# Crossways Newsletter

Term 4, Week 5, 14th November 2017



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Wed 15 Nov	CKAHS Health Screening
Week 6 (24 Nov)	White Ribbon Day
Week 9 (13 Dec)	Celebration of Learning
Week 9 (14 Dec)	Last Day Term 4

### **Principal's Word**



We are now entering the final weeks before the holiday and I wish to encourage all parents to ensure that their children attend school every day. Students are in the process of completing final summative assessment tasks which will be crucial for achieving the outcomes required in each year level.

## We are currently busy with numerous projects:

The shades on the playgrounds are erected and they look great.

This will create enough shade for our students during recess and lunch.

The shade in front of the canteen area and the seating will create a space where students can sit to enjoy their lunch ordered from our canteen.

Our students are working on numerous arts and crafts which will be on sale on the 1<sup>st</sup> December during the local Craft Fair. Please pop into our stall and have a look at the awesome creations made by our students.

Our End Year Service and Awards Evening will be held on the 13<sup>th</sup> December at 6:30 pm at the Ceduna Memorial Hall in town.

We will be serving refreshments from 5:30-6:30 pm in the foyer of the hall as well as displaying art projects from our students. The art projects will be for sale and can be a great gift to someone for Christmas.

We **celebrated the 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Reformation** of Luther by having a Parish church service at school on the 29<sup>th</sup> October. On the same day staff, parish members and visitors enjoyed celebrating the Lutheran Long Lunch.

On Tuesday the 31<sup>st</sup> October we showed the Luther movie in our school chapel and many parish members, visitors and staff members attended. It was great to be refreshed about Luther's work and his strong beliefs and faith that led to the birth of the Lutheran Church.

As part of **Luther's 500<sup>th</sup> Reformation celebration** we asked the Middle School students to design some art work for metal screens which will be placed in the front area of the school as a prominent feature. Three designs were selected and the metal screens (1.2 m x 3 m) are now ordered. We are very excited about this and can't wait to see it finished.

#### I would like to leave you with this Bible verse:

10 So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand.

#### Isaiah 41:10

We have to trust in God for our strength and have faith in Him to support us in everything we do and plan for the future. We trust in Him to guide us daily in our work because we are working with His creations. We also want to thank and praise Him for the blessings He has bestowed on our school this year (all projects completed during 2017).

God Bless,

#### Francois Pienaar



Year 1 Art students painting their paper mache 'Pigs'.

Joshua Coleman, Juan Ma & Natarnya Willis

## **Buddy Class - STEM Focus**

The middle school students worked with the Reception class on the 3rd of November designing and building roller coasters out of a range of resources including boxes, straws, tape, glue and tubes. This was a great way for the older children to share their 'engineering skills' and help to further develop their fine motor skills with the Reception class.

Our school is a STEM focus school, which means we will have extra training and focus around the areas of science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

As part of our focus this semester some of the middle school classes (years 6 & 9's) have been helping to develop the skills of the younger children working through a range of STEM focused activities planned by the teachers. It is the opinion of our government that this will help to prepare our students for the jobs of the future.

#### Terena Evans - Curriculum Coordinator







#### Whole School Co-ordinator

One thing I believe I have failed to do in my past few newsletter articles is to welcome the numerous new students who have enrolled at Crossways this term. New enrolments have occurred across the Junior and Middle School. During the day I often have informal conversations with them to see how they have been going and their responses have been very positive. They all have settled in seamlessly into our school routines, expectations and general school practices.

I would like to congratulate our excellent staff for the professional way they go on about their work taking on board these new challenges this late into the term, knowing that new students beginning in their classes is not a hinderance but a blessing and thus an opportunity to enrich them with new learning experiences to give them every opportunity to achieve success.

Many of you would have noticed many changes at Crossways throughout the year, changes to the grounds and middle school facilities. A lot of money has been spent to ensure that our facilities are providing spaces for innovative learning, however these changes alone would mean very little if we didn't support them with excellent staff who are committed to delivering a rich and engaging curriculum to challenge the spiritual, social, emotional, physical and educational needs of the children in our care.

As a school we are now looking at 'best practice' to make the most of integrating 'STEM' across the whole school. This is not new as staff have already begun to dapple with ideas and introduce 'STEM' to their classes. However, we now are looking at how to best map it across the entire school so that children progressively build on experiences mastered, much as we do in all other curriculum areas.

This is the joy of education, new students, new ideas, and the opportunity to give our students the best chance to experience new things and to see themselves as successful learners with huge potential.

#### **Ephesians 2:10**

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Mr Puccio - Whole School Co-ordinator

## Middle School - Solar Buddy Prog..





Middle school students are busily fundraising for the exciting "Solar Buddy Program" that we will be holding this term.

What is solar buddy you ask? "SolarBuddy connects Australian school communities who want to make a difference with other children and communities in areas throughout the world that live in energy poverty."

The program follows four steps:

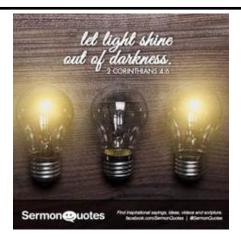
- FUNDRAISE: \$20 covers the lamp, postage and freight to Uganda
- 2. **BUILD A SOLAR LAMP:** In class we will learn about sustainable energy, we will build a solar lamp and write a letter to our buddy in Uganda
- 3. **SEND IT TO OUR BUDDY:** Once we have made our lamps they will be sent to the Solar Buddy group who will send them to Uganda.
- HEAR FROM OUR BUDDY: We will receive a letter from children in Uganda who have re ceived our lamps and letters.

Please support our middle school children by helping them achieve the \$20 they need to buy, build and send a solar light to help a child in Uganda.

Want to know more? Ask a middle school student! Or feel free to come chat with me.

Thanks for your support!

**Emily Palmer HASS Teacher** 



#### **Junior School Art**

Mrs Hayne's Junior School Art students painting their paper mache pigs!

<u>Right</u>: Kael Coleman, Sahara Smith & Mrs Haynes

<u>Below</u>: Aiden O'Driscoll, Aneylah Wilson, Sahara Smith & Halle Miller







#### WE CHOOSE TO CARE

There is nothing quite as satisfying as making a real and positive difference to a young life.

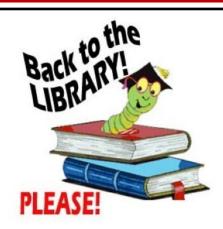
Whether it's a weekend, a week in the school holidays, a fortnight, a month or longer, any amount of your time could make a difference.



(08) 86 287 600



## **Library Books**



All borrowed Library books that are at home and are overdue need to be returned to School as soon as possible.

Please have a check if your child / children have any books at home or in their school bag.

Thankyou

## **Emergency Lunch**



Emergency Lunch orders will now be Vegemite Sandwiches.

It has come to the school's attention that too many students are wanting an emergency lunch because they enjoy the ham and cheese toasted sandwiches. Please ensure a packed lunch is provided for your child / children or money is sent to school for a lunch

Ham and cheese toasted sandwiches are still available to purchase from the canteen if required.

Thankyou

**Complete Personnel - NDIS Consultations in Ceduna** 

Tell us what you think about Access and Inclusion in Ceduna.

Are you a person with a disability, a parent or a carer of a person with a disability?

We would love to hear from you about your experience of living with disability and accessing services in Ceduna.

Complete Personnel is running consultations in Ceduna during November:

Focus group at Ceduna Area School, Monday November 6, 2017 - 9am-10:30 am. Morning tea provided.

Community Consultation at Ceduna Foreshore Hotel, Tuesday November 21, 2017 – 11:30-1pm. Lunch provided. For catering purposes please RSVP to Kayleen Patterson, kayleen.patterson@complete-personnel.com.au or (08) 86287400

We will also be at the NDIS Expo on Wednesday November 8, 2017 at Ceduna Memorial Hall from 11am-2pm – come and have a chat.

We can also arrange a face-to-face or telephone interview, or you can participate in our online survey at https:// www.surveymonkey.com/r/LVTYJN6



#### ARE YOU A PARENT OR CARER OF CHILDREN WITH A DISABILITY, **DEVELOPMENTAL DELAY OR** CHRONIC MEDICAL CONDITION?

#### THIS SUPPORT IS FOR YOU.

MyTime is a FREE facilitated peer support program for parents and carers of children up to the age of 18 with a disability, developmental delay or chronic medical condition.

The program provides carers with "time out" to relax, socialise, receive information & peer support from others in similar situations and gain knowledge from local Ceduna services and agencies. Fun activities include: Massage; manicure; craft and more.

#### **Free Creche**

Available for children 0-5 years old

#### Ceduna MyTime Group

Mondays, during school term time only.

Time: 12:30 - 2:30 pm

Venue: Child and Family Centre, 2 Kelly St, Ceduna SA

5690

Please Call Local Group Facilitator Christine Partington: 0458752383



## **Community Notices**

# In support of Australia's campaign to stop men's violence against women White Ribbon Australia

#### WHITE RIBBON DAY

Week 6 Friday 24th November **Casual Day: Wear Something White Gold Coin Donation** 



Playgroup is held every Friday morning at Crossways Lutheran School

From 10am - 12noon



#### **Grandparents**

## **Caring for Grandchildren Support Group** YOU ARE NOT ALONE.

Centacare Catholic Family Services. Main Office at McKenzie Street.

Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November 2017

At

10:00 A.M.

Morning tea will be provided.

Come along and share your experiences with others that may be exposed to the same issues and problems. Together we can make a difference.

## Recipe of the week

## **Reindeer Cupcakes**



Make cupcakes of your choice in any flavor and ice with chocolate icing by combining icing sugar, cocoa & a dash of butter.

Decorate with pretzels, white chocolate buttons, red M & M's, green M & M's and chocolate piping gel.

## Happy Birthday to .....



#### **Church Services**

CEDUNA - SUNDAY (10.30am) LUTHERAN CHURCH

