

Crossways Newsletter



Term 4, Week 7 2024

CROSSWAYS SCHOOL CALENDAR

School

Week 8	Step Up / Transition—Lesson 3
Week 8 (Fri 6/12)	Junior School Choir—Christmas Markets 9.30am
Week 8 (Fri 6/12)	Middle School Choir—Christmas Markets 1.45pm
Week 9 (Tues 10/12)	Colour Splash
Week 9 (Wed 11/12)	Last day of term for Students
Week 9 (Wed 11/12)	Celebration of Learning 6pm-7pm
Week 9 (Thu 12/12)	Last day for Staff

CROSSWAYS E.L.C. CALENDAR

Kindy

Week 5-8 (Friday am)	Foundation Transition Visits
Week 7 (Wed 27/11)	ELC Family Night
Week 9 (Tues 10/12)	Pre-Kindy Last Day
Week 9 (Wed 11/12)	Kindy Last Day
Week 9 (Thurs 12/12)	Last Day for Staff

Principal's Word - Greg Miller



Dear Crossways Lutheran School Community,

As we near the end of Term 4, the excitement and joy of the Christmas season are beginning to fill our school. This time of year is always special, as it allows us to reflect on the incredible gift of Jesus and the hope and love that His birth brings to the world. It's wonderful to see our students and staff embracing

the spirit of Christmas in so many ways, from thoughtful acts of kindness to the festive decorations brightening our classrooms.

This week, I've been reflecting on Luke 1:30, where the angel Gabriel speaks to Mary, saying, "Do not be afraid, Mary; you have found favor with God." Gabriel's message is one of reassurance and hope. It reminds us that God's plans for us are good, even when they may feel overwhelming or unexpected. This verse encourages us to trust in God's love and to approach life's challenges with faith and courage, knowing that He is with us every step of the way.

Interacting Positively

Our value focus this week is interacting positively. Just as Gabriel's message to Mary brought comfort and encouragement, we are called to bring positivity into our interactions with others. Positive interactions create an atmosphere of joy and respect, where everyone feels valued and supported.

For students, this means treating classmates and teachers with kindness, offering encouragement, and resolving conflicts in a respectful way. Positive interactions can transform our school community, making it a place where everyone feels safe, heard, and appreciated.

For parents and caregivers, you play a vital role in modeling this value at home. Simple actions like sharing kind words, showing patience, and practicing active listening can set a powerful example for your children to follow. Together, we can create a culture of positivity that extends far beyond the school grounds.

Christmas Decorations

One of the highlights of this week has been seeing how beautifully our school has embraced the festive season. Each class has decorated the entrance to their classroom with Christmas decorations, and the results are truly heartwarming with the decorations reflect the joy and anticipation of Christmas. It's a testament to the creativity and enthusiasm of our students and staff, and it makes the school feel even more welcoming and festive.

Looking Ahead

As we prepare for the final weeks of the school year, let us carry the message of Luke 1:30 in our hearts: "Do not be afraid." Just as Mary found favour with God, we too can find peace and courage in His love. By interacting positively and embracing the hope of the season, we can make these last weeks truly memorable.

Thank you for your continued support and encouragement. Wishing you all a joyful and blessed week ahead.

Blessings,
Greg Miller
Principal, Crossways Lutheran School



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Terena Evans - Deputy Principal



2025.

The term is starting to wrap up and plans are being put in place for teachers, LSO's, composite classes and subjects for next year. Next week you will find out which class your child is going into and a 'step up' activity will be run on Friday of week 8, where students will get a chance to see who will be there classmates, teacher and LSO.

I recall, each year, at least one of my own children coming home upset about the class they were placed in for the following year, not being with their mates or not particularly fond of a teacher. Over the summer break they took time away from school and were able to settle into school life with no issues. I would ask that you give the plans that have been made a chance and if you or your child have any issues after the year has begun to keep open communications with the homegroup teacher so they can be addressed asap.

From a management perspective there are so many factors that are considered to get the best flow for students and staff. I can assure you that the decisions are not made lightly by leadership, for the best results and hopes we have for all the children learning at Crossways. We greatly appreciate your support.

Amber Drummond - Special Needs



What a year it has been! I cannot believe that it is nearly the end of Term 4. Thanks to all the wonderful community at Crossways, I feel like I am very much part of the 'Crossways Family'.

We have had a great term in Alternative Learning and have spent a lot of time outside the school grounds. The kids have loved learning swim and survive skills at Float On, with a huge thanks to Miss Em for teaching swimming skills. We have also been focusing on pedestrian safety and have been walking to different locations to learn about safe walking, crossing roads, and the important steps of 'Stop, Look, Listen, Think'. All of the kids can identify safe and unsafe actions when walking and bike riding, and the older kids have shown great leadership skills during this time, patiently waiting and helping the younger students to learn.

On Thursdays, we have been making different types of Icy-poles and experimenting with various flavours. We have chopped up different fruits to include, and discussed healthy versus unhealthy choices. Everyone has enjoyed eating these treats when we return from our walks.

Thank you to everyone for all your support this year as my first year. I have had such a great time and am looking forward to 2025 at Crossways! I hope you all have a safe and wonderful Christmas and enjoy the summer break.

Warm regards,
Miss Amber



Parents



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RECESS FUN

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Year 7/8 Mr Donald



Hi everyone,

It's hard to believe that we're in Week 7 and only have two weeks left in the year. It's been a busy few weeks in Year 7/8, as the students have been working hard to complete assessment tasks across a range of subjects. In P.E, students have been focusing on two popular summer sports, cricket and volleyball. In English and Maths, students have created acrostic poems and been learning about decimal numbers. Electives continue to be popular with the students engaging in a variety of extra-curricular activities every Friday. As we draw closer to the end of the year, we are starting to prepare Week 9 activities which will include an excursion to the Ceduna foreshore, volleyball tournament, colour smash, Christmas elective activities, shared class lunch and the Celebration of Learning. I've thoroughly enjoyed joining the Year 7/8 class this semester and I wish all the students the very best in their endeavours for 2025!



Year 7/8 Miss Uzzell



In these final weeks of the Term, students and teachers alike are working hard to wrap up the last topics of the year. It's always an exciting and busy time as we focus on reviewing key concepts and finishing up projects before the last day of school. As the Term is coming to an end it is a great opportunity to reflect on the progress we've made and the knowledge we've gained. Whether it's mastering a challenging math concept, finishing a creative writing piece, or completing a group science project, everyone has put in a lot of effort and dedication to get to this point.

As we approach the end of the year, it's a wonderful time to reflect on all we've accomplished and the memories we've made together at school. The final weeks before the holiday break are always filled with excitement and there's no better way to celebrate the season than by decorating our classrooms and corridor with festive cheer. Each class creating their own Christmas door design to making the insides all festive with twinkling lights. These decorations not only brighten our spaces but also bring us closer together, as we share in the joy of this special time of year.

As we close out the final lessons, we encourage students to review, ask questions, and embrace the excitement of finishing strong before heading into the holiday break. Here's to a successful wrap-up of this term and a well-deserved break to recharge for the new year!

Kiara Uzzell

Year 7/8 Teacher





Head Teacher for the Early Learning Centre (ELC) for 2025

Hello everyone,

I am excited to share that I will be joining the Early Learning Centre (ELC) as the Head Teacher for 2025!

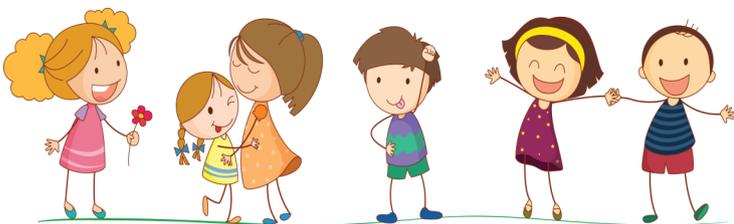
My teaching journey began at Crossways Lutheran School in 2018, where I had the pleasure of teaching Year 3/4. Over the past five years, I have worked with Year 1 students and am currently teaching Grade 3/4. These experiences have shaped my approach to education and deepened my passion for hands-on, child-led learning.

Prior to moving to Ceduna, I worked at Victor Harbor Kindergarten and World of Learning (Childcare and Kindergarten) in Victor Harbor. These roles allowed me to develop a nurturing and engaging learning environment where children have agency over their learning and are supported to become confident and creative learners.

Recently, I was fortunate enough to attend the Contemporary Learning Tour in Adelaide with Greg Miller, Terena Evans, and Haesil Kim. This experience has further inspired me to bring innovative and creative practices to our learning community.

I am looking forward to meeting all the families and connecting with the community. Together, I believe we can create a vibrant and supportive environment where every child can thrive.

Donna Bahr



Community Carols

Sunday
8th December
Crossways School
6pm-7pm

Featuring

Chase & Ella
Crossways Choirs
Village Singers
Oasis youth band
Bugi Weaver



9/10 Canberra Trip

Students from our school recently undertook an education tour of the national capital. Students were given the opportunity to participate in a variety of educational programs with a focus on Australia's history, culture, heritage, and democracy. The Australian Government recognises the importance of all young Australians being able to visit the national capital as part of their Civics and Citizenship education. To assist families in meeting the cost of the excursion the Australian Government contributed funding to our school in the amount of \$600 per student under the Parliament and Civics Education Rebate program towards those costs. The rebate is paid directly to the school upon completion of the excursion.

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PLAYGROUP WEDNESDAY 10am-1pm PENONG EARLY LEARNING CENTRE FREE - Playgroup for families with children aged 0-5 years old ALL FAMILIES WELCOME FRUIT PROVIDED	PLAYGROUP FRIDAY 9.30AM TO 11.30AM CROSSWAYS SCHOOL EARLY LEARNING CENTRE FREE - Playgroup for families with children aged 0 to 5 years old ALL FAMILIES WELCOME FRUIT PROVIDED
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LIBRARY NEWS

TERM 4, 2024



LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

- WEEK 1- DRAWING COMPETITION (TUESDAY)
MOVIE TIME WITH POPCORN (FRIDAY)
- WEEK 2- DIY FRIENDSHIP BRACELETS (WEDNESDAY)
- WEEK 3- MELTY BEADS (TUESDAY) MOVIE TIME WITH POPCORN (THURSDAY)
- WEEK 4- DIY KEYCHAINS (MONDAY) & DRAWING COMPETITION (THURSDAY)
- WEEK 5- DIY COASTERS (TUESDAY) MOVIE TIME WITH POPCORN (FRIDAY)
- WEEK 6- COLOURING COMP (TUESDAY) ORIGAMI (THURSDAY)
- WEEK 7- MOVIE TIME WITH POPCORN (FRIDAY)
- WEEK 8- XMAS WREATH MAKING (WEDNESDAY) COLOURING COMPETITION (THURSDAY)
- WEEK 9- MOVIE TIME WITH POPCORN (WEDNESDAY)

DIY COASTERS



MOVIE TIME WITH POPCORN



LIBRARY COMPETITION WINNERS

- WEEK 1- DRAWING COMP **REEF COLEMAN**
- WEEK 5- COLOURING COMP
CORA MASEIROWSKI
FIFITA POHAHAU
BELLA CARPENTER
BAILEY CARPENTER
SARAH FISCHER
NOELLE COLEMAN
MISHKA WALKER
RUBI RICHARDS-SCHULZ
- WEEK 6- COLOURING COMP
AMBERLEIGH SPRY
RUBI RICHARDS-SCHULZ
NOELLE COLEMAN
LEARRAH GRAHAM
SAHASRA MOVVA
MADISON REED
KAITLIN LIMBERT
BROOKE MCKAY
BRIGHTON SPRY
BAILEY CARPENTER
BELLA CARPENTER
AALLIRAH SANBURY

CHRISTMAS WREATH MAKING



CHRISTMAS WINDOW DECORATING



13TH NOVEMBER



11TH NOVEMBER



Week 6 Award Winners



Above Left : Miss Ware's Foundation class were all award winners
Above Right: Miss Reid's Foundation class Award winners (Eli Hoffrichter & Aurora Ettridge)



Above Left: Miss H's 5/6 class award winners (Acacia Bilney & Bailey Carpenter)
Above Right: Miss Spann's 5/6 class award winner (Braxton Gray)



Above left : Year 7/8 Uzzell award winner (Monique Weetra-Hart)
Above right : Year 7/8 Donald award winners (Sienna Betts)

Missing: Year 1/2 Mila Award winner (Latifia Gray-Lennon)
Above right: Year 1/2 Mrs Cook Class Winner (Nevaeh Milne-Morrison)



Above left: Mr Kuzi's 9/10 class award winner (Gareth Bilney)
Above Right: : Miss Reid's Foun-



Above left: Mr Champion's 3/4 class award winner (Deon Austin)
Above right: Miss Bahr's 3/4 class award winner (Kaya Bilney)



Above Left : Hope Award winner (Nate Gascoyne) and Above right Grace Award winner (Brooke Carpenter)

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Happy Birthday

27th November

Kelliesha Austin

28th November

Shia Mules-Miller

30th November

Raynor Brandon



Chapel Schedule - Term 4, 2024

Term Week	Date	Class/SRC	Presenter	Devotion
WEEK 7	29/11	5/6 Spann	Pst Stuart	Melissa
WEEK 8	6/12	3/4 Champion	Rev David	Aiden
WEEK 9	11/12	1/2 Cook/Poltre	Andrew	Janette/Mila

END OF YEAR CELEBRATION

COLOUR SPLASH

FREE LUNCH

**SAUSAGE SIZZLE, PIZZA, FRUIT
BOX AND ZOOPEE DOOPER**

TUESDAY WEEK 9

10/12/2024

1:05PM - 3:15PM

STUDENTS TO CHANGE INTO CLEAN CLOTHES IF
CATCHING BUSES

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SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM 2025

10 Scholarships Available for New Enrolments

- 2 Scholarships for a two year term (In each of the following areas)
 - All Rounder - Entry into Foundation
 - All Rounder - Entry Into Year 7
- 2 Scholarships for a 1 year term (In each of the following areas)
 - Art Scholarships - Years 7-10
 - Music Scholarship - Years 7-10
 - Academic Scholarships - Years 5-10

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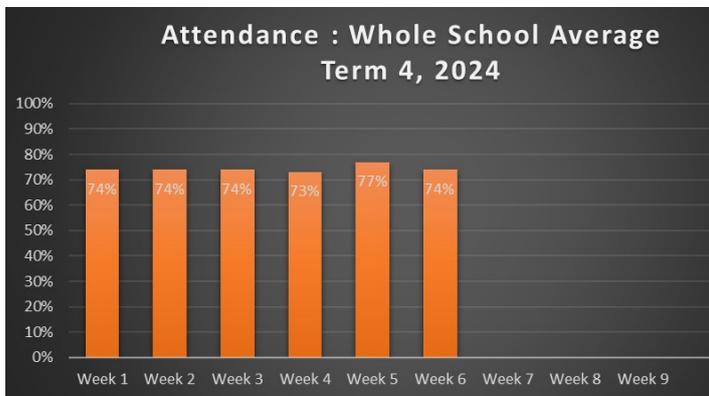
CELEBRATION OF LEARNING 2024



WEDNESDAY 11TH DECEMBER

TIME 6.00PM - 7PM

TO BE HELD UNDER THE JUNIOR SCHOOL CANOPY

SCHOOL AIM - Equal to or Greater Than 90%

Local Church Services

DECEMBER CHURCH DATES

- 1st December—Denial Bay 10am
- 8th December—Ceduna 10am HC—Pastor Fielke
- 15th December—Anglican 9.30am
- 22nd December—Denial Bay 7pm
- 24th December - Ceduna Christmas Eve 6pm
- 25th December—Anglican Christmas Day 9am
- 29th December—Uniting 10am

Crossways ELC

End of year Christmas Celebration and Kindy Graduation



Week 7 Wednesday
27th November 5.30 - 7pm

Please join us as we celebrate the learning journey of your children in 2024.

We will provide a light supper, followed by a song performance from both the Pre-Kindy and Kindy classes.

Certificates will be handed out to children transitioning from Pre-Kindy to Kindy and from Kindy to School.

Each ELC child will also receive a special Christmas gift.

All ELC children and their families are welcome to attend.

We look forward to Celebrating the children's learning and achievements with you all!

