

St Michael's Lutheran School

Term 3, Week 2 1 August 2019



Last week, during our morning staff devotions, I spent time talking with the teachers about 'grit'. Grit is not a word that you will find in the bible, but there are certainly many examples of grit to be found.

Dictionary.com defines grit as an 'indomitable spirit' which is a spirit of courage and which cannot be subdued.

There are many characters in the bible who demonstrated this thing called 'grit'. Joseph had it while he languished as a slave in Egypt after his brothers sold him into slavery. He ended up a mighty ruler.

Abraham had it as he and his wife waited until old age to become parents.

Noah had it in the decades while he endured ridicule and built a boat in an area where there was no water.

Paul had it as he dedicated his life to spreading the Gospel of Jesus in a hostile environment.

This 'biblical grit' is one with steadfast endurance at it's centre. This endurance is only possible when one is sure of the purpose of their lives. In all of the bible cases, the purpose is to serve God.

Without faith and without purpose, it is impossible to have the grit necessary to endure the really tough stuff of life. A Christian's purpose to live in eternity with Christ. This faith and purpose brings hope which does not disappoint.



Life is hard. It always has been and always will be. But, Christians have the promise of salvation to hope for. Hebrews 10:36 tells us 'You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised'. It is that promise which gives us the grit we need to keep forging ahead when life gets tough.

Is life tough for you right now? Are you facing something that seems insurmountable? Lean on God's promise that he has a future mapped out for you which is beyond anything that you can imagine today. In him lies our grit.

Terri Taylor **Principal**

Dates for the Diary

2 August

Worship Service 9:00

5 August

Book Fair 3:00 - 4:00

6 August

Book Fair 8:30 - 9:00

3:00 - 4:00

7 August

Canteen Orders Due

LLL Banking

Book Fair 8:30 - 9:00

3:00 - 4:00

8 August

Book Fair 8:30 - 9:00

3:00 - 4:00

Kindergym 9:30 - 10:30

MLC Migration Museum Excursion

9 August

Worship Service 9:00

12 August

Assembly 2:00

14 August

Canteen Orders Due

LLL Banking

P & F Recess Snack Day

15 August

Kindergym 9:30 - 10:30

16 August

Worship 9:00

LEAH Science Day @

Cornerstone - Year 4's

JLC / S Intergenerational Visit to St Paul's

Wonder Challenge Explore Discover

Prayers

Please pray for the following school families

Main, Marshall, Martin,

Martin, McClelland, Maxwell,

Menzel, Mrs Mell Smith &

Mrs Belinda Glynn

Term Dates

Term 3

22 July - 27 September (10 weeks)

Term 4

14 October - 11 December (8.5 weeks)

Road Crossing Monitors

Term 3 Week 3

AM Hudson, Tanayah & Amiel

PM Harrison, Angus & Max

Term 3 Week 4

AM Holly K, Chilli & Elisha

PM Ev, Dot & Ashleigh

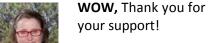












At the very end of last term, we received our evaluation report from

the International Baccalaureate, it came attached to this email message.

"Please thank your school community for their support of the evaluation process. The school is congratulated for the number and nature of commendations received. These represent practice exceeding the requirements of the programme and demonstrate strong programme implementation. The quality of documentation and stakeholder support has been outstanding."

Steve Wishart; IB Australasian/ Asia Pacific Manager; IB World Schools Department

This report was based on the collection of evidence that staff had gathered over the last year and the three-day visit that we had midterm two. As a leadership team and staff we were keen to receive the feedback about our growth over the last four years and also some ideas and recommendations for the coming years.

We received 12 commendations for the work that we have done here at school in areas such as leadership and increasing an understanding of the programme in general. But most importantly we were commended for the way that we meet the needs of the students here at St Michael's;

- through the creation of engaging and stimulating learning environments - physical and emotional;
- through strengthening the student exhibition process, focusing on learning process
- through the way that as a whole community we share the responsibility of personal and social education and how this

culture is embedded.

In the process of our self-study we set up an action plan for our school to ensure that we continue to move forward in teaching and learning here at St Michael's. The points that we included on this plan reflected an honest acknowledgement of the areas that we would like to improve. In their recommendations the IB have only added three recommendations to those that we had already identified.

Over the coming months and years, we will continue to work on our written curriculum; our planning documents which track the teaching and learning paths of the students here. As we do annually we will consider the additional recommendations that the IB have made when reviewing our Programme of Inquiry and the units that are part of it. We will continue working on making our learning more conceptually based, strive to provide learning opportunities that meet and extend students understanding of their place in the world and their responsibility through action.

As a leadership team we know that there are always places for improvement and action. But for the moment we are going to celebrate the amazing teaching and support staff here at St Michael's. We want to celebrate the way that this community, staff, students and families, work together in learning together to be 'internationally minded people who, recognising their common humanity and shared guardianship of the planet, help to create a better and more peaceful world.' (IB Missions Statement)

Evie Stevens

PYP/Curriculum coordinator





BLC Community Walk

Our BLCs enjoyed learning about the people and places in the Hahndorf Main Street. Visiting the Post Office, KaffeHaus, Royal Copenhapen, Humbugs Lolly Shop, Noske Butchers, FruChocs & and playground.



























Help Wanted - Outdoor Learning Space

Behind the fence our new **Outdoor Learning Space** is starting to take shape. In a few weeks' time we will be scheduling a 'working bee' to give families the chance to help out with the construction of the garden.

We are also looking for anyone from our school community who may have a small bobcat or kanga and would be happy to move some large rocks on our path edges.

We also need someone who has skills in bricklaying to rebuild the 'ruin' inside the play space. It is not a big job but needs a little skill!

If you think that you can help, please contact the office on 8388 7228.

WONDER

"Wonder is the beginning of Wisdom" *Socrates*

Student Achievements

Emily B competed at the South Australian Junior Heifer Expo held at Wayville showgrounds over 4 days in the second week of the school holidays.

Emily was awarded Reserve Junior Champion Handler out of 32 Junior entrants for the second year in a row.

This year she also came second overall, with scores being assessed over a quiz, marketing, junior judging, parading of own animal, personal presentation, stalls (where there animals are kept), co-operation and attitude.

Emily is pictured being awarded Reserve Junior Champion Handler with her heifer Blackstone Elegant P21, that she will be leading at this years Royal Adelaide Show.





CAN - Support Group for Parents/Carers of Additional Needs Children

Don't miss the opportunity to be a part of this wonderful support group and workshop.

Term 3 will be looking at big emotions, grief and trauma.

Looking forward to session one - 9am Thursday 8th August.

Please contact St Michael's Lutheran Church for more details



Book Fair 2019





This is a unique opportunity for the school community to purchase books from a selection provided by the Scholastic Book Supplier. Each class will visit the Fair at the beginning of week 3 to view the titles available for purchase. Students will complete a wish list on this visit but they are under no obligation to purchase these books. A percentage of all sales will allow the school to purchase books for our library and reading programmes.

There will be no Browse and Borrow this week.

Special note: If you are unable to visit the fair, you are able to pre purchase online using your child's wish list and recording the order number on the back of the list. Your child can bring the wish list with the record of the order number to the fair and collect the item(s). If the prepaid items are sold out they will be ordered and delivered within two weeks of the closing of the fair.

Book Fair: Week 3 opening times for parents are:

5/8 Monday 3.00pm - 4.00pm

6/8 Tuesday 8.30 - 9.00pm and 3.00 - 4.00pm 7/8 Wednesday 8.30 - 9.00pm and 3.00 - 4.00pm 8/8 Thursday 8.30 - 9.00pm and 3.00 - 4.00pm

TUESDAY – THURSDAY lunch times: Students who have orders or money to purchase books, may visit the Book Fair for this purpose. Staff will be available to assist students at this time.

Please note that EFTPOS facilities will be available at the Book Fair.

Looking forward to seeing you at the Fair!





CHALLENGE

"Only those who dare to fail greatly can ever achieve greatly"
Robert F Kennedy





Thursday 9:30 am - 10:30 am

1 August – 26 September

St Michael's Lutheran School Gym 6 Balhannah Road, Hahndorf

First Session FREE!

Call 8388 7228 for more details

Wonder Challenge Explore Discover

Volunteering at St Michael's

Volunteers are an important part of the St Michael's school culture and play a crucial role in supporting student learning and in building a positive and connected school community.

What does a volunteer do?

Volunteers can perform many duties, for example:

- Attending excursions
- Hearing children read
- Assisting with craft activities
- Coordinating or supporting school P&F functions
- ♦ Serving on the School Council

How can you become a volunteer?

St Michael's encourages all parents to become approved volunteers. In order to comply with the child protection legislation and maintain best practice in regard to engaging volunteers in our school, there are 3 things that you need to do to become an approved volunteer.

The steps to becoming an approved volunteer are as follows:

Obtain a **Working with Children Check** (valid for 5 years). You can either initiate this yourself or contact the school office with your full name, date of birth and email address, and we will initiate it for you.

Complete **Responding to Abuse and Neglect** training. Simply visit https://www.plink.sa.edu.au/pages/signup.jsf, choose 'Volunteer' from the first drop down list and upon completion, download your certificate and bring it in or email it to us.

The Lutheran Church requires all staff and volunteers to complete a 'valuing safe communities' online course. This course can be found at http://vscvolandrs.lutheran.edu.au. A certificate will be generated upon completion.

Once you become an approved volunteer, this will be recorded on our data base and you will receive a name badge with lanyard so that the school staff know that you are approved for all volunteer duties.

What are the responsibilities of a volunteer at St Michael's School?

Volunteers must support the values, policies and procedures of the school which means:

- Signing in at the office
- Collecting and wearing your approved volunteer lanyard.
- Following the instructions of the supervising teacher or staff member
- Following school policies and procedures
- Not working unsupervised with children
- Not disclosing information about the student, you have worked with to anyone other than the teacher.

EXPLORE

"We only know a tiny proportion about the complexity of the natural world. Wherever you look, there are things we don't know about and don't understand. There are always new things to find out if you go looking for them"

David Attenborough





SAVE THE DATE

Saturday 9th November

180th Celebration Dinner

@ Adelaide Hills Convention Centre

Tickets will be released soon so start gathering your family and friends to make a table of 10 and enjoy an evening together filled with fun and celebration.



DISCOVER

"No great discovery was ever made without a bold guess" Isaac Newton



ST MICHAEL'S COOKBOOK

we need your recipes!

It's quick & easy! Visit:
www.publishedauthors.com.au
to submit your recipes

We need your help to make our 180th Celebration Dinner fundraiser a success!

Any donations of Silent Auction items would be greatly appreciated, this could include;

- Vouchers Accommodation Gift Baskets -
- · Tickets for sporting events or entertainment -

Your family's donation can be dropped off to the front office and no matter how big or small, all contributions are very much appreciated.



Wonder Challenge Explore Discover



Growing in Jesus and sharing His love







Movie Night

Meet + Q&A time

with Brian the Director, Jen & her Daughters

Inspired by the true story of a wife and mother of three struggling to keep her family, and her faith, intact after her husband is diagnosed with a stage three brain tumour,

Director: <u>Brian Ide</u>
Writer: <u>Nick Schober</u>
Stars: Jen; <u>Hayden Blane</u>, Mike; <u>Randy Coleman</u>, Erich; <u>Chet Dixon</u>

Friday, August 16

6:30pm - Meal - soup

7:00pm - Watch the movie; This Day Forward

8:15pm - Supper 8:30pm - Q&A time **Hours:** Mon to Fri 8.30am to 4.00pm

Phone: (08) 8388 1225

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Hahndorf

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Worship Times

Sunday 4 August

Combined Worship 9:30 AM

Saturday 10 August

SMS Worship 6:00 PM

Sunday 11 August

Traditional Worship 8:30 AM 10:30 AM Contemporary Worship

Saturday 17 August

SMS Worship 6:00 PM

Sunday 18 August

Traditional Worship 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship 10:30 AM

Saturday 24 August

SMS Worship 6:00 PM

Sunday 25 August

Traditional Worship 8:30 AM Contemporary Worship 10:30 AM



Community

Music at St Michael's

BAND: Cornet, horn, baritone, euphonium, and tuba lessons: In association with the Hahndorf Youth Band, students can learn to play a brass instrument. Sign up to the learner program at only \$40 per term, and children receive FREE hire of a brass instrument with Monday after school lessons commencing from 5.00pm, PLUS a second FREE weekly lesson at school. For more information contact Theo Prucha on 0450 542 535 or secretary@hahndorftownband.org

CHOIR will be held on Monday afternoons this term and will be led by Mr Theo Prucha. Choir is open to all students. If your child enjoys singing, but does not want to join the formal choir, Mr Prucha will be offering a choir club on Wednesday lunchtime, to support those who are in the choir and want more singing practice and to encourage students who just enjoy singing informally.

Clarinet, Flute, Saxaphone & Trumpet Lessons are available through Andrew Scott. It is not necessary for student to own an instrument as they can hire one from Andrew.

For more information contact Andrew on 8370 8358 or andrew@andrewsocttmusic.com

Drum Lessons are available with Paul Angas who is an experienced drum teacher and professional drummer who can teach all ages. Weekly half hour lessons every Friday \$27.00 per lessons.

Contact Paul 0418 854 149 or paulangas@optusnet.com.au

Guitar Lessons are available with Brenton Manser who is an experienced guitar teacher. Weekly lessons available. Contact **Brenton** 0423 748 483

Piano Lessons are available through Andrew Eckert - half hour lessons available during school hours. For more information contact **Andrew** on 0410 112 658

Piano Lessons are also available through Anna Klatt. For more information contact Anna on 0488 391 110

Singing Lessons with **Amy Hein** students are welcome to attend a free singing lesson trial to learn what is involved and what you can get out of it. Email amyhein8@gmail.com for more information.

Tutors

Tutoring sessions are available with **Melissa Cooper**, an experienced classroom teacher and tutor. Melissa has been a tutor here at St Michael's for ten years and has weekly sessions available.

For further information contact Melissa on 0408 828 849

INK POT ARTS Term 3 Workshops

Improv Workshops - Tuesdays 7-10 years 3.45-4.45pm; 11 years & over 5-6pm

Heart Lands Aboriginal Dance & Storytelling project – Thursdays 3.45-5.15pm

Expressions of interest welcome for ukulele workshops (Sat afternoons)

INFO: Ring Jo-anne on 0429 673 327 or email quill@inkpot.com.au

INK POT ARTS presents 'It's a Wonderful Life!"

3 'Carnival & Show' events

Across 2 Saturdays!

3rd August Evening 6:00 pm

10th August Matinee & Evening 1:00 pm & 6:00 pm

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Mount Barker Town Hall: Cnr Gawler & Stephen Street

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