



VINEYARD
Lutheran School Clare Valley

Term 1 Week 1
31st January 2020

Upcoming Events 2020

Sunday 2nd February

Paster Greg Vangsness' Installation
Service 2pm @ St Paul's Lutheran
Church Clare

Monday 3rd February

Staff Dedication & Installation
Service @ Chapel in Cottage 8.50am
Coffee & Chat after Chapel Service

Tuesday 4th February

Welcome BBQ @ 5.30pm for 6pm Tea
&
Parent Information Night 7pm – 8pm

Wednesday 5th February

mainly play in Cottage 9.30am – 11am

Friday 14th February

Whole school Headlice checks

Geoff Brock visiting and signing in
Student Parliament swearing in at 2.15.

Monday 24th – Thursday 27th February

Whole School swimming lessons @ The
Valleys

Friday 28th February

Swimming Carnival @ The Valleys

**2020 Term 1 Calendar attached to the
Wire.**

Vineyard Term Dates 2020

Term 1: Tues 28th January – Thurs 9th
April (11 Week Term)

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

BLESSED to be a BLESSING

I know that I have been greatly blessed. Perhaps you have too. So many of us have been given so much: material goods, adequate incomes, families, friends, jobs, homes. And that's just for starters. If you're a Christian, then whatever your circumstances, you've been given the greatest gifts: faith, hope and love. And you have been blessed with the means of grace and the hope of glory. If you have Christ, you have been given everything that is eternally worthwhile. So the big question is "Why?" Why have I, why have you, been so blessed? The answer to that question is found in [Genesis 12:2-3](#).

"I WILL BLESS YOU, YOU WILL BLESS OTHERS"

"Blessed to be a blessing." This idea is actually one of the most crucial principles in the whole Bible. The concept of "blessed to be a blessing" teaches us something very basic about God's expectations for each of us. It's not just about Abram in the opening verse of [Genesis 12](#) where the Lord tells Abraham, "Leave your country, your people and your father's household and go to the land I will show you. I will make you into a great nation and I will bless you." Abraham went, and God blessed. But this isn't the whole story. For that you need to read the rest of the sentence. Here's how it continues: "I will bless you," God says to Abraham, "and you will be a blessing. . . . and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you" ([Genesis 12:2-3](#)).

God's promise to bless Abraham is accompanied by a further explanation. His blessing of Abraham is just the first step in a much bigger plan to extend that blessing through Abraham to all the earth's peoples. The blessings God gives us are intended to be shared with all, beginning with the inestimable blessing of salvation from sin and including all the other good things the Lord has given to us.

Let's make this personal for just a minute. Take stock of your own life. Think about everything that God has given you, all the blessings he has poured out, material or spiritual. Most of us have far more than we usually acknowledge. Compared to the world's truly poor, I am wealthy beyond belief, and you probably are too. Do we imagine that we have been given so much simply to enable us to live comfortable, even luxurious lives while so many throughout the world are suffering?

Everyone needs a blessing. We all need to be encouraged, edified, complimented, and appreciated, and you have the ability to bless others. Be thankful that God not only blesses you, but that He has made you a blessing. We all get weary at times and need other people to let us know that we are valuable and appreciated.

I believe God blesses us so we can be a blessing—not only in a few places but everywhere we go. Look for people who are needy and bless them. Share what you have with those who are less fortunate than you

are. Remember, everyone needs a blessing—even the successful people who appear to have everything.

When you live to meet needs and encourage those around you, you will find "joy unspeakable" in the process (see [1 Peter 1:8 KJV](#)).

I wonder if we're in danger of so concentrating on the top line – all the good things God has given us – that we forget the bottom line of the verse, and the bottom line is this: we have been blessed to be a blessing.

Prayer Starter: Father, I am so grateful for Your blessings in my life, and I am also grateful that You have enabled me to be a blessing. Help me reach out to others every day and focus on adding to their encouragement. In Jesus' Name, Amen.

Adapted from <https://joycemeyer.org/dailydevo/2018/06/0609-blessed-to-be-a-blessing> and <https://www.woh.org/radio/abraham-blessed-to-be-a-blessing/>

From the Principal

Welcome back to Term 1 and a very exciting year at Vineyard.

Our theme for the year is "Blessed... to be a blessing" and we were indeed blessed to have Pastor Greg join us for our first staff Professional Development day to unpack where this theme comes from scripturally and why its important to "pass it forward", as explained in the devotion on our front cover.

NEW STAFF

At the end of last term, families received an email introducing our new staff, but I take this opportunity to introduce our new Teachers and Office Administration Assistant to our wider community:

- **Mr Keelan Grosvenor** comes to us as a recent Tabor College graduate. Keelan loves sport, playing cricket and football in Adelaide and the hills, and our students are currently trying to convince him to play for their favourite Clare footy side. Keelan is engaged to Maddy and is excited about starting his teaching career at Vineyard. He is teaching our Year 4 /5 class.
- **Miss Pearl Mayor** continues at Vineyard this year, having filled in as our Year 2/3 teacher in Term 4 last year. Pearl enjoys reading and camping, and shared a wonderful highlight with us last term when she got engaged to her now fiancé Seb. She has a beautiful pearl engagement ring and is excited to be continuing in her role as Year 2/3 teacher.
- **Mrs Robby Edmunds** also continues in her role from last year as our Foundation / Year 1 teacher. Robby has been managing a station with her husband Dick in the north of the state before coming to us. She has a passion for baking (and we love to encourage that) and a heart particularly

for students with disabilities, having years of experience in that area. We are excited to have Robby in our Junior Primary team.

- **Mrs Leah Krieg** has recently been employed to work on Fridays as our Office Administrative Assistant. Leah and her family have been involved with Vineyard over many years, with her children formally attending here and her husband Darren a former School Chairperson of our school. Leah has recently been working at Horizon in a similar role, and is very excited to be joining our Vineyard community again.
- **Pastor Greg Vangsness** comes to us from the Naracoorte Parish and is being installed on Sunday into our Mid North Lutheran Ministries. His wife, Sandra has worked in schools in a Chaplaincy role. Pastor Greg likes painting and has been a firefighter and Police Chaplain. He wears a special wooden cross around his neck and loves giving children a high five! Pastor Greg has spent time with staff last week for our Professional Development activities, and we welcome him to Vineyard as our School Pastor.



Keelan



Pearl



Robby



Leah



Pastor Greg

We warmly welcome each of these staff members and their families to our Vineyard family. We pray for blessing on each one of them in their role, knowing that they will also be a blessing to our community. Please introduce yourself to them and make them feel welcome.

NEW FAMILIES

We welcome new students and families to Vineyard and pray that God will bless their time here in our community:

- Ryder Nurk – Sarah, Ty and Tobias
- Chase Yates – Michelle and Dakota
- Nicholas Harvey – Jacqui, Mark, Annabelle and Maddie
- Leah Plowman – Ben, Pam and Shae
- Will Michalak – Katrina, Andrew and Milton
- Angus and Mitchell Weatherley – Janelle and Shiloh

BUILDING PROGRESS

As you will have seen, we have substantial building progress on site for our three new learning areas: 2 classrooms and an outdoor space. We are on track for a mid term completion and anticipate the toilet refurbishment will occur during the Easter holiday break. It is very exciting to see the beautiful woodland view from these classrooms and the rainbow shape of the Outdoor learning area.

PASTOR AND STAFF INSTALLATION CEREMONIES

This Sunday at 2pm Pastor Greg Vangsness will be installed at St Paul's Lutheran Church in Clare as Pastor for our Mid North Lutheran Ministries. This is a special event as Pastor Greg takes up his call to serve our Parish and carry out his responsibilities as Pastor to share the gospel and minister to us in our Mid North Community – including Clare, Burra, Blyth, Snowtown and Brinkworth and our Vineyard School. All Vineyard staff and families are invited to attend.

Our new staff will be installed in Chapel at Vineyard next Monday, starting at 8.50am in the Cottage. Staff are called to serve our students and families by sharing the gospel and providing high quality education. We take that call very seriously, and each year we commit to doing that to the best of our ability. Current staff will also receive a blessing and we invite all families and friends to join us for this special worship service.

VOLUNTEERS

A BIG thankyou to all of the volunteers (parents and wider community members) who came in over the holidays to water garden beds, tidy up, mow lawns, sweep paths, paint benches, move furniture, and generally help get our school ready for the start of term. There were many faces and helping hands but I want to particularly mention Michelle Morgan, Grant Goodwin, Christina and Mark Underdown, Tracey Lane, Steve Sanders and Wade Hogg for their efforts in this area. Your servant hearts and willing hands are truly appreciated.

WELCOME BBQ and PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT

Each year at Vineyard we hold two special events in the first two weeks of term. Firstly our Welcome BBQ which is designed to foster and build new friendships and a stronger sense of community within our Vineyard family members.

Our Parent Information night is also held in the first two weeks as an opportunity for class teachers to communicate critical information such as classroom expectations, routines, camps, homework expectations, sport uniform days, curriculum topics and much more.

This year we have decided to combine these events into one, making it hopefully easier for families to attend. Starting at 6pm we will have our Welcome BBQ. Parents are asked to bring a salad or a sweet, drinks for their family, and chairs / picnic rug. Our School will provide meat, bread, plates, knives and forks.

Following this at 7pm we will have our Parent Information night with a combined short presentation by Michelle, then parents go to classes. Teachers will present a 20 minute session which will be repeated for families with multiple children. A Creche will be provided – with a movie screened in the cottage.

The timetable is:

- 6pm: Shared Welcome BBQ
- 6.55pm ; Combined Presentation by Michelle
- 7.10pm: Class Presentation 1 begins
- 7.30pm Swap classes for second session or Home
- 7.35pm Second Session begins (repeat of first session)
- 7.55pm Finish / Home

We would love to see all families attend. Please return the attached slip with numbers and if you can help.

COMMUNICATION

We will be again trying this year to send most of our communication (including class newsletters, events, invoices and the Wire) by email on Fridays. Hard copies are easily available from Jennie / Leah upon request. We hope that this assists families to access information easier and quicker. If you have any difficulties, please contact us as soon as possible. We will be continuing to use Seesaw throughout the week to showcase our student learning and will also be putting our events and reminders on our internal Facebook page. Seesaw codes and Facebook instructions will be given out at the Parent Info night on Tuesday.

NOVEL CORONAVIRUS

Attached to today's Wire is an updated factsheet for schools and parents on the novel coronavirus, which have been forwarded to schools by the Australian Government Department of Education. The updated factsheets are also available on the Department of Education [website](#). Any updates to these factsheets will also be published on the website.

School Notices

Mid North Lutheran Ministries – Service Times

SUNDAY 3RD FEBRUARY

Combined Mid North Lutheran Ministries Service at St Paul's Lutheran Church Clare @ 2pm with Installation of Pastor Greg Vangsness with an afternoon tea to follow. All welcome to attend.

Family & Staff Prayers

Over the last week in staff devotion we prayed for the: Plowman, Arnold, Atwal and Allmond families, staff member Michelle Keller and Our Saviour Lutheran School, Aberfoyle Park.

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

Birthday Blessings

God's Blessings to everyone who is celebrating their birthdays or who celebrated their birthday in the holidays.....

9 th January	Angus Weatherley
9 th January	Mitchell Weatherley
17 th January	Belinda Dare
21 st January	Harrison Young
23 rd January	Pearl Mayor
2 nd February	Dakota Pedler

Lunch Orders and ice blocks

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.

Attached with this edition of the Wire is also a current 2020 Canteen Price List.

Ice blocks are available for purchase every lunchtime in Term 1 & 4. The cost for these is 40 cents and there is a limit of one ice block per student

Students of the Week –

Term 1, Week 1 – Class Awards

Harrison Young – For demonstrating **Service**.

Thankyou Harrison for demonstrating maturity by helping the new Foundation students and Mrs Edmunds. You have been a good role model in the classroom.

Maddison Harvey – For demonstrating **Courage**.

Well done Maddison for settling into Year 2 so well. You have been very kind and helpful to all of your classmates. We are so blessed to have you in the 2/3 class.

Tegan Kloock – For demonstrating **Service** in your willingness to assist in the class & admin office with jobs and taking on these duties without being asked.

Thomas Sommerville – For demonstrating **Quality**.

Thomas has made a wonderful start this week, working independently on his poster and his holiday writing. He has demonstrated creativity and a positive attitude. Well done Thomas!

Cooper Williams – For demonstrating **Courage** and for giving everything a go this week! Your positive attitude and actions are infectious!

Aaren Lane – For demonstrating **Hope** in all your words and deeds this week! Well done for your efforts.

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

Nuts allowed at School

CANCEL NO NUT POLICY

As we have no students or staff allergic to nuts this year, they **are** now allowed to be brought to school. We will notify you if this changes.

General School Reminders

BELL TIMES

The bell and break times for Vineyard are as follows:

8.45am	– Start of day
10.45am – 11.10am	– Recess Break
12.30pm – 1.15pm	– Lunch Break
3.15pm	– End of day

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.

STUDENT CHANGES TO END OF DAY PICK UP

We understand the sometimes arrangements for the end of day pick up can change from the normal routine during the course of the day.

In order for us to let your children know of any changes, particularly for bus students, we would appreciate if you could please ring or email the office before 2.45pm so we have ample time to relay the message via the office boxes at the end of the day.

General Reminders cont.

FAMILY HOLIDAYS AND EXTENDED ABSENCE FORMS

A reminder to all families that for any planned absence of 5 school days or longer an 'Exemption from School Form' needs to be filled out as a Government requirement. These forms are available from the Front Office and must be approved by Michelle before the absence beginning date. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING HOURS

The uniform shop will be open every Monday
8.35am – 9.30am & 3.30pm – 4.30pm

If you are unable to attend during these times you can collect a uniform order form from the office and place an order to be collected at a time that suits you.

CARPARK SAFETY

Parents are reminded that students are not to be in the carpark unsupervised at the beginning or the end of the school day. Please ensure you cross the carpark with your child at the zebra crossing.

The 'kiss and drop' and bus area at the front of the office building is not to be used for parking and walking your child down to their class. This area is designed to be used for buses dropping off and picking up students or parents who are quickly dropping their children and then leaving them to walk to their classes by themselves. Thankyou for your cooperation in this matter.

2019 Valedictory Award Winners

Congratulations to the following students who received awards or leadership positions at our Valedictory Service at the end of last year.

CITIZENSHIP AWARDS

- Elle Arnold
- Henry Upton
- Jackson Couch
- Tegan Kloock
- Annabelle Harvey
- Tobias Nurk
- Lainey Mullighan
- Will Upton
- Lucy Menadue

ACADEMIC AWARD - Lucy Menadue

CARL PETERING AWARD - Wakefield

SCHOOL CAPTAINS FOR 2020

- Lainey Mullighan
- Will Upton

HOUSE CAPTAINS FOR 2020

Broughton – Manjot Kaur

Hutt – Cooper Clark

Light – Still to be filled

Wakefield – Aaren Lane

Thank you also to the following people/businesses who sponsored our awards:

- Dean Kloock & Trish Byerlee
- Ian Dinham & Amanda Tappin
- Harvey Builders



VINEYARD LUTHERAN SCHOOL

CANTEEN PRICE LIST 2020

Lunch orders are available on Fridays only

Ice blocks (40 cents) are available each day

Lunch time only During Term 1 and 4 only

(12.45 pm)

Hot Food

Pie	\$3.80
Pasty	\$3.80
Sausage Roll	\$3.20
Hot Dog	\$3.20
Hot Dog-Cheese	\$3.80
Pizza-Ham/Pineapple	\$2.80
Croissant-Ham/Cheese	\$3.80

*** All hot food comes with a complimentary sauce sachet

Cold Food

Vegemite/Cheese Roll	\$2.80
Cheese/Salad Roll	\$3.80
Chicken/Salad Roll	\$3.80
Cheese/Salad Wrap	\$3.80
Chicken/Salad Wrap	\$3.80
Gluten- Free Salad Wrap	\$3.80



Cakes

Sprinkle Donut	\$3.20
Chocolate Muffin	\$3.20
Lamington	\$2.80
Finger Bun	\$2.80

Drinks

Apple Juice	\$2.00
Orange Juice	\$2.00
Chocolate Milk	\$2.00
Strawberry Milk	\$2.00

Please insert correct money into lunch order bags & if you require extra bags please collect these from the front office.



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Community News

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

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Life Blood visiting Clare

Got a bit of time next month? Time to give blood and change lives? 1 in 3 people in Clare will need blood, and they need people like you to give it. We're rolling into town from 12th February to 14th February. Don't forget to pre-book your spot at donateblood.com.au, on our app or by calling 13 14 95.

Friends of the Clare Library

Young Writers Competition

Write a story about **Fire**
Include name, age, class level and school on back of entry. Entries to Clare Library by April 3, 2020.
Certificate for all Entries.
Cash prizes, free entry
1000 words maximum
Further info Sue Wurst ph 8842 2798,
0408 890257 or email
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Rotary Club of Clare

Movie Fundraiser at Blyth Cinema

Golden Globe winning film **1917**
Fundraising for surgical training in Butan
Tickets \$20 includes lucky door prize. Tickets available from Rotary members and Richards Terry White.

Welcoming BBQ

Parent Information Night

The PIN will be from 7pm sharp to 8pm. A creche for your children will be provided in the Cottage. Looking forward to seeing you all there!



Come along to our

Welcome BBQ

Held on our Vineyard oval Tuesday 4th of Feb 5.30pm - 6pm

Bring a salad or a sweet, and a chair or picnic rug

Meat, Bread, cutlery, crockery will be provided

Come along and meet others in our community – it's always a fun night

Please provide how many family members attending below:

Family Name

How many attending.....

Salad ☐ or Sweet ☐

Dietary requirements ☐ Yes ☐ No

Will your child/ren be attending the creche ☐ Yes ☐ No

Please return this form by Monday 3rd Feb for catering purpose



VINEYARD SCHOOL CALENDAR- TERM 1 2020

Week Commencing	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
27 January	1	27/1 Australia Day Public Holiday	28/1 Term 1 Begins 8.50am Chapel & Welcome Morning Tea	29/1	30/1	31/1 Assembly 2.45pm	1/2	2/2 Installation of Pastor Greg Vangsness 2.00pm @ St Paul's Clare
3 February	2	3/2 8.50am Chapel Staff Dedication & Blessing	4/2 Welcome BBQ- 5.30pm Parent Information Night 7pm -8pm	5/2	6/2	7/2 Assembly 2.45pm	8/2	9/2
10 February	3	10/2 8.50am Chapel	11/2	12/2	13/2 Summer Hub (Cricket/ Tennis/ Softball)	14/2 Whole school Head Lice Check Geoff Brock Assembly 2.45pm	15/2	16/2
17 February	4	17/2 8.50am Chapel	18/2	19/2	20/2	21/2 Assembly 2.45pm	22/2	23/2
24 February Swimming Week	5	24/2 8.50am Chapel Swimming Lessons @ The Valleys SAPSASA Swimming	25/2 Swimming Lessons @ The Valleys	26/2 Swimming Lessons @ The Valleys	27/2 Swimming Lessons @ The Valleys	28/2 Swimming Carnival @ The Valleys	29/2	1/3
2 March	6	2/3 8.50am Chapel	3/3	4/3	5/3	6/3 Assembly 2.45pm	7/3	8/3
9 March	7	9/3 Adelaide Cup Public Holiday	10/3	11/3	12/3	13/3 Assembly 2.45pm	14/3	15/3
16 March	8	16/3 8.50am Chapel	17/3	18/3	19/3	20/3 Assembly 2.45pm	21/3	22/3
23 March	9	23/3 8.50am Chapel	24/3	25/3	26/3	27/3 Assembly 2.45pm	28/3	29/3
30 March	10	30/3 8.50am Chapel	31/3	1/4	2/4	3/4 Assembly 2.45pm	4/4	5/4
6 April	11	6/4 8.50am Chapel	7/4	8/4	9/4 Last Day of School 2.15pm early dismissal	10/4 Good Friday	11/4 Easter Saturday	12/4

Term 2 commences on Monday 27th April 2020

Please note: This calendar is subject to change. Please check the Wire each week to ensure you stay up to date with any changes.

