

## Term 3, Week 2 2 August 2019

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

Wednesday 7th August

SAPSASA Basketball @ Balaklava

Wednesday 14th August

Yr F - Yr 1 Class Excursion to Good Shepherd Lutheran School - Para Vista

Wednesday 14th August

Yr 6/7 Class Excursion to Parliament House

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> August

Sci World Excursion at Town Hall Whole School

Monday 19th August

Road Safety Programme - Whole school

Monday 19th August

Story Time @ Vineyard 7.00pm

Tuesday 20th Aug

Yrs 2, 4 & 6 Classes Online NAPLAN Testing

Wednesday 21st Aug

Clare Library visit – Whole School

Friday 23rd August

Book Week Dress Up Day & Grandparents/Special Friends Day

Friday 30th August - TBC

Trivia Night at the Vineyard Stadium

Wednesday 4th September

Adelaide Show Pupil Free Day

Thursday 19th September

Whole School Disco

**Vineyard Term Dates** 2019

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

Term 4: Mon 14th October - Fri 13th December (9 Week Term)

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# Vineyard Wire

# **Queen Ester**

Through the years, many of us have probably heard of the story of Queen Esther. The girl who is taken to the palace of King Xerxes and rises up to become queen. The one who bravely works to save her own people from the cruel plots of the enemy. Yet there's so much more as we dig into this amazing story. It reveals some very powerful truths in its 10 chapters, great wisdom for today, and the realization that God still works in mighty ways on behalf of His people. (Esther 1-10)

Facts to Know:

- The book of Esther is one of only two in the Bible named for women (the other is Ruth).
- It's also one of two books of the entire Bible that doesn't actually mention God's name (the other is Song of Songs). And though we don't read God's name in the story, His sovereignty and loving care are woven throughout the words and chapters.
- It's set during a time when the Jews suffered much racial hatred. They had been a minority in Persia for years.

4 Main Characters through the story:

- King Xerxes reigned in power at his palace in Susa, Persia. He had banished Queen Vashti from his presence when she had refused to come at his order. So the search for another queen went out through the region.
- Esther was taken from her home and came to live in the palace along with many other girls. She was Jewish but never revealed her nationality or family background as Mordecai had advised her. God gave her great favor among all there and she soon became queen. God used Esther to save His people.
- Mordecai was a Jew and Esther's older cousin. He had adopted and raised her after she lost her parents. He continued to advise Esther and check on her safety, even after she had been taken to live in the king's palace. As a government official, he saved the King's life life, showing his loyalty and
- Haman was a descendant of King Agag, an enemy of the Jews. He was given a seat of honor by the King, but pride and lust for power drove him to hate any who would not bow down to him. When Mordecai refused, he sought revenge on all of God's people by devising a plot to kill the Jews.

7 Powerful Truths and Wisdom from the Story of Esther:

- God is the only One who has the power to turn trials into blessings.
- Our prayers matter. Our voice matters. Our actions matter. And God is our Deliverer.
- 3. God will give us the courage to do all that He asks us to do.
- 4. God is able to bring great favor and blessing on our lives, even in hard
- 5. God will always be faithful to lead us and to fight on our behalf.
- Pride is a trap. Humility is key.
- 7. God is King over all, and He lovingly cares for His people.

#### Prayer:

Heavenly Father we thankyou for always being with us, preparing places, opportunities, choices, and options ahead of us, just as you did for Esther. We thankyou that we have a God who cares. We rejoice to know that nothing happens by chance and that all things in life are under your control. May we rest in your love today. Amen.

Adapted from i-believe.com - Submitted by Michelle Keller

# **Principals Report**

Welcome to Week 2. It has been great to get back into routine and enjoy some sunshine (3)

#### Welcome

We welcome Mrs Amy Bassani who is teaching with Mrs Belinda Dare in the Year 2/3 class while Ash is on leave. We pray that Amy will enjoy her time with us and feel a part of our Vineyard family. Belinda will work on Mondays and Tuesdays and Amy from Wednesday to Friday. Thanks to Belinda and Amy for accepting the relief roles and for the consistency they are providing for our students.

## Online Naplan

Next year, our aim is to have our students take part in NAPLAN online. There are many benefits to the online version, including greater differentiation with a branched test that allows students to travel different paths according to their level of success. The online test also has built in provisions such as audio questions, larger font, colour selections for text and background and additional time for children with identified learning needs.

On Monday Craig and I went to a training session for NAPLAN online in preparation for our 2020 participation. As part of the preparation process, we will be hosting a Student Readiness Test in Week 5 of this term for all of our current Year 2, 4 and 6 students. The aim of this is to check our technical readiness and to expose our students to the types of questions and differing answering formats they will experience in the real NAPLAN online next year. Parents of these students will receive additional information in the coming weeks, but if you are interested in finding out more, see

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rogUjmOPmKk&feature=youtu.be. This video is easy to understand and gives examples of test questions. Worth a look!

#### **Coming Events**

**NAIDOC Week** - We have registered interest and are waiting to hear more details about the NAIDOC event in Clare.

**Principal Retreat** - Next Thursday and Friday I will be attending the Lutheran Education South Australia, Northern Territory and Western Australia (LESNW) Principals Retreat in Port Lincoln.

**BARLE** - Barossa and Region Lutheran Educators (Lutheran Principals in our region) meet for their termly meeting at Vineyard in Week 5 on Friday.

Science Week - We will again be attending Science week activities being held in the Clare Town Hall including interactive Science shows by Sci world on Science Magic and Fire and Ice

**Book Week - Week 5** - Starting the week with our usual Story time on Monday night, Book Fair, and Dress Up day / Grand Parents Day on the Friday – this is always a very special time (3)

#### **Working With Children Checks**

Working with children checks are now compulsory At Vineyard for the last three years, volunteers in our school have required both a current Police Check and Valuing Safe Communities training. Originally it was the National Police check but in recent years we changed to DCSI Screening for a higher level of security.

There have been some changes recently to 'police checks' As of the 1st of July, the state government brought in 'Working with Children Checks' (WWCC). This new screening check is more comprehensive and provides organisations with ongoing information about the status of their volunteer's eligibility to work with children.

With the new regulations, the National Police Checks will no longer be accepted in schools, however transition arrangements enable the DCSI screening to remain valid until its expiry date.

The WWCC is free for volunteers and it is transferable to other organisations. Unlike other screens and checks, the WWCC remains valid for 5 years.

At Vineyard, a valid DCSI or WWCC is required for any parent or volunteer wanting to attend a school camp, go on an excursion, regularly help in classrooms or whenever you are working closely with our children. Obtaining a WWCC can take anywhere up to 6 weeks. For this reason we suggest all parents register for the check as soon as possible if you intend to help at our school and require a new check. Acquiring a WWCC is a relatively straightforward process and can be completed without needing to visit the school or a police station. If you would like more information, please go to

https://screening.sa.gov.au/types-of-check/ new-working-with-children-checks. Questions can also be directed to either Jennie in the office or myself. All WWCCs are FREE for volunteers.

#### **Student Parliament**

This afternoon we welcomed our Mayor, Mr Wayne Thomas for our Student Parliament Swearing In ceremony. We thank Mr Thomas for coming along and the students for the impressive way they accepted their roles. We look forward to the ideas and decisions this Parliament brings in this coming Semester.

Blessings to you for the coming week,

Michelle

# **School Notices**

#### Mid North Lutheran Ministries – Service Times

#### **SUNDAY 4TH AUGUST**

Clare 10.00am

Blyth 9.30am

Brinkworth 9.00am

Burra 9.00am

Snowtown 11.00am

# Family & Staff Prayers

Over the last week in staff devotion we prayed for the: Young, Carlin, Schunke, Clark, families, and Good Shepherd Angaston & Grant Goodwin.

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

# **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.

# **Chapel Offerings- Term 3**

In Term 3 we have chosen to support Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS) with our chapel donations. We encourage everyone to bring along a Chapel offering to support these Christian ministry opportunities.



# Term 3, Week 2 - Class Awards

**Flynn Becker** – **Love** – Giving class mates encouraging messages by letter.

**Harrison Young – Courage** – When facing challenges & activities in the class room.

**Dakota Pedler – Quality** – For the excellent work you produced in spelling this week, using challenging words to write fantastic "silly sentences."

Charli Sweeney – Courage – For the courage you have shown during your first two weeks at school. You have settled in so beautifully and are a wonderful asset to the Yr 2/3 class room and the Vineyard Community

**Thomas Sommerville – Compassion** – For demonstrating compassion during chapel to other students. Well done Thomas on showing care to others when they seemed sad.

**Isaiah Van Ruth** – **Quality** - For Quality in Maths and the great understanding you have shown multiplying with 2 digit numbers and the accuracy with your answers.

**Cooper Clark** – **Courage** – By giving his best in areas that challenge him. Good work.

**Claudia Burton** – **Hope** – By encouraging and supporting to get the best out of her class mates during "Run around Australia."

**Tayla Rabig** – **Justice** – For the honesty & fair play. You always demonstrate in PE Lessons & your calm nature & honest decisions you make in competitive situations are appreciated by all.

**Henry Upton** – **Justice** – For the honesty you showed in PE when you got caught out & went out without being asked. You always set a good example to the class by demonstrating fair play and being a good sport

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

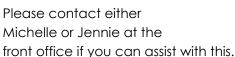
# **Birthday Blessings**

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

6<sup>th</sup> August Tayla Rabig

# Wanted Item in Advance

We would like to source some Patio Heaters for our Trivia night which is being held at the end of August in the Vineyard Stadium.





# **Bakery Items**

Low coded bakery items have been kindly donated by the Lions Club of Clare District & will be available from 10:00am every Wednesday & Friday

to any of our families. This can be collected from the front office. It has been gifted to help with those who can put it to good use. A sign will be displayed near the Admin Building as a reminder when it is available.



## Whole school head lice checks

A reminder that the termly head lice checks will be carried out on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> August by Mrs Underdown and her team. All children will be checked in line with the head lice policy. If your child is absent on this day they will be checked on the day they return to school.

# **Mainly Play**



# P & F News

#### **Chocolate Drive Fundraiser**

Thanks to everyone who has supported the 6/7 Chocolate Fundraiser. Just a reminder to please bring back any unsold chocolates & boxes & money, as this fundraiser is winding up.

## **Pie Drive**

Our Pie Drive was very well supported. Thank you again to those who ordered goods.

#### P & F Fathers Day Stall

The P & F are holding their Father's Day stall on Friday 30th Aug in the Stem room.

## **Drinking glasses**

If anyone is needing some nice drinking glasses, we still have 14 boxes to sell at \$10/Box of 6. Come & have a look at them in the front office.

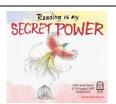
# **Library News**



# PREMIERS READING Challenge

Premiers Reading Challenge for this year will cease on 6th September. Well done to the many students who have already completed and returned their challenge sheets. Challenge sheets can be returned to the office, additional challenge sheets can be collected from the front office if needed. **All students must complete this challenge**.





# Book Fair and Book Week 19<sup>th</sup> -23<sup>rd</sup> August 2019

We will once again be combining the Scholastic Book Fair and celebrating The Children's Book Council of Australia Book Week. The Fair will be held in the school stadium before and after school from Monday 19<sup>th</sup> August 3:15-4:00pm, Tuesday to Friday 8:40-9:00am and 3:15-4:00pm. Helpers at the fair would be greatly appreciated.



The theme for this year's Book Week is 'Reading is my Secret Power. The dress up theme will be based on a book character or the book week theme.



Grandparents and special friends are invited to visit our school on **Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> August.** The Grand Parade of costumes will be in the gym at 9:00am, followed by a sumptuous morning tea provided by parents (one plate per family please) in the gym then activities in the classrooms. Grandparents and special friends are then welcome to peruse the book fair in the stadium



Once again, Vineyard will be hosting a bedtime story session in the school library from 7pm - 8pm on **Monday 19th August** with storytelling, craft activities and cookies before returning home to bed! Preschoolers are more than welcome! Feel free wear your pyjamas and bring your favourite soft toy!

# **Community News**

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

#### **CLARE 2019 NAIDOC CELEBRATIONS**

#### WED 7TH AUGUST

Please join us to celebrate NAIDOC, recognising & celebrating the history, culture & achievements of Aboriginal & Torrens Strait Islander people.

Time: 11.00am - 1.30pm

Where: Ennis Park Main North Road Clare

RSVP: If you plan to stay for lunch, please RSVP

for catering purposes by 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug

Email Jessica. Henderson@sa.gov.au or phone

88 413 400.







## Show off with a show ticket on us

When your child open a Little Life Savers Incentive Saver Account by 23rd Aug they will receive a \$10 Deposit Offer plus a child's free ticket to the Royal Adelaide Show.

More incentives available so call into your School Office to receive a brochure.