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Assembly Awards Week 4



Assembly Awards Week 5



ICAS Awards



BOOK WEEK READ-AROUND



MOT



“What happened to the love and the values of humanity? What happened to the love and the fairness and equality? Instead of spreading love we’re spreading animosity. Lack of understanding leading us away from unity. Where is the love?” It does feel like very few people share a common ground. And as soon as that difference is evident, people start to pull away from each other.

I personally believe that God is the source of all love. This true love doesn’t divide: it simply cannot. Instead, it unites. As the lyrics in Where is the Love go: “If you never know love then you never know God.” 1 John 4:7-9 (MSG) reminds us of this very fact that without God, we will never know true love. “Everyone who loves is born of God and experiences a relationship with God. The person who refuses to love doesn’t know the first thing about God, because God is love—you can’t know him if you don’t love.”

When we love in its truest form, we become committed. Just like Jesus committed Himself to each and every one of us when he cleared away our sins, when we commit to love, it starts to take over.

The form of love that Jesus showed us is agape love, which is the deepest kind of love. It is selfless in nature, expressed in a desire for, and a delight in, the welfare of others. It means to love for the other person, not for oneself. Agape is the best love we can show because it is the kind God has for us and is good in all circumstances. It is all about giving, not getting. Agape love is not about you. It’s about the other person.

May you be encouraged to find agape love throughout your life.

Jason Kupke

Chaplain

MOT

It was certainly great to have a huge roll up at our termly MOT breakfast this morning. Activities such as these are an important part of our culture at the school - a culture of community, care and support. The staff enjoy cooking and serving each term and strengthening this culture. Experiencing this positive culture has definitely been one of the highlights for me as I have settled into the school and one which I will, with the support of members of this community, maintain and strengthen.

Blessings,
Shane

‘CONFIRMATION OF ONGOING ENROLMENT’ FORM:

Parents / Caregivers are asked to complete the enclosed form in the newsletter concerning 2018. The form is self-explanatory but if you have any further questions do not hesitate to ask.

UNIFORM: A link for the questionnaire about the uniform will be emailed to each family by the end of this week. The uniform committee are seeking responses for two questions - please take the time to complete this. The students from yr. 4 – 6 will also be completing the same questionnaire. The aim of the questionnaire is to gather data on the community’s ‘feel’ for the uniform.

JAPAN TRIP INFORMATION EVENING: It is expected that a trip to Japan will be offered in 2018 (October) for students in years 5 and 6. To begin the thinking and planning around this, an information evening will be held in the staff room for students currently in years 4 and 5 on **Wednesday 6th September** at 6:30 pm. At this meeting a tentative itinerary and expected costs will be shared.

FAMILY LIFE: Our upcoming Family Life sessions will be held on **Wednesday 30th August**. Please note that you are able to choose which session (s) you might like to attend depending on your child /ren’s needs. The year level on the session is a guide only. I would encourage you to explore the link <http://www.kidzbiz.edu.au/files/programs-and-info-kits.php> to determine the appropriate sessions for you.

SPECIAL PERSONS AFTERNOON (SPA): One of the highlights of the year is our annual ‘Special Persons Afternoon’ (SPA). This is a time when the students can invite a special person (s) (grandparents, relations etc.) to the school to share with them about their school life. This is being held on the **15th September** (after lunch).

Invitations have been sent home today. Due to the large numbers of guests that are at the school during this time we would ask that each family invite no more than 2 or 3 people as a maximum.

PARENTING SEMINAR: A 'Happy Kids' parenting seminar will be held in September that may be of interest to the school community: <http://playandgo.com.au/index.php/happy-kids-parenting-seminar/> The lady presenting wrote 'What's the Buzz' with Mark Le Messurier (who will be presenting at GGLPS next term).

CONGRATULATIONS: Congratulations are extended to James and Felicity Salisbury on the birth of Nathaniel James last Monday (14th). May God watch over these new parents as they welcome Nathaniel into their home.

LEARNERS

A couple of weeks ago Luke Napier and myself attended a workshop with inquiry 'guru', Kath Murdoch. From that day, one interesting thing that 'stuck' with me is who are the learners in our community? Yes, we can confidently say our students are the learners but are they the only learners in our community? Learners in our community comprise of students, staff and parents, connected for the purpose of education.

Teachers are reflective practitioners continually learning about new and innovative ways to engage and support learners. This involves questioning, challenging misconceptions, predicting, testing theories, engaging with research, reflecting and acting. All these things sound very familiar to our student learners. Some of the current areas of inquiry our staff are engaged in either personally or as a part of group include:

- Moderation of learning measured against the Australian Curriculum Achievement Standards
- Inquiry, focusing on challenging and supporting the design of authentic investigations across disciplines
- Christian Studies in a Lutheran school
- Growth mindset, with a focus on its impact on learning
- Mathematics learning, best practice based on current research

- Soft skills, the personal dispositions that enable people to function in the ever changing world.

Are there any other learners in our community? If you were to analyse just one day in your life I'm confident you could identify when you questioned, challenged misconceptions, made predictions, tested theories, engaged with research, reflected and acted upon different things.

Learning is lifelong.

As parents and teachers of learners in a world that comprises of innovation and the unknown, our responsibility is be inquirers, ask the hard questions, challenge misconceptions (or how we experienced school), predict, test, research, reflect and act in the best interests of our future generations.

Living learning

It is no secret that 'school' today is different to how parents in our community experienced it. What are the differences? Why is it different? How do we feel about the differences? Has the world changed that much? What can we do to support the whole learning community? I would encourage you to think about who the learners are in our community, are you a learner? You can further inquire into this through reading and viewing. I included a number of different resources to get you started.

Essential elements in life long learning-curiosity empathy and passion. Danny Stillion

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jDb8DJNEaHU>

Life's a great teacher, are you a great student?: Jeffrey Cufaude (Language Warning)
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9KICv1Zy92k>

Articles

<https://globaldigitalcitizen.org/6-pathways-encouraging-lifelong-learning>

Ruth Carter

Teaching and Learning Coordinator

GGLPS Warriors U/10 Basketball Report 20/8/17

Some great games of basketball played by the Warriors in the last 2 weeks. A 12-8 win over the Kings Thunder. A tight tussle with strong defence stopping them from scoring. A big thanks to James Kerin for filling in and for our guest coach Paul. This was followed by a 16-8 win over the Highbury Dragons. A tough game with Highbury having some bigger more physical players, but the Warriors stayed disciplined, showing a lot of confidence and controlling the game with great passing and teamwork. Well done to Lexi, Tyson, Madison, Charlie, Sienna and Mitch. Keep up the good work.

ART REQUEST

Receptions are about to begin a unit on recycling and we are planning on making art out of various recycled items. If you have any clean items at home that you could bring in we would appreciate your help. We are specifically looking for old CDs, cardboard boxes, containers and small items that would otherwise be thrown away. We would love to recycle them and use them for 'making'! Thanks, Mrs Richardson

INTEGRITY JUJITSU - A huge thank you to all who came along and supported this special day. All the kids and adults had so much fun learning from my coach Carlos and meeting him. Congratulations to all who were promoted. Special mention to Charlize, Nalah and Paul Z who got new belts! Keep up the great work!



Need to buy new tyres or any form of tyre care? Speak to the crew at '**Cluse Brothers Tyrepower.**' Michael and his team are 'Corporate Sponsors' of our school and in supporting them you are supporting our school as well.

Tell them you are from GGLPS!



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Major Sumner 'Moogy' talked to students about the Indigenous connection to land.

CHURCH THIS SUNDAY is in the Worship Centre at Golden Grove Lutheran Church

9.30am with Pastor Greg sharing the message '*Jesus the disruptor*'

Children please join us for Kids at Heart children's ministry time. '*Peter declares Jesus is the son of God*'

Followed by tea, coffee and fellowship.

6.30pm Salt fFactory service at 6.30pm. You are welcome to come for a light meal at 5.45pm (gold coin donation).

mainly music/Playgroup is held each Friday at Golden Grove Lutheran Church after Chapel at 9.30am until 11am. Please come and join us.

Any questions please contact Natasha Jaeschke 8282 6050.



Booking any travel? Make your booking through **Amanda** at **helloworld Port Adelaide** and the school receives a benefit through our '*Corporate Sponsor*' relationship (Amanda is the mum of Madison in 5/6N, Tyson in 3A and Dylan Rec S). Just tell her you're from GGLPS!



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