Assembly Awards Week 10

Congratulations to Balian Frederick on receiving this term’s ‘Kiwanis Terrific Kids’ award.

Chess Awards

SPORTS DAY 2018 – CONGRATULATIONS SUNNYBROOK!
Dear all,

After a term full of lots of activities and learning we are nearly ready to enjoy the first holidays of the year. Everyone has worked extremely hard and a break is certainly well deserved. I trust that you will find time to take a break from your normal routine and that all the students have space to recharge their batteries. On behalf of the staff I wish you all a safe and blessed holiday.

God bless,
Shane

- School recommences on Monday 30\textsuperscript{th} April with Opening worship at 8:50.
- The next school newsletter will be published in the second week of the term.

Mrs Carter: For personal reasons Ruth has been on leave for the last few weeks. This leave will continue during term 2. We certainly miss Ruth’s vitality and enthusiasm in the school and within the teaching and learning programme, however, we have put processes in place to support staff as we work towards our school goals / initiatives and supporting the student’s learning.

Portfolios: Historically, students would bring home a hard copy portfolio this week. With the use of Seesaw we now have ceased the use of the hard copy version and student work is now being uploaded to Seesaw. It is possible to convert this material to hard copy if you want to store it, however, you are also able to archive the online version at the end of the year (instructions will be provided at that time).

Uniform: Term 2 and 3 are officially the terms in which the winter uniform is worn. There is a transition time for this at the start of next term and depending on the weather it may not be strictly enforced for the first week or two (especially if these warmer days continue!). You will be notified when all students are to be wearing the winter uniform.

Voluntary Parent / teacher interviews: Interviews are being held this week

Sports day: What a fantastic day we had on our Sports Day prior to Easter. I was extremely impressed with the behaviour of the students and the manner in which they

This week we think about the love of Jesus. 1 John 3:16 reads \textsuperscript{16} This is how we know what love is: Jesus Christ laid down his life for us. And we ought to lay down our lives for our brothers and sisters.

Half way down the west coast of Turkey is a small town called Selcuk. Here you will find the ancient city of Ephesus. It was here that Paul preached to the people about God. I was lucky enough to have toured through the city and there are still many parts in good state. It is easy to see where things were and how they lived their lives.

One story that I found quite amusing was that of the toilets. In one big room they would all sit side by side with a small stream in front. The servants had a number of roles. Obviously to keep the place clean but also in the colder months many of them would just have to stay seated on the toilet benches to keep them warm for the richer, more important people.

Ephesus was originally a city where Christianity was banned. To be a Christian meant the harshest of punishments. It’s sad to think that there were so many people who didn’t want people to know about the love of God. In a couple of places I saw the picture of a fish. (A Christian symbol still) This of course was the secret code or message for the Christian people living in the city.

Christianity was against the law but there were still people who would work hard for God in spreading his love.

Question: Would you still be a Christian if it was outlawed? To pose a further question would you spread God’s love if it was outlawed? Mmmm!!!

For many of us we feel at home here in our community, telling others about Jesus. But how many of us spread the word in the wider community?

We have the opportunity to spread the word of God’s love. Is there someone who you could share God’s love with?

Today think about how you can help spread the word of God’s love to someone who doesn’t yet know.

Tim Kriewaldt
participated on the day. Congratulations to Sunnybrook for their victory. Once again I especially thank Ms. McCusker for her time and effort in organising the day but also acknowledge the work of all the staff in supporting her. Finally a big thank you to parents who helped in any way on the day. The level of cooperation and support made the day quite successful.

**Cyber safety:** I came across this great website which has been constructed by the eSafety Commissioner from the Australian Government concerning cyber safety. The website is titled ‘iParent’ and is a fantastic resource for you as parents. Please take the time to view this. The link is [https://goo.gl/jsVdzt](https://goo.gl/jsVdzt)

**Qkr!:** We will be launching the online school payment app Qkr! early next term. This will be able to be used for most finance transactions in the school (except school fees). More information early next term.

**SCHOOL COUNCIL UPDATE TERM 1 2018**

**Council Members**

School council welcomes 3 new members elected by GGLC (Golden Grove Lutheran Church) members last November at the annual election meeting – Ruth Zimmerman, Susan Kent, Fiona Forgione.

Your council for 2018 is:

- Genevieve Freund – Chairperson
- Tammie Switala – Vice Chairperson
- Tom Davidson - Secretary
- Paul Williams – Finance Chairperson
- Gary Scott
- Ruth Zimmerman
- Susan Kent
- Fiona Forgione

**Meetings**

Council have met twice this year so far with another meeting scheduled before the end of the term. The finance team is also due to meet in the next couple of weeks. Results of the recently completed audit of 2017 accounts will be reviewed as well as financial KPI’s and actual/budget results for quarter 1 2018.

**New Initiatives**

On Sat 17th Feb Shane, Graeme & Genevieve attended a training day organised by LESNSW (Lutheran Education SA, NT & WA). Excellent information was presented on new financial governance and education geographic initiatives. These initiatives being rolled out by LESNSW will give us the tools to allow us to obtain accurate demographic data to enable us to strategically market in our catchment area and will also help communicate financial performance and improve the council’s ability to make informed business decisions. These are exciting initiatives and we look forward to receiving the data and analysing the contents.

**Completed Actions**

Partnership Covenant – both school & church councils have endorsed this document and it has now been communicated to the community. A great result from all involved.

2018 Action Plan – after an extensive review at the end of 2017, our action plan has been updated for 2018. Primary focus areas for council will be the partnerships GGLPS has with GGLC and Connected Schools and marketing strategies assisted by the demographic analysis mentioned above.

Policies – BYOD and Student Attendance policies were reviewed and accepted by council

**Building Update**

Refurbishment of Blocks A & B and Breezeway – these works have now been completed to support our teaching and learning program and are being enjoyed by students and staff.

Construction/Extension/Refurbishment Block C – BGA grant of $270K has been formally approved by the Commonwealth to assist with these works. Initial plans have been lodged with council and development plan consent has been granted. Building rules consent and development approval are required in due course.

Genevieve Freund – on behalf of school council

**SRC FUNDRAiser – FRIDAY 13TH APRIL**

Ellie, Manu, Liam and Scarlett from the SRC have organised a fundraiser on the 13th of April, the last day of term 1, for Disability SA. You will be able to wear blue for a gold coin donation, as blue is the Disability SA colour. If you ordered a finger bun they will be delivered to your class.

For those students with food intolerances dairy and gluten free cupcakes will be available for purchase at the chill out zone during recess for $2 each and no orders are required for the cupcakes.

We will be aiming to fund $500 which will hopefully be enough to buy a new wheel chair or anything else Disability SA need.  

Ellie Dancis Yr 5/6Z
SAVE THE DATE - The next P&F event will be a Kids Disco – Friday 18th May. A flyer has been sent home today. Please check your child’s bag.

UNIFORM MATTERS
The uniform shop will be open during the upcoming school holidays on Friday 27th April, 9am-3pm. No appointment necessary.

We warmly welcome women to our Winter Weekend Retreat ...... Interwoven
Brought to you by Golden Grove Lutheran Community.
When: Friday 29th June to Sunday 1st July 2018 at Nunyara Conference Centre, Belair
Why: Rest, relax, refresh, have fun & fellowship!
Register now at:
http://www.emailmeform.com/buildre/form/m2J94w4f9K3aHd3vRzPhT?ga=2.208497554.1002343480.1522750986-465530075.1522555604
(direct link from GGLC website) or grab a paper form from the church / office
Cost: $150 First-Timers $140 Part-time & subsidies available – Bring a friend!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
Lutheran Community Care is looking for volunteers to help in its new op shop at Valley View. The new shop is opened on Wednesday, April 4, and is located on the corner of Pauls Drive and Vale Avenue. Opening hours are 9am to 4pm. An official launch will be held at the shop on Monday, April 9, which will include lunch and entertainment. For more information, please contact Diane Gerrie (0439 223 376 or dgernie@lccare.org.au).

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!

Church this Sunday is in the Worship Centre at Golden Grove Lutheran Church
9.30am with Pastor Greg sharing the message ‘Healing in Jesus’ name’
Children please join us for Kids at Heart children’s ministry time. This Sunday’s Bible Song topic is ‘God loves us’
Followed by tea/coffee and fellowship.
6.30pm Salt Factory SERVICE AT 6.30PM.
There is no meal prior to the service during the school holidays.