

Term 2 Week 9 26th June 2020

#### **Term 3 Upcoming Events** 2020

School Holidays - 27th June-19th July 3 weeks

#### **Upcoming Events 2020**

Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>July - mainly play relaunch

Saturday 17th October - Friday 23rd

October - Book Week

Friday 23rd October - Grandfriends and Dress Up Day

Friday 30th October - School Sports Carnival at Vineyard

Friday 20th November - Faith Challenae

## Vineyard Term Dates 2020

Term 2: Mon 27th April - Fri 26th June (9 Week Term)

Please note: Vineyard Staff PD Week will be Mon 29th June - Fri 3rd July 2020

Term 3: Mon 20th July - Fri 25th September (10 Week Term)

Term 4: Mon 12th October - Thurs 10th December (9 Week Term)'

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# Vineyard Wire

### Reflections

As I approach the end of my time at Vineyard I have been reflecting. Reflecting on the many experiences which I have encountered, reflecting on all the adventures and opportunities for growth, the general excitement and the making of lifelong friends. Over my time here I have enjoyed the changes that have occurred in the town, the school and personally.

Special memories during my time here at Vineyard which I will never forget are highlighted by having a huge blue tongue lizard take up residence in my classroom. Not to mention having a student request to sing a Daryl Braithwaite song in Choir! However, if there is one thing I believe others will remember me for over the past few years, whether I like it or not...ls for falling over.

My inability to stand on two feet or walk on a flat surface has been a continuous problem. It occurs at the most ridiculous, inconvenient of times when I am leading 40 plus children outside the War Memorial or when I am just walking down the school path. I have been very lucky in the sense that my clumsiness has only ever caused temporary injury, so it is not a painful recollection. However, that does not mean it has not bruised my ego from time to time!

Whilst talking to a friend on the weekend about this trend during my time here, she reminded me that the important part has always been that I get back up. Every time I fell, I immediately got back up. I was able to get back up because of the love and kindness that has always surrounded me at Vineyard. Whether it is other teachers assisting me and giving me a chance to literally brush the dirt off, or whether it was Mrs Kennett racing down the path with an ice pack for me. It does not matter where I was or what I was doing I was always supported by those around me. This extended especially to the concern of the children as much as the adults. Whilst my students definitely know it is funny and it is ok to laugh when your teacher does something silly, they have never once not checked that I was alright first!

During my time at Vineyard whilst I have clear memories of falling down, I have fond memories of being helped back up. I truly believe that this is our students and our community living out Jesus' love. They do this every day in so many ways. I have been very fortunate in my role because I have experienced students' love shown to others in many different places such as the Canberra Camp to the local Kindergartens and nursing homes.

Throughout my days at Vineyard I have witnessed our students showing this love. They have been able to reach out to others regardless of whether they know them personally or not. Schools are tremendously busy places, with people requiring constant demands on our time. However, through the love shown in our vocation, students witness this and pass it on. As I leave Vineyard for the last time, I urge you to show this love to others; pause awhile, breathe and love!

> "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the LORD, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." ~leremiah 20:11~

## From the Principal

With the school term coming to a close for students next week, reports have been completed and our school campus is as busy and vibrant as ever. Our dedicated staff, teachers and students have completed assignments and assessments for the semester as well as engaging in fun, 'end of term' activities. Thank you to all teaching staff for making the learning programme for our students so rich and engaging.

Thankfully the good Lord has blessed us in the Mid North as despite the many interruptions and restrictions through Covid-19 this semester, it has been possible to operate the school mostly as normal as possible. Special thanks to parents, friends and volunteers who have helped support our school despite the pandemic crisis.

At the start of this week we had a new student, Zara, beginning in the Foundation/Year 1 class. We look forward to continually growing our school to enjoy the wonderful educational facilities which we have here at <u>Vineyard Lutheran School</u>.

School Council met last Monday night to discuss the semester ahead and it is with sadness that we say goodbye to Miss Lena Harmer. Lena has served <u>Vineyard Lutheran School</u> faithfully for the past three and a half years and has continued to excel in her pedagogy. Lena has a passion for teaching and has been a part of the Leadership Team for two and a half years.

We would like to thank Lena for her dedicated service. Staff and I shall miss working with her as a team, together with leadership meetings, chats, theological discussion and laughter which is essential when working with children! Her enthusiasm and respect for the students in her care is obvious and we wish her all the best for her career and future endeavours at Good Shepherd Lutheran School, Para Vista.

Naturally, 'every cloud has a silver lining' and it was wonderful to welcome Lena's replacement Mrs Rachel Richardson into our school again this week. Rachel has now spent time with all classes here at Vineyard Lutheran School and especially with the Year 6/7s. It has been great to have her move to Clare with her husband and already engaging with our staff and familiarising with the school grounds.

May you all have a restful and refreshing break and hopefully all students will be able to spend some quality time with their families over this holiday period. We look forward to restrictions from the pandemic being lifted further in Term 3 and seeing you all again on Monday 20th July.

God's richest blessings over this holiday period.

Geoffrey Strauss

Principal

#### STAFF TRAINING AND DEVELOPMENT WEEK

Next week is a pupil free week and it is a very special week for Lutheran Schools. All staff across the Lutheran Education system in S.A. W.A. and N.T. will be having specific training for educational and policy purposes as well as spiritual development.

On <u>Monday</u> our staff will be led by Sue Kupke from LESNW and she will be holding a Spiritual Professional Development of Lutheran Education Workshop for us.

Tuesday will be Microsoft Training and Inquiry Methodology research as well as Independent Learning Plan update Training.

<u>Wednesday</u> is a whole school busy bee as well as Child Protection update training.

<u>Thursday</u> morning is Inquiry Methodology, long term planning with Rod Wearn from LESNW. This will focus on 'Personalised Learning' whereby we foster and nurture our students with meaningful education linked to the curriculum and yearly overviews, with challenging projects that are based upon practical outcomes.

Curriculum and Committee meetings as well as Work Health and Safety and Duty of Care update training.

<u>Friday</u> will be combined staff meeting, then training for using Growing Deep, which is a Leadership framework based upon a Lutheran educational model.

#### **SEMESTER ONE REPORTS**

Semester 1 reports were sent home on Wednesday and if you have not received yours please contact the school and we will arrange to get you a copy ASAP.

#### **OFFICE HOURS NEXT WEEK**

Please note that during our pupil free week for Staff Training and Development the administration office will not be keeping regular hours. The office will be open Tuesday afternoon and Thursday but closed Monday, Wednesday and Friday. Sorry for any inconvenience.

#### **CASUAL DAY**

Today we had our Casual Day and this term the theme was "Winter Warmer" day. Students wore their warmest clothes with the gold coin donation going towards the LCC winter appeal. Thanks for your support.

#### STUDENT PARLIAMENT - YEAR 6/7

Student Parliament is held every week in Year 6/7 to discuss matters relating to the school and its site. Last week it was delightful to have the Year 4/5 class join them for this session. This visit enabled our younger students to gain some insight into the student decision making process as well as how representatives are available for each year level and category.

#### WINTER WARMER PIE DRIVE FUNDRAISER

Thank you ever so much to Sarah Haverland for organising our <u>Pie Drive Fundraiser</u> for <u>Vineyard Lutheran School</u>. Produce was delivered today from Waters Bakery, Burra, whom have been our supplier. It is great to support local communities in our district as well as raising money for our school. The money raised will be going to support the Year 6/7 Canberra trip and thank you for your support.

#### **ASSEMBLY**

This week we had our whole school end of term assembly and it was lovely to see the Year 6/7 students present some of their Inquiry Research Projects to the rest of the school. We also farewelled Miss Harmer with tears of sadness yet also joy, in the knowledge of the fact that we were able to enjoy and appreciate her active service and company over her tenure here. All the best in the future Miss Harmer.

#### REMOTE CONTROL CARS DAY

Thanks to Amy for holding a 'remote control cars day' on Wednesday at lunch time. Students had great fun controlling and watching the cars on the tennis court and it was delightful to see their joy on a lovely winters day.

#### **VLS WEBSITE**

<u>Vineyard Lutheran School</u> is in the process of updating our website. We are delighted to be promoting and marketing our lovely campus and we would love any photos or ideas you may like to be included to be sent through to <a href="mailto:admin@vineyardls.sa.edu.au">admin@vineyardls.sa.edu.au</a>

#### **AUSTRALIAN MATHS TRUST YEARS 3-7**

The Australian Mathematics Competition will still be held this year with voluntary participation for those students who would like to take part. There are two options for the format with an online competition or paper still available. The date for the Australian Mathematics Competition is between Thursday 30 - 6 August 2020 for Students in years 3–12 in all schools and the cost is \$A6.50 per entry.

#### **SCHOOL CALENDAR**

Due to Covid-19 restrictions and cancellation of events we will not be including the School Calendar in the newsletter at the end of the term at this stage. We will wait for more easing of restrictions and further information of what events can still be held. As of Monday 29th June, certain restrictions will be removed such that we can plan for the term, hopefully as per usual.

#### OSHC JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

School holidays are fast approaching and the Clare Valley OSHC has put together a wonderful July Vacation Care Programme. Please see the programme attached in last week's Wire and remember to book in early in order to not miss out.

#### **CHARMAINE @ CHARMAINE PHOTOGRAPHY**

<u>Vineyard Lutheran School</u> has had the pleasure of Charmaine visiting our school on numerous occasions to take photos for our marketing campaign. The staff especially loved their photos which she volunteered her time and professional expertise to take. Charmaine will continue to be around and about the school to take photos for our new website which will be launched in July.



#### **WOOD FOR SALE**

**Prepare** yourself for the cold winter ahead by stocking yourself up ahead of time with <u>fuel for the furnace!</u>

<u>Vineyard Lutheran School</u> once again has <u>Wood</u> <u>for sale</u> - \$200 for 7'x4' trailer.

Please take advantage of this great offer and help support our wonderful school.

Now is the time to come and get your wood pile stocked with <u>free delivery</u> within town districts or to be negotiated.

\*Please bear in mind that if your child is at all unwell, please **DO NOT** send them to school. Your child will still be able to access their learning at home through **Diverse Learning**. Please also continue your regular communication with your classroom teacher through the appropriate channels.\*

## Family & Staff Prayers

Over the last week in staff devotion we prayed for the: Carmine de Sousa, Harvey, Pedler and Atwal families, staff member Belinda Dare and Immanuel Lutheran College, Novar Gardens.

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

## **School Notices**

## Mid North Lutheran Ministries – Service Times

#### **SUNDAY 21ST JUNE**

Clare 11.00am Pastor Greg

Brinkworth 9.00am LR

Blyth 9.30am LR

Snowtown 10.00am LR

Burra 9.00am Pastor Greg

## **Birthday Blessings**

God's Blessings to everyone who is celebrating their birthday this week and in the holidays.

9<sup>th</sup> July Amreen Atwal

15<sup>th</sup> June Rebecca Toon

16<sup>th</sup> July Jennie-Lee Kennett

17<sup>th</sup> July Maddison Harvey

## Students of the Week – Term 2, Week 9 – Class Awards

**Isaac Allmond** – For demonstrating **Quality** in his dedication to and final product quality of his Passion Project. Well done, your work was amazing.

**Locky Victor** – For demonstrating **Compassion** in caring for the other students during music lessons. **Charlie Schunke** – For demonstrating **Courage**. For putting in a great effort with your science

presentation on Mercury. You did a great job presenting it to the class and you knew your planet well.

**Lilly Schupelius** – For demonstrating **Quality**. For producing a great storyboard during Christian Studies on the story of Joseph. You went above and beyond and were able to retell the story really well.

Silas Nolan – For demonstrating Humility. Thank you for approaching every task with courage and enthusiasm. You are always trying your best and encourage others in their success also. Well done Silas!

## Signing in and out of Students and Parent Visitors

A reminder to all parents/guardians if your child arrives after 8.45am to school for any reason they MUST be signed into the office by a parent so we know they have arrived.

If you need to pick your child up early for any reason during the day, they MUST be signed out of the office by a parent and then signed back in on their return (if returning to school that day).

Parents who are coming into classes to help with reading, etc are also reminded that they are required to sign themselves in and out of the office too.

### **Entertainment Book**

Each year <u>Vineyard Lutheran School</u> is able to offer the Entertainment Membership App to our community as a fund-raiser for those who would like to participate. The App provides many 2-for-1 offers and up to 50% discount offers for many restaurants, arts, attractions, hotels, travel (interstate and international) and shopping in Adelaide and South Australian country regions (including the Clare Valley).

The Entertainment App is purchased online for \$70 each, with 20% of the purchase price coming back to the School as fundraising. Being a digital format means it is ideal on your phone and it can also be shared across family members.

This fundraising offer is available to anyone who would like to participate.

Order your membership online from the Entertainment Book website.

www.entbook.com.au/163r092

## Mid North SAPSASA

As outlined in previous editions of the Wire, SAPSASA events are being planned for Terms 3 & 4. I will advertise all trials and events in the Wire, as they are planned. At this stage I can confirm planning is underway for the following events in term 3:

•	Hockey State carnival	Year 6 & 7 boys & girls	Term 3/week 6
•	Soccer State carnival	Year 6 & 7 boys & girls	Term 3/week 6
•	Netball State carnival	Year 6 & 7 girls	Term 3/week 8
•	Football State carnival	Year 6 & 7 boys	Term 3/week 8

The following trials have been set for the **Soccer** State Carnival:

•	Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	4pm-5.30pm	Term 3/week1
•	Wednesday 29th July	4pm-5.30pm	Term 3/week2

Please see Mrs Dare for more details.

A date has not yet been set for the netball and football district carnival, but this will be held early in term 3, followed by trials.

If anyone has any questions regarding these events, please feel free to contact me.





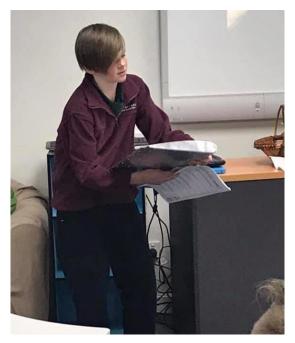




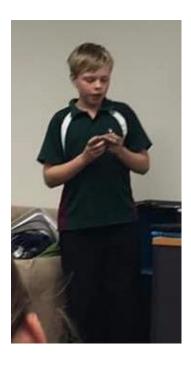
## News from the 6/7 Classroom

This week the 6/7 students presented their Genius Hour projects that they have worked on all term. They do the entire project independently based on their own inquiry questions.

This year we have had an amazing range of projects from bird houses for native birds, giant games, art studies, story writing and commemorative quilt making. I've been blown away by the dedication to their leaning!















## JULY SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

SANFL School holiday clinics are returning, providing a fun, safe and inclusive environment for children at any ability aged 5 – 12.

In small groups (less than 20), kids will participate in non-contact activities designed for fun, whilst developing skills and fitness appropriate to their age.

SANFL's priority is the safety of our participants and wider community, therefore all facilitators have been trained to follow COVID-19 safe protocols

## **VENUES AND DATES**

Time: Ages 5-8 - 9am - 11:30am | Ages 9-12 - 1pm - 3:30pm

- 6th July Kadina
- 7th July Loxton, Modbury, PHOS Camden
- Bth July Clare
- 9th July Murray Bridge, Noarlunga, Para Hills
- 14th July Mt Barker, Payneham, West Lakes
- 16th July Prospect, Richmond, Victor Harbor

REGISTER NOW | PLACES ARE LIMITED