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GRACE LUTHERAN PRIMARY SCHOOL
FORTNIGHTLY NEWSLETTER

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PRIMARY SCHOOL

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THURSDAY 8 AUGUST 2019



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

Communications

In all schools for many parents, the most pressing issue is communications. There is so much information that comes out to parents and in our busy lives it can be very confusing. In our recent parent meeting survey, communications and efficiency in this area was raised by parents and to that end, I am hosting a parent meeting to discuss this issue. I want to find out what is the best methods for parents to receive communications from the school. To accommodate parents, I am proposing two times on 22 August. The first meeting will be at 2:30pm and the second will be at 6:30pm – both to be held in the library.

At this meeting I will discuss with parents what are the best options for you to receive notes and information from the school and your thoughts and ideas will be valued. At the moment, the modes of information dissemination are Email, Parent Rep texts and communications, See Saw, Facebook (official and some year levels have set up sites), the App, the Website, Ripples and Dates for your Diary.

Perhaps amongst your friends you can discuss what would be the most efficient way for us to communicate to you. If you cannot make one of the meetings but would like to have input into the conversation, please send your emails of suggestions to me and I will read them at the meeting. principal@glps.qld.edu.au

Off to Camp

Our Year 2 students are on camp this week at Luther Heights. The camping program at Grace is extraordinary with students beginning with a sleepover in Year 1, a night away to Luther Heights in Year 2, two nights at Googa for Years 3 and 5, a beach camp at Tallebudgera for Year 4s and the Canberra trip in Year 6. Students and staff always talk very positively of their camping experiences not only because of the terrific campsites they attend but for the fun, love of outdoors and growth in independence that occurs. Grace Lutheran Primary School has part ownership of Googa alongside Grace Lutheran College and Good Shepherd Lutheran College. This year, the campsite has almost doubled in size with new buildings being brought in. The buildings are now being finished to make them usable as a second campsite facility. Grace Lutheran Primary School is grateful to the people who had the foresight to build a campsite at Blackbutt (Googa) as the long term benefits for all Grace students in the Primary School and the College are invaluable.

Trudy Moala, Principal





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From Pastor Mark

Have you ever played ‘peek-a-boo’ with a little child? Most of us have done so. When we are very young we may actually think someone is absent until we really see them.

One of the joys in having family with small children is watching children explore ‘the world’. There is always something new for a baby to see and learn. So much of their world is lived by sight, but much is also lived by faith. For young child there is trust that someone will answer a cry. There is trust as they sleep in your arms. There is a smile that responds to another person’s presence. Faith is important in life. And it is sad in those situations when faith is eroded or destroyed.

The Bible call us to live by ‘faith’. This faith is ‘notional’ (that God is real, just as we would say ‘love’ is real). This faith is also ‘personal’ as we trust in His love for us in Christ Jesus.

There may be times in our lives when our faith is challenged. But we can praise God for the holy and forgiving love He gives us in Jesus. *“Faith is being sure of what we hope for. It is being sure of what we do not see. That is what the people of long ago were praised for.” (Hebrews 11:1-2).* May you know the peace that comes from faith in Jesus.

News from the Congregation

Thank you to all who supported and participated in ‘Walk My Way’ – especially to Kathy Stock and Cheryl Budd from our Grace Community who joined together and raised some \$6,000 to help refugees.

Evening Worship Service

Our 5.30pm Worship Service at Grace College will now be at Maine Road Church building. We would love to see you there.

God’s grace and blessings.

Pastor Mark Email: MarkBrinkmann@glps.qld.edu.au Phone: 0499 014 189

Principals’ Tour

Our Principal Trudy Moala is hosting her twilight tour for prospective families in 2 weeks on Tuesday 20 August at 5.30pm.

If you would like to come along, or know someone who would benefit in learning how our school can partner with their family to ensure their child has the best start to their education, please call our Enrolments Officer, Melissa Johnson 3283 0011 to book a place.



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ENROL NOW



School is about stepping bravely into the unknown. The unknown is often uncomfortable. The braver you are, the more you learn.



**BE BRAVE - PARTICIPATE
TO PROGRESS**

If you don't know why you're doing something then don't do it because it's most likely wrong.



**HAVE REASONS FOR THE THINGS
YOU SAY AND DO**

If someone is unlike you, seek to understand them.



**TREAT OTHERS AS YOU WOULD
LIKE THEM TO TREAT YOU**

PLAY IS THE WAY - (Social-Emotional Learning Using Guided Play, Classroom Activities, and Empowering Language)
Grace Lutheran Primary School Students are Participating to Progress through this program.

How do games help? Games help to build the social skills and virtues we are encouraging here at Grace. Some of these include: Resilience, Acceptance, Courage, Persistence, Good Manners and Friendliness.



Year 1N class is playing Piccadilly Circus. Students are working together as a class to beat the clock to improve each time they play this game. They also are developing great communication skills.



Year 1A class are playing GIFT BALL. They are working on self - awareness and developing their communication skills and self control .



Year 4N and 4T classes play Catch the Tail in different settings. The game helps shows the importance of the group to work as a small unit and allows opportunities to work with different class members. It supports the development of resilience and team work and is lots of fun.



We don't come to school to be better than others. We come to school to better ourselves by being able to work with others.



**PURSUDE YOUR PERSONAL
BEST NO MATTER WHO
YOU WORK WITH**



We do the right thing because it's the best thing to do.



**IT TAKES GREAT STRENGTH
TO BE SENSIBLE**



Sport News

National Swimming

A huge congratulations to Max who went to Melbourne last week to compete in the School Sport Australia, National Swimming Championships. Max did really well in all his events, even coming home with a 3rd place medal for the 4x50m Freestyle relay! With a 7th place in the 100m Freestyle Final, 5th in the 50m Backstroke and 6th in the medley/multi age relay along with other PB's across the event we are very proud of Max and this awesome achievement!

NISSA Gala Day One – Semester 2 - Recap

On Friday the 2nd of August we had our first NISSA Gala Day for Semester 2, it was a great day with students involved in three different sports across four locations. All Grace teams played very well with some great results across the day. A special mention to the senior girls soccer team who played in the boys competitive division and held their own and even showed the boys how it was done!



Grace Running Club

The Grace running club is up and running again, Thursday mornings from 7:20 at the space, 7:30 at pelican park. Come for a run and keep your fitness up!

Inter-Lutheran Athletics Carnival

On Tuesday 6th of August, 35 Grace students travelled to the Sunshine Coast University to compete at the Inter-Lutheran Athletics Carnival. Our students had a great day with a lot of outstanding results across the day. Congratulations to JW (Yr 5) and Darcy (Yr 4) who were awarded the GLPS School Champions. A lot of students came home with ribbons for placing across the day with a special mention to Darcy for two broken records (high-jump and shot-put) and the U12 girls relay team for breaking the 4x100m Relay.



Mr Denny, Sports Coordinator

Library News

Thank you to families and especially Grandparents for supporting our Book Fair. It was definitely a success!

Elaine Varley, Library Aide

A special thank you to Mrs Varley for working so hard to get all the books displayed ready for the Book Fair. What a mammoth job!



ALWS –Walk My Way Event

Thank you Grace Lutheran Primary School! Your support and encouragement helped Mrs Stock to raise over \$3 650 for the GRACE project.

Parents, staff, students and Grace Lutheran Church congregation members generously supported this special project of *GRACE - Give Refugees A Chance for Education* and over 140 refugees are now able to access an education for a year. Your generosity and community support showed that Grace families have an amazing, caring heart for refugee children.

Mrs Kathy Stock (Grace Primary) and Mrs Cheryl Budd (Grace College) were part of 289 registered walkers who on Sunday 4 August walked 25 kilometres from Good Shepherd Lutheran College Noosa to Luther Heights in Coolumb. As a united Queensland team \$55 000 was raised enabling 2 115 refugee children to gain access to an education for a year. This is such a blessing.





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GRANDPARENTS' DAY WAS MAGICAL

Thank you to all our special visitors who travelled near and far to join our special Grandparents' Day celebrations on Friday 26 July. It was a magical day for our school community.



Channel 7 visited Year 6 students on Wednesday 7 August.



Year 1 Mystery Excursion

The Year 1 classes had their detective senses activated yesterday as they boarded the bus on a mystery excursion! When they arrived at the Caboolture Historical Village everyone was excited to discover they had been transported back in time! After learning about washing by hand, strict school teachers, grinding grain and being robbed by bush rangers, all agreed that life is much more fun in the present!



GET YOUR COSTUMES READY!

Our Book Week Character Dress-up Day will be on Wednesday 21 August, so now is the time to start working on costumes for this fun day.

BOOK WEEK
Character
DRESS UP DAY
WEDNESDAY 21 AUGUST 2019

**GOLD
COIN
DONATION**

**CHARACTER
DRESS UP
PARADE**

9:20am to 10:20am
Junior Oval
*all parents & friends are invited
to attend*

**BOOK 'n'
BLANKET**

2:20pm to
3:00pm



Please support
Bayside Community Care
by contributing to our Donation Basket



Bayside Community Care helps provide food for the poor and hungry in our community.

Suggested Food List

- Can of spaghetti
- Can of baked beans
- Tin of tuna
- Tin of sardines
- Tin of soup
- Cup- a-soups
- Diced tomatoes
- Packet of pasta
- Jar of jam
- Long life milk
- Weetbix 1kg
- Teabags
- Sugar



FATHER'S DAY EVENT NOT TO BE MISSED!

Dear Fathers of Grace

Please join us for a special Father's Day Breakfast on Thursday 29 August. RSVP date has been extended. Please see invite below.

LIMITED SEATS AVAILABLE - BOOK NOW!



You're Invited

Father's Day Breakfast with special Guest Speakers including Petero Civoniceva, former NRL great | Ben Ryan, Coach of Peninsula Power | Joshua Kindred, CEO Kindred Property

Fundraiser Auction by Frank De Raadt

All proceeds donated to your school

When: Thursday 29th August 2019

Time: 7am arrival

Cost: \$35 per head – limited numbers

Where: Redcliffe Leagues Club

RSVP: 16th August *via FlexiSchools*

Please respond with any dietary requirements

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What's Coming Up at Grace Primary

Thursday 8 August	Year 2 Camp - Luther Heights
Friday 9 August	Chapel in the Hall at 8.40am Year 2 returning from Camp
Monday 12 August	Ekka Show Holiday
Thursday 15 August	State Track & Field (Day 1)
Friday 16 August	State Track & Field (Day 2) Prep - Year 2 Chapel at Grace Church 8.40am Year 4-6 Chapel at Grace Church 9.20am Last day for bookings for Father's Day Breakfast

Date Claimers:

Tuesday 20 August	Principal's Tour at 5.30pm
Wednesday 21 August	Character Dress Up Day for Book Week
28 & 29 August	P&F Father's Day Stall
Thursday 22 August	Communications discussion with Principal at 2:30pm and 6:30pm in the Library
Thursday 29 August	Father's Day Breakfast (purchase tickets now via Flexi-Schools)
9 - 11 September	Year 5 Camp - Googa
11-13 September	Year 3 Camp - Googa

Grace Lutheran Primary School Attendance Heroes

Congratulations to our thirteen students who achieved Full Attendance last semester!

These students were Attendance HEROS (Here Everyday Ready and On Time). They had no record of late arrival times or early departures. They were blessed with good health the entire semester!

Well done to these students. Our goal is for thirty students this coming semester!





SIGN ON DAY

SUNDAY 11 AUGUST 2019

10.00AM – 2.00PM

Redcliffe Leagues Softball Association
Betty Paxton Fields
Boardman Road, Kippa Ring

If you can't make it but want to sign up, or if you have any queries at all please contact secretary@redcliffesoftball.com.au

Why Redcliffe Softball?

1. Registration is affordable when compared to other sports
2. All junior games are played at the same time and place – so no guessing what time you will be playing and All games are played at Redcliffe so no need to travel to games.
3. Awesome safe environment and friendly atmosphere. Make some new friends!!
4. It's a game that the whole family can play with junior and senior grades – all ages, all fitness levels – join a team, bring a picnic and make a day of it.
5. We run an excellent education program that everyone can get involved in (or just sit back and watch). Learn to coach, learn to score, learn to umpire.

Come down to the park, try out some drills, grab a free sausage sizzle and chat to one of our awesome clubs about the summer season



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Tuesday, Thursday 8:00am-11:00am
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Worship at Grace Lutheran Church

Maine Rd, Clontarf
Sunday 8:30am & 5:30pm Worship Service
2nd & 4th Sunday - 8:50am Sunday School

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