# Crossways Newsletter

Term 2, Week 3, 16 May 2018



Crossways Calendar		
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Week 3	NAPLAN TESTING
Week 4	Year 7/8 Camp
Week 7 (Mon 11/6)	Queen's Birthday Holiday
Week 7 (Fri 15/6)	School Performance
Week 9 (Wed 27/6)	School Photo's
Friday 29th June (wk9)	Last Day Term 2
Monday 23rd July	First Day Term 3

## Principal's Word



My passion for Crossways is to be the "fire" in our community which radiates our school values and spirituality. Our values are: passion, love, forgiveness, success, empathy, respect, fairness and responsibility. I invite the community to consider joining our Crossways family by entrusting their children to our school. Our teachers are passionate and see their roles as a calling (from God) and not just a vocation. This is a

blessing to our school and brings about the difference we offer as a Christ - Centered School in the community.

**Priority ONE**: Relationships

Building Relationship is vital at Crossways; as positive relations between staff, students and parents ultimately lead to improved communication, student engagement, achievement and success.

Priority TWO: Teaching and Learning

Student learning is something that impacts nearly every facet of our existence every day. You are constantly learning new things, or expanding on existing knowledge. The Learning Pyramid indicates how students retain knowledge. We are offering differentiated programs which are either scaffolded or extended to the needs of our student cohort (from Reception to Year 10). Learning and attendance go hand in hand and that is why I want to encourage all our students to attend school every day. I would like to thank all the parents for attending our Parent Interviews the past two weeks.

It is of vital importance to work together with our parents to ensure improved student engagement and achievement.

Parents are very positive about the teaching and learning at Crossways.

All Lutheran Schools were involved in the Quality Schools Survey ran by RADII for Lutheran Education Australia. The survey was completed by parents, students and staff. All the questions were school related: leadership, wellbeing, co – curricular activities, teaching and learning etc. The feedback received from all the stakeholders was very positive overall with an area here and there to improve on. I would like to thank all our staff for their commitment and hard work in making Crossways a vibrant safe place for teaching and learning.

Many thanks to our parents for their feedback which encourages us as staff to keep on doing our best for their children. We want to ensure that we succeed in our mission which is: Working Together Towards a Brighter Future".

Our Early Learning Centre will be opening in 2019 — We are very excited about this new facility which will be yet another service for the Ceduna community. Expressions of interest can be obtained from our front office and our Crossways Lutheran School's website. We will only have 20 places available for 2019. Parents can book their children in for either 2 days per week or opt for 4 sessions per week (Equaling 15 hours/ week). Kindy students need to be turning 4 years of age before 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019 to qualify for enrolment at Crossways ELC. Our Early Learning Centre Parent Handbook will be available soon. This will include information about our philosophy, daily routines, session times, enrolment policy etc. We will also be organising an INFORMATION SESSION for all interested parents during this term — will advertise the date soon.

Blessings,

Francois Pienaar



CROSSWAYS LUTHERAN SCHOOL
EARLY LEARNING CENTRE
OPENING JANUARY 2019!



### **School Co-ordinator**

Well welcome all to Week Three of Term 2. Doesn't the term feel extremely short already. This week I would like to introduce you to Crossways Staff morning routines.

Every morning Crossways Staff begin our day with a devotion. This is prepared weekly by different staff members. This is an extremely important part of our teaching day as it grounds us and focuses us on why we are at Crossways. We are here because as Christians it is our work to deliver the best holistic education possible for our students. Christ is the core of why we are teaching at Crossways and because of this we need to ensure that he is central to our daily relationships with students in our class, across the entire school as well as the parents of the children we teach.

It is because of this that every day is seen as a new start, an opportunity to make the new day better than yesterday and a chance for children to see each day as anew beginning and be given the opportunity to start afresh.

It is a nice feeling to know you can begin each day in a new light and that we do have the ability to make it our best day ever.

This week is NAPLAN Week. Children in Years 3, 5, 7 and 9 will sit for NAPLAN. I encourage students to try their best and not get stressed by the set up. At the end of the day if you have done your best you have succeeded and once results are in your teacher may have some more relevant information from which to individualise your learning.

Romolo Puccio

Whole School Co-ordinator

# **Staff Update**





This term our Crossways family has welcomed Mrs Anita Hoffrichter to our team. Anita is working full time in the front office and her happy and friendly manner is very welcoming.

We also farewelled Mrs Emily Palmer. Emily has moved to Port Elliott with her family. Emily will be sadly missed and we wish her all the best for the future.





#### Crossways Lutheran School

SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS WILL BE TAKEN ON: Wednesday 27 June

ORDER NOW go to www.advancedlife.com.au and enter the code Q6V V88 EPX

Dear Parents

School photographs are scheduled to be taken by advancediffe. Whilst an envelope and flyer will be distributed shortly, if possible it is our preference that ordering be completed online to reduce administration and potential security issues related to the return of cash and envelopes on photo day.

Orders for packages and sibling photographs can be placed securely online atwww.advanoedlife.com.au using our school's unique 9 digit Online Order Code. Portrait and group package orders are due by photography day.

Should you wish to purchase a sibling photograph online, the order must be placed no later than the day before photography day. Sibling photographs will only be taken if an order has been placed.

Should you have any queries concerning school photographs or online ordering, please direct them via email to enquiries@advancedlife.com.au

Below: Leearnah Wanganeen receiving a crystal basketball from Mark Davis for her effort during the recent Basketball clinic





### Middle School News

Welcome back to all students and families. By now you should have received your child's progress report in the mail, if this is not the case please contact the front office or your child's teacher so we can arrange for one to go home.

I have been impressed overall with the improvements I have seen both academically and in regards to students taking responsibility for their education so far this year. I would like to encourage all students to be the best version of themselves that they can be. Middle years are a difficult transitioning time for young adolescence with so many things changing I their lives physically, socially and emotionally. Staying focused at school can be challenging at times but with good communication and family support we can try our best to support the children through these challenging times.

Please keep the communication lines open with the school so that we can be there for your child in all aspects.

Term 2 is another busy term with only just over 9 weeks to get through all the work set. Week 10 will be predominantly used for teacher professional development giving the students an extralong break midterm.

Our Year 7/8 Class will be attending a new camp this term as part of the Nature Foundation SA's, Kids on Country Program. The camp dates are Monday 21 May — Friday 25 May 2018, Week 4. The camp location is Hitaba Nature Reserve — "ABC North and West" will be present as they plan to film areas of this camp.

Woodwork will continue with Patrick Cotton until the end of the term every Friday for the Year 7/8 & 9/10 classes. Students will start bringing home their completed projects as they begin new ones this term.

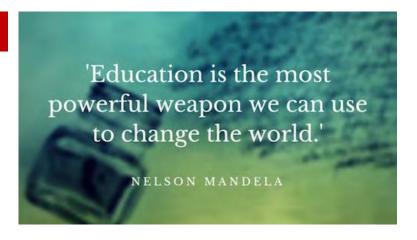
The focus topic for Christian Studies is 'Serving' so this should be a term where students can be creative in the way they choose to 'serve' others as Jesus did when he was on Earth and continues to today. "You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love."

#### Galatians 5:13

The Year 9/10 Camp will be happening in Term 3, Week 7 and soon a parent information session will be organised to give out relevant information and clarify any questions parents may have.

I would like to wish all students & families an enjoyable term and leave you with this quote.

#### Terena Evans



#### Top 5 tips to teach kids about money

Do your kids understand money? I mean, really understand it?

Probably not; most of them don't. That's because we pay for things with a swipe or a tap, and often don't use actual cash. School banking rates may also be declining, because finding cash on the day can be inconvenient.

The risk we run by not teaching our kids about money, is that they'll can fall into the credit card trap when they turn 18, and begin their adult lives in a world of debt.

Here are 5 suggestions for teaching your children BASIC financial skills:

Get them into school banking. They learn so much from physically touching the money and participating in their own savings.

Teach them they **need** bread for sandwiches, but **want** chocolate for a treat. There's a difference.

Make them earn their own money by doing chores! It's old school, **but it works**.

Don't buy stuff for them all the time. They can buy it with their **own money**.

Google <u>"Three Jam Jars Kids Money"</u> – a great way for kids to visualise budgeting.

<u>For more information on basic financial literacy visit the ASIC moneysmart website.</u>

To open an LLL Children's Savings account, visit <u>Ill.org.au/open</u> today.



Upcoming Professional Development Workshops in Ceduna

# THE ANXIETY CURVE;



WHAT TO DO WHEN A PERSON ON THE AUTISM SPECTRUM IS ESCALATING

IN FOCUS WORKSHOP

TIME: 1.30pm-4.30pm

**DATE:** 5 July 2018

VENUE: Crossways Lutheran School, 4 Smith Rd. Ceduna SA 5690

This workshop acknowledges that many individuals on the autism spectrum have high anxiety levels. This workshop will discuss the importance of identifying observable signs of anxiety at five different levels, and how a person can respond when an individual is at these different levels. The workshop will also discuss how staff can support/teach an individual to self-identify their anxiety level and use effective strategies to reduce it.

Topics include:

- What to do at each level when anxiety escalates;
- · How to teach an individual to self-regulate;
- The importance of nonaversive behaviour management;
- How to teach an individual strategies to calm; and
- Developing a 5-Point Plan for support staff.

All participants will receive a certificate with the workshop title and the number of hours, stating that the workshop links to the Australian Professional Standards for Teachers.

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COST: \$90.00 (inc GST and Booking fee)

#### GROUP BOOKING:

5 or more 10% discount: 10 or more 20% discount.

REGISTRATION: Register online at www.autismsa.org.au/ in-focus-workshops-forprofessionals-in-schools or email ebennett@autismsa.org.au

For more information: contact the Training and Consultancy Coordinator at kexner@autismsa.org.au or 8462 0638.

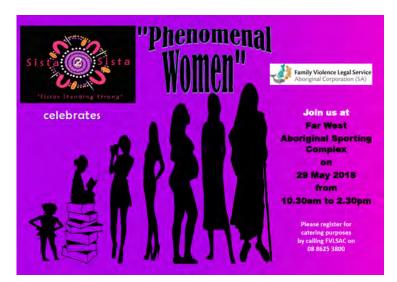
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## **Attendance Cup Winners**



Noah Veerhuis and Ciarah Gunter receiving the Attenance Cup for the Reception class at last Friday's Chapel.



## Happy Birthday to .....



## **Church Services**

CEDUNA - SUNDAY (10.30am) LUTHERAN CHURCH

## **Community Notices**



#### **YOUTH ACTIVITY**

Youth Activities will be running every THURSDAY at the Far West Aboriginal Sporting Complex, each week will be something different.

THURSDAYS 3.30pm—5pm

Ages 9 and up (Mixed netball, basketball, T'Ball, Soccer & More)

Bus pick up after school available. Let the front desk at school know if you're interested.

