Crossways Newsletter

Term 2, Week 2, 6th May 2020



Crossways Calendar

Wk 7 (Mon 8th June)	Queens Birthday Holiday
Wk 8 (Fri 19th June)	Circular Circus Performance
Wk 9 (Fri 26th June)	LAST DAY T2 FOR STUDENTS
Wk 9 (Fri 26th June)	STUDENT - LED Conferences
Wk 10 (29/6—2/7)	STAFF TRAINING
Monday 20th July	TERM 3 BEGINS

Principal's Word - Tony Peters



Up very early last Sunday morning, looking at the forecast, I took the opportunity to take a little trip out to Decres Bay for a spot of squidding. As the sun rose from the east the beauty of the area was revealed and I was reminded of God's marvelous creation and how fortunate we are to experience this on the west coast. It was an awesome

couple of hours, in solitude with my creator, thankful for the surroundings- the still water, limestone, all sorts of plants, some flowering, which seemed to be springing to life after the rains, the seaweed swaying below the water, the young seal looking for a feed in the shallows and the freshness of a new day. Here, I was able to be still and know God.

During our busy schedules, it can be challenging to be able to connect with God- different things can drag us away from him. To stay connected with God, it does require commitment and perhaps even a schedule so that there is time set aside to be with him. With certain restrictions in place, including no gatherings in churches, it has compounded the challenge of staying connected. Even through the most challenging times, like now, God promises to be with us. We read in Psalm 46-

⁷The Lord Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress. He breaks the bow and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ He says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

This week we are seeing more students back at school which is fantastic. We also have with us a couple of ex-students in Montana Scott and Daryl Coleman who study at Loretta College and Immanuel College respectively. Due to the closure of their boarding schools, they are home with family and learning online and using Crossways as a base. Wonderful to have them back for a while!

This term we welcomed a new family Serena Agars and her daughter Sabella (Yr7) to our school community. They come to us from Gawler, just north of Adelaide. Dion Austin joined the Reception class coming to us from Koonibba. We also welcome back Eric (Yr8), Teeneill (Yr5) and Enyrah Matthews (ELC) who have been attending Navigator College in Port Lincoln and have returned to live in Ceduna. Returning also is Bayly Dunnett (Yr5)

New students beginning in the ELC are Callum Radloff, Archer Hoffrichter, Calvin Dickson, Alex Miller, Isaac Steeles and Hudson McKay. A warm welcome to you all!

Towards the end of this term, you will be receiving a booking note regarding the student-led conferences (R-10) that will be held on Friday 26th June. Please look out for this information- it will be a great opportunity for your child to discuss their learning journey with you.

Tony Peters - Principal



⁸ Come and see what the Lord has done, the desolations he has brought on the earth.

⁹ He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth.

Literacy & Numeracy Co-Ordinator Miss Amy Norsworthy



Welcome back to Term 2! I hope you all had a restful break and were able to spend some quality time with your family. It has been fantastic to see many students back at school. A classroom is not the same without the students and we as teachers missed having a classroom full of smiling

faces each day. Seeing students learn together and socialise with each other has been a blessing to see at the beginning of this term.

This term sees the school progress to the next stage of our VCOP/ Big Write implementation plan. Week 2 should see you receive a letter outlining the program and the role that you can play at home in the process. The main points from this letter include:

Students will be participating in **fortnightly Big Write**Sessions

Wednesday prior to the Big Write you will receive 'Talk Homework' with the writing topic and stimulus via Seesaw/hard copy

We are asking parents/caregivers to talk through your child's ideas for the writing session using 'Talk Homework' and the questions below. This discussion only needs to be 10 minutes!

All students will be setting Literacy and Numeracy goals for Term 2. Each student will have a specific focus on what aspect of these subjects they want to improve and teachers will support them to achieve their goals. It is also important that parents can be involved in this process so please keep an eye out for communication from your child's teacher about this.

Every blessing for the week ahead. As our focus is on 'Joy' this term I will leave you with this Bible Verse.

Romans 15:13 - May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.



Above : Students playing outdoor chess at recess & lunch time.

Below: Class attendance cup winners (Mrs Lambeff's Reception Class), pictured Lola Hissey & Deon Austin

BIG WRITE Every Thursday is a Big Write session. On Wednesday please have a chat with your child These questions may help with your discussion... What is the topic for Big Write? What are you going to write about? What are your ideas? What are you unsure of? What type of text are you writing? How can I help?

This program has already seen improvement in our students writing across the school and I cannot wait to see their writing continue to improve in their fortnightly writing sessions. With your assistance and participation at home with the 'Talk Homework' the Big Write experience will be enhanced.





100% attendance for Term 1 (Charlie Steeles, Henry Hissey, Amalie Champion, Addison Coleman, Noah Veerhuis & Milana Champion)



Hope Award winner for week 1 (Shaun Richards) Grace Award winner for week 1 (Sabella Worthington)



Attendance Improvement Awards for Week 1 (Leroy Wilson & Nikarah Sumner)



Class Award Winners—Week 1 (Emilea Willis, Kaliah Lennon-Gray & Kara Wild





J/S Certificates of Achievement - Week 1 Lola Hissey (Reception) and Trey Colbung-Bilney (Year 1)



Certificates of Achievement - Week 1 Ashania Dixon-Young & Kenneisha Ware

IMMUNISATION FOR PARENTS OF YEAR 8 AND 10 STUDENTS

As per the Immunisation Section of the Dept Health we will commence the school immunisation program. The Community Nurses will be attending CE-DUNA AREA SCHOOL on Monday 11th May to provide the following scheduled vaccines for Year 8 and Year 10 students. Staff from Crossways will be taking students to the Area School to have their immunisation.

> PLEASE ENSURE ALL IMMUNISATION FORMS ARE RETURNED TO THE FRONT OFFICE ASAP.



Year 2 news

We have been having a ball in year 2!

We have started some new and interesting topics, such as 2D shapes, procedure writing and weekly STEM challenges.

We have had many interesting discussions about the names of 2D shapes and common objects that we see daily, such as a clock is a circle, our whiteboard is a square and the sails over the playground are triangles. We've leant new terminology as well. And to help us remember we came up with a cool hand signal that shapes a V and makes a corner between our wrists; aka V for vertices!

For procedure writing we discussed different ways procedures are written and decided to focus on recipes, in particular a recipe for pizza. After we wrote our procedure we were even lucky enough to make some mini pizzas in class.

Our first STEM challenge took place on Monday afternoon and we had to measure and compare various objects around the room. Then for our second challenge this week we used marshmallows and toothpicks to construct various things. We have some super creative children in our class.

We had many award winners. Our class award for week 1 went to Shaun Richards for being eager to learn and participating in all class activities. Students who completed their SMART goals from term 1 also received certificates from Mr Peters. These students were Alexis Kaehne, Braxton Gray, Brayden Moody, Shaun Richards, Teelah Gray, Ciara Lennon-Gray and Corey Amos. Gabriella Masierowsi received an award for achieving 100% attendance in term 1, and Nikarah Sumner also received an award for improved attendance. And last but not least the Junior School HOPE bear went to Shaun Richards for his positive attitude and respectful behaviour during week 1.

What a fantastic way to start term 2! I wonder what we will get up to next ?!

Rhiannon Cannard - Year 2 Teacher

Happy Birthday

7th May Billy Smart 0 Evelyn Guidera 7th May 8th May Tahirah Davis-Graham 9th May **Braxton Gray** 9th May Lucas Busch Halle Miller 11th May Lailah Coleman 11th May 13th May Wayden Sumner



Mrs Haynes with Zeke Busch



Nykita Miller during Art class on Tuesday



Montana Scott & Darryll Coleman visited Crossways this week to do online learning



Ciara Lennon-Gray, Teelah Gray, Acacia Bilney & Nyra Ware during a Year 2 Literacy rotation session.