

TLS NEWSLETTER

26 JULY 2024 (WEEK 2)







PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

JANE WIEBUSCH



Devotion

SERVICE INTEGRITY RESPECT

One of our core values at TLS is service. It is a wonderful privilege to serve others and to realise how blessed we are, and how even a small gesture can mean so much for someone in need.

Jesus talks about acts of service in Matthew 25:

'I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and in prison and you visited me... Whatever you did for the least of these brothers and sisters of mine you did for me.'

Serving others involves more than simply our actions. Service is love in action, which flows from the love and grace God first gives to us. Serving others not only reveals the bonds between us; it reflects the love of God. It points people to Christ.

Jesus modelled grace that goes way beyond our understanding. He emptied himself for us, though we deserved nothing. Further, Jesus graciously sees all acts of kindness and justice done in his name as if they were done for him personally.

Lord, teach us how to serve one another. Show us ways to use our gifts and talents to bless others. In Jesus' name, Amen.

Coming soon - 2024 Book Week Parade - Week 6

Mark your calendars for Tuesday, 20th August at 9:00 am, when our TLS students will participate in our annual Book Week Parade. This year's theme is "Reading is Magic," leaving plenty of scope for the imagination. Students may dress up to align with the theme, or simply come as their chosen book character. We warmly invite families to join us, in the Church Hall, for this special occasion. We look forward to seeing pages come to life and the stories unfolding. We encourage all to embrace the magic of Book Week.



Health and Safety

The health and wellbeing of our community is paramount. We have experienced a very high volume of influenza and illness over the last two weeks. To prevent the further spread of illness in our school community, we ask you to please be vigilant and please keep your child/ren home if they are not feeling well or present with any cold- or flu-like symptoms.

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Welcome to TLS

This term, we welcomed four new students and three new families to our community. We pray that Maddie (absent), Hamish, Arlo and Anastasia, and their families, will quickly feel at 'home' here with us at TLS.



We are thrilled to welcome **Mr Adam McCarron** to TLS. Adam joins our Inclusive Learning team as a Learning Coach and brings a wide variety of skills and talents to TLS. With over 25 years of diverse professional experience as a musician and music teacher, as well as a Camp Counsellor and Leader, we are blessed to have Adam join our learning community.

Adam has a passion for fostering student growth, "Supporting students' complex and diverse learning needs requires patience, adaptability, and a deep understanding of each individual's challenges and strengths."

This term we also welcomed **Mrs Ali Hunwick** to our Inclusive Learning team. Ali is assisting us while Mrs Williams is on Long Service Leave.

Ms Madysun Burow, who is currently undertaking Teacher Aide qualifications, commenced a practicum with us last term. She continues her placement this term, including some assistance in the Art room.

WELLBEING

MISS JANE



A resilience-building masterclass in two perfectly delivered words.

By Michael Grose

Recently, Jess, a mother, gave Billy, her school-aged son, a simple yet profound resilience lesson. Billy missed an excursion because of his poor school behaviour. Addressing his protests about teacher unfairness, Billy's mum responded calmly, "Oh well!"

Then she busied herself getting dinner ready. Sideswiped by his mother's apparent nonchalance, Billy shrugged and finished his homework.

Our responses to kids' challenges are crucial. Your response to kids' everyday mistakes, mess-ups, and hurts are the real lessons in resilience.

The lessons for Billy were simple but profound. "Oh well" meant:

- stuff happens.
- don't look for fault or blame.
- keep your perspective.
- pick yourself off and continue with what you were doing.

It's how you say it that counts.

When a minor mishap with a child or teenager occurs:

- match your response to the incident.
- stay calm and be positive.
- use strong body language to show certainty and inspire confidence.
- remember, stuff happens.

"Oh, well" situations happen every day.

Every day, you will have many opportunities to develop children's resilience.

Recognise any of these situations?

- A child is disappointed after not being selected for a team he really wanted to join. "Oh well, let's see how you do next time."
- When a boy experiences rejection in the playground at school. "Oh well. Not everyone wants to be your friend."
- When a teenage girl doesn't get the mark in an assignment, she thinks she should. "Oh well. Sometimes we don't always get what we think."

Some hardships need more than "Oh well."

There are times when 'Oh well' won't cut it.

- A child who is bullied needs your continued support.
- When a student's continuous efforts are constantly met with criticism, you may need to act on his behalf and meet with a coach
- When a child struggles to make the grade and is never picked for a team, you may need to help him make different choices.

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The resilience lessons are deeper, including:

"Things will eventually go your way."

"There are times when you need to seek help."

"This too shall pass."

Building resilience is not a one-off event.

Promote your child's personal resilience by helping them cope with life's hurts, disappointments and challenges in the present while building strengths for the future.

When your child experiences challenges, your reactions matter, so be ready to make the most of these valuable daily resilience lessons.

Taken from the Parenting Toolbox - https://michaelgrose.substack.com/





EMMETT AWARD

MINNIE

For demonstrating exceptional dedication by putting in extra effort, even in her own time, making thoughtful choices, and taking initiative in her learning.



JOHN LANDY AWARD

CLAIRE

in recognition of her consistent demonstration of a kind and helpful nature, especially within the classroom. Claire is always ready to offer a helping hand to those in need.

SCHOOL AWARDS

WEEK 10 TERM 2

FOUNDATION

Evie J

YEAR 1

Anderson R Hannah W

YEAR 2

Annie C Kieran F

YEAR 3

Quinn F Hamish L Arlo B

YEAR 4

Maggie S

YEAR 5/6

Baxter W Oscar H



EMMETT AWARD

LAYLA

For her dedication to learning, consistently striving to do her best, and actively seeking feedback.



JOHN LANDY AWARD

NED

His positive attitude and calming approach in the classroom. He consistently provides service to the people around him, demonstrating initiative while showing the willingness to support his peers.

SCHOOL AWARDS

WEEK 1 TERM 3

FOUNDATION

Zara J

YEAR 1

Sam U Darcy C

YEAR 2

Charlotte M Arthur W

YEAR 3

Ashton T Macy M

YEAR 4

Austin M Dior H

YEAR 5/6

Georgia B Maddie W



This week, Year 2 students have thoroughly enjoyed our structured literacy sessions, focusing on different ways to write the 'ch' sound. We have had fun reading to our partners and reviewing all the sounds we have learned so far this week.

Additionally, students have enjoyed using hands-on manipulatives to explore math concepts such as place value with base ten blocks.

During our morning devotion, we take time to reflect on a Bible reading, pray, and this week, we have particularly enjoyed singing songs of devotion and having a bit of a dance!











HOCKEY 7'S

Last Friday we had a team compete at the Hockey 7's carnival at Pedrina Park. They braved the cold in wintery conditions and thankfully escaped the rain. They all had lots of fun and played very well together. Many thanks to James Stubbs for coaching, Talitha Farrawell for being Team Manager and all the parents/care givers that supported our students at this event. Well done team TLS!









TLS BOARD

Dear Parents, Caregivers and Community,

Thank you for taking part in the recent review for our principal, Jane Wiebusch. Your involvement was a great blessing to her and our Board as we continue to deliver our strategic plan.

Jane's overall report highlighted to us Jane's many strengths and her commitment to TLS. She has set high standards, and her leadership strongly supports the priorities of the School's Strategic Plan and its Board. Her strong focus on students and their learning was a constant theme.

Jane's work to build community connections, nurture spiritual growth and strengthen the school's Lutheran identity were also widely affirmed.

TLS values learning and this commitment is shared by the Board, TLS staff, students and their families. As such, Jane was pleased to receive feedback which will allow her to focus on her own professional learning. Two particular areas she highlighted included continuing to focus on high quality and responsive school communication, along with using this to support change initiatives. She appreciated the genuine and helpful feedback and wishes to thank the TLS community for their support.

We thank God for Jane's commitment and service towards the School and its community. We are blessed by her continuing leadership.

We look forward to prayerfully working together in the future for a rich and thriving learning community at Tarrington Lutheran School.

In Christ's Service

Jason Cay TLS Board Chair

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Week 2

• Sunday July 28: 2.00pm - Installation service for Pastor Joshua Pfeiffer

Week 3

Wednesday July 31: Year 5/6 Girls Netball
 6.30pm - PSFA Meeting

Week 4

- Monday August 5: Sheepvention
- Tuesday August 6: 9.30am Great Explorations led by Mrs Walkenhorst
- Wednesday August 7: 9.30am Foundation Service Learning (HIRL)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Installation Service for Pastor Joshua Pfeiffer

On Sunday, 28 July, all TLS students and families are warmly invited to attend the installation service for Pastor Joshua Pfeiffer, at St Michael's Lutheran Church commencing at 2:00pm. Our School Captains and the TLS Choir will be participating in the service.

PSFA

Meeting on Wednesday, 31 July at 6:30pm

Sheepvention

Please note that Monday, 5 August 2024, the Government Bus Network will not be running due to Sheepvention. This means parents and caregivers will need to make alternate arrangements to drop off and pick up students at the School. Monday remains a normal school day. Our Tarrington Lutheran School Bus will still be operating, however, some stops may be affected. Notification will be sent out as soon as this has been confirmed.

Great Explorations

Great Explorations - Tuesday, 6 August, 9:30am - 10:30am

Science Week - Week 5 (Monday, 12 August - Friday, 16 August)

This year's theme will be "Species Survival - More than just sustainability".

Book Week Parade- Week 6: Tuesday, 20 August

We will once again be celebrating Book Week this term. This year's theme is "Reading is Magic". Book Week parade will be held on Tuesday, 20 August at 9:00am.

Save the date - School Performance (Concert) - Save the date - Friday, 29 November

This year our School Performance will be on Friday, 29 November in Term 4. This is the date that was previously set aside for Laternenfest (which is no longer going ahead). More information will follow.







We encourage all TLS students to explore, learn and enjoy the world through reading as they embark on this year's Premiers' Reading Challenge. Student Logins were emailed out last term. If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Bensch in the library at nbensch@tls.vic.edu.au

Well done to students who have commenced reading and are logging their books. Congratulations to the following students for completing the challenge!

Harry F	Angus L	Finnigan M	Quinn F
Joshua M	Edwin C	Charlie L	Jeremy W
Alice B	Jessica M	Samuel U	Tex F
Eva H	Samuel F	Macy M	Lucy C
Elias M			

CHURCH CONGREGATION MORNING TEA

This morning after our Foundation class led Worship, the Church congregation outreach group, supplied a morning tea for parents. We thank the members of the church for this lovely gesture.







TARRINGTON LUTHERAN SCHOOL

INVITES YOU

Tea & Coffee provided. Please bring a fruit snack.

GREAT Please bring a fruit snack. EXPLORATIONS

Pre-school aged children and their parents/caregivers are invited to join in a **Music Exploration** with **Mrs Walkenhorst**





9:30-10:30 am
Tuesday, 6 August 2024
TLS Multipurpose space
Please RSVP to the Office
on 5572 3897 or office@tls.vic.edu.au