp.org.au

Community News

Guitar Tuition

If anyone is interested in regular Guitar lessons, please contact Gary Briggs on 0413867343 to discuss options.

\$25 for half hour lessons









Monday 24 July 9.00am in the school hall

Foin us for this time of worship as we start the term

Morning tea supplied by the P&F
We hope you can join us