



The Spirit

St Martins Lutheran College Newsletter

Term 1 Week 8 2024

MESSAGE FROM THE HEAD OF JUNIOR SCHOOL



Indonesia Service Learning

It is four weeks today until the Indonesia Service Learning Team fly out for their adventure of insight and personal growth. In the context of this trip we have considered our school value of Growth – to try our best, build on our strengths, be curious about the world and be lifelong learners. However this trip actually encapsulates our whole St Martins Spirit to respect, have compassion, encourage others, look forward with hope and to live out our faith through our words and actions.

Service is giving of ourselves to help others and to strive to make a difference. Learning is all the things that we discover about ourselves, others, other cultures, our faith, the meaning of friendships and love that we experience along the way. Service comes in so many shapes and forms and gives back in so many ways. We can serve as we are doing through this trip or we can serve others through our daily actions no matter how small or big. We read in 1 Peter 4:10 'Each of you use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace...'. God invites us to share with others what he has freely shared with us.

A big part of our trip is based in our partner school, SD HKI3 in Pemetangsiantar which is up the northern end of Indonesia. The school has asked us to work with the children to develop their skills in conversational English and to also share games, sporting activities, arts, craft and in their worship and devotional life. We have found that the Indonesian children are like sponges and just soak up the opportunity to learn and share this time with their Australian friends. Art and craft is something new to them and they have really embraced being colourful and creative, something that we take for granted really. In the coming weeks we will prepare resources and lessons. We will brainstorm games and outside activities and draw on the skills and talents of all on the trip to enhance this experience. The school is also in the process of trying to develop a little garden in the corner of their school yard so this is something that we may be able to help with.

I know this group of students is very excited and Chrissy Jachmann, Nic Halloran, Brenda May and myself are grateful to have the opportunity of their company and to get to know them through this rewarding experience.

Please keep our trip, these travellers and our partner school in Indonesia in your thoughts and prayers.



Back: Al, Luke and Thomas
Front: Jessica, Chloe, Lily, Piper and Lauren
Absent: Jasmin

Robyn Teakle | Head of Junior School Wellbeing

JUNIOR SCHOOL DAY

Tremelling continue their winning streak, taking home their 6th consecutive win at the Junior School Sports Day.

On Thursday 7 March, our Junior School athletes took to the oval, and they were out to impress the crowds, with their speed and agility!

Thank you to the volunteers, Parents and Friends Committee and the Year 7 students that came out to support and help make the day fun for the Junior School students!



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REGIONAL P.A.R.T.Y. PROGRAM

A group of our Senior School students attended the Regional P.A.R.T.Y. Program at Mount Gambier Hospital this week!

This program aims to educate young people about the consequences of risky behaviours, particularly related to road trauma. Our students had the opportunity to engage with healthcare professionals, hear real-life stories, and even participate in simulations to understand the impact of their choices.

It was a day filled with learning, reflection, and empowerment. We're incredibly proud of our students for participating in such an important program!



MINISTRY REPORT

Good day St. Martins family.

We CAN become NEW people because of God's love!

This has been the overarching theme for this last fortnight. In Week 7 Mr Bradley brought to life this message through a wonderful outdoor worship service that saw our whole student body come together for the first time since before COVID. Mr Bradley's message of 'God loves us so much that He wants us to become the best versions of ourselves, so that we can have full and abundant lives', was so good that even our local chickens came to listen to him.

Isaac this week then reminded us that we can become new people not because of what we do, but because of God's grace and what God will do in us and through us. God is the source and the power for us to become NEW people for Him.

Faith in Grace,
Wesley



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HARMONY WEEK COOKING

One of the activities available to students this week has been to prepare a Bush Tucker burger.

With a combination kangaroo and beef patty and a blend of local seasoning used in the relish and the corn, students enjoyed a delicious start to Harmony Week. One of our Year 11 Food and Hospitality students, Ethan, said it was good to try something new.

A delicious blend of lemon myrtle ice-cream was also prepared on-site and taste-tested by many students in celebration of foods available and local to our area.



SOUTH EAST FIELD DAYS

St Martins Lutheran College had another great year at the South East Field Days!

It was wonderful to have so many past and present students come past to say hello, and the opportunity to connect with hundreds of smiling Yakka Trail children.



Compassion



Respect



Growth



Faith



Encouragement



Hope

GERMAN PLUM CAKE

Our German students loved making this German classic, common in their Autumn when the fruit is ripe.

Made with fresh plums, sour cream, cinnamon and vanilla, among other things... Delicious!



2025 GERMAN TRIP INFORMATION NIGHT



All interested families and other members of our school community are invited to an information night for the 2025 German Trip on Wednesday 3 April at 7.30 in the library meeting room.

Come along to find out all the details about this exciting trip.

Heather Frost

HARMONY WEEK CUPCAKES

The Harmony Week activities continued on Tuesday with the Middle School SRC decorating and selling orange cupcakes.

This initiative was a colourful and tasty way for the students to raise funds for the Migrant Resource Centre.



NOTICE BOARD

Latest notices and community events

Please [click here](#) to access the Community Noticeboard for posters and Information of upcoming events and activities within the College, and the wider community.

TERM PLANNER

Keep updated with the upcoming College events

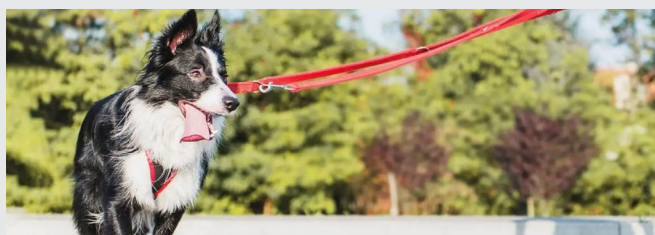
Please [click here](#) to access the College Term Planner for all important dates and upcoming events.

ANIMALS ON SCHOOL SITE

A reminder to the College community that animals must not enter the school site without seeking prior approval.

There have been some recent instances regarding unrestrained dogs, and this becomes a significant concern with our free roaming chickens and the agricultural program's livestock.

We thank you for your support on this matter. We look forward to hearing how they fare at the competition!



GATHER AND GROW

GATHER + GROW

*A simple worship service for families
Sausage sizzle after the service*

Sunday 7 April

5.00pm

St Martins Lutheran College



EXPLORING THE IMPACT OF TOURISM

Our Year 11 Tourism class ventured to Beachport last Wednesday, diving deep into how tourism shapes and impacts a destination.

At Duck-A-Roo Wildlife Sanctuary, students got hands-on with adorable locals, like this friendly kangaroo!



TWILIGHT TOURS

We welcomed over 60 prospective families at our 2024 Twilight Tours.

Last night, guests enjoyed touring the Junior, Middle and Senior Schools with various student activities on display.

To conclude the evening our Food Technology staff and students put on an impressive spread of appetizers and refreshments.

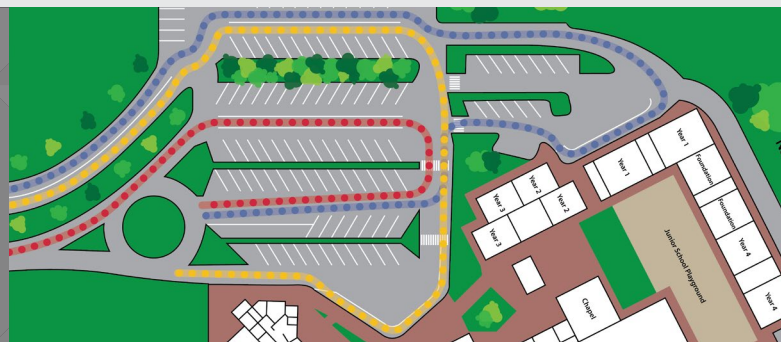
We hope everyone had a lovely evening and enjoyed seeing what St Martin's has to offer!



CAR PARK SAFETY

A reminder to all parents, carers and guests to the College to act responsibly when using the carpark area.

Please only use the designated drop-off/collection areas to ensure the safety of everyone.



UPCOMING DATES

Friday, 22 March

- Lower South East District Athletics, Mount Gambier High School

Sunday, 24 March

- Naracoorte FIRST Technology Challenge, Naracoorte High School

Monday, 25 March

- SAPSASA Girls and Boys Softball Adelaide

Tuesday, 26 March

- Reception and Year 12 Easter Trail
- SESSSA D Grade Athletics, Adelaide

Wednesday, 27 March

- SESSSA D Grade Athletics, Adelaide
- Boandik Buddies

Thursday, 28 March

- Easter Service (9:00am)
- Early Dismissal (2:15pm)
- Uniform Shop closes at 3:00pm

Friday, 29 March

- Good Friday

Sunday, 31 March

- Stage 1 German Authentic German Conversation Practice, Southgate Motel

Monday, 1 April

- Easter Monday

Tuesday, 2 April

- Year 9A Outdoor Ed Camp
- Year 10 Immunisations
- Lower South East District Golf Trial Penola

Wednesday, 3 April

- House Day
- Junior School Parent Teacher Interviews

HOUSE DAY LUNCH ACTIVITIES

