From the Management Team...

Dear TLS Community,

Psalm 40

He lifted me out of the slimy pit, out of the mud and mire; He set my feet on a rock and gave me a firm place to stand.

Keeping My Head Above Water

It has been a busy few days here at school this past week as we have managed to fit in our swimming lessons for all classes each day. The organisation behind the scenes has been large, the logistics complicated and the timing complex. However it has all gone relatively smoothly all thanks to the adaptability and cooperation of students and staff. It’s great to see the improvement of the children in their skills over this time.

My visits to the pool have caused me to reflect on my swimming ability. I can swim. Not brilliantly, not with great style but enough to enjoy the water and to get me out of risky situations. However, I’m sure I share the same feelings as many of you that I feel much more confident when I can stop swimming and stand with my feet able to touch the bottom of the pool or the beach. What a relief, particularly if I am getting tired, being able to keep my head above the water.

Isn’t that a great life parallel though? How many times have we felt out of our depth with situations, with tasks piling up, the busyness of the calendar, the deadlines we have to meet and the challenges we are confronted with? Yes, we can deal with them with managerial skills, advice from others, list making, sharing the load and a myriad of other human approaches. But underneath all of this, I know that the more I put my faith in God and use prayer to lighten the load, the more I feel as though my ‘feet are touching the bottom’.

Psalm 40 tells us that God will lift us from the miry clay and set our feet on a solid rock. What a comforting thought that is. He sees us when we are struggling and then comes to our rescue, allowing us then to use whatever other strategies after that to cope again. I sometimes think though that the rock, the hard place is not always away from the mire completely. Maybe at times He lifts us enough until we can get our feet back on solid ground, just enough to get our ‘head above the water’ so we can move on at our own pace, using the other strategies we can otherwise use to cope with life’s tough and testing events.

May God continue to work in your lives so that we don’t sink too far into the miry clay and we feel our feet are continually on a solid rock, a firm foundation, Jesus our Saviour, who freely gave His life so that we could have life eternal.

Wishing you all a safe and blessed Easter,
Craig Lieschke, Deputy Principal.

Please note:
Due to privacy laws no personal photography is permitted at the carnival. A TLS staff member will be taking photos on the day. Thanks.

A reminder the TLS Swimming Carnival is tomorrow - 24th March!

Dates to remember

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FAMILY PRAYERS: This week please pray for these school families:

- Fechner families
- Fidock
- Fiebiger

As a community we know God’s power through prayer, so please keep the school, its staff, students and families in your prayers. If you have prayer requests, please let Darren, Matthew or the office staff know.

Quality Schools Survey
In the next few weeks we will be gathering data about the school from students, staff and parents through the Quality Schools survey. This is part of a Lutheran Education Australia process for all Lutheran Schools, focussing on the ongoing development, support and growth of school leadership teams for school improvement. The data gathered will benefit everyone within the school by providing valuable information in such areas as the teaching and learning program, our values, our ties with community, so that success can be celebrated and educational services improved.

All students (from year 5), staff and families, will be invited to participate in the survey which will be conducted through email. We are using an independent company, PCRADII, to assist us in conducting this important survey. This means that I can guarantee that your responses to the survey will remain confidential. If you do not wish to participate in this survey could you use the link provided in the email. While participation in the survey is voluntary, you are encouraged to do so as it is a significant opportunity to voice your opinion about your child’s school confidentially. Darren Stevenson, Principal.

Head Lice
A number of cases of head lice have been reported at TLS. Please check over your child’s head over the next week to look for signs of lice such as eggs or nits. If you think your child may have head lice, begin treatment as soon as possible and let your child’s teacher know. If you are unsure what to look for or how to treat your child please ask the office staff for a copy of our Head Lice brochure.

It is important to remember head lice are not a sign of poor hygiene and have no preference for clean or dirty hair. They are quite simply a nuisance.

On Friday April 1st, we are raising money for World Wildlife Fund. Their aim is to protect and support endangered animals from all around the globe. Each class’ aim will be to fill a whole jar with coins. The class who fills their jar with the most coins will win a special prize. Each class will have an animal to dress up as. Bring a gold coin donation for dressing up.

Watson - Pandas (black and white)
Bissex - Bears/Sloths (brown)
Hampel - Reptiles (green)
Biagi - Lions (yellow)
Lord - Birds (rainbow colours)
Madden - Sea Creatures (blue and green)
McDonald/Ide - Markies (brown and yellow)
Copeland - Leopard/Lagurus (black and yellow)
Chinner - Wombats/Koalas (grey and black)
Rice - Rhinoceros/Elephants (grey and black)
Buckley - Tigers (black and orange)
Minge/Schulz - Orangutans (red and orange)
Teachers - Same as class
Other Staff - Zebras (black and white)
Year 1/2M

We saw some turtles in the lake.

In Maggie’s vegetable garden.

Walking through the quince orchard.

Olvies everywhere!

Owen’s hiding place

Anders found a great seat!

Our excursion to Maggie Beer’s Farm Shop and Seppeltsfield

Joseph Seppelt is Henry’s great, great, great grandpa!

Annique enjoyed her red cordial!

Very old port!

These palm trees are nearly 100 years old!

We did some “cordial” tasting... yum!

Kegan eating his lunch at Seppeltsfield

Billy and Archer found their birth year on the port oask.
I really like floating on my back and my front - Savanna

I really like doing backstroke and freestyle - Henry

I like doing freestyle and going under water - Ella

I like going under water with my goggles on and my eyes open and doing freestyle - Zoe

I like swimming under water and I’ve learnt how to be a space rocket - Owen

I enjoy doing backstroke and freestyle - Kegan

I enjoyed using the flippers because it made me very fast - Emma

I like going under water to find the sinking toys - Jackson

I am very good at backstroke and I liked using the flippers - Emily R

I like swimming on my back and sometimes I have races - Molly
Wellbeing Matters...

AMAZING ME!

The Facts of Life for Primary Kids
Next week a letter will be issued to all school families with students from Years 3 – 7 in relation to the upcoming Amazing Me! Seminars. These seminars are primary school appropriate “sex education” presentations. We recommend the early seminar for Years 3 – 4 and both for Years 5 - 7. Of course if your Year 5 - 7 student has previously participated in the earlier session, you may consider whether it is beneficial or not to “revise” this session.

The year level recommendations are not prescriptive, but are based on the facilitator’s recommendations and supported by feedback from previous participants (including myself). We aim to host these seminars every 2 years, so that there will be further opportunities to participate in the future.

We recognise that the date will not be suitable for everyone (Faith College parent-teacher interviews), however we need to fit with the facilitator’s interstate travel arrangements and opportunities are limited.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact me to discuss them.

Parenting Hot Tip! #3

Most kids (especially younger ones) love to find a little note from Mum or Dad in their lunchbox. If you use a skewer or similar you can write on the skin of a banana and by the time it gets to recess, the “invisible” writing will become brown and visible without damaging the fruit inside.

(If you have a parenting tip please send it through and share it with the rest of the school/ELC).

KIND HEARTED KITCHEN / TLS MEALS MINISTRY – URGENT

As per previous notices, the Kind Hearted Kitchen crew are organising the next cook-up. This great program supports our Meals Ministry and enables our school to support the Kind Hearted Kitchen program as it cares for the wider community. Our support is vital!

The next cook up is this Easter Sunday March 27th. Whilst this won’t be ideal for everyone, it has been scheduled to work around the key personnel’s schedules and the busy-ness of vintage. As they have said: “we are happy to be helping others on that day!”

You can add your support by:

- Volunteering to help with the Cook up (details below).
- Donating money/Coop Foodland vouchers (to the front office or to Matthew).
- Donating produce including:
  - Garlic
  - Carrots
  - Potatoes
  - Celery
  - Parsley
  - Eggplant
  - Zucchini
  - Stone fruit
  - Pears
  - Leeks
  - Herbs
  - Spinach/silver beet
  - Eggs
  - Tinned tomatoes
  - Lasagne sheets

If you are able to help or need to coordinate anything beyond Thursday please contact Kind Hearted Kitchen at: rubymstobar@gmail.com or https://www.facebook.com/kindheartedkitchenbarossa or 0421 750 200.

Please note that all items to be donated through TLS/ELC must be at the front office by Thursday 24th by 12pm. There is a box located in the front office for donations. Thanks!
PUPIL FREE DAYS
Do you need care for the upcoming pupil free days? Bookings are now open online at your Camp Australia Parent Portal. BOOK NOW and it will be one less thing to remember to do in your busy schedules.

We supply breakfast and an afternoon snack, so all you need to bring is a morning snack and something for lunch. Please also ensure your child has a sun-smart hat.

Any enquiries pop over to the Harvest Centre and have a chat with myself or Maddie. Thanks!

Heather and Maddie 😊

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7 Maria St, Tanunda. 8563 2657

THURSDAY MARCH 24: 7:30 p.m.
Tenebrae Service, with H.C.

FRIDAY MARCH 25
8:45 a.m. Traditional. 10:30 a.m. Contemporary.

SUNDAY MARCH 27
6:45 a.m. Contemp. H.C.
8:45 a.m. Traditional. H.C.

Come and celebrate Easter with us

Maundy Thursday
March 24, 2016

‘I won’t let you down’

3:00 pm Bethany Church
Bethany Road Tanunda

5:30 pm Jesus Walks grass area
Eastern oval of Faith College
Come, taste and see.

Enquiries to: David Gogoll 8563 2089
Hosted by Bethany Tabor Lutheran Parish

Easter Sunday March 27, 2016

‘Death can’t hold you down’

Everyone’s welcome
7:00 am at the Jesus Wall Amphitheatre
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 and cuppa after the service

For more information contact: David Gogoll 8563 2089
Hosted by Bethany Tabor Lutheran Parish & Renata Community Church

Good Friday
March 25 2016 10:00am
at Faith Lutheran College Chapel,
Magnolia Road, Tanunda

‘Jesus won’t let you down’

Everyone’s welcome
Tea/coffee and hot cross buns

For information contact:
David Gogoll 8563 2089

Visit new.netball.com.au to book your place today!
Bookings close 2 days prior to the clinic start date subject to availability