# Crossways Newsletter 

Term 3, Week 3, 6th August 2019


| Crossways Calendar |  |
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| Wk 4 | Science Week |
| Wk 5 | Bookweek |
| Wk 5 (22nd August) | OPEN DAY |
| Wk 8 | 9/10 Camp Adelaide |
| Wk 10 (Thu 26/9) | Last Day Term 3 |

## Principal's Word



Information about our Open Day is filtering out. If you know of anyone who would like to know more about our school, direct them to our Facebook page for the details about the day or let the front office know so we can contact them. We will also be having tours from 9.30am, every hour until 4.30 pm .

One of the values we hold is that of Quality. We all have God-given gifts and abilities, which he wants us to utilize to the best of our ability. As we can read in Matthew 5: 16, Jesus encourages us to '...let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your father in heaven.' Therein lies the purpose of bringing our gifts to light, that we glorify God. We do this when we successfully use our gifts and talents for uplifting and benefitting others.

At Crossways, one of our aims is to enable students to discover their gifts and consider how they can be developed for enriching each other. Our front page focus for this week is the ELC where we have in place a Kindergarten program that begins the Crossways journey of developing the value of Quality in the students of our school.

## Craig Kupke

## Principal

## NAPLAN

Our school will be taking part in testing NAPLAN on-line in week 6 to see how our operating system will hold up. This means our Year 3's, 5's, 7's and 9's will have the opportunity to use the on-line trail test and familiairise themselves with the process for the next time they undertake the exam in 2021.
Our intention next year (2020) will be to complete NAPLAN on-line. There are many benefits to this including student engagement, getting data results back faster and moving forward to being in line with all Australian schools. One of the biggest environmental factors and positives will be cutting down on the paper wasted each year ()

## Terena Evans (Whole School Co-ordinator)



## oper day

## Thursday 22nd August 2019

9am - 12.30pm

* Call in to Crossways to check out the newly re-furbished facilities !

See our new Kindy program at the Carly Learning Centre * No bookings required! Morning tea provided!

ALL FAMILIES ARE INVITED TO ATTEND!



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## - Play, Epearn <br>  <br> Crossways Kindy News



It has been a lovely semester in the ELC. I have really enjoyed being a part of the process from the beginning. I have loved watching the children grow in their sense of belonging and feeling comfortable and confident in the ELC environment. The children enjoy spending time in our outdoor yard exploring their natural world and connecting with the environment. Their garden is flourishing and they love preparing their produce for the grow free cart. One highlight of the semester was our ELC family night; it was a special moment to see how comfortable families and siblings felt in the ELC environment as we played and explored together. As a Reggio Emilia inspired ELC, our approach to play and learning values children as strong, capable and resilient, rich with wonder and knowledge. We value the child at the centre of their learning, providing the opportunity for children to pursue their own interest and build on knowledge and ideas at their own pace. We provide opportunity for children to express themselves with tools they connect with. We encourage our children to be 'researchers' as we investigate and explore together.
We have been truly blessed with our ELC and I can't wait to be a part of its future.

## Miss Rebekah Ridley




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Junior School Co-Ordinator Mrs Georgia Lambeff

Welcome back to Term 3. In the Junior School, we began the term by celebrating our $100^{\text {th }}$ day of school. The morning was filled with numerous activities, which revolved around 100 ; 100 drops of water, counting and threading 100 pieces of cereal, pingpong challenge, a fitness station, construction in 100 seconds, and more. It was a fantastic morning and the children should be very proud of themselves so far with their learning and development.

We have a busy term coming up with lots of exciting events, including:

## National Science Week

In week 4, we will be participating in National Science week. Each class will be involved in different activities to promote science. As we are not in the city and able to go to events or a discovery center, we are very fortunate enough to be able to use the Middle School Science Lab. I have included some great experiments you may like to do at home.

## Book Week

Book week falls in week 5 this term. The week will be a celebration of literature and there will be many exciting learning experiences planned for the students and their families. More information will come.

## Nature Play

On Thursday, $19^{\text {th }}$ of September (week 9), we are lucky enough to have Nature Play SA come to our school to run some 'incursions' with our junior school and ELC classes. We are really looking forward to their visit - to gain some awesome ideas and strategies to enable us to utilise our fantastic play spaces around the school. I also attached a document about ideas to do with your child - how many can they already tick off?


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Stretchy Universe Slime
Did you know that our universe is stretching out in all directions? It's true! Ever since the universe began about 13.8 billion years ago, it's been stretching out and expanding. Even today, as we use telescopes to see galaxies far away, we see they are moving away from us. And that's not all. The farthest galaxies are moving faster than the ones close to us.

This happens because of how the universe began, which we sometimes call the "Big Bang." In this activity, you'll make your own stretchy universe slime.

## What you need:



- Clear school glue
- 1 teaspoon of borax
- Water
- Red and blue food coloring
- Two bowls
- Measuring cups: $1 / 2$ cup and 1 cup
- Glitter
- Wax paper


## What to do:



1. In one bowl, mix $1 / 2$ cup of glue with $1 / 2$ cup of water. Stir it together; it will mix nicely.

Note: You may also use white school glue, but your universe slime will be lightly colored and opaque.
2. Add food coloring to the glue and water mixture. We used 6 drops of blue and 3 drops of red to get a nice, dark purple color.

3. In the other bowl, mix 1 teaspoon of borax with 1 cup of lukewarm water.
4. Stir until the borax is dissolved. This takes a while, so you have to be patient. If you
 skip this step, your slime will not come together very well.
5. Stir, stir, stir, until you don't feel the crunch of the solid bits of borax on the bottom. The water will start to look a little cloudy.
6. Add the purple glue mixture to your borax water, stirring slowly as you pour it.
7. You'll see the slime start to form. Stir as much as you can. Use your hands to get in there and work it around.

8. Take your glob of slime out of the bowl and put it on your wax paper. It's okay if there is some water left behind.

It's time to add some glitter galaxies! Flatten out your slime and spread glitter over the top. You can use any color or combination of colors, but lighter ones will work best because they will stand out against the dark purple.

Fold your slime in half to seal in the glitter. Then press it out and fold it over again.

9. Keep pressing and folding and watch as the glitter spreads throughout your slime.
10. Play with your handheld universe and watch it stretch and expand!


## Year 1 Class news

Welcome back to Term 3! How fast this year is flying! I hope you all had a great holiday break.

Last term our class farewelled two of our students, Myles and Alex. We wish them all the best at their new schools. However, we have been blessed with a new addition to our class and have welcomed Harley Cotton to our Year 1 Crossways family.

The Year 1 students have shown great enthusiasm this term already and are keen to get back into their learning. We have been focusing on Fairy Tales during English and are looking forward to Book Week coming up in Week 5. Students have already started brainstorming some ideas for costumes for teachers. There are some very interesting designs they have come up with!

The class has also demonstrated great knowledge with our focus topics for HASS and Science, which relate to materials, natural features and constructed features of places. They have worked well to share their knowledge with their peers and have loved being little investigators, exploring the space around them in our nature play area.

I look forward to a busy and fun term with the Year 1 students.
God Bless,

## Miss Bahr - Year 1 Teacher




## Middle School Co-Ordinator

## Miss Amy Norsworthy

Welcome back to Term 3! It has been fantastic to see the Middle School students get straight back into their learning after the break.

On Monday of week two, the staff participated in a training in which the Middle School staff (teachers and LSOs) were able to get together and discuss specific skills which we would like to focus on developing in our students. As a staff team we had collaborative discussion about how we could continue to foster confidence, collaboration, leadership and organisation skills. Some of the ways we will aim to develop these skills are:

Calendars of due dates: Each student from Year 6-10 has received a class newsletter which includes a term calendar of due dates for their assessment tasks in each subject. This is for students to manage their time and to know when their assessments are due. If they feel they need more time on a task due to absences, sickness etc. they are able to ask for and fill out an extension form from their Home Group Teacher.
Class Meetings: Each class will hold regular class meetings in which students can bring up ideas and concerns they may have about their classroom and school. These will then be discussed by the class SRC members at their meetings.
Teachers Assistants: Each week, each class will have one or two 'Teachers Assistants'. These two students will take on a leadership role within the classroom and work with each other to complete class duties such as taking the lunch orders, answering the phone, assisting teachers with jobs, photocopying, keeping the class tidy etc. These students are expected to come in uniform and undertake their role positively and respectfully. They will also wear a badge for the week and receive some benefits such as sit in a more comfortable seat, sit at a special table etc. when completing their role.

Through these strategies, we hope to see student collaboration, leadership, confidence and organisation improve as well as other vital life skills which will help them succeed in the future.

On Friday afternoons in lesson 6, the Middle School classes will be participating in electives. Students will have a choice in which group they join. This will encourage students to socialise and build friendships with those not in their classes and build friendship in a fun and relaxed environment.

A big thank you to the Middle School staff for their initiative, ideas and collaboration in bring new ideas to our classes and our students for being open and enthusiastic about our new initiatives.

## Ephesians 4:16

From him the whole body, joined and held together by every supporting ligament, grows and builds itself up in love, as each part does its work.


## Community Notices

## PLAYGROUP



Playgroup is held every Friday morning at Crossways Lutheran School From 9.30am - 11.30am


## CEDUNA - SUNDAY (10.00am) LUTHERAN CHURCH

## Happy Birthday to ......



## Recipe al



In a bowl, mix approx. 1.5 cups diced bacon, 1.5 cups grated cheese, 2 eggs, salt/pepper, 1 clove garlic, 2 tbspns chutney, 2 tbspns tomato sauce or bbq sauce.

Spread mixture over bread and lay on baking tray. Bake for approx. 20 mins or until nice and golden.

Store in container in fridge for up to one week.

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