

# Happenings



13th October 2020

## Devotion

### Term 4 Week 1

I am confident that most of us are familiar with the 10 Commandments and would be able to recount most of them if, even if not in the right order. I doubt however, that many of you have ever heard of 'The Second 10 Commandments'. The Second 10 Commandments won't be found in any scripture passage, but much like those found in the Book of Exodus, this set should be something we strive to obey to help us live a more peaceful life, which is something we all need given how hectic and stressful our lives often are.

I came across these 'commandments' in something I was reading recently, at a time where life was not overly peaceful for me and for some significant others. They have since become one of many tools or resources I will use to help me navigate those times where 'peace' is more challenging to feel than normal. Perhaps they might be useful to you as well?

1. *Thou shalt not worry, for worry is the most unproductive of all human activities.*
2. *Thou shalt not be fearful, for most of the things we fear never come to pass.*
3. *Thou shalt face each problem as it comes. You can handle only one at a time.*
4. *Thou shalt not cross bridges before you get to them, for no one yet has succeeded in accomplishing this.*
5. *Thou shalt not take problems to bed with you, for they make poor bedfellows.*
6. *Thou shalt not borrow other people's problems. They can take better care of them than you can.*
7. *Thou shalt be a good listener, for only when you listen do you hear ideas different from your own. It is very hard to learn something new when you are talking.*
8. *Thou shalt not try to re-live yesterday for good or ill – it is gone. Concentrate on what is happening in your life today.*
9. *Thou shalt not become bogged down by frustration, for 50 percent of it is rooted in self-pity and will only interfere with positive actions.*
10. *Thou shalt count thy blessings, never overlooking the small ones – for a lot of small blessings add up to a big one.*

([www.appleseeds.org](http://www.appleseeds.org))

Prayer is also a powerful tool that can be used to help us 'find' peace and regulate our emotions. The Serenity Prayer is a favourite of mine and it reads:

***God, grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,***

***Courage to change the things I can,***

***and wisdom to know the difference.***

Take care and peace to all,

Brad



## IMPORTANT DATES

**Friday October 16**

Year 7 Mud Run

**Monday October 19 - 23**

Book Week

**Wednesday October 21**

Dress Up Day - Wild or Curious  
(Includes parade - 9:00am)

**Thursday October 22**

Scholastic Book Fair Commences

**Friday October 23**

Riverland District Basketball Carnival

**Tuesday October 27**

Scholastic Book Club Orders due

**Wednesday October 28**

SPORTS DAY

**Thursday October 29**

Year 7 Orientation Day at Loxton High School

## From the Principal

### *Dear families,*

Welcome to Term 4!

I pray that the school holiday break and long weekend enabled families to reconnect without some of the stresses and routines that the school term brings. I also pray that students and staff were able to rest and recharge for what is going to be quite a frantic nine weeks. There is much to look forward to over these nine weeks; it is going to go in the blink of an eye. As such, it is imperative that families take the time to read Term Overviews, Class Newsletters and every edition of the Happenings.

### Specialist Learning Area Survey

Thanks to those families who completed the survey last term. We especially thank those that provided comments. It certainly helped us understand your thinking.

Staff, student and parent responses are now being tallied, after which the Leadership Team will be analysing them to help inform decisions for the 2022 school year and beyond.

### Staffing News

Loryn Taylor will be on leave for all of Term 4. Loryn needs to be with her family as they deal with a serious health issue involving an immediate family member. I would ask that the Taylor family be kept in your prayers. Mr Wagner (Monday & Tuesday), Mrs Staben (Wednesday) and Mrs McGregor (Thursday & Friday) will be sharing the teaching of the 4/5 class. We thank Tyler, Sonya and Emma for taking on this teaching load and congratulate the students of the 4/5 class, who have been so understanding and mature in the way they have conducted themselves.

This term Georgia Hauptman will be in the ELC working alongside our ELC Director, Corrina Smart. Georgia will continue in her LSO role on a Monday and Thursday.

We welcome Sara Lloyd to our staff during Term 4. Sara will be assisting students and

staff in an LSO role.

I wish to advise that Charmaine Pfitzner's contract has also been extended until the end of the year.

The Leadership Team have started short-listing applicants for the teaching positions that were advertised recently. We have been blessed to receive a number of strong applications. Staffing announcements will be communicated during the term via the Happenings. Similarly, 2021 class structure information will be provided later in the term via the Happenings.

### Lead Maths Teacher

Andrea Athanasopoulos and Leonie Bradtke have been appointed as Lead Maths Teachers at Loxton Lutheran School, beginning in the 2021 school year. Andrea and Leonie will share the role and we are excited about the opportunities and positive student and staff outcomes that will be achieved through their co-appointment.

Essentially, it is our aim for LLS to have a consistent and coherent approach to the teaching of maths. Leonie and Andrea, with guidance and support from the LT, will be leading this process for us.

### Sports Day

Our Sports Day is being held on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> October**. Students will be practicing some of the different games and events during some of their PE lessons over the next 2-3 weeks. They will also be learning war cries and the health hustle.

A copy of a map and program will be sent home via Sentral in coming days. Parents, grandparents are welcome to attend, but are encouraged to social distance on the day. The canteen will be open for students only to order recess and lunch if they wish. The Little Miss Daisy coffee van will be here should parents wish to grab a coffee or snack.

Parents are to be reminded that the focus of

## From the Principal Cont'd

our Sports Day is around maximum participation, enjoyment and engaging in physical activity. Our Sports Day is different to how we might remember a Sports Day to be when we were at Primary School, where students participated in only athletic events and where there was a lot of waiting time for your turn. This is not what our Sports Day is about.

We thank Mr Wagner for his work thus far in organising Sports Day.

### Book Week

Next week is Book Week, the theme of which is 'Curious and Wild'. We will have a parade on **Wednesday October 21st** at 9am in the quadrangle area, with parents and grandparents welcome to attend (please remember to social distance).

Our Book Fair begins in Week 3 and will be set up in the library. It will be open from 8:30-9:00 and 3:00-3:30 each Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of Week 3 and 4.

### Concert

We are still waiting for the edited version of the concert. As soon as we receive it we will advise parents how they will be view it.

### Year 7 Transition

This Friday our Year 7 students will be participating in the Mud Run at Loveday with other Year 7 students from the Loxton district. This is one of two days planned to help the students build friendships with other students to support them in their transition to high school.

### Website

It is anticipated that our new website will be up and running by the end of week 3.

I look forward to a fantastic term of learning, fun, opportunity and celebration with you all.

Take care,

Brad



## SCHOOL ASSEMBLY

*(Held fortnightly)*

Friday October 23rd - 2:30 pm in the Life Centre

## SCHOOL WORSHIP

*(Worship services are normally held alternate fortnights to assembly)*

### NEXT WORSHIP SERVICE

Friday October 16th - 2.30pm in the LIFE Centre

## PRAYER CORNER

This week we are praying for: -

- ◇ Thomas Porter
- ◇ Ned Portolesi
- ◇ Ollie Portolesi
- ◇ Nate Pritchard
- ◇ Anton Pumpa
- ◇ Ezra Reichstein
- ◇ Sienna Reichstein
- ◇ Clara Reid

and Sarah Kruschel  
Business Manager

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

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## CHURCH SERVICES

### St Peter's Lutheran Church

Sunday October 18	8.30am HC
	10.30am HC
Sunday October 25	8.30am
	10.30am

### Concordia Lutheran Church

Sunday October 18	10.00am
Sunday October 25	10.00am HC

## Chaplain News

Excerpted from Dr Justin Coulson's 'Finding Joy Out of Crisis' (blog). <https://www.happyfamilies.com.au/blog/finding-joy-out-of-crisis/>

**We've experienced an increased sense of gratitude.**

In the midst of our busy, full lives, we sometimes miss the chance to be grateful for all that we have. And gratitude is fantastic for our wellbeing. This crisis (COVID19) has given us a chance to remember those things that we're grateful for. In our home, we're grateful for our family, our safe community, our employment that keeps us fed and sheltered, and so much more.

One parent also said, 'I think we are also much more appreciative of our home and yard and all feel very grateful that we have a comfortable place to live'.

'I've been very grateful for the time I've had to reconnect with my 13 year old', said another mum. 'It has been a real blessing as we were struggling a lot before lockdown.'

**What will we take with us when this time is over?**

We can't be 100% sure. But I hope we take the important things – the deep and meaningful conversations we've been able to have with our loved ones, the increased kindness and sense of gratitude, the understanding of what is important in our lives and the joy we've felt in slowing down and taking the time to connect with each other.

Submitted by

**Amy Harvey**

## Uniform Shop

### Lost Property

A reasonably new size 14 jacket has been bought to the office – with no name. If you are missing one, please see the front office.

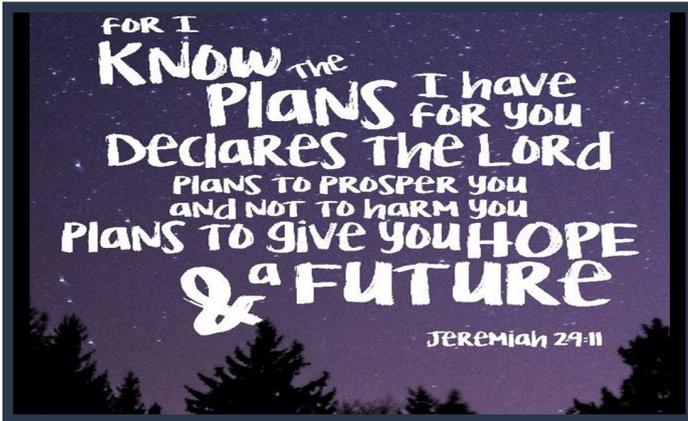
With the weather warming up, please remember to label all jumpers, jackets and hats and check that existing labels are legible.

Iron-on hat labels are available from the office if you require one for your child's hat.

**Sarah Kruschel**

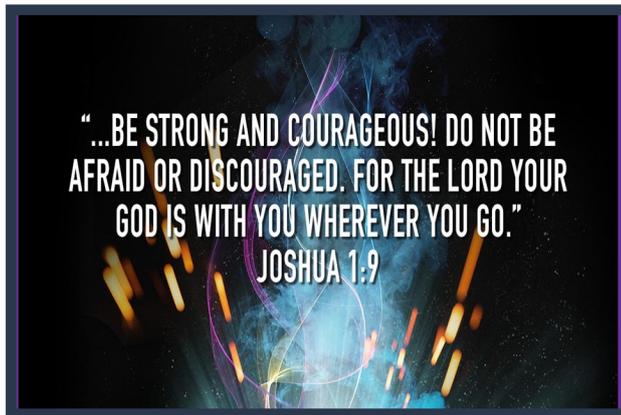
**Business Manager**

## BIBLE VERSES



T3 Week 10

T4 Week 1



## Book Week Dress-Up Day

Dress Up Day – Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October

Theme – WILD or CURIOUS



### UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

Uniform Shop has re-opened Friday afternoons from - 3:10 pm to 3.30 pm

*Uniform order forms can be downloaded from the portal or our website and emailed through to the school office*

### BUSINESS MANAGER HOURS

Not available Wednesdays

### LLL SCHOOL BANKING

Every Tuesday

### CANTEEN OPEN DAYS

Wednesday and Friday

**Canteen  
News**

**FRIDAY  
SPECIAL**

**Friday October 16**

**Jelly Cup**

**\$1.50 each**

*Free from artificial colours and  
flavours*

**Over-counter purchases will resume as  
per normal for Term 4.**

*Trudy Battams  
Canteen Manager*

# Community Noticeboard

## PRAYER & catch up GROUP

**Monday October 26th**

**2:15 pm to 3:15 pm**

**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.



**Melbourne Cup**  
from 11am

**Tuesday 3rd November**

Prizes awarded for  
Best Dressed Lady  
Best Dressed Gentleman  
Best Headgear  
Best Fascinator

- TAB facility -
- Sweeps -
- Raffles -

Fashion Parade by  
Loxton Rotary Opp Shop

**\$4** per ticket donated directly to  
**Royal Flying Doctor Service**

**\$30** per person  
2 Course meal

**Bookings Essential**  
Children's meals available

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