IMMANUEL INSIGHTS

Term 1 Week 6, Friday 10 March 2023



Dates to Remember

REMINDER:

Public Holiday this coming Monday 13th March

SCHOOL CALENDER

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2023 Term Dates

Term 1

Mon 30 Jan - Fri 14 Apr

Term 2

Mon 1 May - Fri 30 Jun

Term 3

Mon 24 Jul - Fri 29 Sep

Term 4

Mon 16 Oct - Thurs 14 Dec

Plants and Healing

A couple of months ago, I decided to trim a bush that was growing beside our driveway. It was getting in the way as I drove the car in and as I tried to get out of the car. I started by cutting away the branches that were sticking out into the path of the car but the result was a bush that had a weird shape. I trimmed some more to try and make it more symmetrical. I struggled to get the shape right as I trimmed and continued to cut bits off. The final result was not quite what I had planned (see photo). Sadly, that's not the worst of my gardening misadventures.

It's fair to say I'm not really qualified to talk about plants or share a devotion about plants. This term we are looking at plants in the Bible. This week's plant is aloe. I've done some research and found out this plant comes up in the Bible six times. It was seen as



valuable and was mainly used with other spices as perfume, often being used in burials.

Today aloe is used in first aid, particularly with burns, allergies and rashes. It relieves pain, it prevents infections. We use it to soothe and to heal.

The Bible also talks about God as a healer. Here are just a few examples:

I will take away sickness from among you... I will give you a full life span. Exodus 23:25-26

Surely he took up our pain and bore our suffering... the punishment that brought us peace was on him, and by his wounds we are healed. Isaiah 53:4-5



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Plants and Healing Cont.

Life can be difficult. It can be painful and can leave bumps and bruises and worse. Bad things happen and often without logic or reason. Bad things can also happen as a result of our decisions and our weaknesses.

One promise given in the Bible is that God is with us. God won't take away all of our problems but can give us strength to deal with them. God can also help us in our struggle to deal with our own weaknesses and the decisions that cause us problems.

God also puts other people around us – people who help us and care for us. And God gives us opportunities to provide healing to others – by caring for them and helping them where we can.

Andrew Boesch

MESSAGE FROM DARYL

Greetings to you all!

Extravaganza was an Extravaganza for sure and we say thanks to all who worked to make this a successful event. Immanuel is known for having a strong sense of community and it was very evident last Saturday evening!

Learning Conferences are in full swing and I hope these have been purposeful for families. While we hold these in Terms 1 and 3, it's really important to remember that you can reach out to school staff about any matter, at any time, and that includes myself and the school leadership as well. I think it's great that our specialist teachers are cooking snags for families as they come and go from these Learning Conferences and it's a great opportunity to connect with them as well.

Families with students in Yr 3 and 5 will be aware that NAPLAN testing begins next week. We are constantly assessing and considering student progress and NAPLAN is another tool in that kit bag. Certainly it's not something that students and families should be stressed about and we do our best to keep it a low key week/fortnight.

NAPLAN also feeds into our Strategic Planning processes which are bubbling along. Many thanks to the families who completed the recent 'New Families at Immanuel' survey. This too helps inform what and how we do things as well. A strategic direction we took last year was to have the Zion Preschool kids join us on Fridays and they have just begun doing this for 2023, which is terrific. Certainly I'd encourage any of you who have the time to come and join us and the Kindy kids and families for Worship and Praise on Fridays at 10.30am. And while you're there, you can grab a terrific (and free) coffee from the coffee crew. And finally a reminder that no students should be playing on the equipment / playground after school unless parents/ caregivers are monitoring them directly. This is a duty of care matter and we thank you for your support with this.

I hope this newsletter finds you all doing OK.

Daryl

CURRICULUM

The IB (International Baccalaureate) aims to develop internationally minded people who can help to create a better and more peaceful world. Through the Primary Years Program (PYP) students are encouraged to develop attributes of the IB Learner Profile: <u>Inquirers, Knowledgeable, Thinkers, Communicators, Principled, Open-minded, Caring, Risk-takers, Balanced and Reflective.</u>

Foundation LOTE (Languages other than English)

<u>Communicators – expressing ourselves confidently and creatively</u>
Our Foundation students have been looking at being communicators in their LOTE lessons and finding out about ways people can communicate without using words. They have started looking at symbols and signs. We looked at some signs last week which were written in Braille. This week we had a tour around the school without being able to see. We found out it was very important for our partners to communicate with us so we could find our way around.





Year 1 Music

Open-minded – being willing to try new ways of doing things

The Year 1 students had some unusual music lessons over the last couple of weeks. It almost looked like a bit of a military drill but they were using their poles to help them as they listened to music and rhythms and tried to follow the rhythm. They did a wonderful job.

Year 6 SAKG (Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden)/LOTE/Unit of Inquiry

Inquirers – being curious, learning with others and finding out about the world around us The Primary Years Program values learning which is transdisciplinary (covering learning from across the curriculum). The Year 6 classes have started some inquiries which will stretch across their kitchen garden, LOTE and Unit of inquiry lessons.

They have begun work in the garden, planting herbs, fruits and vegetables which they are going to be cooking later in the year as part of their pop-up restaurant night. They will be choosing dishes to cook, based on the languages they have been learning in LOTE, and will be sharing some of the culture of the different countries they are learning about.



SPOTLIGHT ON SPORT

Students across all grades are currently learning how to effectively play mini invasion games similar to modified basketball and netball by developing key fundamental movement skills such as two-handed passing and catching. There is also an emphasis on becoming more agile and evasive and the older the students become the more tactical we endeavour to become.

The young ones are predominantly working in pairs and small groups with a focus on skill development and maintaining possession, and the mid to upper primary students have been tearing around playing more competitive group games involving scoring. These mid-upper primary students are learning how to attack in effective ways and defend in effective ways as well as developing an understanding of the importance of switching quickly between offence and defence.

It's been a joy to see and hear the children reflecting on their learning in between mini games such as discussing with one another our 'SP' theory of SPort focus terms- the concept of SPace, SPreading out, finding / being aware of a SPare player, SPeak, SPeed with decision making, playing games in good SPirit and showing good SPortsmanship.

Respect, Team Work and Communication are key aspects of our Invasion Games unit during Term 1 and will remain important focuses all year long.

Throughout the past fortnight a number of enthusiastic athletes in the older year levels have been attending athletics trials in hope of breaking into our school Athletics team which strives to become back to back winners in this year's Gawler SAPSASA Athletics Carnival. We wish all the students who trial the very best and congratulate them on their efforts and attitude.









SPOTLIGHT ON SPORT CONT.

A number of indigenous ball games have featured in our first few weeks of the year in PE and during the real hot spells in February classes have shifted indoors to Taikondi and engaged in Adventure Challenges such as pretend 'River Crossings' with sports equipment which involves a real unified effort.

Our After School Summer Basketball Program at Starplex is coming to an end this term with all 5 Immanuel Basketball teams enjoying positive progress as the season has unfolded and a number of individuals have come along in leaps and bounds with their skills which is wonderful to see. Well done all who participated.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST eFORM - AFTER SCHOOL SPORTS

If your child is interested in participating in our Term 2/3 after school sports program in either Basketball or Netball please scan the QR Code to access the Operoo eForm called

- After school sport - Term 2/3 Expression of Interest form.

Or you can find the eForm in your Operoo account Forms Library. Please respond to the form by $17^{\rm th}$ March.



EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST - GYMKANA TERM 2

Please email:

Richie Cochrane - richiec@ilsg.sa.edu.au if your child would like to compete in this years Gymkana to be held in Term 2.

More details to come.



EXTRAVAGANZA













Thank you to all of our families who attended Extravaganza it was a great evening of fun and food. Thank you to P & F, Carers, Immanuel Lutheran Church and all our Volunteers who helped put the night together.













WADJINY

This week students also had the opportunity to hear from Troy, an Aboriginal storyteller, who presented his show *Wadjiny*. He shared stories, dance and music and showed us different weapons and tools and how they are used. He shared about the land, the animals and Aboriginal hunting. He also taught us language from his home in Queensland. He finished by using firesticks to start a fire outside. It was a very engaging and entertaining show, and it was a great chance for our students to learn.



Andrew Tiller

Role: Yr5 and Kitchen teacher What's the top destination on your must-visit list? Central Australia (again).

What's something you've done, but will never do again?

Ride a horse.

Favourite movie or song or book?

Mr Holland's Opus.

First job?

Shelf Stacker and Check-out chick at Timesavers Supermarket at Glenunga.

If you could only have three apps on your smartphone, which would you pick?

Wordscapes, DJI Fly, and Banking app.



RUBY OUR LITTLE ACE!

Year 4 student Ruby is currently playing green ball Competitions at Gawler District & Tennis Association for Todd Street BLUE team and currently sitting No. 2 on their ladder.

Her team is hoping to reach the Grand final which will be held on Sat 25th March. Let's wish Ruby and her team all the best over the coming weeks!!!

Families out there who love their sport should consider joining Ruby and her family on Sunday 26 March from 12.30 to 4.30pm at the Gawler Tennis Courts, Victoria Terrace Gawler, for the Gawler Lutheran Church's Tennis Afternoon. Sounds like a lot of fun



CARPARK REMINDERS

School Lane Car Park

If you are using the car park in School Lane (or along School Lane) make sure you head out up to East Terrace through the school house yard driveway. You **can not** head back down School Lane towards Daly Street from the top car parks. (There is a sign there that says 'STOP')



Daly Street Car Park

If you need to head up School Lane, enter via the Daly Street Car park entrance – go around the Kiss and Drop drive through - and then turn left at the end. (That first section of School Lane is too narrow to have cars going both ways!)

DOG POLICY

A reminder of our new policy for dogs. You cannot bring dogs on site between the hours of 8.00am-4:30pm on school days. (This is whether they are on a lead or not.)

Assistance dogs excepted



iGOSH

Term 1 Bookings

Bookings close 2pm each Friday for the week ahead.

Any bookings needed after this need to be emailed / text / phone call to Katrina. Please don't make the bookings for the current week on carebookings as we won't have them in our booking folder, which we download and print at 2pm each Friday.

Homework

Homework time is offered 3.45 to 4.15pm and supervised by iGOSH staff each afternoon. If you would like your child to be reminded and encouraged to do their homework during this time, please record their name and days required on the list at the iGOSH front desk. Please have the conversations at home if you would like your children to do homework while at iGOSH.

Planning and Programming / Super Stars

In 2023 we are excited to offer Programmed Activities and a Cooking Class each week, along with the other great activities. We hope you enjoy the Observations we share about your child on Seesaw. We are also sharing when your child receives a Super Star Helper award. Children who receive 3 Superstars, receive a certificate and move to the next Super Star Level. Once they receive another 3 Super Stars they then progress to our Wall of fame. Staff look for super helpers each shift for a range of different things, eg cleaning up, helping with breakfast. You are welcome to come into our room to see our Super Star Board.

Bits and Pieces

If you have any carboard boxes, no larger than cereal size and off cuts of material sitting around at home.. iGOSH would love to have them. Please drop them off to iGOSH. Thanks.

April Vac Care

The program will come out next week and bookings will open on Friday 17th March. Accounts need to be below \$500 and last vac care paid for to use the service.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Coffee B4 W&P - This year our lovely friends at Gawler Lutheran church are offering Coffee & Chat from 9:45am before our Worship and Praise service starts at 10:30am.

All welcome to attend!

Gawler Lutheran Church MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers) group - Every fortnight on a Wednesday of the school term, 9:30am-11:30am. Next meeting is on 8th March at GLC, 22B Cowan Street, Gawler. Contact Carli for more information ph. 0434 108 301 or follow on Facebook - Mops Gawler

Gawler Lutheran Church Tennis - Connecting with Immanuel Lutheran School and Zion Preschool for an afternoon of social tennis, outdoor games, fun and fellowship

Gawler Hockey club - Come and Try days, Wednesday 1st and 8th March @ 5:00pm. Trinity College, Evanston Park. For more details contact - Bec Barrett ph: 0411 241 853 or Lisa Johnson ph: 0419 110 725 www.gawlerhockeyclub.com

Andrea White Together We Make a Difference—Presents Girl Power Workshops

April School Holiday Program - Girls 7-12 years old Monday 17 April 10am-1pm at Salvation Army Riverside Gawler. \$60 per participant. Place are limited. Enrol now at Girl Power | Together We Make a Difference

PEACEFUL KIDS Term 2 2023 Expression of Interest—If you are interested in your child/ children participating in the Peaceful Kids Program during Term 2 2023 at Immanuel Lutheran School Gawler. Please contact Andrea at andrea@togetherwemakeadifference.com.au or call information 0438302546. For further about the program www.togetherwemakeadifference.com.au

SPORT QUIZ on Invasion Games

- 1. What Invasion Game allows players to dribble a ball with their hands?
- 2. What Invasion Game has a Goal Shooter as an official playing position?
- 3. What Invasion Game does Lionel Messi play?
- 4. What Invasion Game is played on an oval shaped field?
- 5. What Invasion Game requires players to use a stick to pass the ball?
- 6. What Invasion Game involves only passing the ball sideways or backwards to team mates?
- 7. What Invasion Game involves a player scoring a touch down?

Find out and write down your answers and pop them in the entry box at the front office desk. Don't forget to put your NAME, YEAR LEVEL AND CLASS on your entry. The first entry drawn out of the box with all 5 correct answers will win a prize pack from Subway (1 Entry per student please). ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 17 March at 3:30pm. The winner will be announced in the Monday Memo email and posted in the next Immanuel Insights Newsletter.



QUIZ SPONSERED BY - SUBWAY (Gawler, Murray St)

UNIFORM SHOP

Uniforms can be ordered and paid over the phone with a credit card and sent home via students or collected by parents at the end of the day. Uniform purchases outside of this time are by appointment with the front office.

Second Hand Uniform shop will be open on

Fridays 3:10pm -3:40pm

BANKING

LLL Deposits can be made every Tuesday via the message boxes or direct via the front office. www.lll.org.au



SCHOLASTIC BOOK CLUB Orders are due back by the end of week 8 (Friday 24 Mar)

FROM THE OFFICE

OPEROO

Responding to eForms promptly will stop you receiving reminders.

Please also ensure your medical information is up to date at all times and action plans are uploaded to Operoo.

We encourage parents to use the new Student Absentee Operoo form. However you may still choose to report your child absent by calling the absentee line ph: 8522 5740 which is still available.

We are asking parents not to email teachers and front office staff directly to report Absentees, as these staff members may be absent too.



RHYTHM KIDS WITH MR HUEPPAUFF

Rhythm Kids—Mondays @ 9am in the Music room for our Pre schoolers (3-5yo) and their parents. No Cost, All welcome!

LEARNING CONFERENCES

15 March Book via

www.schoolinterviews.com.au

Code - 9m7xp SUBWAY ORDERS

Orders are due in by 3:30pm Wednesdays via class message boxes or the front office for lunch on Friday. Order forms are also available to print off on the school website. Please have correct money in each individual students ziplock bag—clearly named with class details, make sure details are visible to staff.



WORSHIP & PRAISE

Friday 17 March

Starting at 10.30am in the Taikondi. Led by Mr Trigg Coffee B4 Worship and Praise from 9:45am

ASSEMBLY

Monday 20 March

Hosted by our year 4 students. Starting at 2.45pm in Taikondi.

ALL WELCOME TO ATTEND! P&F MEETING

Monday 20 March, 7pm.

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