

TERM 2 | WEEK 3

PRINCIPAL'S DESK



Parents,

Term 2 is well under way and I know as you write the date it is hard to believe the year is almost half way gone and can you believe we are now turning our heaters on after the incredible Indian Summer we have just had – perhaps it is not all over yet.

May is a busy time for the school with NAPLAN in progress as I write this, and our Autumn Fair on Sat. 18th with elections to boot. Please consider the information I sent you re this election and how to make your vote count for the future of Christian Education. The commentators are saying that this is possibly the most important election of our lifetime. Please familiarise yourselves with the issues as some political parties are out to destroy the free choice we have in Christian Education today.

That aside I want to give you a copy of a devotional thought I read on Mother's Day. It is very inciteful wisdom offered in relation to how we can bring up our children. It comes from the best 'psychology book' I have read and am still reading every day – It is called THE WORD FOR TODAY – (link included to a free app).

May your family be blessed with a happiness that this world can't give.

SHALOM - Mr Bell

Balanced Parenting

'What a pleasure to have children who are wise.' Proverbs 23:24-25 NLT

Your goal as a parent should not be to raise perfect children, but to impart to them the wisdom needed for successful living. This raises two challenges: parental neglect and parental obsession. The second one is prevalent among parents who become obsessed with their children, leaving them no time for recreation, romance or rest. These people probably wouldn't even consider Mother Teresa to be qualified as their babysitter!

The motives of obsessive parents may be good, but their preoccupation can lead to three serious problems: (1) Making children the centrepiece of life, which is not in their best interests. If you make children the centre of the universe, they are in for a rude awakening when they get out into the real world. (2) Emotional and physical fatigue produces what is known as 'parental burnout'. Just as a battery cannot continually be drained, you need time to recharge physically, emotionally and spiritually. When you don't get it, you run on your nerves and everybody around you feels the negative effects. (3) 'Super parenting' can be destructive to a marriage, especially when the mother is the one so inclined. A father may come to resent the children for taking his wife away from him, or she may think her husband is selfish because he doesn't match her commitment to the kids. Either way, a wedge is driven between them that could eventually destroy the family.

The Bible says, 'Let your reasonableness be known to all men' (Philippians 4:5 NKJV). Moderation, or balance, is the key to a healthy and happy family life.

<https://vision.org.au/the-word-for-today/>

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22/5 – ATHLETICS CARNIVAL

23/5 – HAIR TO SHARE (CRAZY HAIR DAY)

23/5 – KINDY & YR 7 INFO NIGHT

30/5 – SCHOOL PHOTOS

31/5 – STATE CROSS COUNTRY

4/6 – SUBJECT EXPO (YR 8 & 10)

5/6 – VACCINATIONS 7-10

10/6 – QUEENS BIRTHDAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY

HIGH SCHOOL CAMP

High school students were on camp during Wednesday 10th – Friday 12th of April. Years 7 – 9 camped at Percys Place Ski Park in Pitt Town and Years 10-12 camped at Riverside in Cattai. Upon arrival, students set themselves up and pitched their tents before starting out the fun together by getting muddy and going down the giant water slides. The students had so much fun with this that they went back to do it again the next day. The other fun activities students engaged in included canoeing, fishing, walking, a range of sport activities, tobogganing behind jet skis, swimming, meeting the farm animals that lived at the site. Students also enjoyed the sandy beaches and quiet location they were at as they spent quality time in fellowship with their peers. The students sat around the camp fire each day and night to enjoy breakfast, lunch and dinner together. It was an excellent way to wrap up term 1 and a time that all students and teachers will remember. Thank you to everyone involved in making our camp possible this year.

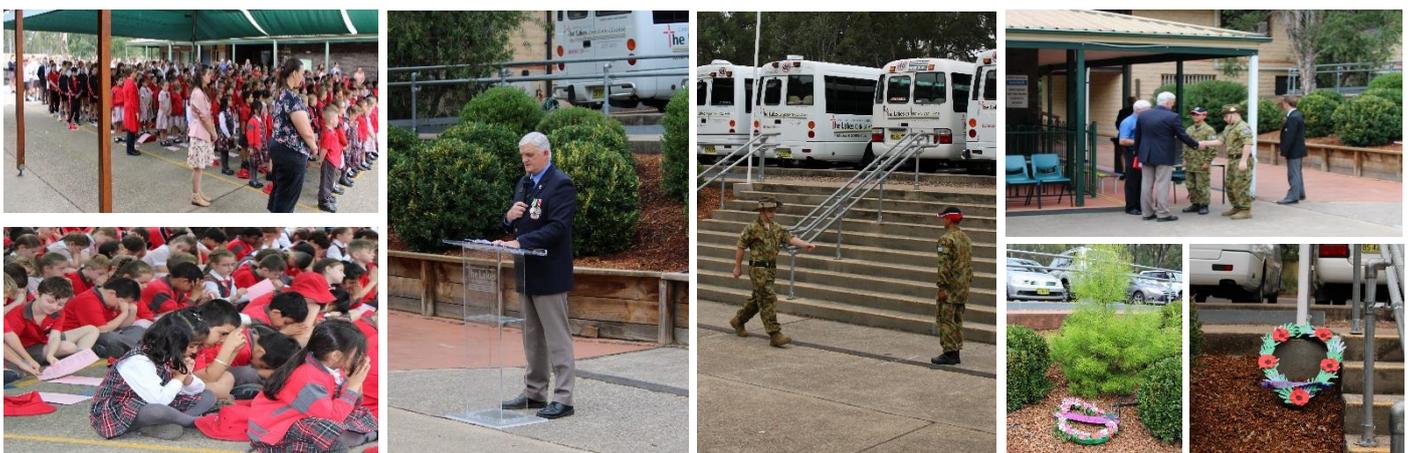
"For where two or three gather in my name, there am I with them." - Matthew 18:20 (NIV)



ANZAC DAY SERVICE

On the 1st of May we held our Anzac Day service. We were blessed to be joined by Mr Brian Cartwright, the Vice President of The City of Penrith RSL Sub-Branch. Thank you to Mr Cartwright for joining us and giving a powerful and inspiring speech. Also, thank you to 2 of our Year 8 students, **Ethan Dorsett-Wainwright**, who is an army cadet, and **Moses Elengikal** who is an air force cadet. Ethan and Moses marched and raised the Australian flag during our ceremony. Thank you to Kindergarten and Year 2 for doing a fantastic job on making the wreaths. We layed one down by a pine tree and the other by the flag post.

*"They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old;
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn. At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them."*



CROSS COUNTRY

The Primary and Secondary Cross Country was on the 1st of April. It was a day of perfect weather and great enthusiasm. Well done to all who participated, challenging themselves to run a varied and difficult course. We are so blessed to have been able to access our new land. Thank you to Ross and the Donoghue family who designed, and helped set up, the course and a big thank you to Bill for helping in setting up. The Year 10 PASS class assisted in the smooth running of the primary event. We are so proud of all the kids in years 2-6 for participating and putting in a big effort. It was so wonderful to see the older kids looking out for the younger ones. This represents well the caring spirit of our school.

Kindergarten, Year 1 and Year 2 ran a course that involved some obstacles. Kindergarten ran 1 lap of the course, Year 1 ran two laps, while Year 2 ran three whole laps! Congratulations to all students who competed in the event, earning house points. Thank you to all the parents, families and carers who came out to watch the event. The students were encouraged by your support. Wilberforce won this year with 138 points, closely followed by Elliot with 137 points and then Carmichael with 130 points. Thank you to all the parents and family who came and supported their kids.

The State Cross Country will be held on Friday the 31st of May at the Equestrian Centre, notes have been given out to students involved.



STUDY SAMURAI LIBRARY



NEW SUBSCRIPTION TO STUDY SAMURAI LIBRARY

Our school has recently arranged for our school community to have access to the Study Samurai Library. This is a great online resource for parents and students to address all their study skills issues and concerns as well as learn new ways to improve students' results at school. The library also covers topics of wellbeing, mindset, motivation, stress management and peak performance. The library includes:

- > 75 video lessons for students (20-30 mins each) from two experts on Study Skills & Wellbeing.
- > Full access to www.studyskillshandbook.com.au and 43 study skills units of work.
- > Full access to Human Connections Online Wellbeing Resource with 17 modules.

For more information, click into the "Student Resources" tab on Learner Link (can be accessed through the Learner Link tab on the high school page on our website). To access the online library, click the link to Study Samurai which is found in the Student Resources tab.

YEAR 1 EXCURSION

On the 27th of March, Year 1 went on a fantastic excursion to the Australian Arms Museum in Emu Plains. Students participated in a series of activities to investigate what life was like before the invention of electricity. We washed clothes by hand, made butter and saw an old classroom.



YEAR 6 NETBALL CLINIC

On Wednesday the 10th of April Year 6 went to the Macquarie netball clinic at Jamison Park. While we were there we met 5 elite netball players including Catherine Cox. Some of the skills we learnt included shooting and passing. We received a netball signed by 4 of the elite netball players. Congratulations to **Christian Artese** who received the special prize for the best athlete. The players were excellent coaches and we appreciate their time. Year 6 had an amazing time and enjoyed it all.

By **Matilda Williams** and **Amy Branson**.



YEAR 7 SRC

Dante Fowler, Keira Fleming, and Benjamin West were officially inducted as our new Year 7 SRC representatives during chapel on Wednesday the 8th of May. We were joined by their parents who had the honour of pinning their SRC badges to the TLCC shirt for the first time. Thank you to those parents for your support and thank you to our new SRC representatives for serving in our school.



PREP IS GROWING AND WE ARE LOVING IT



Prep has recently grown in numbers; we have a lot of friends here in prep. This has led to a decision to open the wall of the prep class. Although we are still getting used to the new big room, preppies are embracing the big space.

Here in prep we are learning how to write and count, we learn about our environment, how to play with friends, share toys, wait our turn, how to use our muscles and our words. Our creations with blocks are phenomenal. Here we are not just playing the day away, we really work hard.

Our teachers, Mrs Beringer and Mrs Zeeman are working hard to get us ready for kindergarten. Helping them are the lovely angels Mrs Neich and Mrs Vincent. Mrs Benny John has recently joined our lovely team, volunteering her time to help organise a busy day in prep!

Recently we listened in on the ANZAC service, and we had to be quiet within our class. It is so exciting when we can join in with the big kids and their activities.

We love saying hi to staff members as they walk past on their way to and from the office, please turn and say hi back – we really love it when you do.

Prep Staff



GIRLS BASKETBALL

Congratulations to the open girls basketball team who tied for first place against Wycliffe Christian school with the score at 24 – 24.

Dominique Mackenzie, Laura Porter, Harmony Teo, Taila Ward, Genna Mackenzie, Tahlia Newton and Hailey Teo



Earn & Learn is back

We're helping kids across Australia get exciting new equipment for their schools and Early Learning Centres. After delivering over 300,000 pieces of equipment for science, technology, maths, arts and more last time, we've brought Earn & Learn back.

So let's stick together Australia and make this year the biggest one yet.

The more stickers you earn, the more kids learn



For every \$10 you spend* you'll get an Earn & Learn sticker



Collect as many stickers as you can between now and 25th June



Give your stickers to local schools so they can redeem them for new equipment

LOCAL CHURCHES

If you or your family would like to attend church but you're not sure where to start, here are the details of some great local churches you might like to visit:

Cambridge Park Anglican Church

Corner of Oxford and Barker St.
Service Times: Sundays 7:45am (Traditional service), 9:30am (Family service) and 6:30pm.
Youth: Sundays 3:30pm – 6:30pm

Glenmore Park Anglican

16 William Howell Dr, Glenmore Park
Service Times: Sundays, 8:30, 10:15, 5pm, 7pm
Youth: Fridays, 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Hawkesbury Community Church.

Londonderry Public School, Muscharry Rd Londonderry,
Service Times: Sundays, 9:30am
Youth: Fridays 5:30-8pm (Year 4 and up)

Hillsong (GWS Campus)

South Campus of Western Sydney University, Werrington
Service Times: Sundays 9:00am, 11:15am, 6:00pm
Youth: Fridays 6:30pm – 9:00pm

ImagineNations Church

1 Simeon Rd, Orchard Hills
Service Times: Sundays at 8:45am, 10:45am & 5:30pm.
Youth: Fridays, 6:00pm – 9:00pm

Strong Nation Church (Pentecostal)

Penrith: St Pauls Grammar School
Hawkesbury: Cnr Brabyn & Macquarie Streets, Windsor
Mountains: Ellison Public School, Springwood
Service Times: Fridays 7:30pm, Sundays 10:00am

Vineyard Church

357 Windsor Road, (Cnr. Brennans Dam Road), Vineyard
Service Times: Sundays, 9:30 am and 5:30 pm
Youth: Fridays, 7:00pm

BOOK DONATIONS

We are looking for second hand book donations for the Year 1 stall at the fair. If you have any books you would like to donate, we need them by Saturday 18th of May please.

More specifically we are asking for books like:

- Picture Books
- Children Books
- Young children fiction books
- Information books
- Recipe books
- Bibles



and Books with very limited to no damage please!

Thank You!

THANK YOU! 🙌

The Lakes P&F would like to thank the following for their contribution to our Trivia Night:

- Avli Restaurant – Cnr Castlereagh Rd & Nepean St Cranebrook
- The Richmond Club – 6 East Market St Richmond
- Narrow Escape Rooms – 2 Castlereagh St Penrith
- Faith Photography (Mrs Tamyn Raad)
- Windsor RSL – 36 Argyle St Sth Windsor
- Pinot & Picasso – Cnr High & Castlereagh St Penrith
- Scenic World – Cliff Dr Katoomba
- Llandilo Fruit Market – 312 Third Ave Llandilo
- J H Auto – Spencer Rd Londonderry
- Unreal Mini Golf – 69 York Rd Penrith
- One Stop Hair & Beauty – Watergum Dr Jordan Springs
- Equal Image – shop 28 Nepean Village Penrith
- Hair by Kylie (Mrs K Gatt)
- Body Shop (Mrs E Rowland)
- Active fun Inflatables – Cranebrook

We would also like to thank all those who attended the night – we made a profit of \$1795.15

Trish Mills (Treasurer)

HAIR TO SHARE CRAZY HAIR DAY

Triple Negative is a rare and little-known form of Breast Cancer. I lost my Mother to this cancer 2 years ago. A big part of the treatment for cancer causes them to lose all their hair and many use wigs to overcome the social implications. I would like to donate my hair and encourage others to do the same, so that these wigs can be made. However, the big picture is to raise awareness and much needed funds for research into Triple negative breast cancer. By sponsoring me and others who choose to donate their hair, all the funds will go to the Kolling Institute.

Website for donations: <https://www.gofundme.com/hair-to-share-triple-negative-breast-cancer>

Four Girls will donate their hair for wigs at recess. Jordan M, Genna M, Tiana D, Laura P.
Kindly cut by Kylie Gatt.

Crazy hair day: 23RD of May 2019. Wear fancy hair accessories like hair bands, bandanas, washable hair spray, clips, hats, or colour. Gold coin donation can be made on the day. We will also be selling:

Waffles with ice-cream and choice of sauce \$3
Cupcakes \$1



Jordan McCabe