

# St. Peter's Lutheran Primary School

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School No. 1577

"Grow in Grace"

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## PRAISE THE LORD

A well known hymn has a chorus which tells us to

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord,

Let the people rejoice

O, come to the Father,

Through Jesus the Son,

And give him the glory,

Great things he has done.

As I reflect on the commencement of the year I can certainly think of many things for which I can praise the Lord, Here are a few examples: I am in good health.

I have been fortunate to travel safely to and from Dimboola, especially with those speedy gigantic trucks on the road.

I have a supportive wife and family  
Staff members are cooperative, have a sense of humor and are giving of their best with the knowledge they have.

Parents attended our information evening and help out in the classroom.

Praise the lord also for the Students who:

- Place their rubbish in the bins to keep our school grounds neat and tidy.
- Use their manners, like please, thank you and excuse me, appropriately.
- Listen attentively in class.
- Welcome and help new class members.
- Try hard despite difficulties.

I can even praise the Lord for the beautiful weather for our swimming, which enable us to have many successful days.

Leon Kroehn

DIMBOOLA LUTHERAN PARISH

**Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> February**

**9am Katyil (HC) 11am Dimboola (HC)**

All welcome to attend.

Any child at SPLS is welcome to attend Sunday School at St Peter's Dimboola on Sundays during the school term. Children in 4-year-old kindergarten would also be most welcome. Questions? Contact Pastor Martin (5389 1360), Joy Wundersitz Jnr (5389 1568) or Val Albrecht (5389 4294).

This week we pray for the Barry and Coulthard families.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### FEBRUARY

Friday 20<sup>th</sup>

Monday 23<sup>rd</sup>

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>

Thursday 26<sup>th</sup>

Friday 27<sup>th</sup>

### MARCH

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup>

Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup>

Monday 9<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup>

Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup>

Sunday 29<sup>th</sup>

Monday 30<sup>th</sup>

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup>

### APRIL

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup>

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>

Friday 3<sup>rd</sup>

Sunday 5<sup>th</sup>

Friday 10<sup>th</sup>

P & F BBQ @ school

ICT Learning Di Wilson 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>

Swimming 1:15-2:15 pm

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Shrove Tuesday-**Pancake Day**

NO PREPS

Music lessons commence

Swimming. Carnival 11.30-3pm

Church AGM

School Council 7:30pm

NO PREPS

Labour Day – public holiday

No Preps

School Photos

NO PREPS

NO PREPS

School Church Service 9am

Parent teacher interviews

Parent teacher interviews

NO PREPS

Arts Council-Puppets in Horsham

Sports Day

Term 1 ends

Buses leave 2:30pm

Daylight Savings Ends

Good Friday

## AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

Students participating in the Cricket, After School Activities will have the opportunity to join students from Nhill in an Under 12's Twilight game. We are still in talks with the Victorian Cricket Association and Rural Cricket, and are yet to confirm a venue and date. More details to follow.

Parents are welcome to suggest ideas for student participation for After School Activities.

## NEWSFLASH!!

Even though the Cricket session has been filled we can now accept more students if they wish to join in and have the chance to play in an Under 12 cricket match. If you need a form please contact Taanya, 53891 626.

### PANCAKE DAY

Don't forget that Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> is Shrove Tuesday, we will be providing pancakes at school for students at the cost of a **gold coin donation**. We will be having these at recess time with some toppings provided also. **All proceeds will be going towards the Bushfire Appeal.**

### BUSHFIRE APPEAL

The students have unanimously decided they would like all proceeds from their weekly chapel offering during Term 1 to be donated to the Victorian Bushfire appeal. Chapel Offerings are entirely freewill.

### MUSIC

Mrs. Monica Revell will commence music lessons at school for Term one on Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> February. Years 3-6 will be from 1:45pm and Prep-2 will commence at 2:30pm.

### SCHOOL COUNCIL PARENT NOMINATIONS

The term for office for parent representatives on School Council is one year. This means that we need to elect two representatives to Council each year. A nomination form with more details is attached, this is to be returned no later than Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February. Current parent members are Simon King and Tammy Smith.

### PARENTS AND FRIENDS BBQ

All families and friends of the school are invited to a BBQ tea on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> February, to be held at school. This is an opportunity for all parents, staff and friends of the school to get together and meet new families. **You are asked to bring your meat, utensils, drinks and chairs.** Salads and fresh fruit will be provided.

### CHURCH SERVICE

Can you please let a staff member know if your child/children is able to participate in the School Church Service on Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> March, your co-operation in replying early would be appreciated.

### HATS

Students are reminded that they need to wear their hats at school. Students without the correct uniform hat are not permitted to play out in the sun. They are required to stay under the shaded areas during play time.

"No hat, no play"

Please contact Suzi Wouters if you require one.

### PRINCIPALS AWARDS

Next week we will be commencing Principal's Awards.

### WISE WORDS

Taken from St. Pauls Lutheran Primary School Newsletter:

- "I am careful not to confuse excellence with perfection. Excellence I can reach for; Perfection is God's business." – Michael J Fox
- "When you are content to be simply yourself and don't compare or compete, everybody will respect you." – Lao-Tzu
- "You don't stop laughing because you grow old. You grow old because you stop laughing." – Michael Pritchard

### SCHOOL PHOTOS

Students are to be in full summer uniform for school photos on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March. Polished shoes would be preferable. Any problems with the uniform please contact Suzi Wouters.

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### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

We want to wish a happy birthday to Andrew King for 18<sup>th</sup> February.

### FIRST AID

Are there any parents interested in doing a First Aid course? A First Aid course has to be completed for staff members at school and any other adults are more than welcome to join them and to also boost numbers. Please email or ring Taanya if you wish to participate.

### HOUSE CAPTAINS

School Captains for 2009 are Andrew King and Hadassah Schembri. House Captains for 2009 are Hayley Crawley, Madison Davis, Daniel Coulthard and Andrew King.

### TANDARA

Paperwork has been sent home today to families with children aged 10-12 years of age.

## **PUBLIC NOTICES**

### **DIMBOOLA GUMNUT GUIDES**

For girls in Prep and Grade 1, 4pm - 5pm Thursdays from Feb 12<sup>th</sup> at the Dimboola Guide Hall, Lloyd Street, Dimboola.

Everyone welcome to come and try

Further information: Bronwyn Hastings 5389 1718



### Bushfires and Asthma

With the devastating Bushfires that have occurred throughout Victoria and with fires still burning across the State, there is an increased risk of asthma. Parents and carers of children with asthma should remain alert and ensure the child carries their blue reliever medication with them at all times.

**Tips to minimise the effects of Bushfire smoke:**

- Smoke and increased air pollution from fires can cause people with asthma to experience increased symptoms, such as wheezing, coughing, chest tightness or shortness of breath.
- Children are one of the first to feel the effects of smoke and particle pollution for this reason extra care needs to be taken.
- Always follow the child's written Asthma Action Plan.
- Parents and teachers need to be aware of the additional risk and be prepared.
- Ensure the child has access to blue reliever medication and continue use of preventer medication.
- When smoke is in the air, but fire is not directly threatening, keep children indoors, and close all windows and doors.
- Avoid doing physical activities outdoors.
- If a child develops symptoms, seek medical assistance immediately.
- If the child's blue reliever medication is not reducing asthma symptoms, start Asthma First Aid and seek medical attention without delay.

For further information, please call the Asthma Telephone HelpLine on 1800 645 130 or visit The Asthma Foundation of Victoria's website [www.asthma.org.au](http://www.asthma.org.au) or [www.asthmafriendlyschools.com.au](http://www.asthmafriendlyschools.com.au)



### Nomination for Parent Representative: School Council

19<sup>th</sup> February 2009,

Dear Parents,

The current parent representatives for School Council, Tammy Smith and Simon King have completed their term of office. We are calling for nominations for two parent representatives to fill these two positions. As all positions are currently filled by a majority of males, nominations of females would also be welcome.

Any parents of students currently enrolled at the school are eligible to stand on School Council and any parent is also able to nominate the parent representatives.

Before nominating the person of your choice on the form below, we ask that you speak to him or her to make sure that he or she is willing to stand for election. Each parent in a family may nominate a different person if they wish or both parents of a family may choose the same person. Two nomination forms are attached to allow for both possibilities.

Nominations for this position will close at 5pm on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2009. All forms need to be returned to the office by this date.

Should there be more than two nominees, a vote will be necessary. Parents will have the opportunity to vote for the nominees of their choice on a ballot form that will be circulated in the Newsletter following the close of nominations.

Thank you for your cooperation,

Leon Kroehn  
Principal

I nominate .....for parent representative on School Council. I have spoken with him/her and he/she is happy to stand for election.

Signed.....

Name.....

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Signed.....

Name.....

## CREATIVE WRITING – Leaping Loonies & Scone Making

On the 17<sup>th</sup> of February 2009 we arrived at the DMSC at around 2 o'clock. The Leaping Loonies were performing an acrobatic show. The performers' names were Tim & Daniel.

First they did lots of flips. The stunts were very cool and DANGEROUS!!!! I loved the unicycles. While they were on the unicycles they started juggling circus bats and balls!

The stunts were so stupid and funny!!! When they did a stupid stunt everybody laughed so loud!! For the last act they jumped off a tiny trampoline and a weird large box thing then landed on a soft mat!!!

Tim and Daniel were so funny!!! I would love to see them again.

Lachlan Schultz

We walked to Dimboola High School to see Leaping Loonies perform acrobat stunts on Tuesday February 17<sup>th</sup>. Mr Kroehn, Mrs Aitken Pastor Scharnke and Miss Fraser attended with us. The performers' names were Daniel and Tim. They were people who pretended to hurt themselves; first they did flips and stretches. They also pretended to throw things at the audience.

Next they did some juggling and then they brought out unicycles and juggled balls while riding. Immediately after they went on the big unicycle, which took 2 people to get onto. After they brought out the big see saw and flipped onto a mat. Later on they brought out the mini see saw and flipped off that. Eventually they had question time and then we saw the big finale, a massive flip off the big box.

Tim and Daniel were really funny. I would love to go and watch them again.

Hadassah & Madison

On Tuesday the 17<sup>th</sup> of February 09 at 2 pm we went to The High School to watch the Leaping Loonies. They were So funny that I could watch it 10 more times. Their names were Daniel and Tim. They pretended to hurt each other's feelings. Tim was juggling then Daniel came up and said gimme gimme gimme. Eventually they went on the unicycle. After that they went on the BIGGER unicycle. After it was the grand finale they jumped on a trampoline then over the horse and onto the mat. My favourite character was Daniel.

Jackson Reilly

On the 17<sup>th</sup> of February at 2:00 to 3:00pm the Primary, Lutheran and High school watched the Leaping Loonies at the High school hall. Daniel and Tim performed flips and tricks and pretended to hurt each other. They juggled bats and balls, unicycles and did tricks on seesaws and mats. The final act they did these humungous flips of the trampoline onto the mat. They stood on each others shoulders and flips of the shoulders.

It was so funny you could laugh your head off. At the end they had people asking questions. After the show we walked back to the school. I'd love to see it again.

Sam Polack and Matthew Miller

**Yesterday I went to the kitchen to make scones. I had a scone at recess and it tasted nice. I played four square at recess. At lunch I went to speech and I played hungry dogs. Then I went back to school. Then I went swimming. Then I went home.**

**Daniel Polack**

**Yesterday I made scones in the kitchen. We saw an acrobatic act called Leaping Loonies. It was funny.**

**Noah Krelle**

**Yesterday I went to acrobatics. Their names were Daniel and Tim. They did some flips and some juggling. They jumped up and down on a little trampoline. They were called Leaping Loonies. They were at the High School. We made some scones, it was in the kitchen.**

**Corey Smith**

**Yesterday we went to the High School and we saw the Leaping Loonies and they did some tricks.**

**Matthew Wouters**

**Yesterday we went to the Leaping Loonies, they did somersaults and we made scones and they were yum.**

**William Lutze**

**Yesterday we went to the High School, it was good.**

**Shannen Wedding**

**Yesterday I went to Leaping Loonies. It was at the High School and we walked there. They did flips and somersaults. They did a lot of juggling.**

**Olivia Lehmann**