



Term 3, Week 10, 2024

## CROSSWAYS SCHOOL CALENDAR

School

Week 10 (Thu 26/9)	Last day of Term 3
Staff first day of Term 4	Monday 14th October 2024
First Day of Term 4	Tuesday 15th October 2024

## CROSSWAYS E.L.C. CALENDAR

Kindy

Week 10 (Thu 26/9)	Kindy excursion
Week 10 (Mon 23/9)	STUDENT FREE DAY - Staff Training
Week 10 (Tue 24/9)	Last day of Term 3 for Pre-Kindy
Week 10 (Thu 26/9)	Last day of Term 3 for Kindy
Term 4 Week 1 14/10	STAFF TRAINING DAY, NO ELC
Term 4 Week 1 15/10	Pre-Kindy Programme FIRST DAY BACK
Term 4 Week 1 16/10	Kindy Programme FIRST DAY BACK

## Principal's Word - Greg Miller



Dear Crossways Lutheran School Community,

As we come to the end of Term 3, I want to extend my heartfelt thanks to everyone who has contributed to another wonderful and productive term at Crossways. The energy and enthusiasm our students, parents, and staff bring to our school continue to be a source of inspiration and growth for our entire community.

I've been reflecting on a beautiful verse from Psalm 119:40: "How I long for your precepts! In your righteousness preserve my life." This verse speaks of our desire to follow God's teachings and live lives filled with goodness and righteousness. As we finish this term and head into a well-earned break, I encourage all of us to reflect on what it means to strive for goodness in our daily lives.

### Striving for Goodness

Goodness, as described in Psalm 119, is more than just following rules; it's about cultivating a heart that seeks to do what is right, even when it's challenging. In our school community, we encourage our students to strive for goodness by showing kindness, respect, and compassion toward others.

Whether it's through helping a classmate, being patient with a friend, or putting effort into their work, each act of goodness contributes to a more positive and uplifting environment.

As we look ahead to the final term of the year, I urge all of our students to continue seeking goodness in their words and actions. It is through these small but meaningful choices that we grow not only as individuals but as a community of faith.

### Thank You to Parents and Caregivers

I also want to take this opportunity to thank all the parents and caregivers who attended our Student-Led Conferences last week. These conferences are such a valuable time for our students to reflect on their learning, set goals, and share their progress with you. Your involvement in your child's education is essential, and I am grateful for the time and effort you put into these meetings.

By working together—students, parents, and teachers—we create a strong support system that helps each child reach their full potential. If you weren't able to attend a conference or have any ongoing questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to reach out to your child's teacher or the school office.

### Oysterfest in the Holidays

As we head into the holidays, I know many of you will be looking forward to Oysterfest, which takes place in Ceduna in the middle of the break. Oysterfest is a wonderful celebration of our local culture, and I hope many of our students and families can take part in the festivities. It's a great way to connect with the wider community, enjoy some time together, and celebrate the unique environment we live in.

### Wishing You a Blessed Break

Finally, I wish all our students, staff, and families a safe, restful, and enjoyable holiday. May you all return refreshed and ready for a great Term 4. In the meantime, let's continue to strive for goodness, as Psalm 119 calls us to do, in everything we say and do.

Blessings,

*Greg Miller*  
Principal, Crossways Lutheran School



## Week 9 Award Winners



Above Left : Grace Award winner (Freddie Jericho)  
Above right : Hope Award winner (Ariana Sansbury-Burgoyne)



Left: Ms Spann's 5/6 class award winners (Alexis Kaehne & Savannah Guidera)



Above left : Miss H's year 5/6 class award winner (Acacia Bilney). Above right : Ms Uzzell's 7/8 class award winner (Monique Weetra-Hart)



Above Left : Ms Reid's Foundation winner (Raana Peel-Day). Above right : Ms Ware's Foundation winner (Summer Giles)



Above left : Year 7/8 Mr Donald holding his class award winner certificate which was won by Jai Freeman. Above right: Year 9/10 Mr Kuzi's class award winner (Kael Coleman)



Above Left : Year 1/2 Ms Mila Award winner (Madison Reed) Above right : Year 1/2 Mrs Cook Award winner (Fifita Pohahau)

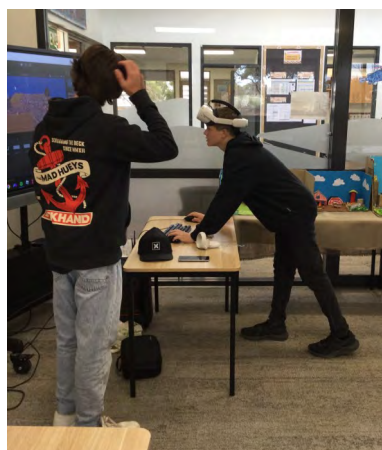


Left : Mr Champion's Year 3/4 class won the Attendance Cup for Week 9.

Congratulations

## Student LED Conference's

Monday was a student free day for students which gave them the opportunity to show their parents what they have been learning over the term at the Student LED Conference's. The students loved showing their parents their work.





## Lana Coleman - ELC DIRECTOR



### The Learning Benefits of Loose Parts Play in the Early Years:

The ELC had a gorgeous 'child friendly' bench donated this week and the children LOVED it! Everyone wanted to have a turn looking, touching, and sitting on it. As more children approached their play evolved and more bits and pieces from around the yard were brought into their play.

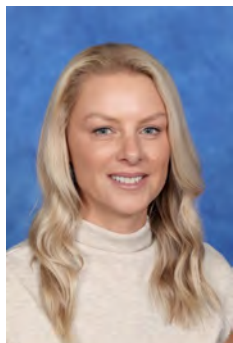
Working together their game changed from riding in a bus, a boat, a car, and a truck.

Free play with loose parts offers children a wealth of developmental benefits, from enhancing creativity to building cognitive, social and physical skills. It provides an opportunity for children to engage deeply in play that is entirely self-directed fostering autonomy, confidence and a strong sense of curiosity about the world around them. Through loose parts, children are not only playing but also learning essential life skills in a fun, natural and stimulating way.

We wish all families and friends a happy and safe holiday break and look forward to seeing you all for a busy, fun and engaging term 4.



## Terena Evans - Deputy Principal



We have made it to the end of a very busy term! There's a lot happening in our final week including Cross Country, Clean up Crew pizza lunch, Lexile Legends lunch and Reward kids picnic!!! All of these activities are a great way to celebrate our students doing well in a range of areas.

Next term clean up crew will take place Thursday afternoons instead of Tuesdays.

If you have any plastic bags please send them in and we can use for clean ups around our school.

Term 4 will be another busy, but shorter term with only 9 weeks. Please ensure your child is attending every day, unless unwell, and continue to let the school know if absent and why.

I wish you a safe and enjoyable holiday break with your child/ren. God bless you all.

**Terena Evans**

## Middle School News - Haesil Kim



As we wrap up Term 3, it is important to recognise our students' efforts this term. Many have demonstrated a growing willingness to engage with their studies and work towards their goals. As we prepare to implement the Quick Smart Numeracy program, we are hopeful it will enhance students' math skills and build their confidence. Additionally, we are nearing the conclusion of our GGSA maths program, which has provided support for our students with their modified learning

this year.

This term has also been a great opportunity for our students to explore new interests through our middle school electives. The introduction of squash, equine assisted learning, and photography has been enjoyed by many students. Our middle school electives allow students to develop new skills and help them connect with their peers while practising teamwork.

As we move forward, I encourage our middle school students to maintain their work ethic and embrace new challenges. The progress they have made this term is commendable, and I look forward to seeing how they build on this success in the upcoming term.

**Haesil Kim**

**Middle School Lead**

## Happy Birthday

28th September	Gareth Masunda
29th September	Efrem Vijesh
7th October	Timothy Edwards
7th October	Silver Coleman
9th October	Anarlia Ware-Gray
13th October	Elijah Whitfield
15th October	Harvey Limbert
23rd October	Freddie Jericho



## Local Church Services

29th - Denial Bay 10am

SEPTEMBER  
Church dates



## Chapel Schedule - Term 3, 2024

Term Week	Date	Class/SRC	presenter	Devotion
Week 10	26/9	Foundation	Greg	Kerri/Alison

Attendance : Whole School Average  
Term 3, 2024



**SCHOOL AIM - Equal to or Greater Than 90%**