Crossways Newsletter

Term 4, Week 6, 2023



CROSSWAYS CALENDAR			
This Thursday 23/11	Junior School Swimming		
Wk 6 (Fri 24/11)	STUDENT FREE DAY		
Wk 9 (Mon 11/12)	Celebration of Learning		
Wk 9 (Tue 12/12)	Last Day for Students		
Wk 9 (Wed 13/12)	Staff Training Day		
Wk 9 (Thu 14/12)	Staff Training Day & Clean-up		

TERM 4

 TERM DATES 2023

 16th Oct 2023—12th December 2023

Principal's Word - Greg Miller



1 Thessalonians 5: 16 - 18

"Rejoice always, pray continually, <u>give thanks</u> <u>in all circumstances</u>; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus".

How do we do this, surely Paul can't be serious – how can we give thanks in all circumstances? The key is in the two words prior, where we are charged to pray continually. It is only with God's help and guidance that we will be able to always give thanks.

Remember that giving thanks in all circumstances doesn't mean ignoring or denying difficulties. It means choosing to acknowledge and appreciate the positive aspects of life, even in the midst of challenges. Developing a habit of gratitude can contribute to overall well-being and resilience. To helps us to have a thankful heart I have listed some practical steps that we can take.

Focus on the Positive:

Look for the silver lining in challenging situations. Even in difficult times, there may be aspects for which you can be grateful. Consider what you can learn or gain from a particular experience, even if it seems negative at first.

Practice Mindfulness:

Cultivate mindfulness by being present in the moment. Pay attention to your thoughts and feelings without judgment. Take time to appreciate simple pleasures and the beauty around you, whether it's a sunrise, a smile, or a small act of kindness.

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Maintain a Gratitude Journal:

Regularly write down things you are thankful for. This can help shift your focus from what's lacking to what's present in your life. Include both big and small things, from personal achievements to the support of friends and family.

Express Gratitude to Others:

Show appreciation to those around you. Letting others know you're grateful for their presence or actions can strengthen relationships. Take time to acknowledge and thank people for their contributions, whether at work, in your community, or in your personal life.

Learn from Challenges:

Instead of dwelling on difficulties, view challenges as opportunities for growth and development. Reflect on past challenges and consider how they have shaped you into a stronger and more resilient person.

Shift Perspective:

Try to see situations from different angles. Sometimes, changing your perspective can reveal aspects for which you can be thankful. Ask yourself, "What can I learn from this?" or "How might this situation be an opportunity in disguise?"

Cultivate a Grateful Attitude:

Make gratitude a daily habit. Consciously choose to focus on the positive aspects of your life. Recognize that gratitude is a mindset that can be developed over time with practice.

Connect with Others:

Surround yourself with positive and supportive people. Share your gratitude with them, and encourage each other to maintain a thankful outlook.

Have a wonderful weekend.

Greg Miller

Principal





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AWARD WINNERS - WEEK 5 **Congratulations to all students**



Above left : Grace Award winner (Chase Sleep). Above right : Hope Award winner (Aniyah Willis)



Above left : Foundation Class award winner (Brian Barnsley) Above right : Year 1 Class award winner (Brooke McKay)



Above left : Year 2 Class award winner (Katy Yookhong) Above right : Year 3/4C Class award winner (Deon Austin)





Above left : Year 3/4D Class award winner (Sara Fischer) Above right : Year 5 Class award winner (Jaikobi Johncock)



Above left : Year 6 Class award winner (Gemma Watson) Above right : Year 7/8 Class award winner (Amalie Champion)





Above left : Year 9/10 Class award winner (Hayden Edwards) Above right : Excellence in PE (Brooke McKay & Dabina Norris)



Group winners

CROSSWA Far Left : Attendance

Cup winners (Year 1). Left : Week 5 Spelling

Group winners



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Mr Donald - Year 3/4 Class



Hi everyone,

It's hard to believe we're over half way through the last term of 2023! The Year 3/4's have had an excellent start to the term with plenty of

excitement and engagement. Our literacy focus this term is alliteration; the students have loved

exploring the text 'Animalia' by Graeme Base. I've enjoyed reading the creative sentences the students have come up with using alliteration, and displaying their amazing

illustrations of different animals from the text. The students have also adapted well to changes in our Maths instruction. We have been exploring different number concepts and

learning how to measure the length and width of different objects in the classroom and around the school. I wish

everyone all the best in their final few weeks of school for 2024!

Best wishes, Mr. Donald











Wellbeing

3: The Benefits of Early Intervention

Early intervention is a powerful tool for supporting children's development. Here are some key points to consider:

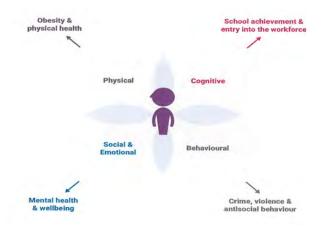
Pros:

- Helps Children Develop Essential Skills: Early intervention provides children with the support they need to develop essential skills. This includes skills related to communication, social interactions, and behaviour.
- Improves Communication, Social Interactions, and Behaviour: Early support can lead to significant improvements in a child's ability to communicate, interact with others, and manage their behaviour effectively.
- Maximize Your Child's Potential for a Bright Future: Early intervention sets the stage for a brighter future. It equips children with the tools they need to succeed in school, build friendships, and lead fulfilling lives.

Cons:

- Delaying Intervention May Lead to Difficulties in Learning and Socializing: If intervention is delayed, children may face challenges in their learning and social interactions. It can be more challenging to catch up later on.
- Some Developmental Challenges May Become More Complex Over Time: Certain developmental challenges can become more complex if left unaddressed. Early intervention can prevent these challenges from becoming overwhelming.
- Early Intervention May Be Labelled, but It Provides Crucial Help: While early intervention might involve a label or diagnosis, it is important to remember that this is a tool to provide crucial help and support for the child's development.

Early intervention is like giving your child a head start on the path to success. It's about helping them reach their full potential and ensuring they have the tools they need to thrive.



Remember, the government offers support and resources to help your child learn and develop. Seeking assistance doesn't mean your child will have a label; it means they will receive the help they need to reach their full potential.

For more information and personalized guidance, feel free to reach out to the school or relevant authorities. We are here to support your child's growth and success.

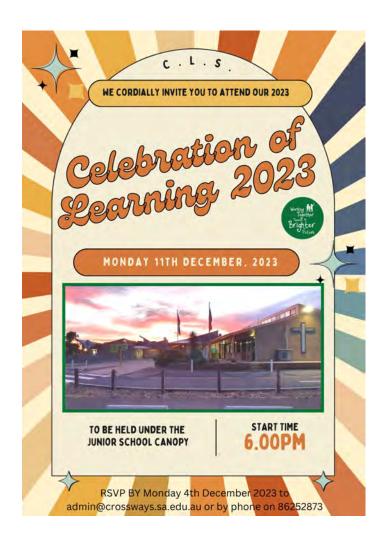
Anita Hoffrichter Wellbeing Coordinator



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Above : Andrew McIlwraith presented a cheque to the Thevenard Ratepayers President, Mrs Chris Gascoyne at Assembly last week. The money raised from the FETE was donated to the Rate Payers to purchase shades over the Hambidge Street playground and picnic tables at Thevenard.





Free Admission & Lunch Pick up and Drop off Service (Andrew McIlwraith 0428 017 514)

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Premiers Reading Challenge



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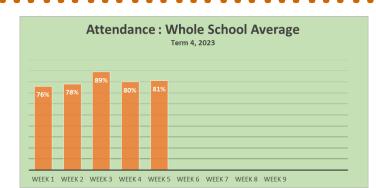








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Church Services

DENIAL BAY - SUNDAY - 10.00am

Happy Birthday

27th November

Kelliesha Austin Shia Mules-Miller



Chapel Schedule - Term 4, 2023

WK	Date	Theme	Guest presenter	Devo- tion
WK 6	Nov 23rd	(Thankfullness) All in His Plan	Greg	Georgia
WK 7	Dec 1 st	(Trust) Mary and Joseph	Pastor Stuart	Hasil
WК 8	Dec 8th	(The Best Gift) Jesus Is Born	Pastor Stuart	Aiden

Lost Property Bucket



If students are looking for lost property, there is a bucket outside the library with clothing that has been left around. Please ask your child to check if they are missing any items.



Community Notices

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