



VINEYARD  
Lutheran School Clare Valley

Term 2, Week 6  
7 June 2019

### Term 2 Upcoming Events

**Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June- Queens Birthday Holiday**

**Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June**  
Whole School Football Clinic

**Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June**  
9.30am – 11am mainly play in The Cottage

3.20pm-4.00pm Sporting Schools Hockey in the stadium

**Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> June**  
9.30am – 11am mainly play in The Cottage

3.20pm-4.00pm Sporting Schools Hockey in the stadium

6.30pm for a 7.00pm start P&F Meeting @ The Bentleys- all welcome

**Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June**  
11.50am Student Parliament Session with Geoff Brock- all welcome to attend,

**Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> June**  
9.30am – 11am mainly play in The Cottage

**Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June**  
Term 2 finishes for Vineyard Students- normal 3.15pm finish

**Monday 1<sup>st</sup> – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July**  
Vineyard Staff PD Week -Students on holidays

### Vineyard Term Dates 2019

**Term 1:** Tues 29<sup>th</sup> January – Fri 12<sup>th</sup> April (11 Week Term)

**Term 2:** Mon 29<sup>th</sup> April – Fri 28<sup>th</sup> June (9 Week Term)

**Please note: Vineyard Staff PD Week will be Mon 1<sup>st</sup> – Fri 5<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**Term 3:** Mon 22<sup>nd</sup> July – Fri 27<sup>th</sup> September (10 Week Term)

**Term 4:** Mon 14<sup>th</sup> October – Fri 13<sup>th</sup> December (9 Week Term)

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# Vineyard Wire

## Is what you're doing the best use of your life?

Written by Max Lucado

***"Be very careful how you live. Do not live like those who are not wise. Live wisely. I mean that you should use every chance you have for doing good, because these are evil times. So do not be foolish with your lives. But learn what the Lord wants you to do" (Ephesians 5:15-17 ICB).***

If you want to make an impact with your life, you've got to do one thing: Get control of your time. Your time is your life. If you don't learn to manage your time, you'll limit the legacy of your life.

We all have the same amount of time every week: 168 hours. It's what you do with it that counts! You've only been allotted a certain number of days in this world, and if you waste them, you've blown it! If you waste time, you're wasting your life. Your time is your life. You have to stop and ask, "Is this the best use of my time? Is this the best use of my life?"

You don't have time for everything. The good news is that God doesn't expect you to do everything. So don't feel guilty about it! There are only a few things worth doing in the first place.

Effective people figure out what's essential in life and what's trivial, and they spend more time doing the essential things and less time doing the trivial things. You can't eliminate all the trivia in your life, but you can reduce it.

This sounds easy, but frankly it's often difficult to choose between what's best for your life and what's easiest for your life—especially when you're tired. When you're tired you don't want to do the best thing. You want to do what's easy. That's why if you're really going to make something of your life, you have to learn to get some rest. If you're not rested, you won't have the mental, emotional, and physical strength to say, "I'm going to do the right thing instead of the easiest thing."

Don't waste your life. Don't settle for second best. Don't go through life just existing. You were not created to just coast. God made you for a mission and a purpose. That starts by asking, "Is what I'm doing the best use of my life?"

#### Talk It Over

- What things take up most of your time?
- How much are those things helping you fulfill your mission in life?
- What can you change in your schedule and priorities so that you can get more rest?

Submitted by Sam Parker



# From the Principal

## LEARNING LAB VISIT

Over the last five days I have joined with around sixteen other Lutheran Principals, John Proeve (our Executive Director) and Mignon Weckert (our Educational Leadership Director) from our SA /NT WA District, to work in System Improvement and Awareness Based Leadership Practices. Our group started this journey almost three years ago and we have been embedding the approach across our individual Lutheran School sites and wider Lutheran system. Dr Richard Owens is our group facilitator and part of this workshop was a visit to his school – Woodleigh in Langwarren, to observe a school further along the journey with this approach in action. Woodleigh has a number of the elements in place that Vineyard has – a nature garden / farm focus, a strong community support network, elective based activities programme and beautiful wood/ bush surroundings ... but the factor that stood out most for me at Woodleigh was the feel of the school. Woodleigh (like us) have spent a lot of time working out who they are as a school, what they are about, their beliefs about learning and learners, what's important to them and what that means for the way they live together everyday. Their school offers a somewhat alternative approach to traditional education, and there is no mistaking everyone understands it and it's a part of who they are that guides all decision making and action. From students, to teachers, to admin staff and to the groundsmen – there is a "Woodleigh way" that's consistent everywhere and there is a sense of peace and calmness that comes with that.

At Vineyard we have been working hard over the last three years together as staff, School Council members and students to define who we are and what we are about. We wrote what we want Vineyard graduates to be: knowledgeable, curious, future focussed, caring and empathetic, creative thinkers, and for them to be equipped with 21<sup>st</sup> Century skills (such as critical thinking, communication, collaboration, research, resilience and grit, risk-taking, problem solving and responsible leadership).

We have 'rattled' around words to describe what the essence of Vineyard really is – and the clear consistent message follows the flavour of our Mission Statement which has been here since the school began – to **Educate, Nurture, Inspire and Grow in a Christ centred environment**. This is our purpose.

Our Strategic Plan was visioned to drive teaching and learning, connections and an environment which

would allow this purpose to happen. As staff we worked hard to define and clearly articulate our principles of learning and have aligned (and continue to sharpen) our teaching pedagogy (ways of teaching), our classroom environments (inside and outside) with these principles. As staff we have also been working with Leading Teams to align our school culture (the way we do things here in words and actions) with our beliefs and principles, and the decisions for our latest initiatives (such as mainly play and our building project) were screened through a "Does this fit with what Vineyard is all about?" lens.



Photos of Woodleigh

My visit to Woodleigh and the workshop with Awareness Based System Leadership practices has made me reflect on our journey so far here at Vineyard and the plans we have for our emerging future, and I am really excited. Like Woodleigh, I can see that we too have a consistency now permeating all that we do. We believe in what we do –we provide best practice education, growing each child individually in more than just academic knowledge, inspiring them to want to learn more, and sharing God's love within our community. Hopefully when you come through our doors you can really "feel" our Vineyard flavour coming through. As always, I'm keen to hear your thoughts. 😊 Thanks to Ms Sam Parker for acting as Teacher in Charge in my absence.

## OUT AND ABOUT

This week our Year 6/ 7 class visited the birthplace of Colin Thiele (Eudunda) and the Barossa Museum which had a wide range of connections to this term's English and Christian Studies units, and a range of Lutheran heritage items. Students were able to connect Christian artefacts and Colin Thiele's history.

Late last week our Foundation / Year 1 class visited Adelong Dairy as part of their unit on: Why are some places and events special and how do we know? They were investigating some of the important places in our community and how our rural community is substantially different to city life. Last week our Year 4/5s also went to Tatchilla's Eco classroom and the Fleurieu Coastline as part of their Sustainability unit. (You will find more information about all of these experiences later in this newsletter.)

In each of these cases, the excursions /camp were an opportunity for our students to see and experience real life examples of the content of the Australian curriculum brought to life. They could ask questions, be involved in actioning, record what they've learnt and see greater concept application in the real life example, and then use that primary experience back in their classroom to explore the unit further. Our student fee budgets for multiple real-life experiences at each year level each year (locally and further afield) as we believe in the importance of these "getting out of the classroom" experiences in the greater learning picture. I thank our parent volunteers and our additional admin staff who support these experiences, and particularly the classroom teachers for the extra work they put in behind the scenes to make them happen. This is what Vineyard is all about.

## LONG WEEKEND

Next Monday is the Queen's Birthday holiday and a long weekend. Please note that although some local schools have taken the opportunity to have a pupil free day on Tuesday, Vineyard will still be operating as a normal school day as we have all of our pupil free days in Week 10 this term. Buses will not be affected on Tuesday.

Blessings to you for the long weekend and coming week.

I hope you find some special time to relax and enjoy with family and friends,

Michelle

# School Notices

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## Mid North Lutheran Ministries – Service Times

### SUNDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> JUNE

Clare	9.00am
Blyth	11.00am
Brinkworth	9.00am
Burra	9.00am
Snowtown	10.00am

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## Family & Staff Prayers

Over the last week in staff devotion we prayed for the: Harvey, Smart, Allmond and Neill families, and Calvary Lutheran Primary School, Morphett Vale

*Chapel services are held every Monday at 8.50am. Family and friends are welcome to join us for these services.*

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## Lunch Orders

Hot lunches are available every Friday. This year they are being supplied by Main Street Bakehouse.

All orders must be placed at the office or via the blue bags in your child's class before 9.30am the Thursday before.

Brown lunch order bags are available from the front office.

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## Chapel Offerings- Term 2

This term we have chosen to support **Lutheran Media Ministry with our chapel donations**. We encourage everyone to bring along a Chapel offering to support these Christian ministry opportunities.

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## Birthday Blessings

God's Blessings to everyone who is celebrating their birthdays.....

12<sup>th</sup> June

Josh Van Ruth

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## Buses for Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June

Just a reminder that even though the Clare High School and Clare Primary have a pupil free day on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June, buses will be running as normal on this day for Vineyard students.

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## Students of the Week –

### Term 2, Week 6 – Class Awards

**Thomas Sommerville** – For demonstrating **QUALITY** in the way you have conducted your research about the Empire State Building. Fantastic enthusiasm Thomas.

**Josh Carlin** – For demonstrating **APPRECIATION** of all the learning experiences you've engaged in this week. You have had the most positive attitude for everything from the excursion to electronics! Excellent gratitude Josh!

**Elle Arnold** – For demonstrating **QUALITY** through your continual interest and curiosity in inquiry. Keep questioning things, it's a great strategy to learn more.

**Justin Huxtable** – For demonstrating **COMPASSION**. On camp, Justin went out of his way to include everyone in activities during camp. He was enthusiastic and encouraging during activities and excited to involve others in his discoveries.

*Students of the Week are presented at our Assembly every Friday afternoon at 2.45pm. Family and friends are welcome to attend.*

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## Woolies Earn & Learn

Don't forget to keep collecting Earn & Learn stickers for our school! This program will finish on 25<sup>th</sup> June.



Let's stick together and make this year our biggest one yet!

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## Influenza Reminder

We have had a number of confirmed cases of Influenza in the school. In light of the seriousness of this year's Influenza strain, and in consideration of other students and staff, we encourage you to keep your child at home if they are showing flu like symptoms and to consider a flu vaccination to prevent the illness.

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## Sports News

### SAPSASA CROSS COUNTRY

On Thursday of this week Lucy Menadue represented the Mid North District at the State SAPSASA Cross Country Championships at Oakbank Racecourse.

The course is a testing course with gradual hill climbs and downhill parts over the 3km course.

The conditions were very cold and the track was an easier one than the leadup at Burra.

Lucy covered the course in 14:04 minutes (sub 5min ks, that's quick!) and placed 44<sup>th</sup> out of 140 competitors.

Well done Lucy!

### SAPSASA BASKETBALL

SAPSASA Basketball is being held in Week 3 of Term 3 at Balaklava. This is a Knockout tournament for Year 6/7s and not a 'Come and Try' day.

We have girls who play competition basketball in the local competition and we will enter a Year 6/7 Girls team in this year's competition.

There will be training at lunchtime on a Thursday leading into this tournament, with a final team of 8 selected at the end of Term 3 Week 1.

Mr Jervies

Sport Coordinator

## CHAPEL OFFERINGS TERM 2

**THIS TERM THE OFFERING IS GOING TO THE LUTHERAN MEDIA MINISTRY.  
BRING MONEY FOR A SMALL DONATION EVERY MONDAY AT CHAPEL FOR THIS TERM.**

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## Invitation

**Who: All are welcome**  
**What: To an open session of Student Parliament**  
**When: 25 June Tuesday week 9 at 11:50**

**Where: It will be in the Stadium with the honourable Geoff Brock.**



## Hamper offerings



Last week of term (week 9)



All donations welcome



**You could bring:**  
**Long lasting milk**  
**Pasta**  
**Can foods**

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# What's happened this week at Vineyard

## Year 4/5 Camp to Douglas Scrub

The Year 4/5 Camp was to McLaren Vale and we stayed at Douglas Scrub campsite.

This camp is a great camp for outdoor activities and involves looking at aspects of the curriculum including, erosion, habitats, ecosystems and explorers.

There is also plenty of opportunity on the expansive camp grounds for exploring, playing, team building activities and risk taking.

**Day 1** included going to the Maritime Museum to look at sea explorers and a look around at the instruments used, a visit to the Port Adelaide Lighthouse and to camp.

Once at camp we set up, played some games and attempted their climbing wall. At night we went for a nature walk and played spotlight hide & seek.



**Day 2** we went to Tatchilla Lutheran School to their Eco Classroom. This is a great facility with so many different nature related opportunities. This is on 2.2 hectares of land that has been revegetated with natural ecosystems that are around McLaren Vale. There are plenty of trees and shrubs (The class identified at least 28), fauna (we saw a bettong and wallabies) and a dam that has many different minibeasts living there.

We had the opportunity to see many plants and things under microscopes, identifying minibeasts and learning about how to classify different plants.

After lunch we saw Mrs Sweet and helped their class make 3D shapes. She has a Year 2 class and it was good to help her class make different 3D shapes.

At night we played spotlight hide & seek and then had a Onesie/PJ party with many different games.



# Year 4/5 Camp to Douglas Scrub cont.

**Day 3** we packed up camp and had some time for free activity. It was a windy cold day and we were nearly blown off Pt. Noarlunga beach. We had a look at erosion here and how the wind, rain and sea have effected the sand dunes and the rock formations at this beach.

The camp was truly a great experience and the learning outcomes and relationships built are definitely a great way to reinforce the learning which happens in the classroom.

Thank you to Mrs Byerlee, Mrs Amundsen and Mr Van Ruth for their assistance on camp.



## Year 6/7 Barossa Excursion

On Monday the Year 6/7 class toured around the Barossa to learn more about the home place of Colin Thiele and the heritage of the area. We visited 3 museums including the Barossa Museum, the Kapunda Historical Society Museum and the Eudunda Family Heritage Gallery. The students were able to explore the 3 sites and take photos of the many exhibits and artefacts. We were lucky enough to make connections to our Christian Studies, Science and History units as well. The expert knowledge given by the tour guides Don and Meredith really helped our class engage with what we were exploring. We are now going to read some more of Colin Thiele's work and see what connections we can make from his life and his work.

Big thank you to our helpers for the day Kerry and Jodie!!



## Year F/1 Adelong Dairy Excursion

On Friday the 31<sup>st</sup> of May the Foundation & Year One students excitedly set off to visit Adelong Dairy at Blyth. The Dairy is owned by our very own Steven and Jennie- Lee Kennett. On arrival we were welcomed with open arms. The children quickly made themselves at home investigating Mrs Kennett's garden. After a quick bite to eat we fed the resident Kangaroo before venturing out into the farm. Mr Kennett took it all in his stride – straight to the Dairy we went. Upon entering the Dairy there were a few children who were somewhat displeased by the aroma, but on the whole the smiles kept beaming. Mr Kennett pushed the cows up into the milking bay as we watched on. He then attached the machines to the udders and instantly we saw milk running through the pipes. It was a relatively quick process. The students had some interesting and funny questions to add value to the day. A look through the storage Vats and a delicious drink of milk kept us ready for the next adventure: feeding the calf. Calf feeding was enjoyed by all with lots of smiles and loud giggles as the calf sucked on their little fingers. A climb in the header as we pretended to be farmers and watching some sheep shearing in action were all highlights of our field trip. A generous donation of milk by SAPUTO meant that all students had a milk to take home. Not to mention the special treat of a cow cupcake and milky bar chocolate all specially packaged by Mrs Kennett. A huge thank you to our parent helpers Sarah Haverland and Karen Becker for supporting us on our adventures and to Mr and Mrs Kennett. What a memorable experience!! Thank you



# Community News

Please see the school notice board in the stadium for further information on these and other events

 **LAUNCHING:**  
*Wednesday 22 May*

**mainly play**

Running Wednesday's during the school term

**TIME:** 9:30-11am

**VENUE:** Vineyard Lutheran School  
- in "The Cottage" -

**COST:** First session free  
Following sessions \$5/family

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