

Maitland Lutheran School

Newsletter

28th July 2023 - Term 3, Week 1

SCHOOL CALENDAR

Week 2

31 - 4 August - FOOTSTEPS DANCE Foundation - Yr 9 - PE Clothes may be worn all week for these grades.

31 July - SATAC Info Session Yr 12's 31 - 2 August - Yr 11 Outdoor Ed -**Bushwalking**

Week 3

8-11 August - Yr 9 Camp 12 August - MLS QUIZ NIGHT **FUNDRAISER**

1 August - 5/6 KO Netball 4 August - Balaklava Eisteddfod 7 August - Donuts for Dogs Day RHASHAWN - YR 9 YP ARTS FESTIVAL 11-20 AUGUST 2023

This Week's Message

"WELL DONE GOOD AND FAITHFUL SERVANT" Matt 25:23

On July 6th the founding Principal of Maitland Lutheran School, Mr Eric Rathjen, passed away aged 93.

Eric moved to Maitland in late 1965 to be ready for the opening of the school in 1966. His 5 children lived out much of their childhood in Maitland. The school began with 32 students, 1 full time teacher and Eric who also taught full time. There was a lot of work completed by volunteers in the crazy lead up to the school being dedicate on the 6th of February and then opening for students on February 8th.

Eric overcame many early issues like no blackboards (they arrived mid term 1), very restricted budget, no lockers for bags and only a small but precious number of library books to name just a few. Eric gave our school an amazing start. He was a full time teacher as well as Principal for the entire 11 years that he served at Maitland. When we talk about a 'cornerstone' and the strength that comes from having a solid cornerstone placed well, there is no doubt that our school owes a debt of gratitude to Eric for his extended service of 11 years to get our school going. As an aside, Eric also coached junior tennis and netball, and volunteered in the ambulance becoming the District Superintendent.

Eric served for 48 years as a Principal in various locations in Australia and was always heavily involved in Church as a Lay Reader, Sunday School Teacher, Superintendent and Elder. Eric received a Long Service Award at Government House from Dame Roma Mitchell in 1994 for his extended service to St John's Ambulance. Eric lived a rich life of service to his God, to the church, to schools and the community. We recognise and appreciate all he did for our school in his role as Principal. I will finish with a quote from the final paragraphs of his Eulogy which was prepared by his family.

"Most importantly, Eric was a man of God. He always understood that he was His child, loved and redeemed by Jesus. He cherished the amazing grace he received from the Father and lived accordingly. He lived a life of humble gratitude and worship, and this was evident in how he loved, treated, and served those around him. So many people over many years, and especially again these last few weeks, have described him as 'kind' and 'gentle' because that is truly what he was to us all. We thank God for Eric and his life well-lived. How blessed we are to have had him in our lives and for so long. We know this is just 'see-you-later' and we will be united with him again in eternity!"



FROM THE PRINCIPAL

We warmly welcome the following students to Maitland Lutheran School this term:-Ayah Ottey (F), Lilly Meates (F), Haidyn Bray (F), Hamish Bray (Yr 2), Nate Ramsey (Yr 2), Lilah Butler (Yr 2), Shane Burke (Yr 5), Delilah Burke (Yr 5), Sophia Hickman (Yr 6), Kennedy Smith (Yr 9), Gabrielle Wiese (Yr 9), Pearl Crawford (Yr 10), Marques Humes (Yr 11). We hope you all enjoy being part of the school family here at MLS. We expect to have an enrolment of 420 at our Census in August.

On Monday I attended the funeral of Mr Eric Rathjen, our founding Principal (mentioned in the newsletter), in Loxton. Many people from country South Australia and Victoria have an amazing knowledge of our school and send greetings to our community. Eric's family in particular remain proud of the influence he had here, and watch our schools influence on Yorke Peninsula with pride and send their warm regards also.

I had 3 weeks of Sabbatical leave at the end of last term and visited a series of schools and school leaders in country SA, Vic and NSW that have made the journey from primary to secondary in recent times. I will be presenting a report on this to the Board at our next meeting. It has given a nice perspective on our school and many ideas that can be used as we begin planning strategically for the next 10 years. I have come away from this feeling that we are well placed for the journey ahead and the exciting challenges it presents.



I encourage you to support our upcoming fundraiser - the MLS Quiz Night! Our staff are putting together a fun and entertaining evening for all who attend so please get a group of friends together and book a table. During the evening we will also be holding a 'Silent Auction' and a Wine Wall. If anyone would like to donate to these please contact the school. Our Parent's & Friends will also have bar facilities available and we thank them for coordinating this. We are excited to be holding a community event and look forward to seeing you there.

MID YEAR INTAKE



MLS welcomes Ayah & Lilly who have commenced Foundation in Semester 2 as mid-year intakes.

Maitland Lutheran School is

ACCEPTING F-12 ENROLMENTS FOR 2024 AND BEYOND

Providing vibrant
Christ-centred education
in a rich learning
environment

CARE CORNER

We give thanks for our holiday break, to refresh, spend time at home, going on adventures with family and friends and to create special memories.

School families in our prayers for week 1 & 2 are: Dixie & Zavanna Martin, Harriet & Savannah Marusarz, Alfie, Rafe & Frankie Mahar, Lylah & Brodie Minks, Aidan & Jonathan Mullholland, Finn McNab, Sarah McConnell, Ned May, Declan McCauley, Jesse Mills, Kaytlin & Jye Macilwain-Grinsted, Ava, Aubree, Sophia and Anthony Marchetto & Kingsley McLachlan.

Phillipians 2:4 "Do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others"

Jesse 1 August Indi 3 August Tyler 3 August Angus 4 August Hayley 4 August Ned 4 August



Joseph 5 August
Ayah 6 August
Esther 7 August
Lucy 7 August
Pearl 8 August
Harriet 11 August
Lachlan 11 August

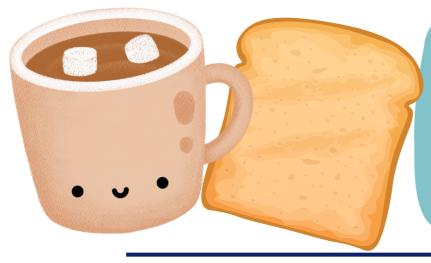
NAPLAN RESULTS

Late next week we'll be sending home NAPLAN results for students in years 3, 5, 7 and 9 who participated in the tests earlier in the year. These tests can provide helpful information on how your child is progressing in their learning, and are best understood as a 'snapshot' of their performance on a particular test on a particular day. If you have any questions about your child's results or their progress in their learning, please contact your child's teacher and arrange an opportunity to talk. Your child's teacher will be able to provide a fuller picture of your child's progress and discuss ways we can effectively support your child's learning together going forward.

What if my child received a 'Needs additional support' result?
While unexpected results can come up in these tests, in most cases, students who need additional support in each learning area will already have been identified by class teachers and will already be receiving additional support in their learning. Your child's class teacher will be able to discuss with you what supports are already in place, and what might be beneficial for supporting their learning into the future.



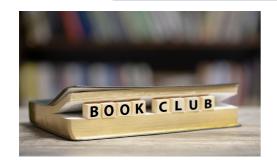
SCHOOL NOTICES



BREAKFAST CLUB FOR
TERM 3 WILL BE
AVAILABLE BEFORE
SCHOOL ON MONDAYS,
TUESDAYS &
WEDNESDAYS.
TOAST, CEREAL & MILO



WEEK 2 IS FOOTSTEPS DANCE WEEK FOR FOUNDATION TO YR 9.
YOU ARE ABLE TO WEAR YOUR SPORTS UNIFORM FOR THE
WHOLE WEEK.



THE CURRENT BOOK CLUB IS DUE 11/8/23.

PLEASE PLACE CASH AND THE ORDER IN AN ENVELOPE CLEARLY MARKED WITH STUDENTS GRADE AND NAME OR ORDER ONLINE.

ARE YOU QUIZ NIGHT READY??? - DON'T FORGET TO BOOK YOUR TABLE

What is the common name for dried plums?

How long is an Olympic swimming pool?

Which country invented ice cream?

How many hearts does an octopus have?

How many teeth does an adult human have?

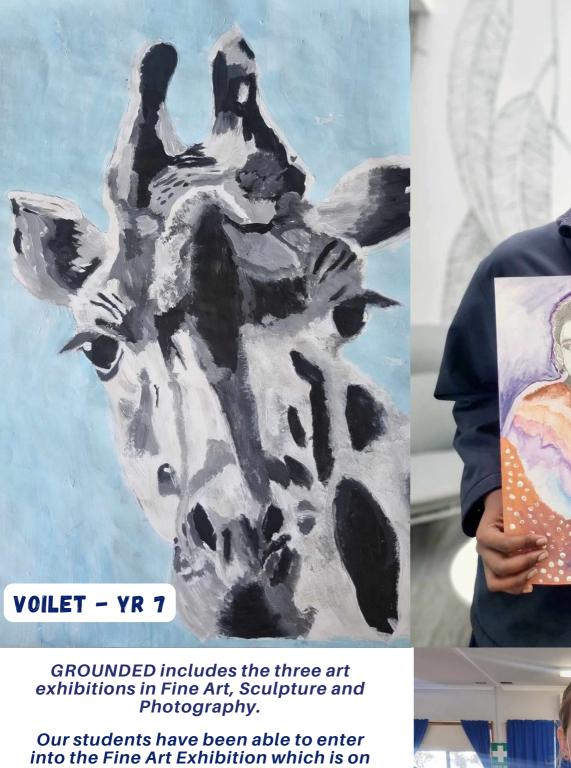
GROUNDED - YP ART FESTIVAL

GROUNDED - YP Art Festival will be open to the public from Friday, 11 August until Sunday, 20 August.
GROUNDED is a place for locals and visitors alike to experience and appreciate the

artistic talent of the YP and in South Australia.

A selection of MLS students have submitted art into the festival with some great prizes up for grabs.





display at Ardrossan.

The Photography Exhibition is at Yorketown and the Sculpture Exhibition is at Edithburgh.

View our students work at the Fine Art Exhibition-

Exhibition Opening (Invite only): Saturday 12th August, 6:00pm -8:00pm

Open to Public: Sunday 13th - 20th August, 10:00am - 3.00pm

Location: Ardrossan Town Hall, 9 First Street, Ardrossan



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 UP
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.



OPEN BOYS KNOCKOUT BASKETBALL

On Thursday 29th of June 2023, Maitland Lutheran School competed in the Statewide Open Boys Knockout Carnival, which was held at the Copper Coast Sports and Leisure Centre in Kadina. 3 teams competed against each other on the day; Mid North Christian College, the combined Yorke Peninsula Zone team and Maitland Lutheran School. Our boys played the first 2 games of the day; the first against Mid North Christian College, followed by a game against the Yorke Peninsula Zone team. Both games were hard fought, and played at an excellent standard. The Maitland Lutheran team was victorious in both games; 20 point victors against Mid North Christian College, and a nail biting 1 point win against the Yorke Peninsula Zone team.

Winning this carnival qualifies Maitland Lutheran School to be in the Statewide Knockout Basketball Finals which will be held on the 18th August against an opposition yet to be determined.





IF YOU HAVE EXCESS
FRUIT GROWING ON
YOUR TREES THAT
STUDENTS CAN EAT
FOR FRUIT BREAK
PLEASE FEEL FREE
TO DROP THEM AT
THE OFFICE WE
WOULD BE SO
GRATEFUL.

UPCOMING DATES FOR THE CALENDAR

MORE INFO TO COME LATER

SACE INFO & EXPO NIGHT - WEDNESDAY

6TH SEPTEMBER - 6PM

A NIGHT OF MUSIC - FRIDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER - 7PM

5/6 KNOCKOUT FOOTBALL

The 5/6 boys played against St Joseph's Primary (Hectorville) and Virginia Primary at the Virginia Town Oval on Wednesday. The boys played two excellent games, securing a win against St Joseph's in the first game and only losing by 4 points in the second. Everyone on the team put in a massive effort during hot conditions and on a large oval. Well done to all the boys involved, and thank you to the parents who helped on the day.





Maitland Lutheran School Big Band - 9.20am (Horizon Centre)

Maitland Lutheran School Vocal - 10.40am (Uniting Church)

YP Vocal - 11am (Uniting Church)

Maitland Lutheran School Senior Band - 1.15pm (Town Hall)

YP Concert Band - 3pm (Horizon Centre)

Come and support our talented students

Admission - Adults \$5 Concession - \$3 This ticket covers all venues





PLEASE RETURN ORDER FORM TO YOUR CLASS TEACHER BY MONDAY 31ST JULY. ALL DONUTS WILL BE HANDED OUT AT RECESS ON MONDAY 7TH AUGUST

RAISING FUNDS FOR STORY DOGS

KRIPSY KREME ORIGINAL GLAZED DONUT

Story Dogs is a reading program that is implemented in our school to support students with reading and communication skills. Reading sessions take place each Tuesday and this involves 4 selected students per term having/experiencing 20 minutes with Tommy, an accredited companion dog and Clive, its handler.

To help support this program run by volunteers, the dog sponsorship and continue the benefits it provides in schools we encourage you to order a donut by filling out the form sent home with your child.

Year 1/2 & Year 2 Teachers
Tayla Sheahan & Paula Wegener

THE BEST PART OF MY HOLIDAYS - BY CHARLIE



The best part of my holidays was when we went to Adelaide to go to Mary Poppins. I loved it because Bert tap danced on the roof and Mary Poppins actually flew over my head. I got to buy a Mary Poppins keyring that spins around. I have put it on my overnight bag. We then got to stay in a Hotel for the night and eat yummy food. I had my favourite tuna and cucumber sushi rolls from Sushi Hub, KFC and Zambrero. I also got to go to bounce. My favourite thing at Bounce is the tree climb. We went to Mirror Mirror which is a big light show. I loved the mirror doors.

I am glad to be back at school so I can learn, play with my friends and hang upside down on the monkey bars.

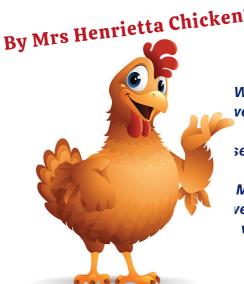
WHAT I DID IN THE HOLIDAYS

While all the children and teachers were away, Henry would come and let me and my chicken-friends out of the chicken coop. We loved this 'free-ranging'. We used it as an opportunity to explore around the maintenance hut, playgrounds and oval. Then at the end of the day, Henry would round us up, return us to our coop, and tuck us in for the night.

One day after being let out, along with two of my chicken-friends, I decided to play Hide N Seek.

When one of the staff came to count us chickens, he saw that three of us vere missing. He reported us 'gone' to some other staff, and we watched amused as they (the staff) went searching high and low for us. They searched in all the obvious places, including in neighbours' yards. They decided that we had been kidnapped, and reported the crime to Mr Matson who was very upset. After a while, and having had so much fun, ve decided to wander out as if nothing had happened. Henry saw us, and wanting us to stay safe, put us back in the coop. Henry was very kind, deciding not to punish us at all.

We slept well that night after having so much fun. I love playing Hide N Seek. I love holidays!



COMMUNITY NOTICES

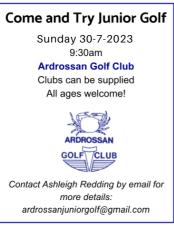
SOUTH KILKERRAN

Lutheran Church Times Sunday School lessons held weekly during school term.



ALL WELCOME	Immanuel Kadina	St Paul's Maitland	St John's Sth Kilkerran
July: 30th	9:30 am HC	11 am HC	9 am HC
August: 6th	9:30 am LR (Pastor Jeremy SYP)	9 am HC (Followed by half-yearly meeting)	10 am LR
13th	9:30 am HC	11 am	9 am HC
20th	9:30 am HC	9 am HC	11 am HC (Hand in Hand Service)
27th	9:30 am HC	10 am LR	9 am HC (Followed by half-yearly meeting)







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

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