



VINEYARD
Lutheran School Clare Valley

Term 2 Week 5
29th May 2020

Term 2 Upcoming Events 2020

Monday 1st – Tuesday 2nd June –
Compulsory Parent/Teacher Interviews
Tuesday 2nd June – Wednesday 3rd June
Senior Camp Fundraiser hot lunch
orders
Thursday 4th June – School Cross
Country
**Tuesday 9th June – Wednesday 10th
June –** Senior Camp Fundraiser hot
lunch orders
Term 2 Calendar – TBA – More details
to follow

Upcoming Events 2020

**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
Challenge

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

The Other Side

If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it. – Matthew 16:25

When I knew Susan, she had everything going for her: good grades, good looks, good job. Then she was in a car accident and was never the same.

I never quite understood what happened, but the drugs the doctors used to save her life apparently caused her to gain a huge amount of weight. She ballooned to two hundred and plenty pounds and lost most of her friends. Those who didn't know her just assumed she was overeating. Trouble was, Susan gained weight even when she didn't eat.

"Now I know," she once told me, "how it feels to be on the other side of the fence, to feel that you're a nobody because you don't look like the girls on Cosmo."

I later went away to college and didn't see Susan for about four years. One day after graduation I was in her area and decided to stop by. She was as big as ever.....but she also wore a smile that indicated she wasn't as self-conscious about her weight.

"All my life," she said, "I was programmed to think success. I had it all. And I couldn't understand why other people weren't as together as me, you know? It was like I was the yardstick, and they didn't measure up. And God may have been somewhere out there, but I didn't need him because I was doing fine on my own.

"But now I understand – that I didn't understand anything before. The needs and hurts of others? Didn't see them. Never noticed because I was all that mattered. That all changed when I became the Sumo Lady. You look like this, it's hard to have much pride.

"Now? I'm not so full of myself," she continued. "And when there's less of me, there's more room for God. The amazing thing? It's easier now to help others. To really care. To risk everything for God.

"The ironic thing?" she asked. She paused for a moment and looked down. And then she came up smiling. "The irony is, I thank God for the accident. It took the car to lose myself. But that was really nothing. I lost me, but I found something more important that can never be taken away."

Devotion submitted by Keelan Grosvenor

From the Principal

It is the change of mid-year seasons and next week we begin what is known as the coldest and wettest month here in Australia.... Winter!

In the beautiful Clare Valley it feels as though winter is here already with the consistent cold we have been familiar with recently. Yet it is this very climate that makes it such a wonderful natural environment here in the Mid North, full of flora and fauna that God has blessed us with.

As I have watched the changing colour of the leaves on the vines and the trees as well as the land around us transform back to a green carpet, I remark upon how quickly time rushes by. I am reminded how blessed we are and how life is to be valued and cherished as suddenly we are half-way through the term and consequently nearly half-way through the year.

We are gradually coming to terms with our changed environments at school, in the community and even in our home life and we look forward to events and social activities soon becoming more prevalent.

Hence, it is with pleasure that I look forward to Parent/Teacher interviews next week whereby you get to meet with your child's teacher to discuss their educational and social progress. Whilst it has been a disrupted year with the interruptions from the pandemic, we have been fortunate at Vineyard Lutheran School in being distanced somewhat in a relatively safe environment.

On Monday and Tuesday afternoon/evening I will be roaming and in attendance for interviews so please feel free to come and have a chat when you see me around and about the school. I already know most parents and friends of the school and look forward to sharing the journey of your child's education at Vineyard Lutheran School.

Have a great weekend and God's richest Blessings to you!

Kindest regards

Geoffrey Strauss

Principal

BUSES NOT RUNNING

No buses will be running on Tuesday 9th June as it is a pupil free day for the public schools. We shall offer a walk down to OSHC service supervised by Mr Strauss to make it easier for students who go to OSHC. Please contact the school to give permission for your child to take advantage of this offer. Our apologies for the bus not being in service and we hope you can make alternative arrangements for your child to get to school.

PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Parent Teacher Interviews will be held in next week Monday 1st and Tuesday 2nd June after school. Please ensure that you have received your booking notification slip for this very important means of communicating your child's progress at school. School reports will be going out at the end of the Term as per usual.

PRINCIPAL TOURS

In conjunction with the Parent Interviews Week we are offering Principal Tours of the school after Mainly Play on Wednesday 3rd June. We will incorporate all safe work social distancing practices. Please see Geoff or Jennie at the front desk if you would like to arrange a personal tour during that day.

ASSEMBLY

We are changing the format and timing for our whole school assemblies. We are going to run them fortnightly and in the alternate weeks we will be including some whole school fitness activities. Beginning next Friday we will have our first fitness session at 2.45pm the same time as we would normally run school assembly. We can then look forward to continuing our regular assembly each alternate week and this will be in the cottage with parents and friends welcome to attend whilst still recognising social distancing practices.

NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME

This week on Wednesday a time was set aside for a National 'storytime' session and students participated in a story read online by Emma from the Wiggles! The story was 'Whitney and Britney Chicken Divas' by Lucinda Gifford. It was lovely to be involved in this simultaneously timed event to connect students to reading and to improve their literacy. They also wore and shared their masks which Mrs Upton has been making in Art.

VLS WEBSITE

Vineyard Lutheran School 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
admin@vineyardls.sa.edu.au.

CROSS COUNTRY

Our school cross country virtual event has been organised for next week at Vineyard Lutheran School on Thursday 4th of June. We will be running a free sausage sizzle during the afternoon and the event for races begins at 1.30pm straight after lunch. Please refer to Mrs. Dare's notice attached for more details regarding this event for our students. Training has been underway for some weeks and students are eager to participate.

YEAR 7 TRANSITION TO HIGH SCHOOL

Transition packages for 2020-2021 have been distributed for all Year 7 students, irrespective of whether they will be attending Clare High School (CHS) next year or not. The CHS Transition Coordinator will be visiting all Primary Schools in the district and will be at Vineyard Lutheran School on Friday 19th June (Week 8). Please have your forms returned by Friday 12th June (Week 7).

MAINLY PLAY

mainly play continues to conduct its sessions on Wednesday mornings in the same format that Amy has transitioned for online delivery through the internet programme ZOOM. They are held for live streaming every week beginning at 9.30am. All are welcome and free of charge to join. Contact Amy for the meeting ID and password.

LUTHERAN PRINCIPAL'S MEETING

On Wednesday afternoon Principals of Lutheran schools in S.A. W.A. and the N.T. met online for a meeting to discuss the current situation with Covid-19 and the operational and management position of our schools. We will continue to hold these meetings fortnightly to ensure that our Lutheran schools can share information and remain consistent with our response strategies in getting our schools and community back to normal operation.

WOOD FOR SALE

Prepare yourself for the cold winter ahead by stocking yourself up ahead of time with fuel for the furnace! Vineyard Lutheran School once again has **Wood for sale** - \$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 **free delivery** 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.**

Secondhand Uniform Sale

We are currently having a huge clearance sale on our second hand Winter uniforms. Prices start from as low as \$5. Please come into the office and grab yourself a bargain.

School Notices

Mid North Lutheran Ministries – Service Times

No Services this week due to COVID-19 cancellations

MID NORTH LUTHERAN MINISTRIES FACEBOOK PAGE

If you are on Facebook you can keep in touch with what is happening in the Parish by joining MNLM 'Blessed to be a Blessing' Facebook page.

Family & Staff Prayers

Over the last week in staff devotion we prayed for the: Young, Harvey, Weatherley and Goodwin families and Encounter Lutheran College, Victor Harbor.

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 birthday this week.

30th May – Elle Arnold

2nd June – Leah Plowman

Students of the Week – Term 2, Week 5 – Class Awards

Lucky Victor – For demonstrating **Love**. It was very thoughtful of you to make another mask for a student who was away so that they wouldn't miss out.

Henry Upton – For demonstrating **Service**. Well done Henry for always looking out for ways to help around the school. You include everyone in your playtime which is lovely to see.

Angus Weatherley – For demonstrating **Quality**. For working really well throughout science this week. You worked efficiently on your research about the solar system, were eager to learn and shared some fantastic ideas!

Thomas Sommerville – For demonstrating **Courage**. For a great 2 weeks in our new classroom. You have adjusted really well and have always been looking to help others. You have also worked really well on your writing and your poster on floods.

Tobias Nurk – For demonstrating **Courage** in his efforts on starting his own Autobiography. Well done for getting straight into it and eagerly sharing your own story!

Cooper Clark – For demonstrating **Appreciation** by aiding in the care and maintenance of our classroom. Thankyou for showing dedication to our new workspace.

Ishrat Atwal – For demonstrating **Quality**. I am so proud of the way you are communicating in the class and playground. Fantastic work Ishrat!

**2020 Stamps
for mission**

Bring in used stamps
for donations

For a fundraising project of
the LCA international mission

**This fundraiser could raise up to
\$2000 for the people in need**

Women in Thailand are in a very difficult situation and
in need of love and care some have been abandoned
pregnant this fundraiser could help their lives better

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**I Can Do
ALL THINGS**
through
Christ
who
Strengthens Me
PHILIPPIANS 4:13

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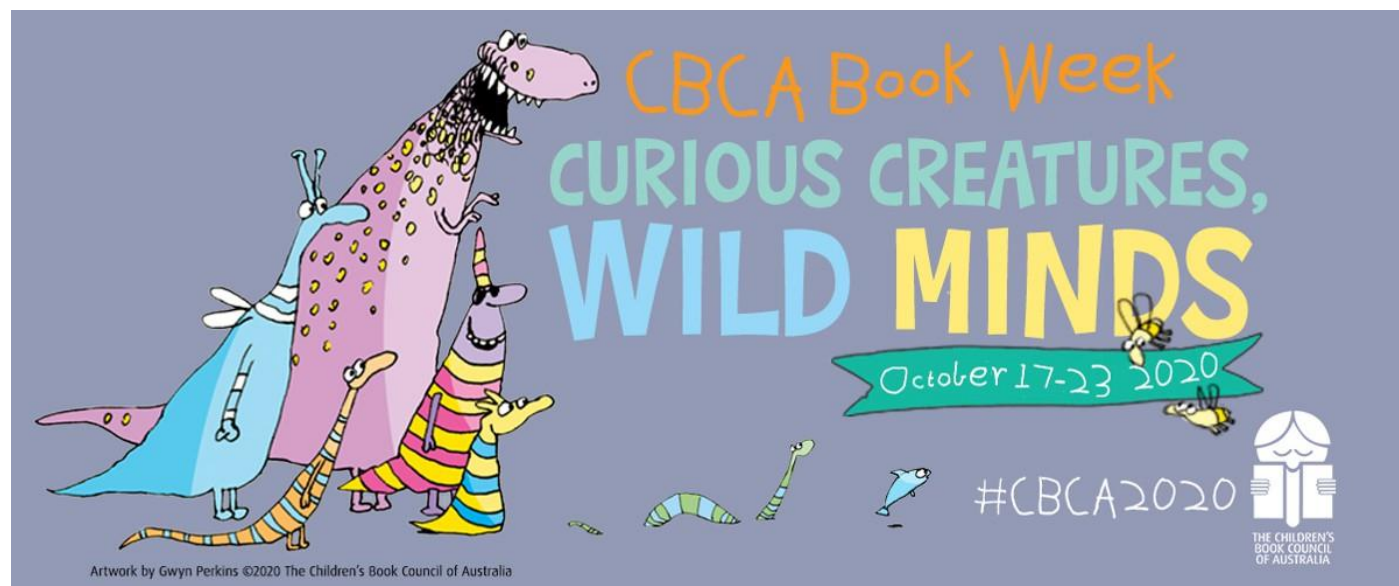
CBCA Book Week
**CURIOUS CREATURES,
WILD MINDS**

October 17-23 2020

#CBCA2020

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THE CHILDREN'S
BOOK COUNCIL
OF AUSTRALIA



Cross Country Carnival

THURSDAY 4th JUNE

On Thursday our school cross country event will take place and for the first time ever, will be run as a **HOUSE CARNIVAL**. All students will participate and earn points for their House.

WHICH HOUSE WILL BE THE FIRST TO HAVE THEIR NAME ENGRAVED ON THE SHIELD?

To create positive House spirit, students are strongly encouraged to wear a plain tshirt and accessories in their House colour. Accessories may include :

- Wigs
- Tutus
- Ribbons/scarves
- Capes
- Socks
- Coloured hairspray (if applied at home)
- **NO coloured zinc please**



We encourage parents and friends to come along to cheer on our students. A free sausage sizzle will be available for students, parents and spectators.

The program below indicates the approximate timing of events :

1.30pm	10 y.o. boys & girls	2km – 4 laps
1.50pm	7 y.o. boys & girls 8 & 9 y.o. boys & girls	1km – 2 laps 1.5km – 3 laps
2.10pm	5 & 6 y.o. boys & girls	750m – 1½ laps
2.20pm	11 y.o. boys 11 & 12 y.o. girls 12 & 13 y.o. boys	3km – 6 laps 3km – 6 laps 3km – 6 laps
3pm	PRESENTATION	HOUSE SHIELD, RIBBONS & HOUSE SPIRIT AWARDS

I look forward to our second House Carnival of the year and our students giving it their best shot, encouraging others and having fun!

Belinda Dare
Sports Coordinator