

Happenings



10th March 2020

Diamonds in the Ruff

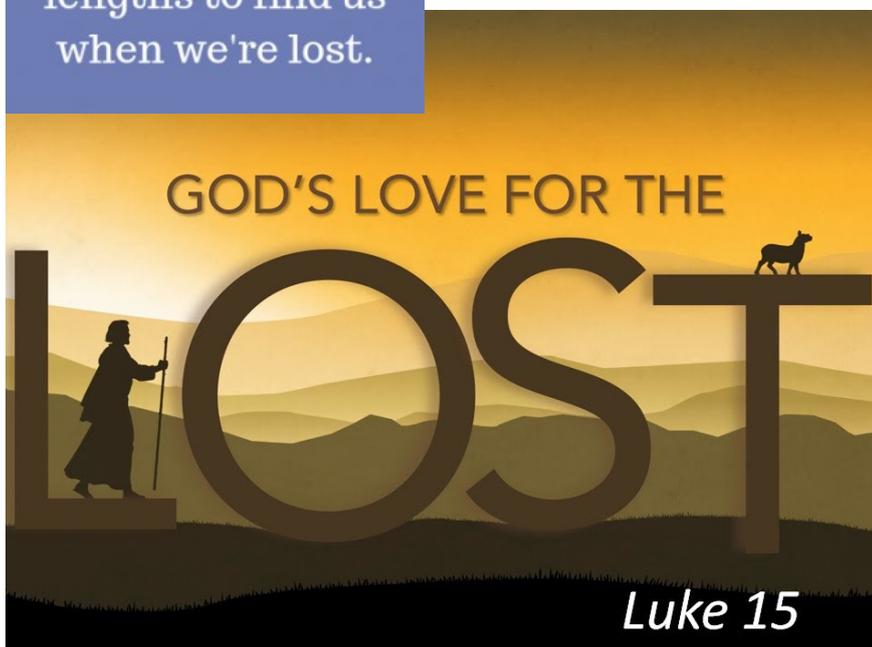
Term 1 Week 7

Diamonds aren't normally found in sewerage. At least, people aren't usually game to look for them there. But they **are** there, of course. More than one wedding ring has been washed down the drain or flushed down the toilet never to be recovered. There in the filth the precious gem remains, a victim of accident, carelessness, or brokenness. You are not, I am not, unlike that diamond *in the ruff of brokenness*. The grime of sin covers everything. It makes us undesirable.

God knows this and he's not complacent about it. And he's not put off by the bad scent of humanity. Jesus has come down into the filth and sewerage of our fallen world. To say He got his hands dirty to restore our brokenness is an understatement. He carried our sins all the way to the cross. He was innocent, but He took our guilt. Unlike the flushed diamond that remains lost in humanity's waste, Jesus promises to recover us from world's cesspool of sin. The Bible says, *"The Lord their God will save them on that day as the flock of his people. They will sparkle in his land like jewels in a crown."* Zechariah 9:16

God will go to great lengths to find us when we're lost.

~ Pastor Darrin Kohrt



IMPORTANT DATES

Wed March 11 - Fri March 13

Year 5/6 Camp

Friday March 13

Worship - 2:30pm in the LIFE Centre

Monday March 16

Prayer and Catch-up - 2:15pm in the LIFE Centre

Friday March 20

Lots of Socks Day

Assembly - 2:30pm in the LIFE Centre

Thursday March 26

School and Parish AGM - 7:00pm

Friday March 27

Worship - 2:30pm in the LIFE Centre

Tuesday March 31

SPORTS DAY

Thursday April 2

Riverland SAPSASA Athletics Carnival

From the Principal

Dear Families,

As talked about in the last edition of the Happenings, last week our Leadership Team here at LLS spent three days in Cairns for the purpose of professional learning.

Literacy, strategic planning, improvement planning, student leadership, student and staff wellbeing, social and emotional learning, student support, building teacher capacity and professional learning teams were some of the main topics discussed with the leadership teams of the three schools we visited.

Each day generated rich discussion, an endless realm of new learning, affirmation, and brains that hurt from the deep conversations. Each evening was spent as a team, where we talked about the day, with each of us required to outline our affirmations, inspirations and challenges.

As a leadership team, it is our immense challenge to distil and discern all that we engaged with over the three days. We need to take time to 'unpack' our heads, look at our 'WHY' and be strategic in our thinking as we strive to improve learning and wellbeing outcomes for children at LLS.

We will share our reflections with staff this coming week and then with the school board when they meet the following week. Exciting times lay ahead for our school community.



Mardi Gras

What a glorious sight it was seeing over 100 students, parents, siblings and staff members represent LLS at the Mardi Gras. It was a fantastic turnout and is reflective of the great community spirit we have!

A huge thanks to our Mardi Gras committee for their preparation and guidance. Thanks to staff who helped with the float and on the day. Our appreciation is also extended to Sally and Neil Thiele for their help with float decorations and to Riverland Cabinet Makers for the lend of the trailer. Well done to all on a great day. To walk away with 'Best Overall Float' and 'Best School Float' was a bonus.



Sports Day

A reminder that Sports Day is being held on **Tuesday 31st March**. A programme will be communicated out in coming days.

Today at lunch time, voting took place to elect House Captains.

Year 5/6 Camp

We wish Mrs A, Mrs R, Paula and Paul and the Year 5/6 children every blessing for their camp to Illawonga this week. We hope you have a fantastic time away, learning new skills in a different environment.

At a time where a lot schools are not taking

From the Principal

children on camps, we extend our sincere appreciation to LLS staff and parents, who still put their hands up to coordinate these wonderful experiences for the children, giving up their own family time to do so.

Lots of Socks Day

Each term at LLS, we hold a casual day to support local, state, national and international agencies and organisations.

This term, we are participating in 'Lots of Socks Day', on **Friday March 20**, as we support and raise awareness of Down Syndrome. On this day, children are encouraged to come to school rocking some weird and wonderful socks, and to bring a gold coin. Children can also wear something orange, which is the colour for Harmony Day. Formal uniform items are to be worn otherwise.

New Family Welcome

We welcome Amity and her family to LLS. May God bless you all.

Staff Professional Learning

Every Wednesday afternoon, teaching staff meet from 3:45-4:45 for the purpose of professional learning. It is time where staff come to build capacity, engage in rich conversations, are introduced to new learnings and share information.

By the end of this term staff will have engaged with the following:

- ◆ Completing Training 24/7 modules to support our teaching of literacy
- ◆ Deepening their understanding of Rosenshine's 10 Principles of Instruction

- ◆ Completing an online course on Autism Spectrum Disorder
- ◆ Completing a Child Protection course
- ◆ Preparing for Parent/Teacher Interviews
- ◆ Planning Christian Studies units for Term 2

Coronavirus

Last week, a letter was sent to families regarding the Coronavirus. All families are encouraged to carefully read all communication sent out related to the Coronavirus, as it may have implications for your child and the school.

Again, it is not our intent to cause fear or anxiety around this issue, we will leave that to social media, who are doing a fine job of it. Rather, we are aiming to be transparent with our community about processes, procedures and expectations should a student, staff member or volunteer be diagnosed with the virus or have symptoms consistent with the virus.

At Loxton Lutheran School we are fortunate to be able to receive ongoing advice from both the AISSA and LESNW, who are in constant dialogue with federal and state health departments.

Take care,

Brad



SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

(Held fortnightly)

Friday March 20

2:30 pm in the Life Centre - *lead by the Year 1/2 class*

SCHOOL WORSHIP

(Worship services are normally held alternate fortnights to assembly)

NEXT WORSHIP SERVICE

Friday March 13th

2:30 pm in the LIFE Centre - *lead by Pastor Jason and the Reception FS class*

PRAYER CORNER

This week we are praying for: -

- ◇ David Ewins
- ◇ James Ferris
- ◇ Kaitlyn Ferris
- ◇ Ellie Fielke
- ◇ Kailan Fielke
- ◇ Mason Fielke
- ◇ Nicholas Fielke

and Mrs. Amy Harvey
LSO / School Chaplain

Prayer or care requests can be forwarded by email to:-

Brad - bradw@loxton-lutheran.sa.edu.au

CHURCH SERVICES

St Peter's Lutheran Church

March 15	8:30 am	HC
	10:30am	
March 22	TBA	

Concordia Lutheran Church

March 15	10.00am	HC
March 22	TBA	

Lots of Socks Casual Day Friday March 20th



AT LLS we be celebrate our differences and the fact that we are all specially created by God as unique individuals. We try to learn about and embrace our differences, whether we are from different cultures or have different learning styles or differing gifts and abilities. March 21st is both Harmony Day and World Down Syndrome Day –Lots of Socks Day.

On **Friday March 20th** we are holding a Casual Day to celebrate our differences and help increase our awareness of Down Syndrome.

How can you help? By wearing LOTS OF SOCKS!

But not just any socks... brightly coloured socks, long socks, printed socks, 1 sock... even 3 socks for 3 chromosomes. If you do not normally wear socks, wear them!

You can also wear something Orange (the colour of Harmony Day)

We also encourage you to bring a gold coin donation to support Foundation 21, a group that supports T21 (Down Syndrome) Families in SA.

We will be learning and sharing more about Down Syndrome and Harmony Day in the coming weeks.



Children & Youth
@ St Peter's

3.30 - 5.30pm Mondays

Peace Hall

Faith, food, fellowship, fun

Bible Verses

DO justice
LOVE kindness
WALK humbly

MICAH 6:8
And what does the Lord require of you but to **DO** justice, and to **LOVE** kindness, and to **WALK** humbly with your God?

Week 6

UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES
Fridays - 3:10 pm to 3.30 pm
Uniform order forms can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from our website

BUSINESS MANAGER HOURS
Not available Wednesday's

LLL SCHOOL BANKING
Every Tuesday

CANTEEN OPEN DAYS
Wednesday's and Friday's

Week 7

I HAVE SET MY **RAINBOW** IN THE CLOUDS, AND IT WILL BE THE SIGN OF THE COVENANT BETWEEN ME AND THE EARTH.
GENESIS 9:13

FRIDAY SPECIALS

PRAYER & catch up GROUP

Monday 16th March
2.15 - 3.15pm
in the Life Centre Foyer.
This will be a casual catch-up/prayer gathering over afternoon tea.

everyone welcome

For more information, contact Chaplain Amy Harvey on 8584 7496

March 13th
NACHO'S - \$4.50
Gluten Free

****Available from March 18th**
HOT X BUNS
Fruit or Choc - \$1.00
Gluten Free fruit - \$1.50

Trudy Battams
Canteen Manager

MARDI GRAS 2020

'Best Overall Float' and 'Best School Float'



COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

Berri Dental

Helping your Children Grow a Bright and Healthy Smile

Did you know eligible children (2 to 17 years of age) can receive up to \$1000 of basic children's dental services over two consecutive years at no out of pocket expense to parents!

Regular dental check-ups are very important to your child's future smile, health and well-being.

If you haven't scheduled a dental check-up recently, for you and your children, be sure to give us a call today!

At Berri Dental, we are passionate about helping your family grow a bright and healthy smile, assisting you in developing and maintaining positive oral health habits.

Call us today on **(08) 8582 1944** to schedule your next appointment or if you seek further information.

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To request an appointment online, go to:
www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/dentalappointment
 For clinic locations, go to: www.sahealth.sa.gov.au/findyourclinic



Mighty Murray Clash Junior Netball Clinics – Thunderbirds and Vixens

Proudly sponsored by the Riverland Netball Association, we invite and welcome all interested netballers to take part in the junior clinics held by Thunderbirds and Vixen players.

When: Saturday 18 April
Where: Berri Hotel Sporting Complex in the Toyota Arena
Cost: \$20.00 pp

Purchase the tickets via the Adelaide Thunderbirds website

AGE GROUP 7 - 9YRS: 8:45AM TO 9:45AM
 AGE GROUP 10 - 12YRS: 9:30AM TO 10:30AM
 AGE GROUP 13 - 15YRS: 10:15AM TO 11:15AM

There will be a meet and greet and photo opportunity with the Thunderbirds and Vixen players during this time.



Invitation to learn about foster caring in the Riverland

Your invitation to chat with Brenton about becoming a foster carer for local children or young people in your community.

Date: Wednesday, 18th March **Time:** 10:30am-11:30am
Venue: Loxton Library, 25A East Terrace, Loxton

If you can't make it, please feel welcome to drop into ac.care, 5 Kealley Street or call 8580 5300 and ask for Brenton.

Country kids need local foster carers

ac.care
 opportunities for life ... for country people
est. 1986

08 8580 5300
care@accare.org.au
www.accare.org.au



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GOD'S 4 FENCES

Kids Camp 2020

Tuesday 31st March – Thursday 2nd April



Tandara Lutheran Camp – Halls Gap
 For 9-12 year olds only
 \$170



Registrations are limited, use the link to register
<http://www.tandara.org.au/app/register/form/1>

kerry.linke@camptandara.com

(03) 5356 4253

COMMUNITY NOTICEBOARD

NEW U13 & U15 SKILLS TRAINING

Come and have a touch of the footy and build on skills and fitness!

Thursday 5 & 12 March
4.30 - 6.00pm
Loxton North Oval

Get your game on!



Please note - LNJFC Registration NIGHT: March 19 - 4.30pm



LOXTON NORTH JUNIOR FOOTBALL CLUB

invite all new and existing
Under 15's, 13's, 11's & 9's to our

REGISTRATION NIGHT

Thursday 19 March
4.30pm - 6.00pm
at the Loxton North Oval

LIGHT TRAINING
WITH
SAUSAGE SIZZLE
TO FOLLOW

For more information please contact
Matthew Hutchinson 0409823859

2020 Trial Dates



JUNIORS

U17's, U15's, U13's

10th March 5.00-6.30pm
17th March 5.00-6.30pm
24th March 5.00-6.30pm

Junior Players Wishing to Trial for the A1/A2 Squad please attend the A1/A2 trials.

Any enquiries please contact LNC Registrar
Narelle Borgmeyer via email info@fruitdoctors.com
or phone 0427874858

SENIORS

A1 & A2 Squad

10th March 6.30-8pm
15th March 4.30-6pm

Other Senior Teams

17th March 6.30-8pm
24th March 6.30-8pm

Registrations for 2020 season open from the 17th - 24th February mynetball.com.au/
Help to register online will be available on the 23rd February at the '2020 Season Launch' at the new stadium.



LOXTON FOOTBALL CLUB

INVITE ALL CURRENT AND INTERESTED PLAYERS TO

U9s & U11s TRAINING

4.30 THURSDAY MARCH 26th
AT THE LOXTON OVAL

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT
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