## IMPORTANT DATES

**February 19**
Chapel—9:15am in the LIFE Centre. Will include Bible presentations, staff installation and staff blessing

P&F Meeting in Room 4 following Chapel Service

**February 24**
Mardi Gras Fundraiser Casual Day

**February 26**
Camp / Excursion expressions of interest due

Special Assembly - Student Parliament presentation of certificates - 2:30pm

Term 1 school fees due

SAPSASA Swimming Carnival

**March 4**
Year 7 Aquatics Day

**March 14**
Adelaide Cup Public Holiday

**March 22**
Halogen Young Leaders Day

**March 25**
Good Friday

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# Growing with Gratitude

**Term 1 Week 3**

What does gratitude mean to you? One of our school focuses this year, is helping the children understand what gratitude is. Classes will be linking the Growing with Gratitude program into Health and Christian Studies. This program complements our school vision with Kids Matter. It aims to help teachers and families develop the habits of gratitude, kindness, optimism and mindfulness. These are stepping stones to greater happiness and success. Teaching our children these skills early in life helps them to develop greater resilience and reach their goals in life.

As Christians, we gratefully acknowledge that God is good. He lovingly creates and gives us all things. We can always be thankful for the things God gives to us, including each other, because we are His amazing creations.

At the end of each day, 6/7AL will be engaged in activities to help students with the five key concepts: gratitude, kindness, optimism, mindfulness and happiness. An example of an activity is that the students will be asked to write something that they are grateful for and drop it our Gratitude Jar. We will regularly share our gratitude with the class. This is something we encourage you to do as a family.

We have asked 6/7AL class to share their gratitude:

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<td>Mrs Loxton</td>
<td>I’m grateful for the time I spent with my family in Mount Gambier and the new things we did as a family.</td>
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<td>Mrs A</td>
<td>I’m grateful for being able to watch Adilyn grow and learn new things.</td>
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<td>Hudson E</td>
<td>I’m grateful for going to the beach and my sister’s 21st.</td>
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<td>Jake</td>
<td>I’m grateful for seeing my cousins, going to the beach and Bounce in the holidays.</td>
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<td>Morgan</td>
<td>I’m grateful for my class and the school.</td>
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<td>Judd</td>
<td>I’m grateful for the time I got to spend with my friends and family in the holidays.</td>
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<td>Ashton</td>
<td>I’m grateful for bikes and family.</td>
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<td>Ruby</td>
<td>I’m grateful for the time I had with my family and friends in the holidays.</td>
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<td>Harmony</td>
<td>I’m grateful for spending time in Melbourne visiting my family.</td>
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<td>Darcy</td>
<td>I’m grateful for my family and friends and seeing my cousins in the holidays.</td>
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<td>Jordan</td>
<td>I’m grateful for the wonderful places we visited in the holidays.</td>
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<td>Hayley</td>
<td>I’m grateful for the time we had in the holidays to spend with friends.</td>
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<td>Asha</td>
<td>I’m grateful for being able to spend time in bed in the holidays.</td>
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<td>Caitlin</td>
<td>I’m grateful for the time I spent with my family and friends.</td>
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<td>Hudson H</td>
<td>I’m grateful for the warm sun and the cold water.</td>
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<td>Lily</td>
<td>I’m grateful for Loxton Lutheran School as it provides us with wonderful opportunities.</td>
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<td>Declan F</td>
<td>I’m grateful for being able to go to school.</td>
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<td>Tiahli</td>
<td>I’m grateful for my Mum being pregnant and that the baby is healthy.</td>
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<td>Caleb</td>
<td>I’m grateful for going 4WDing in Victoria.</td>
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<td>Jasmine</td>
<td>I’m grateful for quality time with my sister in the holidays.</td>
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_Ephesians 5:20 NIV ...always giving thanks to God the Father for everything in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ._

Submitted by Rebecca Loxton (Year 6/7 AL Teacher)
A few words ........

Dear Parents,

Special Chapel Service

Installation of New Staff and Student Leaders

This Friday, February 19th, all members of our school and wider communities are invited to a very special Chapel service to be held in the LIFE Centre, commencing at 9.15am.

At that service:-

• Teacher Joanne Hondow and LSO Lily Hansen, will be officially installed as members of the Loxton Lutheran School staff.

• The entire staff will be blessed and members will reaffirm their commitment to teaching in the school

• The 2016 Captains and Vice Captains will be installed.

Pastor Jason Sander (Renmark & Paringa) will conduct his first Loxton Lutheran School Chapel service while Pastor Darrin Kohrt will officiate with the staff blessing and the installation of staff members and student leaders.

Bible Presentations

Following the Chapel service and installations, the annual Bible presentation to the Year 3 students and children new to the school during the last 12 months (above Year 3), will take place. This is always a highlight of the school calendar and one to which the recipients of the Bibles very much look forward.

We sincerely thank the Riverview Rest Home and the Loxton Lutheran Parish for their continued sponsorship of the Bible presentation.

Once again, any parents, relatives and friends, as well as members of the wider school and local community are encouraged to attend this very significant occasion.

Happenings

This year, due primarily to changes to the structure of administrative staff operations, the ‘Happenings’ school newsletter will be distributed in hard-copy (paper) on the Wednesday of the week of publication.

An electronic copy will continue to be available on Tuesday via email, the skoolbag App, the school Facebook page and on the school’s website.

The newsletter will be published in odd weeks during Terms 1 and 4, and in even weeks in Terms 2 and 3.

Mardi Gras Fund-Raiser Casual Day

Next Wednesday, February 24th, has been set aside as our first casual day of the year, where students are able to come dressed in character reflecting the theme of the day, or in casual (non-uniform) clothes. The cost for doing so is a gold coin donation, which on this occasion will go towards supporting the Loxton Mardi Gras.

The theme for this casual day is “The Hungry Caterpillar.” We are asking that children come ‘theme’ dressed or in bright clothing, as they’ll be able to use these costumes in the Mardi Gras parade the following Saturday.

2016 Class/School Excursions and Camps

All parents are reminded that they have until the end of Week 4 to express an interest in participating in class camps and excursions for 2016. All expressions of interest must be made to the school office by Friday, February 26th.

Parent participation in respective school camps / excursions will subsequently be chosen from the names put forward.
From the Principal

Special Assembly

A special whole school assembly to present the Year 7 students with their Student Parliament Certificates will be held in the LIFE Centre on Friday February 26th commencing at 2.30pm.

This assembly has been brought forward one week, due to the Year 7s attending their annual Aquatics Day at Barmera the following week.

Our Student Parliament plays a significant role in the student decision-making processes at school as well as encouraging, promoting and developing a service attitude in our senior students. The announcement of the job roles for the year, together with the presentation of certificates is viewed as a very important occasion. We therefore encourage as many parents and members of the school community as possible to attend this assembly to the students. Eminent local citizen, Bill Ebert, who was recently awarded an Order of Australia Medal for services to the community, will be our guest presenter.

May God continue to shine upon and bless all in our school community.

Yours in Christ,

Terry Sawade

SAPSASA

In Week 1, a letter went home to students, 10 years and older, to indicate if they were interested in participating in any SAPSASA events this year. I have received many forms back and just want to remind those students who are interested in participating, to return their forms ASAP as the first SAPSASA event is next week. In previous years the original form with all the dates has been sent home but this year you will get a reminder through the newsletter and the dates will also be put on the website under Special Events and will be posted on the events calendar on our Skoolbag app. If you have any questions please feel free to leave a message at the office or email me at joanneh@loxton-lutheran.sa.edu.au

SAPSASA Swimming

SAPSASA Swimming will be held at the Loxton Pool on the 26th February (Week 4). We have a number of students participating in this event, which is great to see. A reminder that a letter went home yesterday for you to indicate your child’s age group and the events they want to compete in. These forms are due back on Wednesday 17th February as nominations are due Friday. I will be supervising the students on the day but I will need 3 timers. Can you please let me know if you are able to assist. It should be a great day and I wish all the students participating the very best.

Kind Regards

Joanne Hondow

We would like to invite you all to our next P & F Meeting.

Friday February 19th

In Room 4

following our Chapel Service, Blessing of staff / Installation of new staff / Induction of School Captains & Vice Captains & Bible Presentations.

We will be discussing our allocation of funds. If you would like to attend or be involved with the P&F but are unable to make the meeting, please contact us.

Karen Scholz 0416 077 650 or Rose Rosbergen
P&F Committee

DOWNLOAD OUR SCHOOL APP TODAY
Contact the School office for more information.
SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
(Every Second Friday)

NEXT ASSEMBLY:
Friday February 19
2:30pm in the LIFE Centre

SCHOOL WORSHIP
Chapel services are normally held at 9:15am, every Friday in the LIFE Centre. ALL WELCOME.

Friday February 19
Chapel will be led by Pastor Jason Sander. The theme will be “Lazarus lives again”.

Friday February 26
Chapel will be led by Pastor Darrin and the Year 2/3 class. The theme will be “The True King”. Please join us for a cuppa and catch up after the service.

PRAYER CORNER
This week we are praying for:
· Tayla Beswick
· Jenaya Biele
· Luke and William Borgas
· Isabel Clift
· Lucas and Eamon Cockshell
· Mikayla and Tilly Drake
and Mrs. Di Boehm
LSO

CHURCH SERVICES
St Peter’s Lutheran Church
21st February 8:30am
10:30am
28th February 8:30am
10:30am HC

Concordia Lutheran Church
21st February 10.00am
28th February 10:00am HC

ELC News
By Rachel Hentschke

We have had a wonderful two weeks back at the ELC. The children have settled in well and made our new children feel most welcome. We have enjoyed making paper mache dinosaur eggs, going on the slip n slide and doing yoga with our new mats. We have four places available on "odd" Fridays (Weeks 3, 7, 9 & 11) and 1 place available on Tuesdays.

At the end of term, each child will take home their portfolio, full of observations by educators and pictures of learning, to share with families. We ask that these are returned at the start of the following term. If you still have your portfolio from the end of last year please return it ASAP.

Thank you to Craig Kernich from Riverland Canvas for repairing our ELC banner and making it stronger than ever. Thank you to Jan Kernich and Karen Scholz for donations.

The ELC Monster Garage Sale on Saturday made $344.95. Thank you to all stallholders that were involved, and in particular to the ELC committee who were a tremendous help.

The ELC committee for 2016 are:
Jo Bullock joann.bullock733@schools.sa.edu.au
Leah Uren luren@hotmail.com.au
Nicole Drake nicoled@loxton-lutheran.sa.edu.au
Sophie Arnold sophie.i.arnold@gmail.com
Catarina Santini lcsantini@adam.com.au

If you have a suggestion, concern or item you would like us to discuss at the next committee meeting, please contact one of the committee members. We welcome new committee members at any time during the year, so please let us know if you wish to join.

In a few weeks time, we will be sending home an Easter Raffle book with each child. The books contain 10 tickets @ $1 each. We limit the amount of fundraising we ask ELC parents to contribute to, but would really appreciate it if you could try to sell your allocated tickets. The prizes are fantastic!

We endeavour to make the transition from home to ELC as smooth as possible. Please send along a family photo for us to frame and proudly display at the ELC.
Dear Parents/Caregivers

My name is Joanne Hondow and I am the new PE/Health teacher. I am looking forward to my new role at Loxton Lutheran school as it gives me the chance to use my knowledge and skills from my University major of Bachelor of Applied Science (Human Movement) to provide an engaging PE/Health program that all kids can enjoy. Sport is an area I am very passionate about. I have played a range of sports and feel it is important for children to be involved in sporting groups not only for their health and fitness but also for them to be able to learn vital skills such as teamwork, care and compassion, understanding tolerance, inclusion and cooperation. I do understand that sport is not an area that all children are passionate about but I expect everyone to have a go and support each other during the lessons.

In the first week I asked the students to fill in a brief survey to find out the sports they are interested in and topics they may want to cover in Health. My aim is to get to know the students and work with them to provide them with the knowledge and skills that are of interest to them.

Throughout the year I will be focusing on some of the sports suggested by the students as well as some sports which often aren’t taught such as golf, lawn bowls and table tennis. I want to open the student’s minds to a range of sports as I feel there is a sport out there for everyone. In Health this term we will be focusing on Mental Health with a focus on positive thinking and the rest of the year we will look at food and nutrition, preventive health measures and use of persistence and resilience as tools to respond positively to challenges and failure.

The School’s aim in Physical Education at this level is for students to:

- Have fun
- Feel good about themselves
- Be physically active, improve fitness levels and get involved
- Receive and develop a broad range of skills in various sports and activities
- Develop life-long skills and attitudes towards being active and living a healthy lifestyle

Each week I will be taking each class from Years 3 - 7 for a 50 minute PE lesson and a 40 minute Health Lesson. I will also be taking the Receptions for a 45 minute PE lesson and a fortnightly Health lesson. During the year, classroom teachers will be providing fitness each day and there will also be opportunities for students to participate in SAPSASA, Sports Days and Athletic Days.

If your child is unable to participate in the PE lesson due to injury or illness please let me know through your child’s diary explaining the reason.

I look forward to getting to know your child/ren this year. If you have any questions please contact me in the front office or email me at joanneh@loxton-lutheran.sa.edu.au

Kind Regards

Joanne Hondow
**ICAS (International Competitions and Assessments for Schools)**
Every year our school participates in this program run by the University of New South Wales.
Competitions are open to all students from Years 3 to 7. Students are encouraged to have a go at the subjects that are of interest to them. Every student who participates receives a certificate acknowledging their participation and is eligible for awards, including UNSW Medals and High Distinction, Distinction and Credit Certificates.

**English, Maths and Science Competitions are open to Year 2s.**
Please complete ONE form (at back of newsletter) for EACH student and tick the subjects selected.
Queries regarding these competitions may be directed to Terry Sawade at school.
Entry forms are to be returned to school with the money in a clearly marked envelope.

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**Uniform Shop**
**REVISED OPENING TIMES FOR TERM 1 ONLY**

Monday, Tuesday and Friday mornings - 8:30am to 9:15am

- At present there are NO reader folders in stock. Orders can still be taken and reader folders will be distributed when they arrive.
- Please only donate good quality used items. No stains or tears as it will not sell. No shoes, socks etc.
- Items for donation MUST be current uniform only.

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**Bible Presentation**

Friday 19th February

9:15am - Chapel Service

Bibles will be presented to our 2016 Year 3 students and any new students since last presentation during our Chapel service.

ALL WELCOME!

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**FOUND**

1 - LLS Jacket
(No name)
Please contact the school office if your child is missing one!
Term 1 2016 Roster

19 February  Jo Oldman
26 February  Vicki Evans
4 March      Trudy Eckermann
11 March     Michelle Pannell
18 March     Amanda Phyllis
25 March     Good Friday
1 April      Rebecca Arnold
8 April      Kylie Smith
15 April     Karen Waechter

Please sign in at the front office and be at the canteen for a 9.15am start.

If you are unavailable at your rostered time please arrange a swap with someone else.

Any donations of fruit or eggs would be greatly appreciated.

Slushies are now available!

A big THANK YOU to Ken Ellbourn for fixing our slushie machine so promptly.

I must also thank the following people for the time they volunteered over the weekend, in helping me run the canteen for basketball carnival: Michelle Harris, Michael Waechter, Syke Payne and Bronny Cook.

Trudy Battams
Canteen Manager
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6 Luther Road
LOXTON SA 5333
Phone: 08 8584 7496
Fax: 08 8584 5478
Principal:
Terry Sawade
Council Chairperson:
Nicolle Jachmann
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Facebook
https://www.facebook.com/LoxtonLutheran

LOXTON AMATEUR BASKETBALL ASSOCIATION

LOXTON HOCKEY CLUB
REGISTRATION DAY
Wednesday February 24th
4pm - 7pm
at The Loxton Hockey Clubrooms
Players required for all grades:
U/12 mixed * U/15 boys
U/18 women * U/18 men
B-women * B-men
A-women * A-men
All skill levels welcome
No experience necessary!
Women required to form a B-grade team.
New, past & present players are urged to attend
For more information please contact:
Amanda Schubert, loxtonhockeyclub@gmail.com

May God Bless You & Your Family today and Always

Community Noticeboard

Craft n More Fete
Saturday 27th of February * 9am to 2pm
Anglican Church Grounds * Edward Street Loxton
Over 15 indoor/outdoor stalls * Gold Coin Donation - includes door prize entry.
Wide range of craft, handmade items, jewellery, wooden products, candles, baby & children items, and lots more!
In Conjunction with The Mardi Grass Festival

2016 Annual General Meeting and Dinner
Wednesday 16 March 2016
at the Loxton Hotel
Dinner from 6pm and AGM at 7pm
All interested persons are welcome to attend
Please RSVP by Friday 11 March 2016 to Sue Schultz on 
loxtonbasketball@gmail.com or 0428 765 11

The Garden
An infant / toddler group 0 - 4 years and their parent(s)
An opportunity for shared positive experiences and sensory exploration activities through play, music and movement to support the relationship between you and your child.
The Garden program will be held in Berri at The Vine Community Church.
Enrolments open now.
Where: The Vine Community Church
Corner of Jellit ond Old Sturt Highway, Berri
When: Tuesdays: 1, 8, 22 & 29 March and 5 April
Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm
Contact: For more information or to enrol phone Nicole or Chelsea at Relationships Australia SA Berri on 8360 4121

The Loxton Lutheran School logo and a butterfly are also visible in the image.
ICAS COMPETITION ENTRY

2016 Competitions Entry Form

Student Name: .......................................................... ..........................................................

Class: ......................... Year Level: .........................

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