THANKFUL HEARTS

You were saved by faith in God, who treats us much better than we deserve. This is God’s gift to you, and not anything you have done on your own. Ephesians B2 :6-8

Today we held our opening Worship and Praise for 2015 under the shelter where we thanked God for all that He provides. Indeed as we celebrate “30 years of Lutheran Education in Gawler” we have much to be thankful for. During the year there will be a number of ways to celebrate and become involved. Join us as you can.

Our school community would like to extend a very warm welcome to all but in particular our new families. We pray that you will all soon feel part of our team here.

Our new teachers were installed today.
Welcome Mayumi Wong Japanese Teacher, Pam Treasure Year 2 Teacher, Ellie Clark Year 3 Teacher & Alice Butter Year 6/7 Teacher.

CLASSROOM CULTURE AND CIRCLE TIME
The first few days of school have a very strong focus on building classroom culture. We learn new things about each other, welcome new faces and find out how to get along as a team. Children learn about the tools needed to be successful in the classroom and meet the other people involved in their learning journey.
Our classes all have essential agreements, which is “IB speak” for working out fair and safe classroom rules. In this way children are empowered and set up ready for their learning journey. Teachers are intentionally building their community of learners ready for the year ahead.

Kids Matter
Our school became a Kids Matter School late in 2013.

In 2014 we focused on developing a positive school community.
One change made last year was to have a specialist teacher free day on a Monday, enabling children to spend the whole first day of the week with their own class teacher to maintain a calm and positive start to the week. This will continue this year.

This year the Kids Matter focus will be on social and emotional learning.
Last year the staff spent time learning how to run circle time sessions. The purpose of circle time is for students to develop their social skills. The idea behind the circle is that in a perfect circle all participants can see each other and are equal in position.

Circle time can be used for a multitude of reasons; getting to know you, creating classroom beliefs, rules and expectations, class meetings, sharing, discussions, reviewing, goal setting, brainstorming, sharing highlights and the list goes on. During the circle time social skills are explicitly taught. Good eye contact, respecting the speaker, taking turns are just some of the skills taught during the session times. Circle time sessions are short, sharp and shiny, typically no more than 30 minutes. Teachers this year will endeavour to have at least one circle time session per week.

BULLETIN

Term 1 Week 1
30th January 2015

Important Dates Term 1
Friday 30th January 9am
Opening Worship & Praise

Tuesday 3rd February
School Association Meeting and School Council Meeting (for school council members)

Wednesday 4th February
Parents and Friends Meeting
7pm under the shelter - all welcome

Saturday 7th February
5.30pm sausage sizzle
6.30pm Quiz Night fundraiser for CFS

Monday 9th February
Open Day - Principals Tour at 9.30am
(for those interested in enrolling at Immanuel)

Friday 13th February
Family Night at Immanuel 6-8pm

Mon 16th to Weds 18th February
Yr 5 School Camp

Monday 16th February
Camp Quality Incursion

Tuesday 17th February
Shrove Tuesday—Pancake Day

Monday 9th March
Public Holiday (Adelaide Cup)

Friday 20th March
Harmony Day

Thursday 2nd April
Sports Day

Friday 3rd April Good Friday

Sunday 5th April Easter Sunday

Monday 6th April Easter Monday

Friday 10th April Last day of term 1
Term 2 returns Monday 27th April
WHAT’S HAPPENING THIS TERM AT IMMANUEL

Happy 30th Birthday
- This year we celebrate “30 years of Lutheran Education in Gawler”.
- Engraved Pavers for sale. These will be added to our History Walk.
- Order forms out soon.

Stephanie Alexander Kitchen Garden
- Students can explore, grow and cook their own food.
- Volunteers welcome to help.
- Official Launch at the Family Night 13th February

CFS SUPPORT - Quiz Night Saturday 7th February at Immanuel School
- Sausage Sizzle starts at 5.30pm, Quiz starts at 6.30pm
- BTG raising funds to support and thank the CFS.
- Many school families were effected by the recent Adelaide Hill fires so we are glad to be the venue for this event.
- Tickets are $10 / person and tables will seat 10 people. Come and join us for a evening of fun and games. Tickets can be purchased from the school office.

Family Night Friday 13th February 6pm to 8pm at Immanuel School.
- Bring a picnic tea, come and get to know other families, games and activities,
- Launch of the SAKG.

Kids Matter
- Schools and Families Caring for Kids
- Check the display board under the shelter for information and brochures.

Parents & Friends Meeting
- Wednesday 4th February 7pm - in the staffroom at Immanuel School. All welcome.

Classroom Carer’s - Information morning
- Thursday 19th February at 9.00am in the OHSC room. All welcome.
- This wonderful group of people simply take care of students or families as they become aware of needs and celebrations.
- They would love you to join them.

Story Time in the Library @ 5 East Tce
- Starts Tuesday 17th February 2-3pm
- For preschoolers, gold coin donation.

ADMIN INFORMATION
2015 Bulletin is a fortnightly newsletter sent home to families. Further information and photos will be regularly uploaded onto our schools website www.ilsg.sa.edu.au

2015 Classroom Handbooks / Parent Handbook
- Information regarding routines in your child’s classroom and general information about school procedures and policies.
- On our website: www.ilsg.sa.edu.au/for-parents/class-handbooks
If you are unable to download, please ask for a copy via the school office.

Medical Forms and Details
- Please ensure these are returned ASAP
- If your child has medication stored in the office first aid room, please come and check its expiry and current action plan

Scholastic Book Club Issue 1: Orders due back to the office Mon 16th Feb
Koorong Book Club Issue 1: Orders due back to the office Mon16 Feb

BEFORE & AFTER SCHOOL CARE
CAMP AUSTRALIA
www.campaustralia.com.au
Ph: 1300 105 343
For registration and details.

SUBWAY LUNCHES
Friday 20th February
Friday 13th March

SCHOOL FEES & ACCOUNTS
Term 1 accounts are now overdue
School Card applications need to be submitted by 13-2-15.

COMMUNITY & LOCAL SPORTING CLUB INFORMATION
South Gawler Football Season 2015
Players from age 6-17
Registration day Sunday 15th Feb
10am -12noon
Phone Terry on 0414 818 129.

2015 TERM DATES
Term 1
Tuesday 27th January to Friday 10th April

Term 2
Monday 27th April to Friday 26th June

Term 3
Monday 20th July to Friday 25th September

Term 4
Monday 12th October to Thursday 10th December

A Primary School of the Lutheran Church of Australia
**THIS WEEK AT IMMANUEL**

**Student Leaders 2015 announced today**
Congratulations to: Zali Schwarz, Ella Humphreys, Chelsea Harris & Isaac Eckermann

**50 new Foundation Students** had their first day at school on Tuesday. We hope you have a restful weekend!

**Lego Day Wednesday 28th January**
Celebrating the anniversary of the Lego Brick. What a great display of your “Child’s Buildings”.

**Year 2 Students were presented with their Big Rescue Bible**

“Amazing Race Challenge” Ms Hodges’ & Miss Clark’s Year 3 students raced around the school on Thursday enjoying this activity.

**USING THE CAR PARKS SAFELY**
- Please refer to the map for entrances and exits into our school.
- Please be patient and mindful of children’s safety at all times, and follow the direction arrows as indicated on the map. Shared Zone = 10 km/h

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**Drop off areas are located at:**
Daily Street car park (ZONE 1)
School Lane top end (ZONE 2)

**Parking is available in:**
Daily Street car park (ZONE 1)
School Lane car park (ZONE 2) (Oval entry gate closed between 9:30 – 3:30pm)
School Lane top end (ZONE 3) (Top 80 entry gate closed between 9:30 – 3:30pm)
East Terrace (ZONE 4)
Lyndoch Road (ZONE 5) (Lyndoch Rd entry gate closed between 9:30 – 3:30pm)

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**Schools and Families**
**Caring for kids**

KidsMatter promotes parenting support and education.
Story Time Update!

Story Time will be starting up again in Week 4 (17th February) in the Immanuel Lutheran School Library - 5 East Terrace.

Tuesdays 2-3pm
Gold coin donation weekly

This includes stories, games, songs, craft, snacks and a cuppa for the adults.

BTG Australasia's Quiz Night

To show their thanks and support by raising funds for the CFS

Date: 07/02/15
Sausage sizzle @ 5.30pm
Quiz rounds start @ 6.30pm

At Immanuel Lutheran School, 11 Lyndoch Rd, Gawler East

Tel: 85 225 740 to book in office hours

Please wear a splash of red in support of the CFS

- $10 a ticket
- BYO alcohol and nibbles
- Silent Auctions
- Raffles
- Cake Stall