



## MESSAGE FROM THE PRINCIPAL

### WELCOME BACK!

Welcome to the start of Term 3. It is wonderful to see our students back after the holidays and we are so blessed to be able to be onsite at this time. As stated at the end of last term, we need to be vigilant in reducing the spread of infection and minimizing the possibility of returning to remote learning.

Therefore:

- Keep your child/ren home if they are unwell.
- Minimise visits onsite.
- Even though we are not in stage three restrictions, we will undertake a temperature check if we suspect that a student is not well.
- If a student becomes unwell during the school day, they will be sent home as per DHHS guidelines.
- Continue to stay in your vehicle during drop off and pick up times. Staff will assist students.



During the holidays we had a very exciting development in our playground and our students are thrilled to have an amazing new bike track! A very big thank you to Toby Mibus, Adam Alexander and Thomas Alexander who donated their time, materials, equipment and machinery to build this fantastic feature. I would also like to acknowledge the very generous donation of equipment and materials from Mibus Bros. We are so blessed to have parents and people in our community who are willing to give up their time and resources to improve our playground. From all the students and staff, we would like to say a very big "Thank you!"

Do you have an unused bike in your garage or shed that we can use at school? We are looking for anyone who is willing to donate or lend us bikes to use at school. We are also hoping to purchase some bikes so that all students will have the opportunity to use our bike track. We are able to store bikes in our shed and Mrs Alexander will be able to check and adjust seats, brakes etc. Students may like to bring a helmet from home otherwise, we will have helmets here at school that children can use.



Our senior students will be using the bike track in their Physical Education lesson next week and during lunchtimes. Senior students are encouraged to bring their bikes and helmets to school next week and these can be stored securely at school for the week. Students can drop them off in the undercover area.

Our junior students will be using the bike track in their Physical Education lesson and during lunchtimes in Week 3. Similarly, students are encouraged to have their bikes at school for the week. Please note that personal bikes and helmets will not be shared. For students who are bus travelers or do not own bikes, we will endeavor to have bikes at school that they can use.

### Fruit Tree Orchard

Our school has been successful in receiving funding from BankFirst for establishing a fruit tree orchard in the garden bed between the sport courts and carpark. Our senior students researched the best varieties to plant and had to take into consideration our climate and location. On the last day of last term, students then worked together to plant the trees. We look forward to using the fresh produce in our cooking classes, and having a fresh supply of fruit available for our students to enjoy into the future.



## From the Principal...



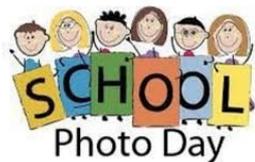
Parent Teacher  
Interviews

### PARENT TEACHER INTERVIEWS

Please remember to book your appointment for Parent Teacher Interviews via the PAM portal. Interviews will be available during Week 3. If you need assistance, please contact the office.

### CHAPEL

Chapel services are continuing to be delivered to each class every Friday morning. This week's Chapel service is based on the Gospel reading for this week – Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43- and is about the Parable of the weeds.



### SCHOOL PHOTOS

Please note that school photos have now been rescheduled for Tuesday 1 September.

### FUN FOOD FRIDAY

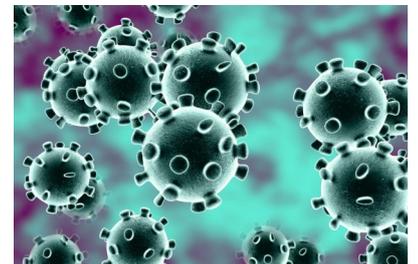
We are looking forward to Fun Food Friday tomorrow. A separate order form was sent home on Tuesday. Next Tuesday, warm milos will be available at lunchtime for a cost of 50c.



## Child Safety...

There are a number of tips you can follow for talking to your child about COVID-19. They include how to have a safe and reassuring conversation and there are links to resources to help you and your family.

<https://www.education.vic.gov.au/parents/Pages/talkingtoyourchildaboutcoronavirus.aspx>



**St. John's Lutheran Primary School is a Child Safe School**





## *Fruit Tree Planting...*



# Devotion...

### A NEW WAY OF THINKING

*“Do not be shaped by this world. Instead be changed within by a new way of thinking. Then you will be able to decide what God wants for you. And you will be able to know what is good and pleasing to God and what is perfect.”* Romans 12:2 (ICB)

I want to give you a new way of thinking. When you just let your thoughts wander, they tend to wander to your problems. Your mind swirls around and around, trying to solve them. You waste time and energy. Worst of all, your mind is so filled with your problems that you lose sight of Me.

Train your mind to look for Me wherever you are. I want your thoughts to be so filled with Me that you lose sight of your problems. I am all around you. Do you see Me? That bird singing, that smile from a friend, that ray of sunshine peeking through the clouds? I send each one your way. That feeling of safety and peace? That’s from Me too. I’m always thinking about you. So think about Me.

**READ ON YOUR OWN:** Psalm 105:4

*You* must learn a new way of thinking before you can appreciate a new way of *living*

*Taken from “Jesus Calling—365 Devotions for Kids” by Sarah Young*



Story of the Week

**Cultural mix equips us for mission**



Read this week's story at [www.lca.org.au/sow](http://www.lca.org.au/sow)

### STORY OF THE WEEK

Read or view the video at [www.lca.org.au/sow](http://www.lca.org.au/sow)

# Offerings for Luis

