Dear TLS Community,

When one of those at the table with him heard this, he said to Jesus, “Blessed is the one who will eat at the feast in the kingdom of God” Luke 14:15

Opening Doors

For several years I had a Chinese proverb on the wall of my classroom that said Teachers open the door........but you must enter by yourself.

Sometimes students would ask me what it meant. To me it reminded me that the work I do is important - opening doors - providing a means to understanding Maths, English, History etc. but also opening doors to understanding the world, others, nature and spirituality. This is an important responsibility which I took and still take seriously, but it is not in my power to force any student to learn if they don't want to.

An open door entices us to at least lean over the threshold and peep in at what is beyond but unless we actually enter we cannot know or experience what is really beyond the door.

The last part of the proverb is the kicker. You must enter by yourself! It doesn't suggest we will be alone after passing through the door but the decision and effort required to enter in is ours alone.

As adults, we can probably recall open doors we wish we had entered but didn't and perhaps one or two we wish we hadn't. Not all open doors are positive opportunities.

During Lent we are reminded that God opened the door of salvation and eternal life for us to enter into a life with Him; Jesus being the conduit for our salvation. The door remains open for us to enter at any time. It will take a decision and some real effort on our part and won't always be easy but certainly worthwhile. Don't let this opportunity pass you by.

Jesus opened the doors of salvation to all who will believe.

Debbie Blenkiron
Director of Learning Support
Teacher
Swimming Consent & Ability Forms
All students from Foundation to Year 7 will participate in swimming lessons from 15th to 21st March and our swimming carnival on Thursday 24th March at The Rex. Please note that due to the public holiday, swimming lessons will commence on Tuesday 15th March with the final lesson being held the following Monday 21st March.

Students will travel to and from The Rex using Faith buses.

Any outstanding swimming consent forms must be returned to school immediately. Thanks!

Apex Bakery Lunches - Healthy Addition to Menu
Please note as of this week, a healthier option of brown or multi-grain bread can be chosen when ordering a sandwich. Simply write a ‘B’ for brown bread or ‘MG’ for multi grain bread alongside the sandwich selection on the order form. If nothing is written on the order, white bread will automatically be supplied.

Combined Worship Service & Sausage Sizzle
Sunday 6th March 2016
at TLS Harvest Centre
Service at 11:00am
Please join with the school community at the 2016 Combined Worship Service to celebrate the work of TLS in our community.
Supporting congregations, old scholars, past teachers, staff and families are invited to attend.
Sausage sizzle and coffee will be available for a small cost after the service.

2016 Term Dates:

Term 1
Monday 1st February - Thursday 14th April
Term 2
Tuesday 3rd May - Thursday 7th July
Term 3
Tuesday 26th July - Friday 30th September
Term 4
Tuesday 18th October - Thursday 15th December

Asthma Medication
We ask all parents to please check expiry dates on asthma puffers kept in your child's school bag and at home.

It is important that they are in date. Thanks!
Class Contributions...

2016

Foundation

Mrs Watson

Term 1

Learn

Explore
Premier’s Reading Challenge 2016

This week Premier’s Reading Challenge sheets have been handed out to all students. Please read the letter attached as it explains the Challenge in detail. If you have any questions please come and see me in the Resource Centre. I am in on Mondays and Thursdays. You can also email me kcopeland@tls.sa.edu.au

We made a great effort last year and it would be great to see a the majority of students finish the challenge. Remember, the PRC is not a competition to see who can finish the fastest or read the most books, but rather a chance to encourage children to read for meaning and understanding. It really is a great way to encourage your child to read more.

PRC Challenge TIP: To develop comprehension encourage your child to take their time reading the books, and ask questions before, during and after they read their book, such as “What are you interested in about this book? What doesn’t interest you? What’s going on in the book? What do you think will happen next? What was your favourite part of the book? Can you summarize the book?. This "verbal processing" helps them remember and think through the themes of the book.

Book Reviews: This year we want to focus on the child’s experience of the books they read. As each child finishes the Challenge I’ll be asking them to ‘review’ their favourite book. This will be put on the Challenge display in the Resource Centre.

Book Borrowing

If you have a JP child please make sure your child always has their Library Bag for borrowing. This helps your child keep track of their books and also protects the books as they travel to and from home. If you are unsure of borrowing days, please see your child’s teacher.

Each class has a different borrowing limit. These are:

- ELC: 1 book (1 week)
- R-2: 2 books (1 week)
- 3-4: 4 books (2 weeks)
- 5-7: 6 books (2 weeks)

If your child has overdue books they will not be able to borrow any more until these have been returned. Books are loaned for a 1 week period for JP students, after which time they need to be returned or extended. If your child is a keen reader they are welcome to borrow more books throughout the week up to their limit. Parents are welcome to come in and borrow on behalf of their child. Notes regarding overdue books will be sent home at the end and beginning of each term.

Volunteers Needed

Do you love books? Have a flair for book covering? Do you like to help keep things in order? Have a little bit of time after dropping the kids off or before picking them up, even at home in front of the TV? We are looking for helpers in the Resource Centre to cover books and help put books away.

If you would like to help please see Kate in the Resource Centre.
Hey guys! We’re the Journalism Team for this term! Mei, Bek, Ruby and Sami.

Foundation Bibles

Last week at Chapel the Foundation students got their first bibles! They all seemed super excited about it!

Amelia Bohmer
Isla Helbig
Hayley Martin
Ella Reichelt
Indie Sherwood
Jesse Bartsh
Hugh Blackborough
George Cummins
Anuj Joshi
Lucas Skinner
Thomas Wohlers

Lucy Amos
Isla Glaetzer
Harrison Clay
Charlie Hage
Hamish Hazeldine
Nathan Kaepler
Jacob Keil
Owen Mebberson
Thomas Schild
Celeene Williams
Keep your kids smiling
SA Dental Service

Have you received a letter from Medicare about the Child Dental Benefits Schedule? The School Dental Service is a Child Dental Benefits Schedule provider.

Dental care is FREE for ALL babies, pre-schoolers and most children under 18 at the School Dental Service.

Please call now for an appointment. Nuriootpa Dental Clinic Phone: 8562 1588

Barossa & Light SAPSASA 2016
Welcome back to the 2016 school year. As always the SAPSASA program both district and state offers students many opportunities to be active this year. If your child is looking to represent our district in a week long carnival they will be currently playing their chosen sport (with the exception of girls cricket, girls soccer and softball). They will be in Year 6/7. Students participating in our Swimming, Cross Country and Athletics will be turning 10, so born in 2006. Cross Country at a district level is also open to students turning 8 and 9 but these students are ineligible to represent our district at a State level.

If your child is looking to try out for state selection there is only one way to be considered and that is to register via the SAPSASA website at www.decd.sa.gov.au/sport/pages/sapsasa, then select the sport from the drop down menu and follow the prompts. Selection for a district team and playing at a state carnival will not become a selection vehicle for a state team. State teams consist of players 12 years of age and under, year 6/7’s who will not be turning 13 in 2016. The application process must be completed by you the parent and not the school. Please check the website as dates for trials may not coincide with District or State events.

I look forward to seeing all eligible athletes enjoying their chosen sport in 2016.
David Murray – Barossa & Light District Covenor.
LLL BANKING

The LLL offers Tanunda Lutheran School a school banking system similar to those offered by commercial financial institutions. LLL school banking can encourage students to develop regular saving habits which can be maintained throughout life.

Who is the LLL?
The LLL (Lutheran Laypeople’s League) is a Religious Charitable Development Fund. The LLL exists to serve the Lutheran Church of Australia (LCA) in numerous ways, but especially in aspects of business and finance, and has been doing so since 1921. The LLL operates Savings Accounts for members and supporters who wish to assist LCA organisations, including Lutheran Schools. Deposited funds enable the LLL to provide low interest loans to approved LCA projects for building and equipping schools, churches and care facilities.

The LLL is NOT a bank. For a more detailed explanation of how the LLL operates, please refer to the ‘LLL Notice to Depositors’ on the LLL website.

Matching Deposits

The concept of Matching Deposits provides an ingenious way to support a particular project within the LCA and is unique to the LLL. Approved projects are able to borrow funds from the LLL to the total amount of Matching Deposits at a low interest rate. For more information on the LLL and Matching Deposits, please contact the School Office or visit the LLL website www.lll.org.au.

LLL student banking is conducted at school on Wednesday. Passbooks and money are to be placed in the class bank box in the morning. Please fill out your child’s bank book with the date and the amount he/she is banking each time you send their book to school.

For more information, contact: David Gogoll 8563 2089

Hosted by Bethany Tabor Lutheran Parish

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Easter Sunday March 27, 2016

‘Death can’t hold you down’

Everyone’s welcome
7.00 am at the Jesus Walls Amphitheatere
Eastern side of Faith College
Hot cross buns & egg hunt after the service
10.00 am at the Faith Chapel
Faith Lutheran College
Magnolia Road, Tanunda
Easter egg hunt & cuppa after the service

For more information contact: David Gogoll 8563 2089

Hosted by Bethany Tabor Lutheran Parish & Borona Community Church
Last Thursday we received a delivery of large stones from a local Angaston quarry. The stones have been arranged mostly around the border of the sandpit and on the tunnel mound.

Earth was moved to increase the size of the mound beneath the large coniferous tree that leads to the JP Playground. This area will be developed further with large rocks, logs and planting.

A WORKING BEE IS PLANNED FOR TERM 2 - please contact Mark Clayton if you are interested in participating.

Aleisha Lynch has continued working with TLS on the adaptation of our SOLE development plans for practical application.
ELC Diary
Week 3 Term 1

The cooler weather this week has meant many visits to the Bush Block. Visiting the block allows us to practise our new ornithology skills, so we have spent a lot of our time peering at the tops of the trees and into shrubs. Being in the Bush Block helps us to learn skills like patience, perseverance, and how to identify and solve problems. It also encourages us to step out of our comfort zones and take leaps of faith (figuratively and literally!) as we climb, balance, run, and jump. All of our new ELC friends have now visited the Bush Block. Our old friends have really enjoyed showing them around, and helping keep them safe by sharing the rules and expectations of Bush Block visits. We look forward to sharing it with you soon!