



St. Luke's Catholic Primary School Community Newsletter

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Annual Theme:
2017: Be Our Best For Jesus

Term: 1 Week: 5
Friday 3rd March 2017

*Journeying
Together
in Christ*

What's on next week?

6th	ICT Agreement Meetings 9am and 6pm Assembly 2.20pm
7th	
8th	Community Group Meeting 7.30pm
9th	
10th	

Click [here](#)
to see the full calendar of
events or view via the skoolbag
app under calendar

PRAYER, FASTING, GOOD DEEDS.



The season of Lent began last Wednesday. It is a time of preparation for the great feast of Easter. We give special attention to:

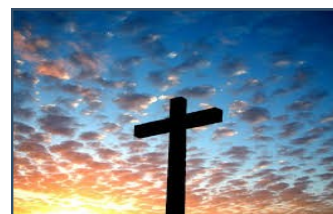
Prayer- quality, not quantity

Fasting- emptying the wrongs we do and filling ourselves with good actions and thoughts

Good Deeds- not to expect praise for doing good, but to help others

Although we see Jesus experience some challenging times, Easter is about the joyous event of the Resurrection. We may have an image of Jesus on the cross. My images change at different times. I see the sacrifice of the Lord, but I see past this death to the resurrected Lord.

What is your image?



St. Luke's Catholic Primary School would like to acknowledge the Yorta Yorta Nation, whose clans include Bangerang, Kaitheban, Wollithiga, Moira, Ulupna, Kwat Kwat, Yalaba Yalaba and Ngurai-illiam-wurrung, as the Traditional Custodians of the land on which our schools are situated.



PRINCIPALS REPORT:

Lent- many people and children are challenged by giving something up during Lent. I think I may have shared this last year. My dad gave up heavy beer for Lent. When I asked him what he was doing one evening after coming from the farm, he said I am drinking light beer.

If people are struggling to find something to give up, give a little money to caritas and go without something that is not a NEED.

Student Goals

Years 1-6 teachers sent home student goals yesterday. After consultation with each student and some guidance the students and teachers created the goals. Students may be well on their way to achieving a goal or they may have some work to do in getting to an expected level. The teachers also looked back at the Semester 2, 2016 reports and this may have triggered some thoughts for the children on where their learning could go with a good work ethic. Have the discussion now, and when you meet with the teachers in a few weeks at the formal parent/teacher meetings, you can see how they are going- hopefully seeing growth!

In the future these goals will be on our Parent Portal.

Parent Portal

A few staff members will be attending a professional development day next week around the SiMON package. Most of the Sandhurst schools are adopting this program. If you visit St. Mary's Mooroopna, they have started using the digital sign in component. SiMON has many uses and we are focusing on two for this year. If we achieve any more it will be a bonus. We are looking at Semester Reporting and the Parent Portal. In the end, it will probably replace our Skoolbag app, so you have a one stop information hub for all enrolled families. There will still be a place for other social media such as Facebook and Twitter for marketing, advertising and celebrating.

Year 6 Leadership into full swing!

Each week I receive 1-2 emails from a number of the Leadership Teams in Year 6. I really enjoy reading their persuasive texts (emails) and use of photos to make me say yes. I congratulate them for their creativity and consistent contact. This week we received two new flags after a direct phone call from Luke Dowling to Damian Drum MP. Apparently Luke was quite nervous but with the support of his team and preparation before the call, he succeeded on behalf of his team and the leadership group. I think it is great that Mr. Drum was able to speak with Luke. Well done to all involved.



The other email was about a dress up day on the last day of term. The photo of those involved got that one over the line. Well done to Year 6, but I need to say that I am seeing some great growth for the 5/6 Learning Community.

ICT MEETINGS

Agreement for use of MacBooks

Attending one of these is a must for all Year 3 parents/carers or any new families to St. Luke's in Years 4-6 this year. If you cannot attend you will need to contact your child's teacher and arrange to meet.

Monday 6th March - 9:00am or 6:00pm - Gathering Space
Parents/carers need to attend one of these.

Shrove Tuesday

On Tuesday our volunteer parents made pancake day possible. A huge thank you for making this happen for 500 + students. This year we joined up with NDC Emmaus (Year 9) staff and students. Rather than write about it, [here is my email](#) I sent to Susan Nabbs at Emmaus:

Dear Susan,

I wanted to thank you for hosting our St. Luke's children yesterday. Seeing the year 9s and P-6 children together sharing information and then a pancake meal was special. I am not sure how often something like this may have occurred in the past, but I would love for us to look at 2-3 opportunities each year.

My idea of coming together yesterday is easy for me to suggest, but the volunteers who helped from both schools did the real work, and it was a huge effort.

We have already looked at coming together for one mass a year (May 2017). My other idea was a tabloid sport later in the year (Spring).

Your organisation, distribution of our children to different parts of Emmaus, the activities to create conversation amongst the children and your staff's effort and cooperation were exceptional.

I have just returned from the college mass. A wonderful couple of events to celebrate Catholic education.

*Take care
David*

Notre Dame Opening Mass

Congratulations to all the leaders at NDC for 2017. As mentioned last year when it was announced, Thomas Hammond is one of two college captains for 2017. Thomas was a foundation student back in 2005 at St.



Luke's. A wonderful honour for Thomas and The St. Luke's Community wish him all the best for Year 12. We may have to have Thomas (& Ella Westblade) visit St. Luke's and speak with our Leaders.

It was great being present at the mass with other Principals from the area. Mr Chris Summers (known to most of you) was present, but not solely as a Principal. He wore his dad hat in supporting his daughter Chloe, House Captain of Mungovan.

Being an old Marist student in Griffith (7-10) and St. Greg's, Campbelltown 11/12, my passion was revitalised at the NDC mass. It took me back to the cold Saturday evening masses at boarding school and 300 young male boarders singing their hearts out. Well done Mr Cortese, staff and students.

Have a great weekend everyone.

**David Keenan
Principal**

Making Jesus Real:

MJR is centered on the belief that we are the image of Jesus to all those around us. We are his representatives and our actions should reflect His values".



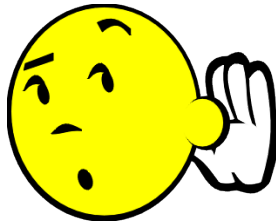
MJR Focus

Whole School Social Skills Focus:

For week 5 our social skills focus is

Listening

1. Look at the person speaking.
2. Nothing in hands.
3. Look interested

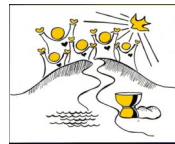


Throughout the year we invite our families to reinforce each set of social skills that are the focus for our fortnight. These social skills link with the Making Jesus Real (MJR) program in our school.

Our MJR scripture for this fortnight is:

'Jesus reminded His followers to listen to understand (Mt 11:15; 13:18; 15:10).'

Jesus listened and encouraged others to listen



St. Brendan's Parish Sacramental Program 2017

Enrolments in the 2017 Parish Sacramental Program are now being accepted.

Enrolments can be lodged through the school bucket system before Friday 10th March or in person at the Parish Office (behind St. Brendan's Church) on Wednesday 1st and 8th March between 8.30am-4.00pm.

Enrolments close on Friday 10th March.

Information booklets and enrolment forms are available from the school office, parish office or by emailing Laura at

sacramental.coord@bigpond.com

Thank you.

Laura O'Sullivan

58212633 (Wednesday mornings)



Learning Community Masses

When: 12pm

Friday 10th March

Senior Learning Community Gathering Space

Friday 17th March

Middle Learning Community Gathering Space

Friday 24th March

Junior Learning Community Gathering Space

Tuesday 28th March

Prep. (Liturgy of the Word) Prep Classroom

Shrove Tuesday



School Information

Contact Numbers:

PRE LOVED UNIFORMS

Paula Holland 0438 311 991
Kaylene Armstrong 0417 454 250

TOWN BUS:

Shepparton Transit 5831 2150

COUNTRY BUS:

Co-Ord: Paul Lucas 5825 2344

AFTER SCHOOL CARE:

Stepping Stones 1300 665 699

SCHOOL BANKING

Jo O'Neil 0418311251

COMMUNITY GROUP PRESIDENT

Lucy Gallace 0417 995 032



Lunch Orders:



Lunch order day is Wednesday, please remind your child to place their lunch order in the lunch tub first thing in the morning.

If there are any discrepancies with lunch orders, the matter is to be dealt with on the day of the lunch order. Children need to tell their teacher or come to the Office straight away.

Please only use the large brown lunch bags available from the office - \$2 for 50.

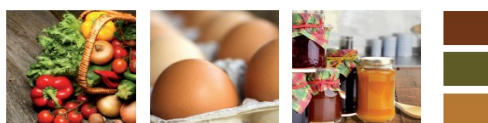


EcoPark provides practical approaches to sustainability. The park explores food production, recycling, solar energy and water conservation. EcoPark promotes a healthy and sustainable environment.



Working with nature
EcoPark brings ecological sustainability to life with a variety of learning adventures. The adventures are exciting, diverse and accessible. These include growing food, recycling, worm farming, raising chooks and our wood working shed. Many people who work at EcoPark have introduced the skills to their home gardens, having chooks and growing vegetables.

03 5831 6180 www.sheppaccess.com.au



EcoStore is a retail outlet to sell much of the produce from EcoPark. A variety of seasonal herbs and vegetables, sauces, chutneys, eggs and wooden and ceramic craft items are available to the community.

Come in and explore the many items that are on display and purchase your favourite produce. EcoStore provides experience for people to further their work skills and create pathways to employment.



Promoting Sustainability

245 Wyndham Street Shepparton

www.sheppaccess.com.au 03 5831 6180

Curriculum Update:

Children's Chatter Matters!



5. Encourage your child to listen to sounds at the *end* of words. Choose two words from their reader/book and ask them to judge if the two words end with the same sound (say some that match and some that do not). Encourage them to say the words too, and feel the sounds at the end of the words. Then, point out the two sounds at the end.

After mastering this, you might then say two words and ask your child which word has a certain sound at the end.

For example, "Which word has the 'd' sound at the end: bed or man (bed)".

School Banking:

TUESDAY is now School Banking Day!



For every deposit made at school, no matter how big or small, students will receive a cool Dollarmites token. Once students have individually collected 10 tokens they can redeem them for exclusive School Banking reward items in recognition of their continued savings behaviour.

Get involved in the School Banking program.

You can get involved in the School Banking program by opening a Commonwealth Bank Youthsaver account at any Commonwealth Bank branch, over the phone on 13 2221, or via NetBank if you are an existing customer with NetBank access.

Remember to take in identification for you and your child (driver's license and birth certificate). You will receive a Dollarmites wallet and deposit book that your child will use to participate in the program.

Our school receives \$5 when a student makes their first ever School Banking deposit and 5% on every deposit made through the school (to a maximum of \$10 per individual deposit).

Please do not hesitate to call Jo O'Neill, School Banking Co-ordinator, on phone 0418311251 for information and help.

Awards:



	Encouragement Award	You Can Do it Award
Prep D	Zoe Demase	Zahara Al-Kafajy
Prep K	Adriana Mazur	Archer Gemmill
1/2 B	Isobel Wren	Charolotte Bertolli
1/2 K	Clancy Keenan	Isabel Zampaglione
1/2 R	Faith Bailey	Phoebe Hoare
3/4 C	Anna Rigano	Makayla Dichiera
3/4 H/M	Darsyn Harris	Lily Byers
3/4 M	Isaac Beamish	Sneha Mathew
5/6 S	Jack McIntyre	Emily Hoornweg
5/6 H	Hugh Collins	Tiana Daunt

Community Group

Men's Night

Friday 17th March
Shepparton Golf Club



From 5.30pm
onwards

Happy St. Patrick's Day !

Community Group Meeting

Reminder that the Community Group
Meeting is next Wednesday 8th
March at 7.30pm

All welcome

March
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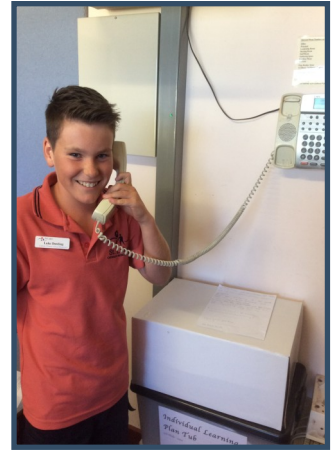
St Patrick's Day Go Green for Relief!

We encourage everyone to wear green clothes on St Patrick's Day and bring a gold coin donation. The money goes to Sandhurst Diocese schools who have experienced disasters.

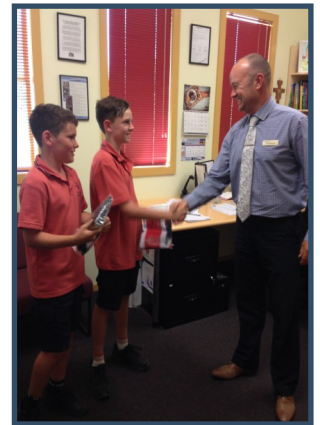
Year Six Social Justice Team.



In his Year Six Leadership Team role, Luke Dowling rang Damian Drum MP today to organise new flags for our school.



Luke on the phone to Mr. Drum, carrying out this leadership task. Luke and Jordan Munro prepared the script before the phone call!



Luke and Jordan presenting the flags to Mr. Keenan.

Last week all the 3/4's had Victorian Police officer Senior Constable Dean Lloyd come in for a talk for this term's Inquiry focus, **"What makes a good citizen?"**



School Sports:

Goulburn Murray Division Trials for Football, Netball, Soccer and Basketball.

School Sports Victoria invite each school to nominate three students per school per sport to participate in the GM Division Trials for football, netball, soccer and basketball.

- * Students need to be high level players in their sport.
- * Students who turn 13 in 2017 are not eligible to trial.

Parents can contact Michelle Hicks via email at mhicks@slshepparton.catholic.edu.au if interested.

Families are then responsible for the online registration process and payment of the non-refundable \$25.00 fee and the signing of required documents (endorsed forms) by the school.

Dates are as follows:

Netball - Monday, 24th April - 4.30pm - 6.30pm at Brauman Street Netball Courts.

Football - Wednesday, 26th April - 3.00pm - 5.00pm at Princes Park Oval.

Soccer - Thursday, 27th April - 2.00pm - 4.00pm at McEwan Reserve Soccer Fields..

Basketball - Friday, 28th April - 10.00am - 12.00pm at Shepparton Stadium.

Online registration closes on March 10th.

Sports Club:



SPORTS CLUB NEEDS YOUR HELP!

We have the opportunity to make some money just by selling sausages @ Bunning's Warehouse on **Sunday 12th June 8-4pm.**

We require 3-4 people per shift. For either 1 or 2 hours to help cook, serve & sell a snag.

Please text Jo Zampaglione 0448 218 784
If you are able to help and advise what time suits and for how long.

Time slots are:

Set up: 8-9am	9-10am	10-11am
11-12pm	12-1pm	1-2pm
2-3pm	3-4pm	

If we all contribute a little, then it is a whole lot less for a few!

*Thanking you in advance,
St Luke's Sports Club Committee*

What's on:

BEACH VOLLEYBALL CARNIVAL
VICTORIA PARK LAKE, SHEPPARTON
3-5 MARCH 2017

VOLLEYBALL MATCH TIMES AND TICKETS AVAILABLE AT VOLLEYBALLAUSTRALIA.ORG

FREE CARNIVAL
FRI 5PM - 9PM
SAT 8AM - 10PM
SUN 8AM - 8PM
LIVE MUSIC | REDBULL DJ
FOOD TRUCKS | BAR
AMUSEMENT RIDES
ENTERTAINMENT
KIDS PLAY AREA



Friday Night Fun at Deakin Reserve

Auskick (kinder-grade 6,) <http://www.aflauskick.com.au/>

NetSetGo (5-7 age group) <http://netsetgo.asn.au/>

Commencing Friday April 21 (5:30-6:30 PM)

Deakin Reserve Shepparton

Season runs for 9 weeks

Select "Deakin Reserve" centre when registering for either group

Sausage Sizzle available to purchase each night

Auskick will include a **girls only** group this year

St Mel's Vacation Care Program



We provide quality Vacation care during term 1, 2 & 3 and for 3 weeks in January holidays.
Operating between the hours of 8:30am - 6:00pm

We offer an educational play based learning program and healthy afternoon snack provided.

Fee: \$55.00 per Session
Childcare Benefits are available
Aged 4 - 12 Years old

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