Each morning the staff at St Jakobi meet to start the day with God. We have a short devotion, and then time to pray for our ‘families of the week’ as found in our Newsletter. This week Mrs Lowke shared a lovely devotion with us, which hit a great spot for me in working with young people. It is based on the verse from Philippians 4:8, written by Paul to the Philippians, which says,

Summing it all up, friends, I’d say you’ll do best by filling your minds and meditating on things true, noble, reputable, authentic, compelling, gracious—the best, not the worst; the beautiful, not the ugly; things to praise, not things to curse. Put into practice what you learned from me, what you heard and saw and realized. Do that, and God, who makes everything work together, will work you into his most excellent harmonies.

(The Message Bible)

What we listen to, speak, watch and see can affect us, either positively or negatively, and either consciously or subconsciously. The movies and television shows we watch, the music we listen to or watch as clips, the interactions we see and hear between others, and the self-talk and thoughts we have will affect us and shape us. If we are surrounded by negative and hurtful emotions, or if we constantly think negative thoughts, we will be shaped by them, and see our world and our relationships through these unhappy and negative lenses.

Paul’s words to the Philippians remain as true today as they were then. We best serve our young people when we surround them with positive words and help them to say positive words to others, help them to appreciate the beauty around them, find things to praise not criticise in others. Positive self-talk is ‘caught’ and ‘taught’ – as parents we model positive self-talk, and as a school we both model and explicitly teach the kind of self-talk and thoughts that are useful and helpful in achieving our goals and showing appreciation for those around us.

And most importantly, we share with our students the message of God’s love for each one of them, and the value in which we as a school hold each of them, because they are loved by God.
THOUGHTS/ PRAYERS & THANK YOUS

- A huge Thank You to Di Lane for the donation of wall stickers for the Library.

PRAYER FAMILIES

Casey Rohan, Angus
Chamberlain Ariana, Bethany
Coleman Mitchell
Cowley Amelia
Czanik Rikard, Stef
Davey Jake, Josh
Dew Louis
Drewett Alexander
Duggan James, Courtney
Dyer Nathan

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP

Opening Times
Tuesday 3:15pm to 3:45pm
Friday 8:30am to 9am

STUDENT BANKING

Every Tuesday

TERM DATES 2014

Term 1
- Tues 28th Jan to Fri 11th Apr
- Term 2
- Tues 29th Apr to Fri 4th July
- Term 3
- Tues 22nd Jul to Fri 26th Sep
- Term 4
- Mon 13th Oct to Wed 10th Dec

PRINCIPALS REPORT

Road Safety Around the School
This fortnight I would like to focus on road safety in the vicinity of the school, to ensure the safety of our students and families.

If a quick drop off or pick up is required, please use the ‘Kiss and drop’ at the front of the school. Please use the left hand lane only and remain with your car to ensure we can keep moving cars up. A reminder that we ask for the first car in line at pick up time to wait up by the black fence on Lyndoch Valley Road; the second car in line is to wait by the ramp into Valley of Hope, leaving the driveway clear for families from SBCCC to access their carpark. Please note that all kiss and drop pick up will now occur from the Valley of Hope Centre, for student protection and safety.

If we get a big bank up of cars waiting to turn into kiss and drop, we will direct cars to move into the right hand lane as well – we believe it is safer for families in the Kiss and drop zone than waiting out on Lyndoch Valley Road next to the slipway.

If parents would like to come in to the school at pick up and drop off students, please use the parks off Krieg Road, along the front of the tennis courts or down the laneway by the shelter shed next to the oval.

If you are driving anywhere in the surrounds of the school, I urge you to take the utmost care – children, especially younger students, are unaware of traffic and unpredictable. Please drive with your full attention and at a modest speed.

Please also check whether you have the correct seating and seatbelt arrangements for your children. Seatbelts should be done up before the car moves onto the roadway. The law in South Australia states that the following should be in place:

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Please click on the link below for more information on choosing the correct restraint for your child:

If you have a friend or neighbour dropping off or picking up your child, please ensure you explain the protocol to them – it makes it very difficult to maintain safety when people are unaware of the procedure.

I know you will work with us daily to keep our students safe. If you see any incidents of unsafe behaviour, particularly students who walk or ride to school, please don’t hesitate to let me know, so that we can assist all our students in being safe.

Painting
The blue is really starting to have a positive impact on the front buildings. The classrooms will be next in line for a makeover, at a later date. We have ordered new bag lockers for the JP students bags, and these will also feature the same blue.

May God bless your week,
Kathryn

2014 BIBLE PRESENTATION

Congratulations to all Year 4’s and new upper students to St Jakobi on your Bible presentation last Friday 7th of February.
2014 School Captains
Laura Emms
Rikard Czanik

Vice Captains:
Girls: Genevieve Nolan & Shiana Semmler
Boys: Yaz Semmler

Winter Uniform Orders

Winter Uniform Orders are due this Monday 17th of February.
Unfortunately orders placed after this date cannot be accepted.
A reminder that some items of the uniform can take up to 8 weeks to arrive.

To avoid disappointment we urge you to order now. Extremely limited stock will be kept at the school or alternatively there may be some items available through the second hand uniform shop.
I’d like to say a big welcome to all our new Foundation students on behalf of the St Jakobi community. We have 18 new students who have all come to school keen to learn and I am happy to share this exciting time in their lives.

As with all milestones in our lives we can expect children to have many feelings about beginning school and we have seen the whole gamut of feelings expressed in one day in our classroom. We have been excited, brave, happy, sad, scared, joyful and just plain tired.

Last Thursday was the first day that Foundation students spent the entire day at school and I felt sure some of them would be crashed on the floor by the time Mrs Lowke had the last lesson with them. But I was wrong—they achieved some amazing work with her.

Little people are great. Please remember to say hello to our little people and make them feel happy and valued. They give us so much in return.

BTW: Keep an eye out in The Leader this Wednesday or next for a photo of our new Foundation class.
St Jakobi Lutheran School student, Zara Stevens, is preparing for the opportunity of a lifetime touring Hong Kong, Paris and London in April this year with the Australian Youth Performing Arts Team. The talented twelve year old Gawler Academy of Dance student is heading overseas for the first time and is looking forward to the opportunity to perform at Disneyland in both Hong Kong and Paris. Zara will also take to the stage at Sadler’s Wells in London, an internationally renowned dance venue. We wish her all the best and great success.

Nuriootpa Police station presented Zara Stevens with a cheque for $250 proceeds from a Blue Light Disco fundraiser.

MARCH 28th
ST JAKOBI SPORTS DAY
ST JAKOBI PARENTS & FRIENDS CALENDAR
AS AT 12 FEBRUARY 2013

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GENERAL NEWS

An introductory P & F letter will be forwarded to all families this week outlining the role of the P & F and requesting a subscription fee of $2.00 for those who wish to receive Minutes via email (or hard copy). If you subscribed at the end of last year, you are not required to do so again.

Please note that the first P & F meeting for the year will be held on Monday 23 February 2014 at 7:30pm. Everyone is welcome to attend as we encourage ideas and suggestions for our fundraising.

Have a great fortnight.

Kind regards and blessings

Fi Jones and the P & F Committee
Class Carers:

From time to time families within our school community are in need of support and encouragement whether it is in a physical, emotional or spiritual sense. Each of us can be affected differently in times of joy or trials. The Class Carer system is in place so that we can share Jesus’ love through practical care within our school community.

AIMS OF A CLASS CARER SYSTEM

- To provide Christian care and understanding to school families
- To be a point of contact for new people into the class/school
- To provide practical support in times of crisis, sickness etc

A Class Carer is not there to solve your life’s problems, but to be a point of contact of support for you. All families cases are treated with the strictest confidentiality.

Each term your class will be rostered on to help with the cooking of meals for our school freezer. When your class is rostered on, there will be a recipe book in your classroom for some meal ideas and a box of meal trays that you can utilise. If you are unable to cook for us, then maybe you could give us a donation or make some cards for us. Your Class Carer will remind you when it is your classes turn to help out.

Each Class has been assigned a Class Carer. (Just look for the poster in your class to see who your’s is). I would like to take this oppurtunity to introduce The Class Carers for 2014.

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**Toolbox Parenting Group**

- **You are invited to...**
- **Join a Toolbox Parenting Group**
- **New Program for the Southern Barossa Region – The Middle Years (6 – 12 years)**

**When:**
6 Monday evenings in Term 1

**Dates:**
24 Feb, 3, 17, 24, 31 Mar & 7 April

**Where:**
Lyndoch Council Chambers (Back of Lyndoch Library)
Barossa Valley Highway

**Time:**
7:00 – 9:00pm

**To register call:**
All Hoogmann on 0432 420 833

**Cost:**
$50 per participant, $80 per couple

**6 Session Topics that include:**
- Parent types, building character
- Vital time – teach skills, build memories
- The tricky combination of love and discipline
- Helping kids thrive at school - emotional resilience
- Challenging behaviour
- Capitalising on the ‘teen-age years’

**www.theparentingplace.com**

Tools for parents in early childhood – children’s age appropriate story books

Hosted by Lyndoch Uniting Church – Children and Family Ministry

**Positive, practical and fun!**
Toolbox groups are delivered in three age groups – Early Years (0-6), Middle Years (6-12) and Teens and Young Adults (12-18).

**The Middle Years (6-12)**

During the middle years, children are growing and changing and forming their values and opinions about themselves and others. At this stage they are still interested in what you, as a parent, think and do. Therefore this time is an opportunity to stay connected, teach skills and build memories that last.

**How Toolbox works**

- Trained facilitators
- Runs over six sessions that are informal, relaxed, friendly, interactive and encouraging
- Key parenting principles are explored
- Practical skills and strategies presented to give parents confidence
- Toolbox workbook for each participant

**Build a great family team**

Great kids need great parents. Toolbox has something to offer everyone!

If you are a grandparent, parent with a partner, a sole parent, a blended or foster family... Toolbox is for you!

**Cost:**
$50 per participant, $80 per couple

Call Ali today on 0432 420 833 to register
COMMUNITY NEWS

Community Worker's Forum
Centrelink and Community Services

Friday 14th February 2014
9.00 for a 9.30am start—am session
1.30pm for afternoon session

To be held at: Gawler and District College, Barneal Road, Evanton

You are invited to attend a FREE community forum following the story of George as he fights for his Centrelink entitlements and struggles with his financial and housing problems.

Morning Session: Guest speakers from Westmore Rights Centre, Social Security Appeals Tribunal and the Administrative Appeals Tribunal will talk about their services and run a case study on how processes work within the Centrelink system.

Afternoon Session: Will see a follow on discussion with the Wyatt Board, a Financial Counsellor from Unity Care Wesley Gawler, a Youth Housing Worker from Centacare, a well-being worker from Gawler and District College and the Energy and Water Omnibus talking about how their services can assist your clients.

Barossa United Junior Soccer Club
REGISTRATION DAY

NEW AND CURRENT PLAYERS WELCOME TO APPLY FOR THE 2014 SEASON

AGES 4 – 17 WELCOME
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23rd
11am – 12pm
U4 – U6 $150, U7 – U13 $180

Fees to be paid on the day!

CLUBROOMS AT BAROSSA TOURIST PARK,
ENTER AT GATE BEHIND MURDUTRA HIGH SCHOOL, O'SHINE RD

Online Registration at www.barossasoccer.com.au
(Registration not accepted on club fees are paid and subject to venue requirements)

TANUNDA HOCKEY CLUB
JUNIOR REGISTRATION DAY

Sunday February 23rd 2.00pm – 4.00pm
The Community Hub
83, Murray St. Tanunda
New and previous players welcome to register for the exciting 2014 season playing on the new turf field
Junior Teams U9, U11, U14G&B, U17G&B
Junior Teams contact: Rodney 0412 260 350

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Cybersafety

Think U knoW
Not everyone online is who you think they are! This seminar shows you how to create safety and security with your online activities. This is an interactive session for parents about what kids use and how to give them control.

Wednesday 6th February 6pm
Free Parent Seminar
Hawthorn Theatre STAplex
BOOK ONLINE YOUR RESERVED SEAT WITH: www.trybooking.com

Splash Theatre Company presents
a one person storytelling performance
ADELAIDE FRINGE 2014

The Wind in the Willows
as told by Mr. Badger

Collingrove Estate, Angaston
Picnic style, under a shady tree, suits ages 5 and over
SUN MAR 9 at 11am
BOOK at FringeTix 1300