The Ascension of the LORD



Luke 24:46-53

"...then he lead them out as far as Bethany, and, lifting up his hands, he blessed them. While he was blessing them, he withdrew from them and was carried up into heaven. And they worshipped him, and they were continually in the temple blessing God."

School Community Newsletter

2016: Be the Face of Mercy

Friday 6th May, 2016

Term: 2

Week: 4



What's on next week?

April:

Monday 9th May

Tuesday 10th May NAPLAN Wednesday 11th May NAPLAN

Community Group Meeting 7.30pm

Thursday 12th May NAPLAN

Friday 13th May Division Cross Country

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St. Luke's Catholic Primary School acknowledges the Bangarang and Yorta Yorta people, the traditional custodians of the land on which our school is situated. We commit to working in partnership with Aboriginal people for reconciliation and justice.



I went for a walk this morning, and I found it a beautiful time to think and speak to God. The sun had not appeared but you could see that it would be a matter of time. Jesus' resurrection gives us hope. It doesn't matter what town, city or country I am in, when the sun rises or I look up into the sky and see the stars I think of the constants in my life. God is a constant and we witness his beauty in creation, most notably, in people.

Communication

Communication is very important in any environment, especially when it involves your children. We want this to continue and we are looking at really celebrating and marketing our great school via our school FACEBOOK page. Just 'like' us on Facebook (St. Luke's Catholic Primary School). Our logo will appear and you will know. One major benefit is you can share/like what is happening very easily. This is a great way of spreading the news and it is FREE. Another feature, is that we can be more creative on Facebook and get a quality message out to so many people.

We also use TWITTER (@StLukes_PS) but this is for short messages/reminders and one off photos. When we post on Twitter it also links to Facebook and you see the message.

Our Skoolbag App is a great place to view our calendar and get alerts of upcoming events.

10-15 years ago we communicated via the paper newsletter, a phone call or a written letter. Times have changed in the communication world, but I still value a conversation and we need to keep encouraging this with our children.

Community Group

We meet this Wednesday at 7:30pm. Since coming to St. Luke's I have been impressed with the role you all play in the Community Group. You organise events, arrange welcome morning teas/gatherings, look out for others, introduce and encourage programs. We are very fortunate at St. Luke's to have this avenue of support. PLEASE come along this Wednesday and keep updated on a few things happening at the moment like: Mother's Day High Tea, review of the Mother's Day stall, upcoming Trivia night, review a program promoting Health. Dad's, you can come too. Mark and I need to improve the gender balance!! Not that we don't enjoy the current company:)

Board News

Our newly formed School Board meet this Tuesday. We will be looking at our school's vision, goals for the rest of the year, begin creating a Master plan for the next 5 years and look at what our school's strengths and weaknesses are.

Power Outage

There will be a power outage on 11th May for 30—45 minutes while we hook up the Carpark lights. This will be approximately 7am and we will not have access to phones or email.

REMINDERS

I am loving seeing more children wearing the full winter uniform. GV Uniforms now have trousers/pants for boys.

NAPLAN is next week for Years 3 & 5 (Tues/Wed/Thur)

Division Cross Country- Friday 13th

Mother's Day this Sunday

Mother's Day High Tea tickets need to be bought and organised by Monday.

PRINCIPALS REPORT:

MOTHER'S Day Reflection:

I love my mum. I am regularly reminded through life experiences, that I am lucky to have such a great mum. I see Mother's Day as a day to celebrate all those who care for their children whether they are with us or not.

Being the youngest of four in my family (I have been labelled the Golden Child by my siblings) and the only child who lives away from our town of birth, I do get a little spoilt when I return home. I never complain! I have grown to really appreciate the simple things. Maybe, it is because I am a Dad, and I see how good Nicole is to our children or maybe it is due to getting older and enjoying so many great family experiences.

Just a few things I LOVE about my Mum:

My mum has learnt to text message this year and I love her messages. They make me laugh at times, with a few typos or when predicted text takes control. I love her phone calls just to say hello. I love how she cooks me mash potato, rissoles/crumb steak, and peas when I head home. I love how she still irons hankies. I love how she catches the dust before it hits the floor:). I love going to mass with her. I love having dinner and saying grace with her. I love how we always sit around the table for meals when we are home. I love how she loves all her grandchildren. I love how her hair seems to never move, even when she



wakes up! I love how she still likes to make me breakfast and squeeze juice for me. I love how she has jubes (lollies) in the same jar and we all feast on these. I love how God is very much a part of her life. Thanks Mum.

Happy Mother's Day.

David Keenan Principal.

May Day Morning Tea







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MAKING JESUS REAL/RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:

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".



Scripture Focus: Each fortnight our school community will focus on a piece of scripture linked to a social skills focus to make that important connection between our lives and the life-giving message of God's Holy Word.

'Do nothing selfishly and remember to praise others.' Phil 2:3

Whole School Social Skills Focus:

For week 3 our social skills focus is **SPORTSMANSHIP**:

- 1. Winning without gloating
- 2. Losing with good grace
- 3. Congratulating opponents during and after a game

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.

MJR: Team Work – One Percenters:

One Percenters go that one step more to be giving people.



Our MJR focus for this fortnight is: See Greatness and Goodness in Others

Assembly Gospel Schedule				
Week	Date	Class		
4	2nd May	Jnr LC - Black		
5	9th May	Snr LC - Dainton		
6	16th May	Mid LC - Harmer		
7	23rd May	Snr LC - Hicks		
8	30th May	Mid LC - Calder		
9	6th June Prep Hoskin			
10	14th June Prep Kent			
11	20th June Jnr LC Johnson			

Sacramental

First Reconciliation -7pm 24th May Sacramental Masses (Eucharist / Confirmation) - Friday 26th, Saturday 27th and Sunday 28th August.

Parish

When: Sunday 15th May What: Feast of St Brendan

Where: St Brendan's Catholic Church.

Celebration and festivities to follow on Parish

lawns.

Time: Mass @11am. Celebrations to follow.

Full School Mass

When: Friday 3rd June (Week 8)
What: Mass of Compassion

Where: St Brendan's Catholic Church.

Time: 10.15am

Learning Community Masses - Gathering Space

- (Week 9) Mid Thursday June 9th @ 12:30pm
- (Week 9) Snr Thursday June 10th @ 12:30pm
- (Week 10) Prep Wednesday June 15th @

11:30am

Prayer Celebrations - Gathering Space

- (Week 6) Feast of St Brendan Prayer Liturgy of The Word Monday 16th May @1pm
- (Week 7 & 8) Catholic Education Week May 27th June 3rd.
- (Week 7 & 8) National Reconciliation Week May 27th June 3rd.
- (Week 7) National Sorry Day (Indigenous Australians) May 26th

St Luke's Open Day

Tuesday 31st May, 2016

Session 1: 10am ~ Session 2: 12pm
Tours will commence from the Admin Office and offers:

- ~ Tour of the School
- ~ Information Booklet
- Opportunity to speak with staff and parents

Prospective Families most welcome to attend. Siblings of current families enrolled at our school are encouraged to attend the Open day.

Please call or emailkscott@slshepparton.catholic.edu.au to advise the session you will be attending.

NAPLAN

A reminder to parents that our Year 3 and 5 students will take part in the NAPLAN testing next week. They have spent time at school over the past few weeks familiarizing themselves with the different tests and preparing for the test conditions. We wish them the best of luck.

Tuesday 10th May ~ Language conventions, Writing

Wednesday 11th May ~ Reading

Thursday 12th May ~ Numeracy



STATEMENTS

We are currently switching how we send our School Fees & Statements. All fees & statements will now be emailed.

Can you please ensure that we have your correct contact & address details on our records. We hope to have everyone switched over to email statements by June 30th 2016. Please contact us on 5822 1834 if you do not receive April statement in the next week.

AWARDS & ACHIEVEMENTS:



ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD

Prep Hoskin	ТВА
Prep Kent	Anabel Dimit
1/2 Black	ТВА
1/2 Johnson	~ Life Ed ~
1/2 Ryan	Lachlan Glover
3/4 Calder	Tom Cucinotta
3/4 Harmer/Segrave	Mani Rupeshraj
3/4 Murray	Liam Prior
5/6 Dainton	Josh Lowndes
5/6 Hicks	Angus Cole



Prep Hoskin	ТВА
Prep Kent	Daniel Kaldas
1/2 Black	ТВА
1/2 Johnson	~ Life Ed ~
1/2 Ryan	Maya Muston
3/4 Calder	Emilia Latorre
3/4 Harmer/Segrave	Alina Reid
3/4 Murray	Tolu Olokujo
5/6 Dainton	Daniel Dichien
5/6 Hicks	Zavier Gallace

CURRICULUM UPDATE:

Children's Chatter Matters!

Ten activities will be provided each term focusing on key areas of oral language supporting literacy. Feel free to adjust these activities according to your child's grade level. Ten activities will be provided over this term targeting phonological awareness skills. Phonological awareness is one of the key building blocks for reading and writing. It is listening to, and thinking about the sounds in words.

4. Play a Game of 'Hot Potato' with synonyms. Choose a word, and then your child has to think of another word that has the same meaning. Take turns until someone is stuck. For example, you may say, "Cold," and your child might say "Freezing." Then you could say "Chilly," and so on. You can also play this game with antonyms e.g. words that have the opposite meaning – For example, you may say "Cold", and your child may say "Hot". Then you could say "scorching" and so on.

SCHOOL INFORMATION:

Contact Numbers:

PRE LOVED UNIFORMS

Paula Holland 0438 311 991

TOWN BUS:

5831 2150 Shepparton Transit

COUNTRY BUS:

Co-Ord: Paul Lucas 5825 2344

OUT OF SCHOOL CARE:

1300 665 699 **Stepping Stones**

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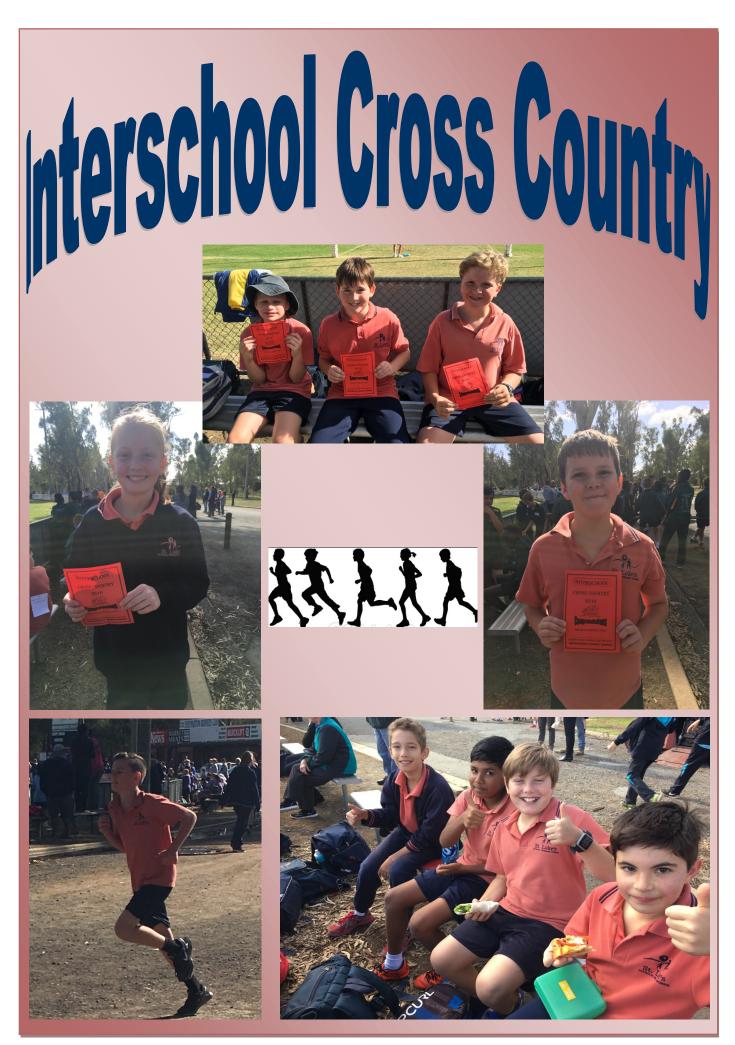
Lunch Orders: Lunch order day is Wednesday, please remind your child to place their lunch order in the lunch tub first thing in the morning, please only large brown lunch bags available from the office - \$2 for 50.

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. Thank you.

DON'T FORGET TO DONATE

your non fragile goods into the St. Vinnie's collection bin located to the right of the Gathering Space, close to the staff car park. We welcome regular donations of clothing, blankets, linen etc. for distribution through our local Vinnie's' Store. Thank you.





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We Need You

We are looking for 2-3 delegates from each learning area to become involved in the community group.

What does it involve?

- One representative from each learning area to attend each meeting (so you will only have to attend 3 meetings a year) to assist in the activities of the community group.
- * Please contact Lucy Gallace or Paula Holland if you think this is something you could assist with just a small way to give back our amazing community group.

The next Community Group meeting will be held on

Wednesday 11th of May at 7.30pm

Mother's Day Stall

A total of \$1500 was made from our Mother's Day Stall. Thanks to everyone for their donations and help running the stall.

The children were super excited to be able to "shop around" and find mum a gift.





Mother's Day High Tea

When: Sunday 22nd May 2016 - Time: 1:00-4:00pm

Where: St Luke's Gathering Space - Cost: \$25

Tickets are available to purchase from the front office.

PARISH NEWS:



St. Brendan's Parish Children's Liturgy of the Word

Every Sunday at 11.00am Mass during school term. Starting Sunday 17th April.

All primary school children are invited to come and hear God's word.

There is no need to sign up; children come forward when invited by the celebrant.



St Luke's Netball Report

Netball Co-ordinator:

Jo Zampaglione 0448 218 784

30.04.2016—Thankfully the rain kept away on Saturday and we enjoyed another glorious game day weather conditions. The cold weather will come and we all know how freezing it can get down at Brauman Street, so let's enjoy the pleasant weather while it lasts. Following tomorrow's Round 4 matches, re-grading will take place and a final draw for the remainder of the season with possible time changes will be set. Your Team Managers will receive the details and distribute them to all families.

RESULTS—Round 3

Grade 6 - Kialla West 12 def **St Luke's (1)** 9 Coaches Award – Lidia Armadei

Grade 5 - **St Luke's (2)** 24 def Shepp East *Coaches Award* – Georgie Tidd

Grade 4 - **St Luke's (3)** 5 drew St Mel's 5 Coaches Award – Emilia Latorre

Grade 4/3 – Kialla West 9 def **St Luke's (4)** 1 Coaches Award – Teagan Moffat

Grade 2 –St Mel's 22 def **St Luke's (5)** 1 Coaches Award – Emme Cole







St Luke's Soccer Club

Soccer Co-ordinator:

Peter O'Brien 0412 594 194

Round 4 for the season is this Saturday 7th Mayl 2016. Details below:

U/6 Legends	9am	Chas 1b	Daniel Nardella 0412 970 943 & Jess Beer 0408 345 295
U/6 Stars	9am	Chas 1a	Frank Scarcella 0428 302 920 & Melinda Hudson 0408 299 224
U/6 White	9am	Chas 1a	David Keenan 0428 825 107
U/7 Legends	10am	Chas 2b	Trevor Bailey 0408 502 044 & Veronica Antonello 0428 253 378
U/7 Stars	9am	Chas 3b	Nicole Bensch 0438 806 580 & Charles Moffatt 0412 108 263
U/8	9am	Chas 6	Rachel James 0458 844 711
U/10	11.15am	McEwen 2b	Terence Tuohey 0458 911 003
U/12	12.30pm	McEwen 1	Peter O'Brien 0412 594 194 & Karen Tidd 0400 216 818

- ~U/6, U/7 and U/8 play at CHAS JOHNSON RESERVE cnr of Packham st and Balaclava Rd
- ~U/10 U/12 play at McEwen Reserve. Please allow extra time due to PARKING congestion
- ~PLEASE, if your child can't play CONTACT team coach / manager
- ~Thanks to everyone for parking in designated car-parking areas on Wednesday training night.
- ~Just a reminder that supervision of children on training night is the responsibility of parents or designated parents.
- ~Our BBQ for Chas Johnson is coming up soon. This is our only fundraiser. Date to follow.

Good luck Saturday & hope everyone has a great game. Peter O'Brien

REGIONAL SPORT:

Division Cross Country

Congratulations to the following students on qualifying to compete in the Division Cross Country following their success at the Interschool Cross Country. They will compete on Friday 13th May at Princess Park.

Boys 11 years

Jordan Munroe

Boys 12/13 years

Lachie Rumbiolo

Girls 11 years

Georgie Tidd

Girls 12/13 years

Caitlyn Tuohey

Emily Damianopoulos

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OTHER NEWS:

Wishing all our St Luke's Mums/Nanas/Carers a

Happy Mothers Day

for Sunday. Enjoy your day with your loved ones



IMPORTANT DATES:

TERM 2:				
MAY				
Week 5	Monday 9th.	Assembly @ 2.20pm		
Week 5	Tuesday 10th.	• NAPLAN		
Week 5	Wednesday 11th	Community Group meeting 7.30pmNAPLAN		
Week 6	Monday 16th.	Assembly @ 2.20pm Year 6 interschool sport		
Week 6	Tuesday 17th.	Year 5 interschool sport		
Week 6	Wednesday 18th.	Year 4 interschool sport		
Week 6	Thursday 19th.	Year 3 interschool sport		
	Sunday 22nd May	Community Group Mothers Day High Tea 1.00pm		
Week 7	Monday 23rd.	Assembly @ 2.20pm		
Week 7	Tuesday 24th.	First Reconciliation		
Week 7	Wednesday 25th.	• PUPIL FREE DAY		
JUNE				
Week 8	Monday 30th	Assembly @ 2.20pm		
Week 8	Tuesday 31st	St Luke's Open Day—10am & 12pm		
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