Dear TLS Community,

The Power of Positive Thinking
Do you, like me, know a person that is always so positive it drives you mad? How can they be so positive all of the time? Even in times of great adversity they remain steadfast in their positivity. It really is a unique gift to be constantly upbeat; or is it?

Do we either have it or not, or is it something we can actually work on; to improve? I am a firm believer that positive thinking can indeed be a learned behaviour. It can be something we can work on to improve.

“The greatest discovery of all time is that a person can change his future by merely changing his attitude.” Oprah Winfrey

When times get tough, we have a choice to make. We choose either to drown in the misery or see the problem or problems as an opportunity. A dear colleague of mine has taught me many significant lessons over the years. I often seek counsel from this individual and discuss with them the problems I am encountering. Invariably the response from this person is “what an opportunity!” Initially I found it very difficult to come to terms with how this person could possibly interpret my huge problem as an opportunity! How dare they minimise my problems I am encountering. Invariably the response from this person is “what an opportunity!”

Regardless of our struggles, problems and issues, we should always take heart that God has grand plans for us and He sent His Son to us so that we could live life to the full, safe in the knowledge that our salvation is secure and eternal life is promised. This alone is every reason to be optimistic.

The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly. John 10:10

Wishing you all God’s richest blessings for the week ahead,

Darren Stevenson,
Principal.

Term 2 Fundraising
This term for our fundraising, we are raising money for Blazeaid. Blazeaid works with families and individuals in Australia after natural disasters such as fires and floods. They help people by rebuilding fences, or other structures that have been damaged or destroyed. We are raising money for Blazeaid because they have recently helped many families in the Barossa and other regions after the fire.

For our fundraising, we ask the students to bring a gold coin donation to dress in casual clothes. There will also be a fun obstacle course run by the Front Bench. To take part in this, students are asked to bring another gold coin donation.

The date for our fundraiser will be on Thursday 7th of July, the last day of term.
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Friday 17th June, 2016
at 9.30am

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10:00 Student Performances in the Harvest Centre:
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   • Drums
   • Choir
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- MacClelland
- Manning
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Many of you will know that it has been a busy time for handing out meals to people in the TLS community. Well, I am excited to let you know that the next Kind Hearted Kitchen Cook-up has been planned and not a moment too soon!

The next ‘Kind Hearted Kitchen Cook-up’ is Sunday 19th June!

Tanunda Lutheran School and ELC have a great partnership with Kind Hearted Kitchen’. We throw our support behind this wonderful initiative that supports the wider community of the Barossa Valley and surrounds, with high-quality cooked meals which are handed out generously through various locations. As part of the partnership, a portion of what is cooked comes to the TLS freezer and from there is handed out to TLS families in need, as well as to other members of the community. Upon our (TLS) insistence, it is a condition of this partnership that we put in more than we take out. We have been in this partnership for a year now and it has been a great success.

How can you help?
There are many ways that any member of the community can help:
* **Volunteer your time** to assist with the cooking/packing etc on Sunday morning. You don’t need to be there the whole time, a couple of hours would be great. If you wish to volunteer, please contact Ruby (details below) ASAP so that she can add you to the roster.
* **Volunteer to deliver** the TLS donations to Kind Hearted Kitchen on Friday 17th June.
* **Donate financially**: Nuriootpa Foodland vouchers are the preference, but cash will be accepted too.
* We are always looking for **decent quantities of protein (eg lamb, pork, chicken, beef etc)**. If you can help with this, please contact Ruby Stobart (details below) or myself ASAP so that meals can be planned!
* **Donate produce** including: garlic, carrots, potatoes, celery, parsley, eggplant, zucchini, apples, pears, leeks, herbs, spinach/silverbeet, tinned tomatoes, eggs and lasagne sheets.

All donated goods can be delivered to the appropriately marked boxes that will be placed in the ELC and the school office.

Please get in touch with us if you have any questions: rubymstobart@gmail.com or https://www.facebook.com/kindheartedkitchenbarossa or 0421 750 200, or contact me.

Thanks and God bless,

Matthew Halman
Wellbeing Coordinator
Phone: 0413 453 766
Email: mhalman@tls.sa.edu.au
Well done to our boy’s and girl’s ‘Tackle Rugby Teams’ that participated in the Tackle Rugby Carnival at Nuriootpa on Tuesday. Both teams made the grand final, with the boys losing by a small margin and the girls losing in overtime in a thrilling, hard fought game.

**Top effort both teams!**

Special thanks to Helen Brighenti for coaching the boy’s team and to Skye Reimann for providing ice-blocks and extra water on a rather warm June day!
Barossa Blue Light Disco

Friday 24th June
SOLDIERS MEMORIAL HALL, MURRAY ST NURIOOTPA
Now 7 – 9pm
Ages 8 – 15 years
Door prizes to be won
Fully supervised lock-in event
Ticket $5
Available at the door

Barossa Valley Little Athletics
CROSS COUNTRY EVENT
When: Sunday, June 26
Where: Bethany Reserve, Bethany.
Cost: Gold Coin (plus $5 Come & Try fee applies for none Little Athletics Members)
Time: from 11:00 – 2:30
Events: Tiny Tots 40m, Under 6 (500m) to Under 17 (3000m)
This is a fun day for the whole family. All athletes welcome, you do not have to be a registered Little Athletics Member – come and try fee applies here. There will be a canteen operating. For more information check the BVLAC website www.barossavalleylac.org.au or call Nicole Garrett, Secretary on 0413 527 269.

Tennis Coaching
Learn how to play tennis in a relaxed, and encouraging atmosphere?
Using the Tennis Australia Hot Shot programme in Barossa Venues. Coaching by a Highly Qualified level Two Tennis Australia Club Professional.
Maximum 4 players per group.
(Private personalised coaching is also available)
Cost is $10 per coaching lesson.
For more information please contact John on 0412 080448.
This week we welcomed winter with open arms! Wet, wintery weather exposes children to a wide range of challenges, particularly those relating to personal well-being and safety. The children have to think carefully about their choice of clothing outside – will they be warm enough? What can they do if they get wet? Is their footwear appropriate for their chosen task? They also have to think carefully about their play choices – is it safe to run outside? Can they move quickly on the obstacle course?

“In the midst of winter, I found that there was, within me, an invincible summer.”

Albert Camus

Our work with pre-coding skills continues. Sonya introduced children and educators alike to an iPad game called ‘Kodable’, in which children have to direct a characterised ball along a track in order to collect coins. Lexi also used early coding skills to draw a map of a much loved book ‘Sam and Dave Dig a Hole’.