



St Peter's Lutheran School

News Bulletin - Friday 26th March 2021

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From the Principal

Hi everyone, I hope that you have all had a wonderful week. The days have been rather grey and cloudy earlier this week. Fortunately on Thursday we had some fantastic sunshine which really made a difference. The recent rains have been fantastic, freshening up our oval and gardens with new growth. The milder weather has enabled us to get out and participate in several activities around Dimboola.

Another reminder to all parents about clearly labelling all of your child's school uniform and lunch boxes with their name or initials. We do still seem to have a very large number of unnamed bomber jackets accumulating in our lost property boxes. Please come in and have a look for any items your child may have misplaced.

This week we had our School photos on Tuesday. Andrew from 'Creations' Photography arrived early and the first students were lining up from 8:30 am.

All staff and students were very well presented. Thank you to all of the parents and caregivers that made a special effort for these photos.

This week on Thursday morning our senior class with Ms Dwan and Mrs Whittaker walked down to our local Public Library. We are extremely fortunate to be able to enjoy this amazing facility. Students spent time browsing the shelves, reading in a quiet space as well as enjoying several board games that are also available. It is important to encourage our students to connect with Literature, finding Genre's that they enjoy as well as discovering new text types. I encourage you and your families to visit your local library and keep your children connected to Books!

Over the coming weeks some staff, parents and students will be invited to participate in my 'Principals Appraisal'. It was scheduled for last year however, it was postponed due to COVID-19 and all the restrictions that were in place. This will involve an interview in person here at school. It is an important part of my own professional learning and Leadership journey. If you receive information in regards to this process and have any questions please speak to Rochelle Walters in the front office between 8:30-2:30 Monday to Friday.

Have a safe and Blessed weekend,

Tim Reimann



Devotional Thoughts

Hope in his promises

by Rev Martin Lalthangliana

My soul longs for your salvation; I hope in your word (Psalm 119:81).

[Read Psalm 119:81–88](#)

The year 2020 might have been an extraordinary one if the pandemic had not broken out. Many people had prepared for an exceptional year, with a lot of things in mind. Unfortunately, the pandemic destroyed those expectations, plans and hopes for 2020.

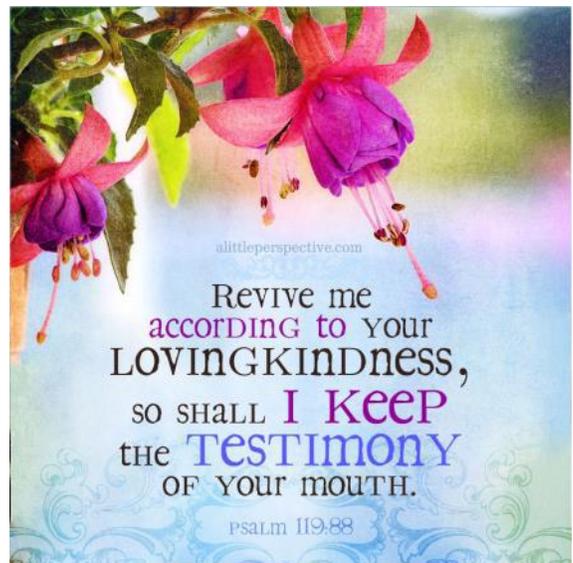
Many families around the world have lost loved ones and faced many kinds of problems, suffering and phobias that we could not have imagined beforehand. Some of the damage that the pandemic has caused is immeasurable. Many people have lost their faith and hope in God. Questions, doubt, criticism, judgement and lack of confidence has surpassed hope in God. Is that how human beings should continue to live in this world amid the pandemic?

Hope is faith in the absolute promise that miracles will prevail when darkness tries to overcome our despair. Hope is a gift from God that helps us yearn and live a life that believes and moves with the pledge of a better tomorrow. Hope brings resurrection life and draws us near to the love of Christ who can make the way for everlasting life.

Martin Luther lived through a plague, which lasted for about four to five months. He did so because he deliberately chose not to flee from it. Unlike the COVID-19 pandemic that we face, the bubonic plague Luther endured was an epidemic. Even so, his courage and facing the reality of those days would not have emerged if he had not put his faith in God's word.

Is there any hope for the world? King David yearned for God's salvation during his time of suffering. He knew that his hope in God would renew and transform his life. So, during Lent, how can we hold on to hope when there is so much struggle, trouble and grief in our lives? The simplest answer will be to put our faith and trust in God. Only the Saviour born in Bethlehem can be our help and refuge.

Prayer: Pray that you will have faith in the absolute promises of God made certain in Jesus, which has the power to overcome your despair.



Awards

Junior Class Award

Isabelle Ward - Returning to school with a fantastic attitude & putting in her best effort in all tasks.



Senior Cass Award

Jaxon Bourke-Finn - Showing genuine concern for the wellbeing of others & taking a proactive approach on safety & encouragement for others to do the same.



Principal's Award

Eloise Clarke - For outstanding Persistence & focus during Christian Studies.

Notice's

Important Dates

All the below dates are to the best of our knowledge and may change at short notice depending on COVID-19 restrictions.

April 2021

1st - Last Day Term 1 (early finish 2.15pm)

19th - First day Term 2

21st - SPLS Cross Country

25th - ANZAC Day

28th - Leadership Day (Years 5 & 6)

May 2021

11th - 13th - NAPLAN

Running Shoes

We encourage all students to wear their running shoes each day this term. We are training for Cross Country & Athletics each morning.

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Last Day of Term 1

Term 1 will finish on Thursday 1st April 2021. School will finish at 2.15pm. Buses will run 1 hour earlier than normal. If you normally collect your child from school, please be here 1 hour earlier.



— Casey Kosch —
FirstAidTraining

Kids Junior First Aid
Wednesday April 14th
9 – 13 Year olds

2 Sessions

9 – 12pm or 1 – 4pm

\$40 per child

Free snacks and show bag for every child

Where: Uptempo Café Horsham



FUN FACT:
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THAT YOUR CHILD CAN
FIND THINGS WHEN
THEY WANT TO!!

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Notice's

Dimboola Town Committee

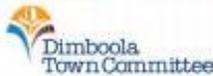


“Easter Eggstravaganza”

Saturday 3rd April 2021 from 4.30 pm – 9pm

at the Sound Shell

Dimboola Recreation Reserve



Including For the Youngsters

A Teddy Bears Picnic

Easter egg “scatter” approx 5.30pm

Face Painting (subject to COVID Regulations)

Entertainment by Chris Hasselburger

Prizes for: Best decorated “Teddy”

Best Easter Bonnet / Hat (Adult)

Best Easter Bonnet / Hat (Child)

BYO Picnic Rug / Chairs

BBQ tea & soft drinks available



Notice's

Susan McLean presents Growing up online!

This evening presentation will be an informative & entertaining session for Parents and carers, delivered with Susan's famous 'no-nonsense' approach and will cover the positive benefits of technology, as well as what parents need to be aware of.



What are kids doing online

You know Facebook, Twitter, Snapchat, Instagram and Skype but what about Omegle, Musical.ly, Yubo, Meow or Kik? These other apps are also used as live streaming sites. What are the age restrictions and why are they important? What are they exposed to and why can this be a problem?

The session will cover,

- Online Grooming
- Cyberbullying
- Sharing Nudes and Sexting
- Potential dangers and safety tips
- Problematic Internet use and gaming issues
- Question and Answer Opportunity

This free session is available to parents, carers and the wider community.

If you have, care for, or work with children or teens. This is a session not to be missed

**Monday 29th, March
2021**

7pm – 8pm

**Dimboola Memorial Secondary College
Assembly Hall**



Bullying No Way Day



Around Our School

