

# Happenings



26th October 2021

## Jesus our Saviour

### Term 4 Week 3

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. **Trust** in God; trust also in me. In my Father's house are *many rooms*; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to **prepare** a place for you. And if I go and prepare a **place** for you, I will come back and **take** you to be with me that you may also *be* where I am.'

*John 14:1-3*

I don't know about you, but I believe that Jesus will return for his people really soon. No one knows what day that will be, however the bible tells us to be ready as He will come like a thief in the night. It will happen quickly; all of a sudden God's children will be taken from the earth just as Jesus promised.

Are you ready for Christ's return? Repenting and accepting Christ as your Lord and Saviour gives you the wonderful assurance of an eternity in heaven where there is nothing but love, abundant life and all that is good.

I set my hope on seeing my Saviour coming to get me and this gives me the strength I need to keep doing the good things that I am called to do until I am called home. What about you?

*Amy Harvey*

Chaplain



**"For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith – and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God – not by works, so that no one can boast."**

*Ephesians 2:8-9 (NIV)*



## IMPORTANT DATES

Tuesday October 26th

Bookfair begins (ends Nov 4th)



Thursday October 28th

Year 6/7 Camp departs

Friday October 29th

Year 6/7 Camp returns

Worship - 2.30pm in the LIFE Centre, led by the Year 4 class

Uniform Shop OPEN 3.15-3.45pm

Monday November 1st

Year 6 Excursion to Setchell's farm

Wednesday November 3rd

Year 2/3 Camp departs

Thursday November 4th

Year 2/3 Camp returns

Friday November 5th

Assembly - 2.30pm in the LIFE Centre, led by the Year 1 class

## From the Principal

### ***Dear Families,***

This week we commemorate Reformation Day, which is Sunday October 31<sup>st</sup>. This is the day where we remember the significant impact Martin Luther had on the protestant reformation of the Christian Church by nailing 95 theses (points for debate) on the door of the church in Wittenburg, Germany.

### **New families**

We welcome Ryan (year 7), Noah (year 4), Montanah (year 5) and their families to Loxton Lutheran School.

### **Sports Day**

We congratulate Light (Red), who took out the Sports Day shield this year with a score of 197 points, followed by Eyre (Yellow) on 174, Grey (Green) on 168 and Sturt (Blue) on 162 points. Our students were excellent on the day, displaying a high level of sportsmanship and participation. It was great to see so many parents and visitors supporting the children and enjoying the fabulous weather. A huge thank you to Mr Wagner for his efforts in running the carnival. Thanks also to staff for their help and to Little Miss Daisy for keeping people in snacks and drinks.

### **Kick Off Your Boots**

A huge thank you to the Nitschke, Hampel, Arnold, Sheffield, Wright, Klose, Obst, Lewis, Setchell, Scholz, Williams and Kruschel families for giving up some of their time on Friday and/or Saturday night to serve behind the bar at the Kick Off Your Boots Cabaret. Thanks also to other families who offered help across the two evenings. It was excellent to be able to support such a great event, whilst raising some money (approximately \$1,500) and the profile of the school.

### **COVID**

As of yesterday, as per advice from SA Health, parents coming on site are not required to wear a mask outdoors provided they

physically distance (1.5m). They are however, still required to be worn by parents indoors. Anyone coming onto school grounds is required to COVID-Safe check in. The advice remains that parent numbers still need to be limited for functions, events, assemblies etc. It is hoped that there can be some change to this given current COVID conditions.

### **Car Park and New Building Update**

Progress continues to be made with both of these projects as they near being released out for tender. I have a meeting with the architect and engineers this week in Adelaide and look forward to sharing more information in the near future.

### **Staff Appreciation Week**

This week is Staff Appreciation Week at LLS. We are creating our own way of recognising the contributions of all staff here at LLS. Our Staff Appreciation Week will be a celebration of our entire staff team and will encompass: School Support Staff Day, Principal Day, Teachers Day and any others that I may have missed. We are very blessed at LLS to have staff who work as a team and care strongly about the students and families in our school community.

### **NAPLAN**

Last term, parents received their child's 2021 NAPLAN scores. Late last week, principals of each learning community received additional 2021 NAPLAN information. I have taken a brief look at some of the data we have received and am very proud of what our students and staff have achieved. I am very proud of the growth that each student in Year 5 and Year 7 has made from the 2019 NAPLAN tests, with most students recording well-above expected growth. The table below outlines our average test score and the average national test score. As you will see from the table, results show that we scored higher than the national average in every test except Year 3 Spelling and Numeracy. Well done LLS!

## From the Principal

	Average Test Score	National Average Test Score	Difference
<b>Year 3</b>			
<i>Grammar and Punctuation</i>	466.4	418.3	+48.12
<i>Numeracy</i>	392.2	393.8	-1.5
<i>Reading</i>	446.1	426.1	+20.0
<i>Spelling</i>	402.2	412.1	-9.9
<i>Writing</i>	452.6	411.5	+41.1
<b>Year 5</b>			
<i>Grammar and Punctuation</i>	543.9	490.5	+53.4
<i>Numeracy</i>	531.7	482.4	+49.2
<i>Reading</i>	546.5	501.4	+45.1
<i>Spelling</i>	539.0	498.9	+40.1
<i>Writing</i>	522.0	466.3	+55.7
<b>Year 7</b>			
<i>Grammar and Punctuation</i>	575.9	530.9	+44.9
<i>Numeracy</i>	563.2	544.3	+18.9
<i>Reading</i>	565.0	538.8	+26.2
<i>Spelling</i>	566.2	541.1	+25.1
<i>Writing</i>	540.6	519.3	+21.2

### Staffing

Work continues to finalise staffing for the 2022 school year. I am excited to share with parents the following new appointments:

- Mrs Andrea Athanasopoulos (Leadership Team Position with a focus on Mission and Ministry, Student Leadership and Maths)
- Mr Karl Klose (STEM teacher)
- Ms Jamie Clarke (teaching)
- Mrs Kasey Cass (LSO)
- Mrs Amanda Schubert (Library and LSO)

The following staff will not be continuing in their roles in 2022:

- Mrs Anneka Yard (on leave)
- Frau Rada (German language teaching role discontinuing)
- Mrs Amy Harvey (personal reasons)

There will be opportunities to officially thank each of these staff members for their contributions at the end of the year.

We have started advertising some positions via social media. It would be appreciated if you could share these with people you know who might be interested and suitable.

Further staffing appointments will be shared with families via the Happenings.

### 2022 School Leadership Team

As outlined above, a new Leadership position has been created at Loxton Lutheran School from 2022. Creating an additional leadership position was a major priority for us as we looked at the current position of the school, where some of the pressure points are, where we are aspiring to be and what might help us achieve our goals. In looking at priorities around leadership for next year, we set about achieving the following objectives:

- Separate the Mission and Ministry and Student Support Roles. Both are very important roles and needed to be separated to adequately cater for their demands
- Increasing the time allocation to the Student Support role
- Having someone continue to lead maths through the school
- Dedicate time to developing student leadership and leadership initiatives through the school

Andrea's appointment is going to have a very positive impact on students, staff and

## More Snaps from our 2021 School Concert

the broader school community and will enable us to meet the objectives listed above. In 2022, our School Leadership Team is as follows:

Principal – Brad Williams 1.0 FTE

Student Support Leader – Leonie Sheffield 0.8FTE

Instructional Leader – Trish Wright 0.6FTE

Mission and Ministry/Student Leadership/Maths – Andrea Athanasopoulos 0.6 FTE

This is complemented by:

ELC Director – Corrina Smart 0.8FTE

Business Manager – Sarah Kruschel 0.8FTE

### SA School Sport

We congratulate Arabella, who last week represented the Riverland in the inaugural Girls State Football Carnival. The Riverland team won 3 games, lost 5 and drew 1. Arabella was named as one of the 5 standout players from the Riverland across the carnival.

### Book Fair

Our annual Book Fair commenced today and will be running until next Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> November. It is being held in the library and will be open from 8:30-9:00 and 3:00-3:30 each day for students and/or parents to purchase books and other goodies.

### Camps

Our Year 6 and 7 students are away on camp this Thursday and Friday. They are heading to Adelaide for a couple of days of fun and friendship. Next week, the year 2/3 class are heading to the Adelaide Zoo for a sleepover. I am sure that all of the students are going to have a great time away. I would like to thank teaching staff involved for their organisation and preparedness to provide these opportunities. Thank you also to those parents who have volunteered their time to assist on camp.

### Class Structures in 2022

Our class structures for next year are set. We will be having nine classes again, even with the loss of our Year 6 and 7 students from this year. We will have 2 x Reception, Year 1, Year 1/2, Year 2/3, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6).

We have also commenced the process of placing children into classes. This is a lengthy, and carefully thought-out process. This involves many conversations with teaching staff, leadership staff and learning support staff. When looking at class splits, we look at the needs of each child, as well as taking other factors into consideration. Parents are able to share information they would like to be considered in this process. This can be done through email ([bradw@loxton-lutheran.sa.edu.au](mailto:bradw@loxton-lutheran.sa.edu.au)) or by making a time to speak to me. The cut-off date for the sharing of information is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> November. Parents are asked to note that the information that is shared will be one of many sources of information we will use to split classes, and that it we do not guarantee your requests can be met. Parents are also asked to note that once classes are set, no adjustments will be made.

### ELC

I would like to advise families that there are no vacancies for either kindy or pre-kindy in the ELC in 2022. Any family seeking to place their child into the ELC will go onto a waiting list. I would strongly encourage any family seeking to enrol their child into the ELC kindy in 2023 to complete an enrolment form ASAP to avoid disappointment.

Take care,

Brad

**SCHOOL ASSEMBLY**

*(Held fortnightly)*

Friday Nov 5th 2:30pm in the LIFE Centre, led by the Year 1 class

**SCHOOL WORSHIP**

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

**NEXT WORSHIP SERVICE**

Friday Oct 29th 2:30pm in the LIFE Centre, led by the Year 4 Class

**PRAYER CORNER**

This week we are praying for: -

- ◇ Ryan Gray
- ◇ Noah Gray
- ◇ Montanah Monychol
- ◇ Jai Abbotts
- ◇ Zaeli Athanasopoulos
- ◇ Allira Buhagiar
- ◇ Chet Beauchamp
- ◇ Jack Bonney
- ◇ Ivy Bonney

and Mrs Amy Harvey, Chaplain

**CHURCH SERVICES****St Peter's Lutheran Church**

Sunday Oct 31st	8.30am
	10.30am

Sunday Nov 7th	8.30am HC
	10.30am HC

**Concordia Lutheran Church**

Sunday Oct 31st	10.00am HC
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Sunday Nov 7th	10.00am HC
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**Reminders****School Notices****FOR SALE**

Tankworld fiberglass tank,  
colour Rivergum green

Approx 22000L, with pump

All in good order, \$1000 excl GST ONO. MUST GO

Call the front office on 8584 7496



# BIBLE VERSES

T4 Week 2

**You Can Do It!**  
 Confidence  
 Persistence  
 Getting Along  
 Organisation  
 Resilience



**I PRAY THAT OUT OF HIS GLORIOUS RICHES HE MAY STRENGTHEN YOU WITH POWER THROUGH HIS SPIRIT IN YOUR INNER BEING.**

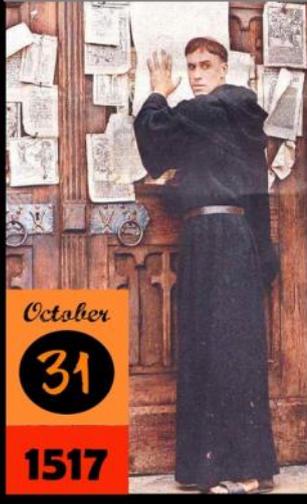
**EPHESIANS 3:16**

## Reformation Day

THEREFORE, SINCE WE HAVE BEEN MADE RIGHT IN GOD'S SIGHT **BY FAITH**, WE HAVE PEACE WITH GOD BECAUSE OF WHAT JESUS CHRIST

**OUR**  
 LORD HAS DONE FOR US.  
 - ROMANS 5:1 (NLT)

Martin Luther



T4 Week 3

### UNIFORM SHOP OPENING TIMES

Uniform shop is open Fridays 3.15 - 3.45pm.

Uniform order forms can be downloaded from the portal or our website. Uniform orders can be submitted via email or sent to school with your child/ren at anytime for filling during the day.

Due to COVID restrictions, only one family will be taken into the uniform shop at a time.

### BUSINESS MANAGER HOURS

Not available Wednesdays

### LLL SCHOOL BANKING

Every Tuesday



#### Connecting Online

Would you like to be part of a parent group that connects through email?

Join myself and other parents as we begin to discuss what is on our minds, as well as various podcasts. If this sounds like something you would like to tap into, please send me an email and I will add you to our group.

Amy Harvey, Chaplain

PRAYER & CATCHUP GROUP

**Canteen News**

### CANTEEN OPEN DAYS

Wednesday and Friday

**SPECIAL**

**Friday October 29th**

**Fresh Fruit Salad & Icecream \$3.00**

*Trudy Battams*

*Canteen Manager*

# Community Noticeboard

## LOXTON SWIMMING CLUB



**2021 / 2022 Season**

**Commences 1<sup>st</sup> November**

Registrations online via link: <https://loxton.swimminga.org.au/>

For further information contact Trini Hale 0409 154 331  
email [loxswim@gmail.com](mailto:loxswim@gmail.com) or message our Facebook page

Registration/information session at the pool 27<sup>th</sup> Oct 6pm-7pm

**Beginner Squad**

for children aged 5 & over wanting to learn to swim  
Monday & Wednesday 5.30pm - 6.00pm

**Development Squad**

Monday, Tuesday & Thursday 5.45pm - 6.30pm

**Junior & Senior Squads**

Monday & Wednesday 5.45pm – 7.15pm  
Tuesday & Thursday 5.45pm – 6.45pm

**SPORTS VOUCHERS** YOU COULD PLAY FOR FREE!  
Claim your SA Sports Voucher today

**Woolworths CRICKET BLAST**

**JOIN WITH FRIENDS  
PLAY TOGETHER**

Join Woolworths Cricket Blast  
A safe way to have fun and stay active for kids of all abilities.

**JOIN YOUR NEAREST CLUB**  
Q Play Cricket

**OFFICIAL KIDS PROGRAM**

ANGOVE FAMILY WINEMAKERS

**CHARITY GOLF**  
*day in aid of*  
RIVERLAND  
YOUTH THEATRE

PRIZES | RAFFLES | BBQ | FOOD AVAILABLE

**NOV 7TH** | BARMERA GOLF COURSE  
4 PERSON AMBROSE  
\$20 PER HEAD  
HIT OFF UP TO 10AM

BOOKINGS PHONE BARMERA GC 8588 2350

**MELBOURNE CUP**  
Tuesday 2nd November

from 11 am  
**\$30**  
2 course meal

- TAB facility
- Sweeps
- Raffles

Fashion Parade by  
**Country Proud Clothing**

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

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

**LOXTON CLUB** 8584 7353

Children's meals available  
Bookings Essential

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# Community Noticeboard



## Riverland Brass Community Concert Band

RBCCB is the Riverland's concert band. We encourage and welcome all musicians and all skill levels. We support more than 15 community events each year and we are all volunteers. We offer a supportive and friendly environment. Would you like to be a part of this team?

RBCCB is inviting student, and adult, recorder, woodwind, and brass players to join us for the upcoming 2021 Christmas Carol Season. You need to have completed some tuition with either a teacher at school or through a private provider. We are happy to write music to suit your needs.

### Requirements:

- Attend band practice on Monday nights from 6.15pm – 7.15pm at the band hall in Berri commencing November 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021
- Bring a black folder to store your music in. All Music remains the property of Riverland Brass Inc.
- Be available to play on at least two of the following dates;

1. Renmark Carols Sunday Evening 5th December
2. Barmera Pageant/Carols Friday Evening 10<sup>th</sup> December
3. Loxton Carols Sunday Evening 12th December

If interested, please email [riverlandbrassinc@gmail.com](mailto:riverlandbrassinc@gmail.com) Before Monday October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2021



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