



# St Peter's Lutheran School

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## From the Principal

Hi everyone, welcome to Week 3 of Term 2 of 2020. I hope that you have all had a sensational week. We have had a very positive week at school working through our classroom activities and making as much time as possible to keep our bodies healthy and alert through physical activities and fresh air. It has certainly been pleasing to have such substantial rain this week. The farmers are particularly impressed both here and back in Loxton SA where I grew up. Our School grounds are looking wonderful, the lawn has greened up and our Native plants have been flowering and showing plenty of new growth.

As you would have heard in last week's newsletter, we have decided that to add some excitement and flair to each Friday this term. We are offering all students the opportunity to participate in 'Fabulous Fashion Friday'. It would be voluntary for all students whether they are at school or remote learning. This is not a fundraiser so no donations will be collected. It was simply an idea that students had and staff thought would be good fun.

**Today was the first of our 'Fabulous Fashion Fridays' and it was 'PJ' day.** Students were allowed to wear their PJ's to school for the entire day. We had some very colourful and warm PJ's being worn today. We encourage those at home to participate also all day at home. If possible we would love to see what the children do for these Fabulous Fashion Fridays. You can send us via email or SMS a photo of your children suitably attired! **Next week is Crazy Hair Friday,** and the following Fashion theme will be 'Favourite Colour' (week 5) we look forward to seeing some fabulous hair styles next week! Please encourage your children to participate if possible!

I thank you again for your continued patience and support as we work through the challenges facing our community at the moment surrounding COVID-19.

We are still receiving regular updates from The Department of Education, Department of Health and Human Services, Independent Schools Victoria and Lutheran Education. We will follow their direction in regards to any changes and other essential information for families.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the school during school hours.

Have a safe and Blessed weekend,

Yours in Christ,

*Tim Reimann*



# Devotional Thoughts

## When fear is your friend

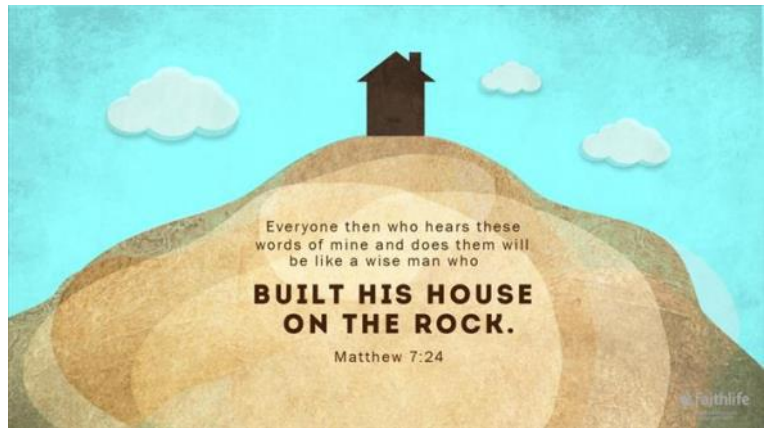
The rain fell, the floods came, and the winds blew and beat on that house, but it did not fall, because it had been founded on rock (Matthew 7:25).

[Read Matthew 7:24-27](#)

Mr Google tells me that there are 365 commands in the Bible to 'Fear not' or 'Do not be afraid'. So there's something to not fear for every day of the year. It's pretty clear that fear is not something God desires for you, and I'm confident you won't have heard a devotion writer over this pandemic season suggesting that fear can be a good thing.

Until now.

Yes, it's true that God wants you to be able to trust him completely, in every situation and circumstance, and if you obeyed the First Commandment to perfection, you would do that.



You would never be afraid – of anything, ever. But in reality, despite your best efforts to muscle up your faith, sometimes your heart trembles and your knees shake – and you get frightened. You shift your attention from the One True God to other gods. Maybe this global pandemic is one of those times. Is the ground beneath your feet feeling pretty shaky right now?

So, when (not if) fear sneaks in uninvited through the laundry door of your life, don't fight it; instead, invite it to sit with you for a while and get to know it. Listen to its story. Find out where it's coming from.

Fear can become your friend if you follow it back to its source. What is it that you are clinging to that the thought of losing it rattles you so fiercely? Is it your superannuation, your job, your lifestyle, your house, perhaps your life? Facing your fears will help you to identify your false gods, the slipping sand you've built your life on.

Maybe your fear of this pandemic and its impact can shine a floodlight on your false gods, exposing them as frauds and thieves, and turning you back to the One True God. If your fear does that, then it can indeed be your friend.

***Dear Father, forgive me for building my life on sandy ground. Reveal to me during this time of uncertainly and anxiety those things that have turned into false gods. Help me by your Holy Spirit to turn away from them and return to you, my Rock and my Redeemer. Amen.***

# Notices

## Fabulous Fashion Fridays

Starting next week, we encourage the kids to dress up with the following themes on a Friday.

No donations are required, just a bit of fun to brighten up this challenging time. We encourage those learning from home to participate and send us a photo of your kids dressed up.

Friday 8th May 2020 - Crazy Hair Day

Friday 15th May 2020 - Favourite Colour

## Lunch Orders

There will be NO Lunch Orders until further notice. Those students attending school will need to bring both recess and lunch.

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# Around Our School



# Fabulous Fashion Friday's

