# Crossways Newsletter

Term 1, Week 2, 3 February 2021



# - WELCOME -BACK TO SCHOOL

Presentation of "Schultüte" to the Foundation Students



Left: Amalie Champion
Right: Aleeka Newchurch-Miller



Left: Iyraeah Bilney-Miller Right: Enyrah Matthews-Richards



Left: Millie Mullen Right: Caitlin Queama



Left : Iyraeah Bilney-Miller Right : Serena Donaldson



Left: Raymond Paparoa
Right: Phoenix Newchurch



Left: Ashania Dixon Right: Skyler Leask & Ariannah Harrison



Left: Jordan Coleman Right: Tallan Colbung-Bilney



Left: Zoie Kouvaris Right: Halle Miller



Left : Joshua Coleman with Bayden Dunnett



# Tonight !!!

5.30pm (FREE BBQ)
6.30pm (MEET TEACHERS
& INFORMATION)
Under the Junior School Canopy

#### **Crossways Calendar**

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Wednesday 27th Jan	School Begins
Sunday 31st Jan	Church (installation) Service
Week 2 (Wed 3rd Feb)	Welcome BBQ & Information Evening
Week 4 (Fri 19th Feb)	Sports Day
Week 7 (Tue 9th March)	WCIAC at Ceduna Area School
Week 7	YADU Health Screening
Week 9 (Mon 22 March)	WASSAC
Week 9 (Fri 26 March)	Crossways FETE
Week 10 (Fri 2nd April)	Easter Friday PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Week 11 (Mon 5th April)	Easter Monday PUBLIC HOLIDAY
Week 11 (Thu 8th April)	Last Day of Term 1

#### **TERM DATES 2021**

TERM 1	Wednesday 27th January—Thursday 8th April 2021
TERM 2	Tuesday 27th April - Thursday 25 June 2021
	STAFF P.D. 28th June - 2nd July 2021
TERM 3	Monday 19th July - Thursday 23rd September 2021
TERM4	Monday 11th October - Wednesday 8th December 2021

#### **Public Holidays 2021**

Mon 8/3 - Adelaide Cup, Fri 2/4—Good Friday, Mon 5/4—Easter Monday, Mon 26/4—Anzac Day, Mon 14/6—Queens Birthday, Mon 4/10—Labour Day school and they received a gift called a Schultute from their Year 5 Buddies. The gifting of Schultute is a German tradition going back to the 1800s which saw children receive a cone shaped filled with all sorts of goodies. It's purpose is to ease the nerves of the young children's first day of school. Check out the photos on the front page.

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We welcomed our Foundation students on the first day of

The connection between the school and home is critical if we are serious about our children's achievements and well-being. Beginning this term, your child's teacher will endeavour to make a time to come and meet with you. This will be an informal catch-up an opportunity for the teacher to introduce themselves and to develop that important partnership.

Working together, school and home, goes a tremendously long way for our children.

The staff and I hope to see many of you at the Welcome BBQ on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> February and by the time some of you read this the event would have happened. Again, something like the Welcome BBQ, is an opportunity for school and home connections to strengthen. I'd like to take this opportunity to sincerely thank RSAS for providing the BBQ at this event- a wonderful way to get together at the beginning of the year. I pray that this year we can continue working together, school and home, in many and varied ways so that your child has every opportunity to learn and grow in an environment where Christian values direct our thoughts, words and actions.

## Principal's Word - Tony Peters



Welcome back to the 2021 school year. I'm very much looking forward to working with the school community in providing great learning opportunities for the children who attend Crossways.

This year we have several new staff, including 3 teachers and 2 support staff. Emily McWaters is the Year 2 teacher this year; Anthony Caretti is the Year 8-10 teacher as well as the Middle School Coordinator and James

Vincent is teaching Physical Education and Health in the Junior School. Ria Sleep and Keri Syrianos are our support staff with Ria assisting in the Foundation class and Keri helping out in the Year 5 class. We welcome our new staff and hope their time with the Crossways community is rewarding and evolving. Photos of new staff are in this Newsletter.



Together we can achieve great things!







Above : Pictures of Crossways staff during training before school began this term.

## Terena Evans—Deputy Principal



Welcome back to everyone in our Crossways family. I trust you all had some quality time with family and friends over the break and I sincerely hope you had a blessed Christmas.

My family and I hosted Christmas for the first time in many, many years. I now know how much work is involved in hosting, however I really enjoyed bringing family together and having the

opportunity to spend time with those who we do not get to see as often as we would like. My family and I were also fortunate to spend a few days on a houseboat on the Murray River with friends, which was defiantly a highlight for us all. Jumping from the top of the boat into the river was exciting and a great way to cool off.

#### School Preparation and Professional Development:

While the students were enjoying their final week of holidays, staff returned to school to ensure all that needed to happen prior to opening the doors, did!!! What a busy week was had by all ensuring the school grounds were neat and tidy, learning spaces were set up, information technology updated and ready to go, just to name a few. Staff were also involved in some Profession Development (PD). Stuart Treagor and Pastor Andrew led worship followed by Stuart sharing an information workshop around Restorative Practices which is becoming a big part of our school ethos along with other agencies around our town. In short Restorative Practice aims to restore relationships that have been broken.

Other workshops staff were involved in were skilling up to use classroom's BenQ's which are a learning and teaching tool for teachers and students allowing connectivity and interaction through a screen. We look forward to seeing how teachers use their devices in their learning space.

Hayden Lewis visited Ceduna from Adelaide to present a quick workshop teaching teachers how to manage and use "ClickView". (ClickView provides an authentic viewing experience similar to what our students use in their everyday lives, teachers can access a range of digital video and clips to use as part of their teaching)

At Crossways, we are very fortunate to offer 1 to 1 laptops to all middle school students, 1 to 1 IPads to all junior school students, a set of IPads for the art room and middle school technology. This allows teachers to use a variety of tools to engage student in their learning. Why don't you ask you child how they used technology in their learning each week?

#### **Communication:**

Please keep in regular contact with your child's teacher if there are any concerns you have or you feel the teachers may benefit from knowing. We are here to support families and students and want to achieve greatness from all.







Schools with strong family involvement are 4 times more likely to improve student reading and 10 times more likely to improve maths results.

**Early Learning Quotes** 

ChildUp

### **Church Service**

Last Sunday the Crossways staff attended the Lutheran Church to be welcomed and blessed. Below are some pictures of the event.









# **Anthony Caretti**

(Middle School Teacher & Co-Ordinator)



# James Vincent

(Teacher / Junior School P.E.)



## **Emily McWaters**

(Teacher— Year 2.)



# **Keri Syrianos**

(LSO: Year 5)



Ria Sleep

(LSO: Reception Class)



## **Community Notices**



Bottled water and sunscreen provided

Complimentary fruit upon return from walk

A great opportunity to meet new people, be active and look after your wellbeing.

For further information contact:
Glenn Dunn: 0408 300 064
Denise Karagiannis: 0491 952 218
Hans von Ohle: 0428 370 745



Bring a friend/colleague/neighbour (all ages welcome)

Walk to either Ceduna Boat Ramp or Pinky Point and return.

Bottled water and sunscreen provided

Return transport back to Sailing Club available if required.

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# **Happy Birthday**

1st February Jordan Coleman
3rd February Enyrah Matthews-Richards

4th February Aaniya Bilney-Miller
5th February Bayden Dunnett
6th February Raymond Coleman

6th February Deon Austin 10th February Indi Champion



#### **Church Services**

CEDUNA - SUNDAY (10.30am) LUTHERAN CHURCH

