

IMMANUEL INSIGHTS



Term 4 Week 2 Friday 27 October 2023

Dates to Remember

SCHOOL CALENDAR

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2023 TERM DATES

Term 4

Monday 16 Oct -
Wednesday 13 Dec

2024 TERM DATES

Term 1

Mon 29 Jan- Fri 12 Apr

Term 2

Mon 29 Apr- Fri 28 Jun

Term 3

Mon 22 Jul - Fri 27 Sep

Term 4

Mon 14 Oct - Wed 11 Dec

Characters of Christmas

I come from a family of four girls with me being the youngest so I had never experienced what it is like waiting for a baby to arrive! Recently the Year 4s said goodbye to Mrs Altus who left last term to await her baby. And now the baby has arrived and we are all so excited for her and her family. Waiting for anything is difficult and hard!

The characters in the Christmas play are waiting for a messiah or saviour. Someone to help them out of a sad situation in their time.

In the holidays I went into a coffee shop in the city and saw this quote on the wall ***"chocolate shall be your salvation"***

I know that's true for me. There have been many times that I have been saved by chocolate! At different times I'm sure I'm in need of saving. In those times what am I to do?

The characters of Christmas and the glittering lights and glossy presents are all distractions from the gift of Jesus as a baby. To think that we have all been babies! We have all been that bundle of love!

As a follower of Jesus, how do I keep myself from being distracted at Christmas by the other things that Christmas offers and how do I help others see Jesus in this special season?

As always, God gives us the answers in the Bible.

I find Jesus every day of the year and so wonderfully at Christmas time. And it's in the Bible that I read of the true meaning of Christmas:

"An angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph, son of David saying take Mary to be your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit. And she will bring forth a Son, and you shall call His name Jesus, for He will save His people from their sins".

Then the angel said to them (the shepherds), "Do not be afraid, for behold, I bring you good tidings of great joy which will be to all people. For there is born to you this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord." (Matthew 1:20-21; Luke 2:10-11)

We can tell of the hope and joy He offers to all through His redeeming grace. And when we proclaim the good news of Christmas, people just might see Jesus in us!

Angie Eckermann (Year 4)



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MESSAGE FROM DARYL

Welcome to Term 4! I trust the recent two week break from school routines went well for you all.

As you will be aware, we have been working hard on our Teaching and Learning in Literacy and this will continue this term – we appreciate the feedback we have received. Very soon we will share a short video about the changes, and we plan to create other ones to follow in order to help families understand the approach and what is driving it. We hope you find them useful and we thank our staff team who is putting these together.

Term 4 is always a busy and complex term as we strive to finish the current year off well, but also make plans for the following year. Many people have fed in to the process about classes for 2024 and we thank you for that. We have also had a survey open and we are thankful to those who have responded. On Wednesday this week I emailed all families inviting a final opportunity to feed into this survey. It will close on Friday this week and staff will analyze the input as we continue to make plans for 2024.

You may have seen recently that we have finally been successful in receiving Planning Consent to start construction of the new Zion Preschool centre. This is very exciting and we anticipate that construction will start very early in the new year, with an anticipated opening of Jan 2025. Great news.

And your children may have shared that in recent times we have been having some assemblies with students to explicitly remind them of the rules and expectations that ensure a safe and productive learning environment is maintained. We are hopeful to have our new Behaviour Management policy and procedure ready for the start of the new year and this will align with the new Strategic Plan our Board adopted this week. Our focus behaviour this week is 'back chatting' and 'respect'.

I hope this newsletter finds you well and that it updates you with some of the happenings at school at the moment. As always, please don't hesitate to speak with me about any matter anytime.

Daryl

CELEBRATING OUR TEACHERS

Today is **"World Teachers' Day"**.

We have celebrated our wonderful teachers with a morning tea during recess. We give thanks to our amazing and dedicated staff who nurture and care for our students.





AFL MAX CAMP FUN

Over the past 2 days our Year 2 students have had a great time playing football and various games, kicking, catching, climbing, learning all about wellbeing, nutrition and team building whilst on their AFL Max camp. Last night the students enjoyed a delicious dinner, followed by a movie on the big screen for some relaxation time. Today they returned to school for a BBQ lunch and some other fun activities. We hope the students had fantastic fun and came home with some new skills and experiences.

"I loved trying rock climbing and aerial trampolining." Addison L

SPOTLIGHT ON RECESS / LUNCHTIME ACTIVITIES

Look at all the amazing opportunities our students have during their lunchtime and recess breaks. They can participate in such a diverse range of activities including Walking, Chalk Art, IT, Cooking, Just Dance, Dodgeball and many others. They can just pick what activity they wish to do on the day and come along to join in the fun!

SPECIAL FRIENDS DAY

Special Friends day will be held on Friday 10th November, 9:30am to 12 noon here at Immanuel Gawler.

Details have gone home via an Operoo News article and Students are creating special invites to take home.

| What's On in Our School | | | |
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| Activity | Year level | Time | Location |
| Monday | | | |
| Library | All | Lunch | Library |
| Tuesday | | | |
| IT | All Max 10 | Recess | iGOSH 2 nd Room |
| Walking Club | All | Recess | Meet at Oval |
| Christmas Choir | Yr 1-6 | Recess | Taikondi |
| Colouring Club | All | Recess | Room 2 |
| Library | All | Lunch | Library |
| Wednesday | | | |
| IT | All Max 15 | Recess | iGOSH 2 nd Room |
| Jobs with Mr Giersch | Yr 2-6 | Recess | Meet out front of old staff room |
| Just Dance | All | Recess | Music Room |
| Colouring Club | All | Recess | Room 2 |
| Library | All | Lunch | Library |
| Thursday | | | |
| Chalk Art | All | Recess | Side of Taikondi |
| Worship Band | Members | Recess | Taikondi |
| Cooking | Yr 2-6 Max 10 | Recess | Kitchen |
| Gardening | Yr 3-6 | Lunch | Garden |
| Colouring Club | All | Recess | Room 2 |
| Library | All | Lunch | Library |
| Friday | | | |
| Skippping | All Year Levels | Recess | F/1 Courtyard |
| Dodgeball | All Year Levels | Recess | Oval |
| Colouring Club | All | Recess | Room 2 |
| Library | All | Lunch | Library |

CURRICULUM UPDATE

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: Inquirers, Knowledgeable, Thinkers, Communicators, Principled, Open-minded, Caring, Risk-takers, Balanced and Reflective.

Year 5 UOI

The Year 5 classes have been inquiring into art and how people express themselves through art.

Central Idea: We use our imagination to express ideas creatively

Lines of Inquiry: What motivates creativity
 Different ways of expressing ideas
 Critiquing and reflecting on artistic expression

They are currently doing some art critique, having chosen an art work to study and reflect on, discussing the different techniques used and ideas expressed.

YEAR 4

Our Year 4 students have commenced a new unit of inquiry, looking at water, the water cycle and the part it plays in our lives.

Central Idea: Understanding water enables people to use it in a variety of ways

Lines of Inquiry: Processes in the water cycle
 Properties and behaviour of water
 How humans use water



EXHIBITION

Our Year 6 students have been busy preparing for Exhibition. The Exhibition is the culmination of students' time in the Primary Years Program. Students have an opportunity to work collaboratively to inquire into an issue of interest and share their inquiries with the school community.

They are currently completing research into the issues they are investigating and they have commenced discussions into how they will present their findings in their groups. The Exhibition will be held on Wednesday, 8th November (Week 4) for Year 6 and their parents.



STEPHANIE ALEXANDER KITCHEN GARDEN

Our Year 2 students have had their first sessions in the kitchen this term. After an introduction to kitchen last week they were busy with cooking this week, making batches of muesli bliss balls. They did a great job and the final product was delicious.



October Vac Care - We have our Vac Care Questions of the week on our front desk, so please answer them over this week. This feedback helps with planning for future vac cares. We have some lost property. All the items left at the end of this week will be donated to a charity shop.

Reminders about bookings - **Permanent Bookings can ONLY be made on the App.** These are bookings made 2 days (48 hours) before the required session. Casual Bookings are bookings made with less than 2 days (48 hours) notice. These casual bookings can only be made by contacting the service. Please ring / email or text Katrina. Bookings made through the App will automatically link with the Electronic Sign in but Casual Bookings will still be recorded on a paper copy. Students cannot just turn up as bookings and staff ratios are capped. Cancellations can be made up to 12 hours before the session for no charge to apply. This needs to be made through the App. Cancellations with less than 12 hours notice are charged at the full rate. Please cancel by email, ring or text Katrina.

Invoices / Bank Details Change - Our Bank Details changed over a month ago and most families are paying invoices using this new number. We are still receiving payments to the old bank number, which will still be open for another month but can you please check the account details at the top of your invoice and make sure you are paying invoices to that account.

New pay as you go System - This week all families will receive the direct debit / fee agreement to read, sign and return. Account reminders (fees more than 1 week) will also be sent, so families can finalise outstanding debts. If outstanding debts are not paid by the end of this month, the full amount of what is on your account will be debited on the first week we run our new pay as you go system or your bookings will be blocked on the App.

iGOSH Christmas Closure Dates - Friday 22 December 2023 to Friday 5 January 2024

COMMUNITY NEWS

CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS - 24th -26th November @ Immanuel Worship centre (Cnr 2nd & 7th Streets) Friday & Saturday 9:00am—4:30pm and Sunday 12:30pm—4:00pm. Display of Christmas trees and all things Christmas. Stalls for purchasing & Children's activities. Morning, light lunch and afternoon tea available. Entry - Gold coin donation.

SAVER PLUS PROMOTION

Strengthen skill, build savings, take control of your money. Save \$500 and ANZ will top up your bank account with another \$500, Go to www.saverplus.org.au for more information.

HOLIDAY SWIM PROGRAM

Holiday swim is a Royal Life Saving Society South Australia bringing affordable and educational swimming / water safety lessons to pools. The program will be returning this December and January 2024 with the newly adapted Royal Life Saving swim & survive program. For more information go to www.holidayswim.com.au alternatively ph 8210 4500 or email: holidayswim@royallifesavingsa.com.au

Jennifer Melville

Role: Learning Support Officer

What's the top destination on your must-visit list? Hobbiton, New Zealand

First job? Corrosion engineer, Transport SA

Favourite movie? "Peter Pan Goes Wrong"

If you could snap your fingers and become an expert in something, what would it be?

Dungeon mastery in Dungeons and Dragons

Favourite quote or proverb? "He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain that which he cannot lose." – Jim Elliot



?????SAKGP QUIZ?????

1. Name a vegetable we grow in the SAKG garden?
2. Which area of the school are our new SAKG veggie patches located?
3. How many chicken's does the school have?
4. What is an ingredient that is put on a pizza?
5. What is the name of the herb planted in our ANZAC memorial garden?



NAME.....Year.....Class.....

Pop the form in the entry box at the front office desk. The first entry drawn out of the box with all correct answers will win a prize pack from Subway. Entries close Friday 3rd of November at 3:30pm. The winner will be announced in the Monday Memo email & posted in the next Immanuel Insights Newsletter.



UNIFORM ORDERS

Uniforms can currently be ordered through Operoo - Scan the QR code below or find the eform in your Operoo Forms Library. Orders can be paid over the phone with a credit card and sent home via class message box or collected by parents at the end of the school day. QR code-Uniform



SECOND HAND STALL

Second Hand Uniform shop is open on

Thursday morning

8:30am - 9.15am

Friday afternoon

3:10pm - 3:40pm



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FROM THE OFFICE

CLASS PLACEMENTS 2024

The Operoo eForm for families to submit input regarding class placements for 2024 closes on **Friday 3 November**.

OPEROO - ABSENTEE FORM

We encourage parents to use the **Student Absentee Operoo form which can be located in your Forms Library, simply click on the form , fill in and submit.** 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 do NOT email teachers and front office staff **directly** to report Absentees, as these staff members may be absent too.*

Absentee eForm QR code



REMINDER—HATS, Term 4

Please remember to send school hats with your child. Hats are compulsory for Term 4 playtime and outdoor lessons. Please make sure Hats are clearly named to ensure they can be returned if lost in the playground.

RHYTHM KIDS WITH MR HUEPPAUFF

Rhythm Kids—Mondays @ 9am in the Music room for our Pre schoolers (3-5yo) and their parents. **All welcome.**

SUBWAY ORDERS

Orders are due in by 3:30pm Wednesdays via class message boxes or the front office for lunch on Friday. *Please have **correct money** in each individual students ziplock bag—clearly named with class details. Please make sure names are folded outwards so they are visible to staff.*

WORSHIP AND PRAISE - from 10:30am Fridays, Coffee B4 Worship from 9.45am in Taikondi.



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Garage Sale Trail 2023

CAR BOOT SALE



***ILSG P&F are hosting a Car Boot Sale as
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November 18th 2023***

\$10 per site - more details to follow soon.....

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