



## St Michael's Lutheran School

Term 3 Week 2  
Thursday 29 July 2021



### Devotion

Over the school holidays I finally watched the Australian classic film, *The Dish*. I thoroughly enjoyed this account of the people of the town of Parkes, NSW and the workers at the satellite dish that ultimately received and transmitted the images of Neil Armstrong walking on the moon in 1969. Aside from the gentle humour, I was struck by the collaboration of the men who worked at the dish. I thought about how they had to work together and trust one another to overcome some difficulties.

Last week, I was part of our team at school who mobilised quickly and efficiently to inform and prepare our parents and students for the imminent lockdown. I was going to take a photo of the busy workroom full of people preparing letters and packs of iPads but, alas, I did not have time! After the stress of the day was over, I truly felt like crying in relief and joy about the tremendous team we have here at St. Michael's.

Cooperation is one of the Attitudes aspired to for learners in the International Baccalaureate Programme and one for which we give assembly awards. It is an essential skill for all people who live in any community. We strive at St Michael's to ensure our students learn to work and play cooperatively. Students are supported in small and large group work to ensure that they understand how to work with one another. During this stressful time, we should remember that this is how God wants us to live in community.

*In the Bible it says, **The body is not supported by one person, but by all of us. We are one, we are strongest working together in unity. Teamwork is the key to living life in harmony, so that we can do God's will. (1 Corinthians 12:14).***

This striving to work cooperatively extends to so many relationships within our community: staff and students, staff and staff, staff and parents, etc. We are strong and effective as long as we all work and communicate together respectfully and honestly. With this in mind, please contact me or a staff member with any questions or concerns you might be having or experiencing at this trying time or anytime. May God bless you, your family and our community.

Darlene Hall  
Acting Principal/PYP Coordinator

## Dates for the Diary

Tuesday 03 August

Book Fair

Wednesday 04 August

Green & Gold Active Travel

Day

Book Fair

Friday 06

Mid Year Foundation Rest Day

Monday 09 August

Assembly Online 2:00pm

Tuesday 10 August

Principal Tours

### DON'T FORGET

You can also access our calendar on the School's App  
See the front office for login details



## Prayers

Please pray for the following school families  
Kennedy, Kerber, Klein,  
Kowald, Langman, Liebelt,  
Lien, Linton, Little  
Mrs Liebelt & Mrs Mahomet

## Term Dates

### Term 1

Wednesday 27 January -  
Friday 9 April

### Term 2

Tuesday 27 April - Friday 25  
June

### Term 3

Monday 19 July - Friday 24  
September

### Term 4

Monday 11 October -  
Wednesday 8 December

## Office Hours

Monday - Friday  
8:30 am - 4:00 pm

## Road Crossing Monitors

### Term 3 Week 3

AM Emmett, Jacob S, Amelia W  
PM Noah, Aiden, Joel

### Term 3 Week 4

AM Rosie, Charlotte, Erin  
PM Jasmine, Elliot, Amelia M



## From the Diverse Learning Coordinator



This week, the children received an activity about “Mindful Menus” on Seesaw. In this activity I spoke about the ways in which we can look after our mental health and well-being by completing some simple activities that we find to be mindful. The “meals” are activities that may take a little longer to do – eating a meal slowly and focussing on each tasty mouthful, reading a story, going for a walk or bike ride, listening to some relaxing music. “Mindful snacks” are quick activities – taking three deep breaths, walking to the letterbox and back, having a cool drink, hugging someone, patting the dog or cat. There are times when we don’t necessarily have time to set aside big chunks of our day to practise mindfulness. As busy parents, that time is most likely non-existent! Some of you may even be rolling your eyes at me, right now! That’s okay. 😊

I think the key is to find something about our routine that we can use as a mindful experience and do that. One of my favourite mindful activities, would you believe, is mowing the lawn. There’s something about focussing on the straight and curved lines of my front and back lawn that I love. The noise of the lawnmower means that I can’t hear anything else! Needless to say, I look forward to mowing the lawn! Sweeping the floors with my favourite upbeat music playing is another one – an opportunity to dance.

When things are busy and the thought of trying to squeeze more time out of the day to practise mindfulness makes you want to scream, I encourage you to identify ways that you can be mindful, just doing what you are doing. Being a parent is huge. The joys are matched with tiredness and we can often feel rather depleted on every level. I hope you’re able to enjoy some mindful meals and snacks today (and every day) and look after yourself. You are a gift to your children and to our community.

Georgia Pope  
Diverse Learning Coordinator

## WONDER

“Wonder is the beginning of Wisdom”  
Socrates

## Financial Hardship Relief



While most businesses have been able to reopen and return to trading, we recognise that the financial impact of COVID-19 may be ongoing for some of our families. We also know that the impact is not always immediate and may extend for some time. If you are experiencing financial hardship at any time, please contact me to plan a way forward.

Tracy Downing  
Business Manager

## Important Information

### Thank you!

Our first days back have gone so smoothly considering the restrictions we have. In the mornings, staff have helped children get to class who are used to having their parent with them. The adults who did come into the school grounds, wore a mask and left the site quickly. At the end of the day, if another adult such as a grandparent or adult sibling comes to school to pick up, could you please make them aware that they may not enter the school buildings and to please wear a mask upon entering the site. We thank you for your consideration and support.

### Water Bottles

This is a reminder that students are not meant to use drinking fountains directly. They are only to be used to fill a water bottle. Please ensure your child has a labelled water bottle every day they come to school. Thank you!

### Kiss and Drop

We had a record number of pick ups at Kiss and Drop this week. Thank you so much for giving it a go! We have had three staff members helping children get to their cars. Having the family name on the visor is very helpful. We can make a large family name that you put in the passenger visor so we can get your children ready. Please let us know via email ([stmichs@stmichaels.sa.edu.au](mailto:stmichs@stmichaels.sa.edu.au)) if you'd like us to make one for your family.

### Winter Uniform

It is c-c--c-o-o-old in Hahndorf in the winter! We would like to remind everyone about our winter uniform policy. It can be found on the school website under News - Publications.

The policy states:

Rain Jackets - regulation navy, fully lined with logo.

Scarves- may be worn during winter, navy or white in colour.

Beanies are not covered in the policy but should also be navy or white in colour, which is in line with the rest of the policy.

We appreciate your adherence to our school policy.

### Masks

At the moment, SA Health recommends that any additional adults at a school site should wear a mask. We ask that if you do enter the school grounds (even by gate) that you wear a mask. We thank you for helping to keep our school site Covid-free.

### Survey

While we were happy with the rollout of remote learning, we'd love to know the perspective of the adults in our community. We will be creating a simple survey to find out your thoughts and wishes. It will be emailed to you soon.

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## DISCOVER

"No great discovery was ever made without a bold guess"

Isaac Newton

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## Student News

### MUSIC IS FUN

On the last day of school of Term 2, our students enjoyed the Music is Fun band. We had quite a few risk-takers, who created and performed dances with the band.



"Escape the winter chill and enjoy a relaxed evening of live music by Adam Moffatt & delicious food and wine catered by the Haus.

Saturday 21st August 6.30pm.

All in support of Cancer Research through The Longest Table.

Tickets are selling fast, so get yours now via link below or QR code

<https://www.eventbrite.com/.../bite-to-fight-hahndorf...>

Babysitting available on the night in The Hub at St Michael's Lutheran School (4 to 12yrs) \$10/family.

See details on Facebook page for more details:

<https://www.facebook.com/Bitetofighthahndorf>

Wonder Challenge Explore Discover

## Sports News

### State Netball Championship

Congratulations to Rebecca Whittaker and Isabelle Roberts for representing the Hills and winning their division at the State Netball Championships in Adelaide last term. Well done to both girls for playing extremely well throughout the round robin competition. We hope you are super proud of your efforts and enjoyed the experience. St Michael's is very proud of your achievements.



### State Hockey Championship

Congratulations to Billy Cook who has been selected to represent the Hills at the upcoming State Hockey Championships in Adelaide. We wish Billy all the best in the experience.

### Knockout Basketball

The first round of Knockout Basketball that was scheduled to be played on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> July (Week 2, Term 3) at St Frances de Sales College in Mount Barker has been postponed to Week 6. Both the girls' and boys' teams will play another 4 schools, with the winning team progressing to the next round.

### St Michael's Mini Olympic Challenges

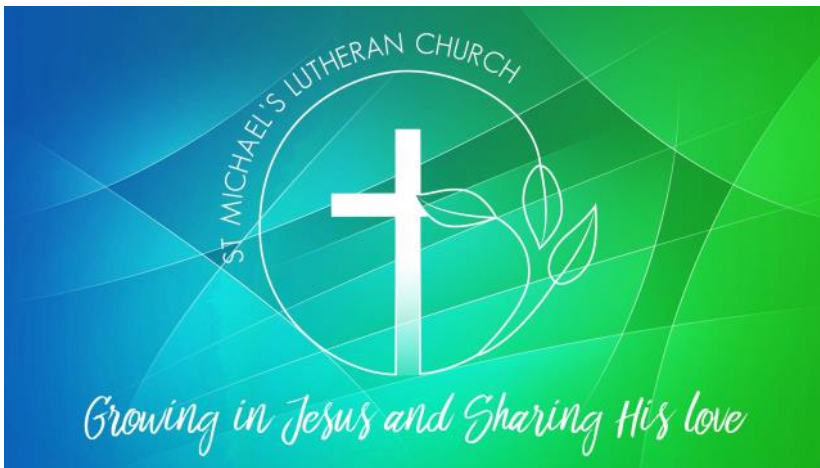
How awesome is it that the Olympics have started in Tokyo? I hope you were able to watch some events and cheer on the Aussies during lockdown. As part of your PE lesson online, I set some mini-Olympic challenges on Seesaw (under activities) that you could participate in. Well done to the students who have given it a go and uploaded a video to enter. You have until the end of Thursday to enter the first challenge. I will be putting up some more fun challenges on Seesaw on Friday that you can compete in over the weekend. Have fun being active and challenging yourself!



Thanks,  
Mr Braun

## EXPLORE

"We only know a tiny proportion about the complexity of the natural world. Wherever you look, there are things we don't know about and don't understand. There are always new things to find out if you go looking for them"  
David Attenborough



# Church Office

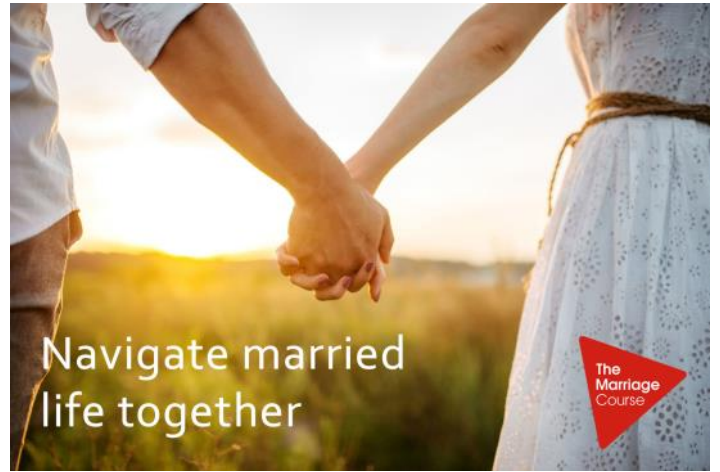
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## Senior Youth

YEARS 7+  
7-9PM

## Junior Youth

YEARS 2-6

**FRIDAY JULY 30**  
Messy Church  
**CANCELLED**  
Ages 4-6pm

**FRIDAY AUGUST 13**  
Young Explorers  
3:30-5pm

**FRIDAY AUGUST 27**  
Messy Church  
All Ages  
4-6pm

**FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 10**  
Young Explorers  
3:30-5pm

**SUNDAY JULY 25**  
Tree Planting  
Family Event  
12:30-4:30pm

**FRIDAY AUGUST 13**  
Food Olympics

**FRIDAY AUGUST 27**  
Surprise Adventure  
Time TBC

**FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 10**  
Old School Fun

**FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 24**  
YouTube Movie Night

### You're invited!

7 sessions designed to strengthen your relationship

The course helps to:

- Communicate more effectively
- Understand each other's needs
- Resolve conflict
- Recognize how upbringing affects your relationship
- Develop greater sexual intimacy
- And much, much more ...

7 Consecutive Wednesday evenings commencing August 11 from 7pm - 10pm, *dinner provided*

St Michael's Lutheran Church Hahndorf  
\$150 per couple, this includes dinner and all resources.  
(Payments can be made via EFT to St. Michael's Lutheran Church or on the day)

Places are limited, bookings essential. Please register via the link—<https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/4014450>