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Newsletter

Term 2 Week 4, 24 May 2017

Crossways Calendar

Wed 24 May (wk 4)	SCHOOL A.G.M. 7PM
Wed 28 June (Week 9)	SCHOOL PHOTOGRAPHS
Tues 4 July	LAST DAY TERM 2
Monday 24 July	TERM 3 BEGINS
5 / 6 / 7 July	STAFF TRAINING

Principal's Word



National Reconciliation Week is an annual celebration and is a time for all Australians to reflect on our shared histories, and on the contributions and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

Reconciliation Week kicks off on 27 May to 3 June. This is a very important event to reflect on and to celebrate in our communities.

I have recently attended the Reconciliation Breakfast at the Convention Centre in Adelaide. More than 1600 people attended this breakfast which included various sectors.

Dr. Jackie Huggins was the guest speaker at the event. She is a Bidjara (Central Queensland) and Birri – Gubba Juru (north Queensland) woman who has worked in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Affairs for over thirty years. She is a celebrated historian and author who has told the stories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people throughout the decades.

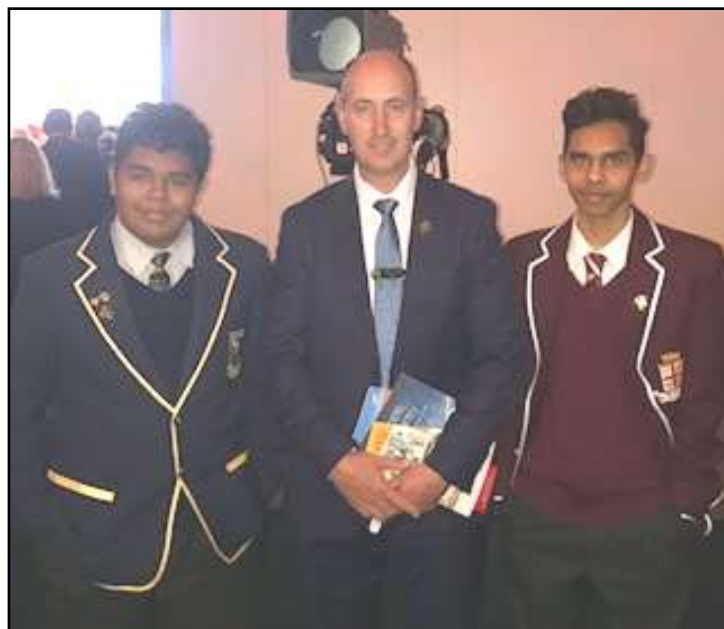
Crossways will also be celebrating Reconciliation week with various curriculum related activities.

I also met up with two of our old scholars at the Reconciliation breakfast. Isaiah Coleman (Immanuel College) and Jason Coleman (Prince Alfred College) were representing their colleges at the event.

I was very proud to hear of their success stories at their new colleges as they transitioned from Crossways to Immanuel and Prince Alfred College. ***We believe that every student has the ability to achieve and we see it as our mission to equip them with the necessary tools to be able to be successful in their educational journey.***

Francois Pienaar (Principal)

Student success at College



Isaiah Coleman (Immanuel College), Mr Pienaar and Jason Coleman (Prince Alfred College).

CROSSWAYS MID YEAR RECEPTION INTAKE

**Applications
Now Open !**

If your child turns 5 before 30 September 2017 they are eligible to begin Reception at the beginning of Term 3.

If any parents / caregivers have any concerns about their child's school readiness, please contact Francois Pienaar (Principal) or Georgia Lambeff (Reception Teacher) at the School on :-

86252873

AGM
Annual General Meeting

Tonight (24/5) at 7pm
In the School Chapel Room
ALL FAMILIES / CAREGIVERS
urged to attend.

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Transition Program into Reception Class – Term 3 Intake

(Transition dates for term 2, 2017)

The early years of formal schooling provide the critical foundation upon which future success at school is based. Crossways Lutheran School is committed to ensuring a smooth transition from Local Pre-School into School. Modified transition programs can be provided by negotiation with the Principal and Reception teacher. Families should talk to school staff about any needs, questions or concerns that they may have.

Initially, children will attend for a couple of hours, gradually increasing until they are attending for a full day. This allows children time to adjust to new routines and the new environment. We encourage parents to ensure that their children participate in this program because it positively impacts on their Transition to Reception. The School always encourages parents to spend time at school, but it is particularly important during this transition phase. Therefore, we ask that parents remain a little while to help them to settle in. Parents will also need to make sure that they collect their child at the end of the transition session, as indicated by the times below. Transport to the local Pre-School can also be negotiated.

Crossways Lutheran School-Transition Program for 2017 Reception Students

Week	Day and Date	Transition
First School Visit	Tuesday 30 th May (Wk 5) BEGINNING of RECESS	8:50am to 10.45pm <u>Pick Up 10.45 am</u>
Second School Visit	Tuesday 6 th June (Wk 6) END of RECESS	8:50am to 11.05am - Children will need Recess snack. <u>Pick Up 11.05 am</u>
Third School Visit	Tuesday 13 th June (Wk 7) BEGINNING of LUNCH	8:50am to 12.45pm - Children will need Recess snack. <u>Pick Up 12.45 pm</u>
Fourth School Visit	Tuesday 20 th June (Wk 8) END of LUNCH	8:50am to 1.30pm - Children will need Recess snack and a packed lunch.
Fifth School Visit	Tuesday 27 th June (Wk 9) FULL DAY	8:50am to 3.15pm - Children will need Recess snack and a packed lunch.

Students will be introduced to school and the routine followed in the Reception Class. Mrs Lambeff will be your child's teacher and Jacki-Lee Fawcett is the Learning Support Officer in the classroom.

Students will be assessed for school readiness during this transition program and feedback will be given to parents during week 10. Regular contact between the teacher and parent is vital to build strong relations and to discuss progress.

If you have any questions or concerns about any of the above, please do not hesitate to contact the school, by ringing 86252873 and asking for Mr. Pienaar (Principal) or Mrs Georgia Lambeff (Class Teacher).

Reception Enrolment Policy

Crossways Lutheran School will have the following intakes for Reception in 2017:

THREE intakes scaffolded throughout the year:	Birthday dates before...
Beginning Term 1	Turn 5 before 1 st May
Beginning Term 2	Turn 5 before 31 st July
Beginning Term 3 (Mid – year intake)	Turn 5 before 30 th September.

Children may proceed to Year 3 when they have completed at least 12 full terms at school. Student progression to the next year level (Year 1) will be solely determined by the school. Mid - year intake students will spend 18 months in Reception. Progression to Year 1 will be determined by the Reception teachers and Junior School Coordinator.

SCHOOL CO-ORDINATOR

This week I would like to share with you some of the interesting points that we as a staff have been enlightened with from one of our staff members during our morning meetings.

Our staff member has been reading a book titled 'Everyone Communicates, Few Connect' by John C. Maxwell.

The reason why I am choosing to share this is because it made sense to me and I found it very relevant in my occupation as an educator and I believe it probably makes good sense to all of us because as intelligent human beings our connectedness lies very heavily on communication. The gist of what was shared was the message that communicating purposefully is how we connect.

Communicating and connecting with others is a huge factor in allowing us to reach our full potential. Our success lies in working with others and to do this effectively we must connect.

At Crossways, our staff work very hard to ensure that we connect with students and families to ensure that the message is clear that work as educators is very holistic. We not only build educational resilience in our students but we connect to ensure that we also build spiritual and emotional resilience.

As a staff, we also connect with each other to ensure we are on the same platform for ever striving to support each other and develop curriculum content which engages our students and motivates them to achieve their best.

Mr Puccio (Whole School Coordinator)

Donating for Food Relief



Crossways Lutheran School recently donated excess food to the Oasis Christian Church in Ceduna.

The food will be distributed to families in need by Pastor Stuart McIlwraith.

Pictured above Kevin Penny, Mr Pienaar and Stuart McIlwraith.

COMMUNITY NOTICES

Grandparents Caring for Grandchildren Support Group

YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

Meeting to be held in Centacare Catholic Family Services
Main Office at McKenzie Street.

On
THURSDAY 1st JUNE 2017
At 10:00 A.M.

Morning tea will be provided, and if you have young children that are not in school or kindy please bring them along.

Guest Speaker from Centrelink to assist with any enquiries or help you may require.

Come along and share your experiences with others that may be exposed to the same issues and problems.

PLAYGROUP



Playgroup is held every Friday morning
at Crossways Lutheran School

From 10am - 12noon



CEDUNA SCHOOL DENTAL CLINIC

NEXT OPEN

MONDAY 22nd May 2017


TO

FRIDAY 26 May 2017

PLEASE CALL MOBILE: 0434 601 394

BETWEEN 8.30AM-4.30PM DURING THIS WEEK ONLY

FOR ENQUIRES & APPOINTMENTS

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YEAR 9 PORT LINCOLN TRIP

Last week most of the Year 9 students spent the better part of the week at Port Lincoln for their annual camp.

We left on Tuesday morning and returned Friday afternoon.

While away the students were busy with a range of scheduled activities.

They all enjoyed feeding and petting the animals at Glen Forrest and riding the Segway!

A morning was spent at Navigator College where they joined in with a Year 9 PE lesson, followed by a tour and shared lunch.

The afternoon was spent at the Leisure Centre swimming and sliding.

Thursday was an early start for all in order to get to the marina by 7:30am ready to depart for our sea lion swim. Most of the students enjoyed swimming in the chilly water and playing with the sea lions.

An afternoon of shopping followed by dinner at Del Giorno's cafe on our last night ended the trip with all in high spirits.

A sleep in (for some), packing and a leisurely drive home finalised our trip for all.

Andrew and I were very happy with the behaviour of all the students and I can say it's one of the most relaxing camps I've been in due to excellent behaviour and attitudes!

Well done Year 9's and thanks Andrew for your support.

Terena Evans

Year 9 home group teacher



Above : Tyson Edwards, Jayziya Weetra, Gypsy Miller, Shakira Were and Zaheer Miller.



Above : Gypsy, Tyson, Zaheer, Andrew McIlwraith, Shakira and Jayziya



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