

Maitland Lutheran School

Newsletter

30th June 2023 - Term 2, Week 9



This Week's Message NEVER JUDGE A BOOK BY ITS COVER

As the old saying goes, "never judge a book by its cover". This can be applied to judging people on an outward appearance, their circumstances or a first impression. I have unfortunately been guilty of this myself, and for that I am not proud.

In my late teenage years, I travelled to Perth from Adelaide by bus to visit a friend. I remember distinctly that when I was sitting in the bus station waiting for the bus to arrive, I saw a man dressed in tight black jeans, all black sneakers, black fingerless gloves, a black hoodie and a black beanie, smoking a cigarette. I thought to myself, "please Lord, help me not have to sit anywhere near this man!"

When the bus arrived, I got on early and discovered that I had a window seat. It was close to departure when the man in black entered the bus. And to my horror, his seat was directly next to mine. He smelt of a combination of cigarettes and body odour, and he looked like he had been living rough. I proceeded to turn away from him and stare out the window.

It was about an hour into the bus trip when I put headphones on and pressed play on my portable CD discman. It was the expensive model, with anti-skip and megabass functions. I was listening to a Christian heavy metal band called Stryper at the time, when all of a sudden, I felt a tap on my shoulder. It was the man in black. He asked me "who is the band you are listening to?" I sheepishly replied "Stryper, have you heard of them?" He replied, "Yes I have; they are a Christian band aren't they". To this I replied "Yes they are". The man in black responded "I'm a Christian too, you would never have guessed."

Over the next 2 hours the man in black proceeded to tell his story. At the age of 14 he was kicked out of home in Sydney, and had to live on the streets, or couch surf for the next 15 years. He told me that he had been addicted to heroin from the age of 16, and had spent many times in jail for breaking and entering and other drug-related offences. He then told me of a priest who would walk the streets of King's Cross at night and provide blankets, food and a listening ear to the homeless. This priest invited him to attend his church the following Sunday. To the priest's surprise, the man in black entered the church the next Sunday. He remembered sitting at the back of the church, feeling ashamed, sinful and judged by the members of the congregation. At the end of the service, the priest went and spoke with him and thanked him for attending.

That night, the man in black recalled trying to get some sleep on the cold concrete floor when he heard an audible voice say "I love you, you are valued, and I will set you free". He then went on to say that this voice was the voice of Jesus. The man in black then continued to attend the priest's church, who then helped the man obtain employment and a rental. The man in black said that he was travelling to Perth to try and restore his relationship with his mother, who had moved over there soon after she had kicked him out.

When the bus arrived in Perth, we exited the bus; I thanked him for sharing his story and we parted ways. This story is a constant reminder for me to not judge people on first impressions or physical appearances. 1 Samuel 16 verse 7 says "But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not consider his appearance or his height, for I have rejected him. The Lord does not look at the things people look at. People look at the outward appearance, but the Lord looks at the heart." I encourage everyone to take the time to listen to people actively when they speak to you, empathise with people and their circumstances, and to see all people through the eyes of Jesus.

FROM THE SECONDARY SCHOOL COORDINATOR

Welcome to the last newsletter for Term 2, and what a busy term it has been. Currently David and Carolyn Field are away, visiting other Lutheran schools across Australia, whilst David is on sabbatical. We pray for safe travels and a time of learning, growth and rest.

We unfortunately have to farewell a couple of staff members at the end of this term. Mr Sam Fisher, who has been fulfilling a teacher and IT support role here at the school, has gained employment with the Department of Defence, British Airways Engineering, in systems management. His skills will be an excellent asset to that organisation, and a big loss to our school. We would like to extend a huge thank you to Sam for all that he has done for our school, and for all his hard work in the classroom and IT support. Our next farewell is for a teacher who has been with our school since 2013, Mrs Sandra Groombridge. Sandra has worked earnestly, patiently and diligently, particularly with our Junior Primary and Primary students. Sandra has forged wonderful, lasting relationships with both staff and the students in her care, and her presence here at the school will be sorely missed. We would like to extend our sincere thanks to Sandra for all her years of service to our school community, and we pray that your impending retirement will be a time of well deserved rest, and filled with many more new adventures to come.





With that, we would like to take this opportunity to welcome some new part time staff to Maitland Lutheran School. Miss Chloe Whittaker will take up a teaching role in Year 3, as well as teaching our Auslan program across the school; Mrs Elizabeth May will also be fulfilling a teaching role within our Year 3 class, and Mrs Rachel Twelftree in the capacity of learning support. We pray that they settle in quickly, make new friends, and discover how great a school that we have.

On the 23rd of June 2023, the school held a "Pyjama Day" fundraiser to raise money and awareness for the "Beyond Blue" foundation. This organisation does an amazing job in supporting and caring for people with issues like anxiety and depression, as well as in the area of suicide prevention. The Maitland Lutheran School community raised \$540 for this vital and wonderful organisation, which is an awesome achievement.

So, as we enter a 3 week break from school, I encourage everyone to find some quality time to spend with family and friends; to take some concerted "down time" to recharge the batteries and to calm the mind, and I pray for safe travels for those families who are going away during these school holidays. Day 1 Term 3 recommences on Monday July 24th 2023.

Matthew Howarth
Senior School Coordinator

ADVANCED NOTICE- DRESS UP FOR BOOK WEEK

BOOK WEEK WILL TAKE PLACE IN WEEK 5 OF NEXT TERM.
ON ONE OF THE DAYS DURING THAT WEEK, STUDENTS WILL BE INVITED TO DRESS US
AS ANY BOOK CHARACTER. IF YOU LIKE TO BE ORGANISED, NOW MIGHT BE A GOOD
TIME TO CHAT WITH YOUR CHILDREN ABOUT THEIR DRESS UP.



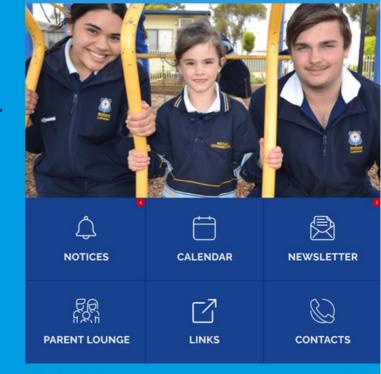
THE SCHOOL OFFICE IS CLOSED FROM THE 3RD JULY TO THE 14TH JULY BUT WILL BE OPEN DURING THE FINAL WEEK OF HOLIDAYS 17TH-21ST FROM 9AM - 4PM

REMINDER TO DOWNLOAD THE APP

The App is where school notices and newsletters are put (no paper versions go home) and is an easy way to access the Parent Portal via the press of the link button.

Calendar dates are another function easily accessible to keep you informed of school events. Please regularly visit the App to keep up to date with school information.











SCHOOL NOTICES



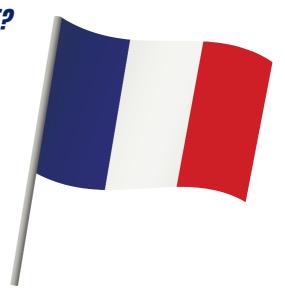
WE ARE ON THE HUNT FOR VOLUNTEERS TO UMPIRE OUR SCHOOL BASKETBALL ON FRIDAY JULY THE 28TH AT MINLATON IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE EMAIL JOANNE.DAVEY@MLS.SA.EDU.AU

ARE YOU ABLE TO HOST AN EXCHANGE STUDENT?

Can anyone help with a Year 11 exchange student from France? A 16yo male is needing a host family for 10 weeks, arriving on the 15th July.

If we can find a host family, he will then attend MLS during his stay.

Please contact Sam Andrews at Student Exchange Aust/NZ 02 997 0711





SOME MINOR CHANGES RELATING TO OUR SCHOOL BUSES

We are making some minor changes relating to our school buses! These minor changes have been implemented with the purpose of reducing risk and improving safety to our student-passengers and bus drivers. We seek your support and patience as we implement these changes.

CHANGES TO ARDROSSAN BUS ROUTE & BUS STOP

We have made some tweaks to our school bus stops and routes in Ardrossan. These changes will take effect for Term 3. Parents of students on relevant bus routes have been notified directly.

SCHOOL BUS SAFETY - BUS CAMERAS

Consistent with our on-going focus on school bus safety, we have begun to roll-out internal bus cameras across our bus fleet. Cameras will be rolled-out across our bus fleet over the next little while, and will be used to monitor incidents both inside and outside of the bus. Any data captured by the cameras will be managed in accordance with our Privacy Policy.



YEAR 8 SCIENCE

The Year 8 class has been busy in Science with 2 recent experiments. One experiment was called 'Dissolving Time'. This is where students look at how temperature affects the time it takes to dissolve an antacid tablet. Students were then required to plot their data found using a line graph to show the relationship between the two variables.

The other experiment was 'Observing Energy Changes'. This is where students are able to see energy changing from various forms.



PYJAMA DAY FUNDRAISER



FOOTBALL





"Wet & Wild Winter Footy!! Last Thursday MLS took twenty-three excited Footballers to Kadina to compete in the Year 7/8 KO Footy. The boys braved the conditions to play two fantastic games of footy as 22mm of rain fell and strong winds blew across Kadina Oval. MLS won the toss in the first game and elected to kick with the wind, allowing us to build a 3-goal head start against a strong KMS side. Now feeling full of confidence, the boys knew they had to outplay the conditions as KMS now kicked with a tail wind. KMS clawed back the lead and despite MLS fighting valiantly, KMS finished the game victors by a mere 4 points. As the rain continued to fall and the game finished, the boys retreated to the warm showers as they waited for their second game of the day against the combined Yorke Peninsula Schools Team. Now full of belief after nearly knocking off a talented Kadina side, MLS took on the YP team with skill and class on display from both sides. The MLS kicked freely and played to the soggy conditions relentlessly. By the end of the 40-minute game MLS had piled on 80 points to YP's 1. The boys showed strong sportsmanship throughout both games and ensured they shook all opponents hands after each game before quickly retreating to the comfort of the

> hot showers. Well Done Boys!!"

YOU THINK ENGLISH IS EASY? CHECK OUT THE FOLLOWING:

-The bandage was wound around the wound.

-The farm was cultivated to produce produce.

-The dump was so full that the workers had to refuse more refuse.

-We must polish the Polish furniture shown at the store.

-He could lead if he would get the lead out.

-The soldier decided to desert his tasty dessert in the desert.

-Since there is no time like the present, he thought it was time to present the present to his girlfri



-I did not object to the object which he showed me.

-The insurance was invalid for the invalid in his hospital bed

-There was a row among the oarsmen about who would row.

-They were too close to the door to close it.

-To help with planting, the farmer taught his sow to sow.

-The wind was too strong to wind the sail around the mast.

-Upon seeing the tear in her painting, she shed a tear.

-I had to subject the subject to a series of tests



NETBALL

On Friday the 16th of June, 3 girls netball teams represented Maitland Lutheran School at the Statewide Knockout Competition in Kadina. The teams competed in 3 different competitions: 7/8 Netball, 9/10 Netball and 11/12 Netball. All girls represented the school beautifully, putting their strength and determination into every game and demonstrating great sportsmanship.

7/8 Netball

Our first game of the day was a close one against Kadina. We were goal for goal for the first half, then went down by 5. Our team stayed strong and worked together well but unfortunately lost to the YP team. We then had a great game against YAS winning 27-6. Well done to all for the great sportsmanship, efforts and netball skills.

<u>9/10 Netball</u>

The 9/10 team was composed of 10 girls (2 of which gained injuries prior to the day). The girls first came up against Ardrossan which they won 38-12. Their second game was against the Yorke Peninsula team which again was won 29-23. Lastly, the girls came up against a strong Kadina side, the game constantly flipped between winners, with no more than 3 goals separating the 2 sides. It was a nail biting finish with Kadina being the winners at the final siren by 1 goal.

11/12 Netball

Maitland Lutheran School also fielded an open girls team for the first time, having previously only competed as a part of the combined YP schools team. The girls went out strong in the first game, up against tough competition and overall winners, Kadina Memorial School, however unfortunately lost the game. The second of our two games for the day was against the combined YP schools team, consisting of students from AAS, MDS, YAS and PBAS. The girls again put up a good fight, however the combined strength of the other schools proved too strong and we unfortunately lost this one too. Despite our scores, the girls should feel very proud to be competing against such tough oppositions and still holding their own.





NETBALL



Open Boys Netball

On Tuesday the 27th of June, Maitland Lutheran school hosted Faith Christian College in the Statewide Boys Netball competition. This is the first vear Maitland Lutheran School has entered a boys team in the netball competitions. Faith Christian College had a very strong team that showed precision and accuracy on the netball court. Our boys settled into the game well and fought as hard as they could, playing in good spirits. Unfortunately, Faith was too strong for our team and won the match 48-16.

CARE CORNER

Please keep everyone travelling during the holidays in your prayers. We wish you safe and enjoyable travels. We also pray that our staff and students have a restful break after their efforts during Term 2 and come back refreshed ready for Term 3.

School families in our prayers for week 9 are: Brandon & Austin Lodge, Angus LeFeuvre, Seth, Sienna & Ned Lawrie, Audrey & Austin Ling and Bianca Luciano.

John 14:27 "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid

Callum 4 July
Isaiah 4 July
Susannah 4 July
Eli 5 July
Sam 6 July
Lilly 7 July
Quade 7 July
Dixie 11 July
Jai 15 July

Khiana 15 July
Jude 17 July
Hudson 18 July
Alfie 19 July
Charlotte 20 July
Jake 21 July
Samuel 21 July
Hugo 22 July
Rhegan 22 July



Lincoln 22 July Saige 23 July Sean 23 July Willow 23 July Kate 24 July Audrey 26 July Austin 26 July Elsie 29 July Samuel 29 July Arabella 30 July Layla 30 July Maddie 30 July Zac 30 July Lylah 31 July

SAPSASA NETBALL

This week some of the year 6's went to Adelaide and played SAPSASA netball from 26th to the 28th of June. We had 2 teams, one in div 2 and the other team was in div 4. The div 2's won all their games and drew two which placed us second overall!. Our div 4 team won all of their our netball even better!

games except two, and ended up third! It was great fun and an amazing experience for all of us, we learnt lots of new skills and we made heaps of friends along the way. A big thank you to Mrs jo Davey and Naomi Davey for coaching us. You were great coaches and helped us with making From Summer, Jayme, Mikalah and Maddie.

YR 3 - HEALTH & FITNESS

As part of our Yr 3 Integrated Curriculum Unit on "Healthy Eating," the class had George Davies from Bodysync Maitland, speak on the importance and benefits of exercise and being physically active. Students participated by doing push-ups, lunges & planks.

To conclude our unit the class were involved in making their own "Healthy Sandwich" with Jo Ackland & Krystal Schulz. There was a variety of healthy options for them to put in their sandwiches, a range of protein and vegetables. Students got to try different foods including

alfalfa using their taste and smell senses.

















YR 9 - TECH STUDIES

In Tech Studies this semester the year 9 classes have been producing tensegrity tables with their own personalised design cut into the top. They have extended themselves well to learn how to operate new machines and test out new methods of joinery. As a whole, the classes said that getting the wires to balance was the hardest part!



YR 11 - FOOD & HOSPITALITY

Recently our Year 11 Food and Hospitality students completed an assignment on Street Foods. This required them to research and design a menu suitable for sale at a local market or food van. They were encouraged to explore dishes from other cultures and consider cost and ease of cooking and eating when selecting their final meal. The class produced some great dishes, including lamb gyros, pulled pork burgers and chicken bao buns.















COMMUNITY NOTICES

Catalyst

DISABILITY, AGEING

"Event Details"

SA Regional Disability, Ageing and Lifestyle Expo + Networking Dinner

"Venue Details"

Copper Coast Sport and Leisure Centre (Indoor Courts)

1 Doswell Terrace

Kadina 5554

For More Information, Contact: Catalyst Foundation 08 8168 8704

events@catalystfoundation.com.au

3 August, 2023 (10 am to 3 pm)

4 August, 2023 (10 am to 3 pm) Regional SA Wellbeing

Lutheran Church Times

ALL WELCOME	Immanuel Kadina	St Paul's Maitland	St John's Sth Kilkerran
July: 2nd	9:30 am HC	10 am LR (Pastor Steve SYP)	10 am LR (Pastor Steve SYP)
9th	9:30 am HC	9 am HC	11 am
16th	9:30 am HC	11 am	9 am HC
23rd	9:30 am HC	9 am HC	11 am HC (Hand in Hand Service)
30th	9:30 am HC	11 am HC	9 am HC

SOUTH KILKERRAN

Sunday School lessons held weekly during school term.



Supported by:

LEGATUS

Come and Try Junior Golf

Sunday 2nd July 2023

9:30am

Ardrossan Golf Club

Clubs can be supplied All ages welcome!



Contact Ashleigh Redding by email for more details: ardrossanjuniorgolf@gmail.com

ONLY FOUR WORDS IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE END IN "DOUS." HORRENDOUS, TREMENDOUS, HAZARDOUS, AND STUPENDOUS.

"And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power." 1 Corinthians 6:14

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