As the type of person who often gets swept up in an idea, I was not in the least surprised to find myself last Friday afternoon in a heap, next to a literal heap. My students and I, again not surprisingly, had come up with a spur of the moment stroke of genius to redecorate the class to fit our themes for this term. Already tired, I now sat next to their carefully collected sticks, leaves and bark, with the overwhelming job of hanging it.

It was then that my fellow teachers began to trickle in to my classroom. Some offered little more than dubious supervision and good company, while others did what should have been my work. I share this not to brag of their kindness, or expose my own exasperation at my whims, but to highlight something that is often forgotten. We are all familiar with the notion of it taking a village to raise a child, but we often overlook the importance of the relationships within that village. It is not a tag in/tag out situation. The outcome of my Friday is not just that my students have their classroom back, but that a whole group of caring people banded together in the process.

As a school community, we share a common goal of providing the best education and support for our children. In the process of reaching that goal, we are blessed with the additional outcome of building relationships that might otherwise never have flourished. From the little things, to the big gestures, we are a community who care for one another. So much so, I could re-write this many times over with different examples. Often, we will overlook our true value or mistrust our contributions, but we each belong. From student, to family, to staff; we will all have our own moments of exasperation, but when we come together God is there, and somehow our heap is lessened.

Submitted by Alana Fielke
(Year 1/2 Teacher)
Dear Parents,

**NAPLAN Results**

This year’s NAPLAN results have arrived at school. These will be analysed by teachers during the next three weeks and then distributed to parents on Thursday September 1st.

**Quiz Night**

You are reminded about the Quiz Night which is scheduled for this Friday, August 19th.

- **Time:** 5.30 pm for a 6pm Start
- **Bookings:** Rose Rosbergen 0411 718 184
- **Email:** rosarezed@gmail.com
- **Cost:** $10 per Table
- **BYO Supper and refreshments**

At this stage we are proceeding with the event, although we may need to reschedule to another time unless we receive more bookings.

**Open Day – August 24th**

As you may have seen in the local media, or on the school website and App, we will be conducting an Open Day for prospective new families and existing school families next Wednesday August 24th.

There will be a couple of two hour sessions; 9am to 11am and 12pm to 2pm.

Visitors will have the opportunity to
- Discuss how the school can cater for your child’s educational needs
- Discover our points of difference and value-added educational experience
- Observe classes in action
- Listen to teacher “Snapchats”
- View our facilities

An RSVP is requested for catering purposes.

**Book Week**

*(August 22nd – 26th)*


During this time you will often see schools having Children’s Book Character Parades and creative school librarians creating innovative displays.

At Loxton Lutheran School teachers will be working with Australian literature – stories / poetry – with classes. There will be lunch-time activities in the Library, including the Australian film, “Storm Boy” being shown over two days.

**Book-week Casual Day Parade**

Friday August 26th is a Casual Day. Unlike other casual days, where we ask children to pay a gold coin donation to ‘dress in character with the theme of the day,’ this time there is no such request. Next week is Book-week which has the Theme ‘Australia! Story Country.’

Children are asked to come dressed as their favourite book character or Australian character.

We will be having a parade immediately after Chapel, at 10am in the LIFE Centre, to which everyone is invited.

**Adelaide Crows Visit**

Parents are reminded that members of the Adelaide Crows Football Club will be visiting the School on Friday August 19th to speak to the children about the club’s involvement in the Growing With Gratitude program. This program, which we also introduced into the school in Term 4 of
From the Principal.................

By Terry Sawade

School Photo Day

School Photo Day will be Wednesday August 31st. This is a formal school uniform day. Parents are requested to make sure that their child(ren) are dressed in their formal winter uniform (including correct footwear).

Pedal Prix

We have exciting news regarding Pedal Prix. Due to the generosity of a number of sponsors from within and beyond our school community we have been able to fund the purchase of a new Pedal Prix Bike which will have its first outing at our next event on September 24th and 25th, at the Murray Bridge 24 hour event.

Since becoming involved in Pedal Prix in 2013, our school has been using a bike purchased from Loxton High School. This bike has been used for the race campaigns in each of the two previous years. Each campaign involved two six hour races and a 24 hour race and, while that bike has served us well, its reliability was becoming questionable.

Pedal Prix at Loxton Lutheran School is an extracurricular activity that involves Year 6 and 7 students from many different backgrounds and abilities. It is not only a healthy life-style activity which promotes physical fitness and well-being, but also develops teamwork and cooperation between students, parents and staff. It truly is a community-building activity where all involved experience the highs, lows and challenges that are integral to any competition. More importantly it teaches the students about resilience and dealing with disappointment – as well as success.

Our new bike (pictured below) is both stronger and safer and hopefully will serve our school teams for many years. We will now use our existing bike as both a back-up and training bike.

Student Free Day

Parents please note that Friday September 2nd is a STUDENT FREE DAY. Staff on this day will travel to Immanuel College to attend the annual Lutheran Schools’ Staff Conference, the theme of which is ‘Share, Serve & Lead.’

2015, focusses on people being grateful for what they have and the importance about being positive in play and work.

The presentation by the Crows will involve all classes and will commence at 11.30am in the LIFE Centre and finish at 12.15pm

There will be give-aways, with all children receiving a hard-copy of the Adelaide Crows Growing with Gratitude activities booklet.

The Adelaide mascot, Claude the Crow will also be present.

Once again, all parents and young children are welcome to attend.

The NED Show

Last week all classes had opportunity of attending the NED Show which focused on –

Never giving up;
Encouraging others; 
Doing your best.

This wonderful message, together with the creative presentation by presenter Ian, certainly resonated and captivated the children, especially those in the younger classes.

The feedback from the children and teachers was overwhelmingly positive.

Thank you to those parents, who, through supporting the purchase of the NED YoYos, enabled the program to be made available to the school free of charge.

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- Liquid Associated Mechanical Services (Berri)
- Murray Pest Control
- MGA Insurance
- Dennis & Ping Clift
- Hand Built Homes
- Jannette Fulham Photography
- OE Bradtke & Sons
- Flight Motors

For those people who may still wish to sponsor the team, and are in a position to do so, it is not too late. Please contact the school office for details.

The new ‘Vamp’ Pedal Prix Bike

Enjoy your next fortnight.

Yours in Christ,

Terry Sawade  (Principal)

Disco Report

A huge thank you to the school community for supporting last Saturday night’s disco at the LIFE centre. 101 children attended and had a great time.

A special thank you to the students from the 3/4 class who planned this event. The servant attitude shown by the students was simply outstanding.

Total money raised is in the vicinity of $1000, smashing our goal of $725. ALWS can now send 27 children to kindergarten in Kenya.

A big thank you to Trudy Battams for ensuring we had a steady stream of popcorn available. Thanks also to Brady Fulham for running the Tech box. The high level of parental support was most appreciated.

Our sponsors also deserve a special mention: Nippy’s, The Country Bakehouse & Hygienic Meats.

Thank you to the school community for supporting this event.

Karl Klose (Year 3/4 Teacher)
SCHOOL ASSEMBLY
(Normally every second Friday)

NEXT ASSEMBLY: Friday August 19
2:30pm in the LIFE Centre

SCHOOL WORSHIP
Chapel services are normally held at 9:15am, every Friday in the LIFE Centre. ALL WELCOME.

Friday August 19th
Chapel will be held at 9:15am and led by Pastor Mark Hansen. The theme will be “The Battle of Jericho.”

Friday August 26th
Chapel will be held at 9:15am and led by Pastor Darrin and the Year 2/3 class. The theme will be “Gideon’s Battle.”
Please join us for a cuppa and catch up after the service.

PRAYER CORNER
This week we are praying for:
· Braam and Francois Pauer
· Corneileus, Ruby and Sarah Payne
· Olivia Pfeiler
· Mercedes and Dakota Phillis
· Anton Pumpa
and Mrs. Margaret Wormald
Teacher Librarian

CHURCH SERVICES
St Peter’s Lutheran Church
21st August 8:30am HC
10:30am
28th August 8:30am
10:30am HC

Concordia Lutheran Church
21st August 10.00am HC
28th August 10:00am

ELC News
By Rachel Hentschke

Dear Parents,
The children have been enjoying getting into the Olympic spirit. We have been racing, making medals, scoring, writing about the Olympics, making the Olympic Rings, doing gymnastics at GMG and as a special treat, watching the games on our TV.

Thank you to everyone that was able to support our Pizza and Fruit Pie fundraiser. We have raised over $1000!!! You will receive your orders Thursday/ pick up Friday. We are so excited to now be able to purchase a huge water table and have money left over too. A special mention must go to Jayne Wishart and Andrea Athanasopoulos who gathered many orders which really boosted our funds. Thanks to the Country Bakehouse for supplying the delicious produce.

Can current ELC families please get in touch with Rachel regarding 2017 ELC bookings? Our places are filling up and we want to ensure that our current students have first priority.

Thank you to Dianne Smith for your donations to the ELC.

Please ensure you are connected to your child's SeeSaw journal to receive photographs and notes. We apologise if you have been getting things twice- we have had a few Internet issues over the past few weeks. Some parents have reported not receiving items- you may need to update the app. Please let us know if you have any ongoing issues.

Literacy at home: when going to the supermarket, give your child their own shopping list and pen to "mark off" items as you put them in the trolley. Discuss the letters/ sounds in the word (start with the beginning sound and build from there and don’t make the list too long to begin with. See if they can identify items based on their initial letter). Tasks like this give literacy a real purpose and also keep kids occupied (no promises for the confectionary aisle though!)

Have a great fortnight!
Whole School Cook Book
Thank you to those families who have sent in their recipes for our whole school cook book. They look delicious. For those who haven’t could you please get them in by this Friday so we can start putting the cook book together? You can email them to joanneh@loxton-lutheran.sa.edu.au or bring them to the front office.

State Hockey
Caleb Schaefer has recently come back from Cairns after competing in the State Hockey Team representing SA. SA defeated New South Wales, Victoria and Tasmania and had hard fought games against Queensland, Western Australian and the Australian Capital Territory. SA drew for 4th place overall. Well done on such a great achievement Caleb.

SAPSASA Netball and Football
This week we have Macy Wright, Judd Tschirpig and Will Schultz representing the Riverland in SAPSASA Netball and Football. We wish them all the best and hope they enjoy this fantastic opportunity.

BINGO
On Thursday 1st September we will be holding a bingo fundraiser at the Loxton Club. Eyes down is at 7:30pm so you will need to be there by 7:15pm to leave enough time to get your books. Bingo isn’t for everyone but this is an easy fundraiser for the school and the money will be put towards a new school recycling system and storage for the PE room. Bring your friends and make a night of it. Hope to see you there.

School Photo Day

Wednesday August 31st
Official winter uniform is to be worn by ALL students on the day. However, due to the fact that windcheaters vary greatly in colour, we will be asking students to remove their windcheaters for the photo - they will then all be wearing the striped formal shirt. Angela Rollins has, once again, kindly offered to organise helpers and assist us on the day.

Please send a brush or comb with your child if you think they will need to tidy their hair.

Photo Envelopes will be sent home with your child next week and must be sent in, on school photo day, with the correct money or credit card details enclosed in the envelope and handed to the class teacher.

*All payments are collected and processed by Focus School Portraits on that day!
**We will be unable to provide change for your cash orders!
If you would like a sibling photo - Sibling Photo Order Envelopes are available from the Front Office and MUST also be returned on School Photo Day.
LLS Bookweek 2016 Activities

AUSTRALIA: Story Country
Celebrating Australia’s Storytelling Heritage

Lunchtime Program in the Library:
Monday: Students’ winning stories told around the “campfire” in the library
Tuesday & Wednesday: Screening of classic Australian story and film “Storm Boy” based on book by Colin Thiele.
More storytelling around the “campfire” throughout the week with a variety of guest storytellers

Librarian Lesson Activities

Lucky Dip: Second-hand Book Give-aways
Class—storywriting competitions
Winning stories displayed in the library
Friday 26th (after Chapel): Dress-up Parade
Dress up as something
Australian or your favourite book character

Book Award winners announced
Our uniform shop is currently open on the following days:

- Monday - 2:30pm - 3:00pm
- Tuesday - 2:30pm - 3:00pm
- Friday - 2:30pm - 3:00pm

**WINTER JACKETS**

We have ordered extra jackets in multiple sizes if anybody would like to purchase one.

$70.00 (all sizes)

Uniform order forms can be obtained from the school office or downloaded from our website or Skoolbag app.

**BUSINESS MANAGER HOURS**

Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday

**REMINDER**

- July accounts were emailed on Friday August 5th. Please keep an eye out for these emails.

**CANTEEN ROSTER TERM 3**

- Aug 19th - Tanya Fielke
- Aug 26th - Regan Mayfield
- Sept 2nd - Student Free Day
- Sept 9th - Susan Ellbourn
- Sept 16th - Sandy Falting
- Sept 23rd - Charmaine Mawdsley
- Sept 30th - Nikki Tullett

Please sign in at the front office and be at the canteen for a 9.15am start. If you are unavailable at your rostered time please arrange a swap with someone else.

New Twirly Pop ice blocks - $1.50 (available from Friday)

Paddle Pop Tropical Yoghurt ice blocks reduced to $1.00

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**Fundraiser**

Come and have some fun at our bingo fundraiser on **Thursday 1st September, 2016**

**At the Loxton Club**

**7:15pm for eyes down at 7:30pm**

There will be scrumptious supper and raffle tickets to be purchased so please bring a bit of extra money for those delicious homemade cakes.

All proceeds will go towards recycling systems for the classrooms and some much needed storage for the sports room.

Bring some friends and make it a night out. The more the merrier.

It would be appreciated if you could RSVP by 26/08/16 for catering purposes. Please contact, Joanne Hondow at joanneh@loxton-lutheran.sa.edu.au if you have any questions.

**HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**

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**What's Happening?**

**FUN FAMILY QUIZ NIGHT**

At Loxton Lutheran School

**Friday 19th August 2016**

5:30pm for a 6:00pm start

BYO supper and refreshments

Book your table now.

Contact Rose Rosbergen 0411718184 or rosarezed@gmail.com

Cost $10 per table.

All money raised to go towards the Pedal Prix Bike
Community Noticeboard

Singing Lessons

LLS parent Jenni Sander is offering singing lessons to our students. Lessons will be held during school hours. Jenni Sander has a Bachelor of Music in Voice and has been teaching privately in NSW before moving to the Riverland.

For information and to register your interest please email Jenni Sander: riverlandsinging@gmail.com

Thanksgiving Service

- ANGLICAN CHURCH, 6 WILLIAM ST. LOXTON -

Sunday 21st August 2016

Thanking those who serve in our Community and the blessing of the P.C.W. s (Pastoral Care Workers)

5.30pm - Soup and Bread for Tea
6.30pm Service

An Inter-Church Gathering

hosted by Leeton Ministers Association and Inter Church Committee

You are invited to St Peter’s Lutheran Church Father’s Day

BBQ

Join us for a worship service at Lock 4 followed by a BBQ and games
BYO salad and sweet to share
Gold coin donation for meat

RSVP to Lutheran Ministry Centre
8584 5522
Sunday 4th Sept
10.30m
Loxton High School has a rich history of performing a high standard of musicals on an annual basis for the local community to enjoy. The students, staff and volunteers involved over the many years have always taken on the challenge of musical with enthusiasm and professionalism and, have been overwhelmed with the strong support and encouragement gained from the wider community. 2016 has seen a change to the usual format of a musical and has been replaced with a Showcase Spectacular. The performance being presented this year is a celebration of many different aspects of ‘The Arts’ and what students accomplish within their classrooms through the Arts Curriculum. It is an opportunity for students to share their creativeness and display their achievements that would not normally be seen by many members of the community. The Showcase Spectacular will be providing the audience with an exciting mix of genres such as; Tap Dancing, Image and Street Theatre, Visual Arts, Instrumental pieces, Comedy Sketches, Choir Performances and Art for sale. Please support the multi-talented students at Loxton High School and come along for a ‘Spectacular’ evening of entertainment at the 2016 Showcase Spectacular.

Loxton High School Arts Faculty