God made two big lights, the larger to take charge of Day, The smaller to be in charge of Night; and he made the stars.
God placed them in the heavenly sky to light up Earth And oversee Day and Night to separate light and dark. God saw that it was good. It was evening, it was morning—Day Four.

Genesis 1:16

In the first week of the holidays I represented the Lyndoch Lutheran Parish at the Lutheran Church of Australia and New Zealand’s Synod. Synod occurs every three years, and is the church’s main way of dealing with church business and directions. This year it was held in Brisbane.

One of the great joys of Synod for me was the worship. We started and finished with worship each day, and communion each morning. There were over 400 delegates who had come from all over Australia and also New Zealand. Along with other guests, it made for an amazing and joyous worship experience. Hundreds of voices raised in praise to God was awesome!

Ev came up to Queensland with me, and worked during the day whilst I was at Synod, so it was a kind of working holiday for us both, but we managed to have the early mornings and evenings together.

We really noticed how early the sun gets up and the beautiful warmth of the days, compared to what we left behind in Birdwood, especially after the long, cold winter we have experienced. People were up early and out walking, making the most of the gorgeous days.

And at night, again because it was so warm, people stayed out at night in huge numbers, and did things. (In Birdwood we are lucky if 5 cars go down the main street on a cold winter’s night!) A couple of times Ev and I went down by the river to have dinner, and we watched the sun go down, followed by the beautiful sunset with the bridge and city lights slowly coming to life. As we sat and watched longer, the moon came up and the stars came out. It was just gorgeous, and gave us a feeling of great peace to see that beautiful montage each evening.

The peace came from the knowledge that God has our world and all that occurs in it in his control. He set the sun and the moon and the stars in the sky at creation, and they are still rising and setting to his command. We may come up against difficulties, obstacles, divisions, the loss of loved ones, unemployment, heartache and hurt, and yet our God is as constant as the sun and the moon and the stars that He put in place.

He does not leave us when hardship strikes: rather He moves closer, wraps us in His love and shares our pain. He calls us to be His hands and feet here on earth, doing what we can to love and support those around us, a partner in His work.

From the rising of the sun, to the going down of the same, the Lord’s name is to be praised.

Psalm 113:3 (KJV)

May God bless your week,
Kathryn
THOUGHTS/ PRAYERS & THANK YOUS

- Our prayers are with the Schembri family after the passing of the children’s Grandparents. Please hold both Sandi and Victor in your thoughts.

PRAYER FAMILIES
Hodgson
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James
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Kazla
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Koch
J & V
Koch
G & S

SECOND HAND UNIFORM SHOP
Opening Times
Tuesday 3:15pm to 3:45pm
Friday 8:30am to 9am

STUDENT BANKING
Every Tuesday

TERM DATES
Term Dates
Term 4 12th Oct – 9th Dec

Book Collection Day
Thursday 10th December 2015

Class Carer Meals
Classes Yr. Foundation and Yr. 6/7A

Please speak with your class teacher regarding the class carer recipe book and food handling guide. Thank you for your support.

Principals Report

Staffing

Interviews are being held this week for the 2016 Year 2/3 Teacher (12 month contract), and next week for the Teacher-Librarian (permanent). At St Jakobi, staff recruitment always involves:

- Advertising the position, both locally and Australia-wide
- Interviews conducted by a panel, which includes the Principal, at least one staff member and a School Councillor
- Referee checks
- Deliberation and discussion

We have been blessed with a strong field of applications. It is envisaged that the new appointments will be shared with the school community next Newsletter.

Grandfriends Day – Parking

Please note that parking will be available on the oval next Friday, 23rd October, for Grandfriends day. We will be bringing the cars up as close as we can to the school, to support those with walkers etc.

Don’t forget that if your family has one or more guests coming, you are asked to provide a small plate of something delicious to be served for morning tea. P&F will organise the setting up and the serving on the day.

Grandfriends Day – Volunteers requested!

I would love 4 parent volunteers who would be willing to direct the cars, from about 8:20am in the morning, until Chapel begins. Safety vests and directions will be provided. Please let Kathryn know if you can help via email or text.

P&F would also really appreciate 3 volunteers to help with the washing up after Grandfriends Day. Because it is also Canteen day, the sooner we can get the dishes through the easier it will be for Canteen workers. If you can help, please contact Kirsten James (0421 077 469) or Kathryn (0400 026 941).

Vandalism in Toilets

Unfortunately we have once again had some senseless property damage in our lovely new toilets. This morning the boy’s toilet doors were locked from the inside, making it extremely difficult as we were trying to get students on to the buses in time for the pantomime. One side of the boy’s urinal cistern had been pulled away from its fixture. And in the girl’s toilet, the newly painted walls have continued to be deliberately scratched.

Here at St Jakobi we are very blessed by the great respect and care our students show towards the resources and property of their school. It makes this one area of needless property damage very disappointing.

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Principal Report

Whilst we as a school have spoken with students today, can I ask that parents please also take a moment to discuss this as a family, and to use it as a learning opportunity, reiterating that when people do this, or allow others to do it, we are showing disrespect to the others in our community, who both share and use the resources we are blessed with.

Fundraising events
In the next few weeks we have some special events to raise money for some great causes.

This Friday: is our loud shirt day and walk-a-thon, raising money for the Cora Barclay Centre. Cora Barclay assists children who have hearing impairments. They have been an amazing support to some of our students, and to our school by sharing their expertise. It will be wonderful to be able to say thank-you for the work they do through this fundraiser.

Friday of Week 3: will be a casual day, in support of the Cancer Council. Belinda and Ebony Wilton are taking part in the Relay for Life, walking 19 hours in the mid-north of the state. Funds raised will go towards this wonderful cause, through Belinda and Ebony. Cancer Council is a group who supports people and their families in what is a time of great uncertainty and stress after a diagnosis of cancer. A gold coin donation is requested to enable students to wear casual clothes. The Relay for Life colours are purple and yellow, so we hope to see some purple and yellow included in the choice of clothes!

Student Pack

This afternoon students will be bringing home their students packs for 2016. Included in this pack is a letter explaining the events of Term 4, Family Database Check, Student book pack order forms, bushfire form and uniform order form.

Please read the letter enclosed in the pack which outlines the details behind these forms and should you have any questions please don’t hesitate to contact the office.

St Jakobi bound for the charts!

During the holidays, Glee students had the amazing opportunity to record a song with music producer/DJ LK McKay.

LK was originally from the Barossa and is now based in Adelaide but spends his days travelling the world producing & performing for various artists but is best recognised for the work he has been doing with Tkay Maidza (an Adelaide based hip-hop artist). He has recently teamed up with London based musician Alex Burnett who is the front man for the band Sparkadia, and together they have been producing an album which is soon to be completed!

The Glee club were recorded singing the chorus line for one of the songs and they sounded amazing! LK is currently working on editing/mix down for the track and we will be sent a copy of the final release and hopefully we might hear the St Jakobi Glee Club on the Radio in the coming months!
St Jakobi bound for the charts!

Today Students attended a performance by the Williamstown Players Pantomime. They all had a wonderful time and parents also have the opportunity to see the play on Friday night, Saturday matinee and Saturday evening.

2016 Foundation Parent Information Night

Monday the 19th of October will be the 2016 Foundation Parent Information Night in the Valley of Hope Centre at 7:30pm. We strongly encourage new and existing families to attend and meet with Mrs Jenna Schaefer (2016 Foundation Teacher) and discuss the tools in assisting children to transition to school and understanding the day to day activities at St Jakobi.

Quiz Night

The Canberra Quiz Night is being held on Saturday the 31st of October in The Valley of Hope Centre, 7:30pm. Please see the advertisements further into the newsletter and tickets are available from the front office.
Loud Shirt Day

Get Loud Kids

DETAILS OF OUR LOUD SHIRT DAY

DATE: Friday 16th October 2015  TIME: 2pm


Can’t take part?
Donate to our Loud Shirt Day by visiting www.loudshirtday.com.au

An initiative of:

Member organisations:

National Print Sponsor:
Grandparents & Special Friend’s Day
At
St Jakobi Lutheran School
Friday 23rd October 2015
9am – 11am

Featuring:

• Chapel
• Morning Tea
• Classroom Tour
• Glee Performance

EACH FAMILY BRINGING A FRIEND,
PLEASE BRING A PLATE OF FOOD TO
SHARE AT MORNING TEA

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED
Please see the front office for details

St Jakobi Lutheran School
Quiz Night

Come along and enjoy brain teasing trivia, raising money for the 2016 Canberra Camp!

Where? Valley of Hope Centre
When? Saturday 31st October @ 7:30pm
Cost? $10 per seat, 10 per table (BYO drinks and supper)

Please contact the front office on 8524 4137 to secure your seat.

Auctions + games + prizes = A+
Community News

SCHOOL HATS

Are now compulsory throughout Terms 4 & 1 next year.

Students without hats will be asked to play under shelter. Hats are available for purchase all year round and are available at the front office.

Quiz Night Tickets

Available NOW

Please see the front office

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Jesus Calling

365 Devotions for Kids

Devotions written as if Jesus is speaking directly to a child's heart.

This year-long devotional offers bite-sized meditations and Scripture readings to help 8 to 12 year-olds know God's presence and peace in deeper measure.

Based on Sarah Young's Jesus Calling, this version has been adapted in a language and fashion that young children and tweens can relate to their everyday lives

Opening Times
Mon-Fri 9.30am-5pm
Sat 9.30am-12noon

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