Crossways Newsletter

Term 3, Week 3, 2024



CROSSWAYS CALENDAR

Week 3 (7/8—9/8)	Middle School Choir Camp—Port Lincoln		
Week 4	Science Week		
Week 4 (14/8)	Brilliant at being resilient workshops		
Week 5 (19/8 & 20/8)	First Aid for School Students R-6		
Week 6 (27/8—30/8)	Year 7/8 Camp (Pichi Richi Park)		
Week 8 (12/9)	R U OK day		
Week 9 (18/9-20/9)	Year 3/4 Class Camp (Scotdesco)		
Week 10 (Thu 26/9)	Last day of Term 3		

Principal's Word - Greg Miller



Dear Crossways Lutheran School Community,

As we reach the end of Week 3 of Term 3, I want to take a moment to reflect on the wonderful start we've had. It's been inspiring to see the enthusiasm and dedication our students, staff, and parents have brought to this term. We have accomplished so much already, and I'm excited for all that lies ahead. This week, I've been particularly reflecting

on the words of Jesus in John 6:35: "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty." This powerful verse reminds us that Jesus is the source of all that sustains us spiritually, emotionally, and physically. Just as bread nourishes the body, Christ nourishes our souls with his love and grace. In our school community, one of the most profound ways we can embody the teachings of Jesus is through the value of compassion, a cornerstone of Lutheran Education. Compassion is more than just feeling empathy for others; it is a call to action, urging us to reach out and make a difference in the lives of those around us.

Compassion in Action

At Crossways Lutheran School, we strive to cultivate compassion in our students, encouraging them to be mindful of the needs of others and to respond with kindness and care. Compassion is evident in the way our students support each other in the classroom, on the playground, and beyond. Whether it's helping a classmate who is struggling with a difficult concept, comforting a friend who is feeling down, or simply offering a smile to brighten someone's day, these acts of kindness are the building blocks of a compassionate community. Compassion also extends beyond our immediate school environment.

We encourage our students to think globally and to be aware of the challenges faced by people in different parts of the world. Through various service projects and initiatives, we provide opportunities for students to make a positive impact, whether it's through fundraising for those in need, participating in community service, or raising awareness

about important social issues.

Living Our Faith

As we continue through this term, I encourage all of us to keep the words of John 6:35 in mind. Let us turn to Christ as our source of strength and sustenance, and let that relationship inspire us to live out the value of compassion in our daily lives. By doing so, we not only grow in our faith but also create a school environment where everyone feels loved, supported, and valued.

Thank you for the continued support and commitment you bring to our school community. Together, we are making Crossways Lutheran School a place where compassion thrives and where every student is encouraged to grow into the person God has called them to be.

Wishing you all a restful and rejuvenating weekend. Blessings,

Greg Miller, Principal

An invitation from the Crossways School **Board Directors**

As you would be aware the school is governed by a School Board made up of directors from a variety of backgrounds and with diverse skills. The Board's primary responsibility is to ensure that the school has a positive Christian culture, employs the Principal and Business Manager, sets the strategic direction, manages any risks and ensures the school is financially sustainable.

From time to time the School Board seeks new directors with a passion for Crossways Lutheran School. If you feel that you can contribute to the school in this way, could you please let Greg Miller or Melinda Vaughan know.

Julian Denholm Chair of the Crossways School Board



Week 2 Award Winners



Above left: Grace Award winner (Anastasia Muir) Above right: Hope Award winner (Marcina Colbung-Ware)





Above left: Foundation Reid class award winner (Mishka Walker). Above right: Foundation Ware class award winners (Angus Johnson & Maddison Cox)





Above left: Mrs Cook's Year 1/2 class award winner (Callum Radloff). Above right: Miss Mila's Year 1/2 class award winner (Latifia Gray-Lennon).





Above left: Miss Bahr's Year 3/4 class award winner (Jaikobi Ettridge). Above right: Mr Champion's Year 3/4 class award winner (Robert Taylor).





Above left: Miss H's year 5/6 class award winner (Freddie Jericho). Above right: Ms Spann's Year 5/6 class award winner (Jaicobi Johncock).





Above left: Mr Donald's Year 7/8 class award winner (Kylinda Watson). Above right: Miss Uzzell's Year 7/8 class award winner (Shariyah Warren).





Left: Mr Kuzi's Year 9/10 class award winner (Riley Shephard). Above: Class Attendance cup was won by Miss Reid's Foundation Class.



Terena Evans—Deputy Principal

Week 2 Clean up Crew.

It was another gorgeous day in sunny Ceduna last Tuesday. The crew bussed it to the corner of Denial Bay road to tidy up the huge mess which had collected over time. We cleaned up 5 big bags of rubbish comprising of cardboard, glass, shoes, plastic and glass bottles, and other bits of plastic which appeared to have come in with the high tide then got trapped behind the mangroves. The group did a great job and I'd like to do a big shout out to one of our younger students, Noelle Coleman, who kept up the pace and enthusiasm for the entire time we were out there, cleaning up.





Terena Evans—Deputy Principal



The Crucial Role of Sleep in School Children's Lives – Part 2

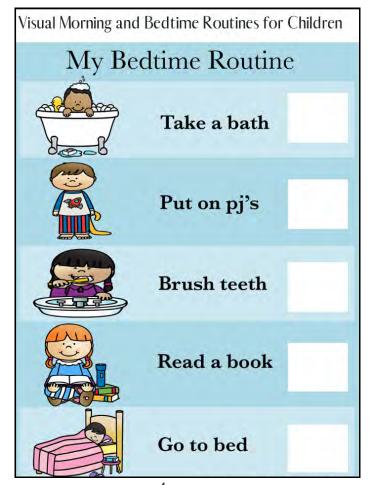
Sleep is as essential to our health and well-being as diet and exercise, and this is especially true for school children. A growing body of research underscores that adequate sleep is critical for children's cognitive development, emotional stability, and overall health. Yet, many students are not getting enough rest. Understanding the importance of sleep and implementing

strategies to improve sleep habits can have profound effects on a child's academic performance and quality of life.

Cognitive Function and Academic Performance

Sleep is fundamental for cognitive processes such as memory consolidation, learning, and problem-solving. During deep sleep stages, the brain processes and stores new information acquired throughout the day. For school children, this means that adequate sleep directly influences their ability to retain information and perform well academically. Studies have shown that students who consistently get enough sleep score higher on tests and have better attention spans compared to their sleep-deprived peers.

Terena Evans



Year 5/6 Mrs Hoffrichter



Welcome back to term 3 and wow isn't the year flying. It has been such a fun and fabulous start to the term in 5/6 H. This term is very exciting as we dive into Chemistry and Procedural writing. These are exciting and hands on topics which the kids really love learning about.

We hosted our Chapel last week and the children ran a play showcasing gods love

here at Crossways school, it was amazing and I congratulate them for their fantastic efforts.

Huge Congratulations and Goodluck to James Austin, Ciarah Colbung and Braxton Gray as they travel to Adelaide in week 9 to compete in the SAPSASA Athletics carnival, we know they will do Crossways proud.

Derani Hoffrichter









Children's Day Celebrations

Last week Ngura Yudurirn Ceduna Kindy hosted 'Children's Day'. The Foundation classes and staff had a fantastic time.













Year 5/6 Ms Spann



I can't believe it's already week 3; this term is flying by! The class have been working really hard across all their subjects. In English, they're busy preparing reports on Australian Olympic athletes. During morning homegroup, we have quick discussions about the Paris Olympics and the events they watched the night before. In Science, students are

learning about the fascinating world of solids, liquids and gases.

My class is excited to have music lessons once a week this term. The choir girls are really excited for Choir Camp happening this week in Port Lincoln.

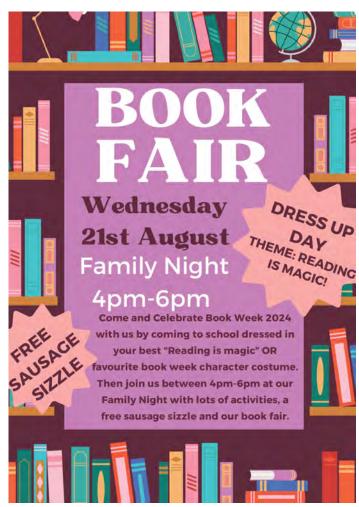
Additionally, we're celebrating that three of our classmates have been selected to compete in SAPSASA athletics at the end of the term. To top if off, everyone's buzzing with excitement over the new board games we received – a perfect reward for completing our work!

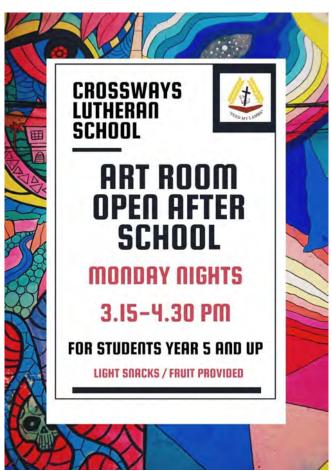
Melissa Spann











Happy Birthday

9th August

Lillian Miller-Lampard



Local Church Services

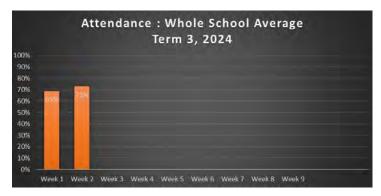


Chapel Schedule - Term 3, 2024

Term Week	Date	Class/SRC	presenter	Devotion
WEEK 3		Andrew	Andrew	Andrew
WEEK 4		7/8 U & D	Greg	Clint / Kiara
WEEK 5		3/4 Bahr	Pst Stuart	Donna / Piper
WEEK 6		9/10 Kuzi	Pst Stuart	Kuzi
WEEK 7		1/2 C & P	Andrew	Mila/Janette
WEEK 8		3/4 Champion	Rev David	Aiden
WEEK 9		5/6 Spann	Greg	Melissa
Week 10		Foundation	Andrew	Kerri/Alison







SCHOOL AIM - Equal to or Greater Than 90%