



GEELONG LUTHERAN COLLEGE NEWSLETTER

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FROM THE HEAD OF SCHOOL

Thank you to Mr Qualischefski and the year 9 students who organised the Middle School disco for last Friday night. These opportunities are most appreciated by our students. Also, thank you to our Year 9 students who also assisted at the recent Prep orientation day, either as guides or through their involvement in the Art activities on the day.

Further development continues at our College as we expand our facilities. Landscapers have been engaged to transform the area around our Middle School building – already it is looking less like a building site. At the same time, however, preparations are being made for our next build!

In terms of staffing, congratulations to Mr Matthew Qualischefski who has been appointed to the role of Middle School Student Coordinator at Good Shepherd Lutheran College in Noosa. Mr Qualischefski is one of our foundations staff members and has made an excellent contribution through the development of our Middle School. Mrs Georgia Quirk will be the acting Middle School Coordinator role in 2012. It is also my pleasure to announce the appointment of Mr Nathan Hunter to the Middle and Senior Schools as a teacher of Humanities, English and Christian Studies. There will be a few other minor changes to our staffing, as well as the recruitment of a teacher to take on Mrs Quirk's science/mathematics teaching.

The next few weeks are a busy time as this year comes to a conclusion. As a reminder, our students will be in classes until 3:05 pm on the last day, and therefore, I would urge our parents to support us by maintaining the attendance of their children.

Looking ahead to our calendar, I would like to highlight the Christmas celebration and Primary School graduation this coming Thursday night, and in the following week, the Orientation day for our new students (Tuesday December 13) and the closing service (Wednesday, December 14). Please note that Thursday, December 15 is the last day of school.

Barry Krueger, *Head of School*
Geelong Lutheran College

BOOKLISTS

...were handed out to each student recently. Please return these to the GLC office by December 2nd (TOMORROW).

LOOKING AHEAD: Calendar Dates 2012

School Term Dates for Students

Term 1 2012 Thursday 2 February – Friday 30 March
 Term 2 2012 Tuesday 17 April – Friday 29 June
 Term 3 2012 Monday 16 July (**amended date**) – Friday 21 September
 Term 4 2012 Monday 8 October – Thursday 13 December

Curriculum Days 2012: Students do not attend school

Mon 16 April (Term 2) Thurs 26 July/Fri 27 July (**amended dates**) (Term 3) Mon 22nd October (Term 4)

Report Writing Days 2012: Students do not attend school

Friday 8 June (Term 2) Friday 23 November (Term 4)

Parents are reminded that attendance at school within the published dates is a requirement under State law. Hence absences must be explained by way of a note to the class teacher and leave must be sought from the Head of School for holidays during term time.

Please note the amended dates

DATES TO REMEMBER

Dec	Tuesday 6 th	3-4R Excursion to Queenscliff Marine Centre
	Tuesday 6 th	P & F Meeting 7.30pm in staff room- all welcome
	Wednesday 7 th	Year 8 Surfing Lesson @ Torquay
	Thursday 8 th	Primary Christmas Service & Year 6 Graduation 7pm in hall
	Friday 9 th	Choir excursion to Alan David Lodge
	Monday 12 th	Years 7,8,9 Excursion Twenty20 Cricket @ MCG
	Tuesday 13 th	Orientation – Prep to Year 10, 2012
	Wednesday 14 th	GLC Closing Service 7pm Waurn Ponds Community Church
	Thursday 15 th	Last day Term 4
Feb 2012	Thursday 2 nd	First day Term 1 2012!

DEVOTIONAL THOUGHT



Year 3/4R class led our whole school Chapel service today on the season of Advent. They outlined the history of the advent wreath and its significance in our church. Advent means “coming”as we anticipate the birth of our savior Jesus. All of the children are to be congratulated on their excellent reading and presentation skills. We look forward to seeing more classes present chapel services during next year. Thank you to all the parents, friends and grandparents who came along to be part of this service.



GLC PRAYER GROUP

All parents and carers of students are welcome to join the GLC Prayer group. The group meets in the hall at 2.15pm on just one more Monday for the year! - December 5. For more information contact Pastoral Care Coordinator Jonny Hedt at hedtj@stjohns.edu.au

Celebration of Christmas & Year 6 Graduation



Next **Thursday 8th December** the Primary School students will be presenting a Celebration of Christmas for their families at 7 pm in the school Hall. There will be a Year 6 Graduation as part of the night's program. All primary school children will be involved in the Christmas celebration/Graduation proceedings. As the Primary staff will be heavily involved in the proceedings we would appreciate some help with photography on the night. If you are able to assist with digital still or video photography please contact Jane Hollett or the school office.

Money raised:

- This week we received a cheque from Christine Duncan (Josh 9A) for \$484.00 which was the amount raised by GLC families and friends from purchasing the 2011/12 Entertainment Books. A total of 44 books were sold through GLC- a great effort. Thank you!
- Thank you to the Middle School students, who are donating the money raised from Friday night's Middle School Disco to our sponsor child, Metasari. Thank you to students and parents for your support- \$141 was raised on the night...(see photos from the night- on next page...)

Prep Orientation thanks:

Thank you once again to the supportive families in our school. Honourable mention must be given to Trina -, who rescheduled her work routine to help at the Prep Orientation morning on Tuesday this week. Thanks Trina. Some existing 2011 Prep mums stayed to talk to the new Prep parents about the daily routines and parental involvement at GLC- thanks to Emma -, Moira -, Sharon -, Lainie -, Heidi -, Talei -, Megan - and Andrea - for baking/supplying morning tea and promoting the College in their cheerful and exuberant way!



Congratulations to **Emma** - who has been selected in the Victorian Country Basketball Squad to compete at Ballarat in the Southern Cross Ballarat Challenge during January 2012. Congratulations to Emma and good luck in the tournament!

BIRTHDAY wishes this week

...to the following students;

Ethan - 30th November

Ben - 1st December

Ben - 4th December



LOST

Black & blue skins/bike shorts
belonging to **Ruby** -
If found, please return to Ruby or
bring in to GLC Reception.

Recycle your mobile phone... ongoing initiative



This is an ongoing initiative by Australian Mobile Recycling. So at any time you can drop your old mobile phones into the college office and Australian Mobile Recycling will pay \$3.00 to Geelong Lutheran College for every mobile phone. For info: www.australianmobilerecycling.com.au/



Middle School DISCO





Notes from the Head of School-St John's

On a balmy Sunday afternoon, St John's Lutheran School and its wider community participated in a Christmas Carols service on the school oval. This event commenced with a sausage sizzle and all proceeds going to the Lutheran World Federation – LWF who are heavily involved in the life-saving work at Dadaab Refugee Camp in Kenya. The Camp is the largest in the world, and home to more than 500,000 people fleeing the famine in Somalia. A large gathering relaxed on their picnic rugs and chairs and joined in with carol singing, listened to a number of students from the St John's school choir sing three Christmas tunes and watched a re-enactment of the Christmas story.

This week the Life Ed van visited our school. All classes attended sessions that are age appropriate covering a wide range of drug and health related topics, ranging from the human body and how it works, healthy eating and nutrition, medicines and drugs, bullying, resilience and social skills. As always, Healthy Harold, the much loved Life Education giraffe mascot was a much anticipated element of the Life Education visit. To further broaden these topics our students are presented with a workbook of activities relating to the topic of the lesson.

Recently footy fever returned to St John's Lutheran school when the 2011 AFL Premiership Cup arrived on a whirl wind trip to local schools. Students had the opportunity to have their photo holding the cup and then it was whisked around to most classrooms for a visit. A big thank you to the Geelong Football Club for allowing the cup to visit our school. Go Cats!

We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully. Romans 12:6-8

With God's Blessings, **Brian Schultz, Head of School**

Lutheran Churches in Geelong

St John's Lutheran Church: Rev Mark Blackwell 165 Yarra Street, Geelong 5221 5121

Sunday worship with Holy Communion 9 am.

Term 3 Sunday School: August 7 & 21, September 4 & 18.

Playgroup meets 9am-11am every Tuesday of school term at Tyne Cottage adjacent to church.

St Paul's Lutheran Church

Rev Thomas Pietsch 307 Torquay Rd, Grovedale 5241 5141

Sunday worship with Holy Communion 9.30am

Activities during school term:

Sunday School 10 am

Youth Group 7 pm every third Friday (for details call church office 5241 5141)

Confirmation classes 4.30pm Tuesday

Our Redeemer Lutheran Church

Rev Lester Priebbenow 60 Ballarat Rd, North Geelong 5278 2443

Sunday worship with Holy Communion 9.30am

Youth Group meets fortnightly (for details call church office 5278 1443)

Holy Trinity Leopold

Rev Mark Blackwell Moller's Lane, Leopold 5221 5121

Sunday worship with Holy Communion 11.00am

Freshwater Creek Lutheran Church

Rev Thomas Pietsch Anglesea Rd, Freshwater Creek 5241 5141

Sunday worship with Holy Communion 11.00am third Sunday of the month

St Paul's Lutheran Kindergarten- extension Opening

St Paul's Lutheran Kindergarten, on the corner of Heyers and Torquay Rd, will be opening the new extension on Sunday 11th December at 11am. This new room will enable the kinder to provide a weekly 15 hour program for two groups of 4 year old children as well as continuing the 3 year old program. You are invited to share this occasion and view the facility, followed by a community lunch. St Paul's Lutheran Kindergarten, 303 Torquay Road, Grovedale (close to Heyers Rd corner)

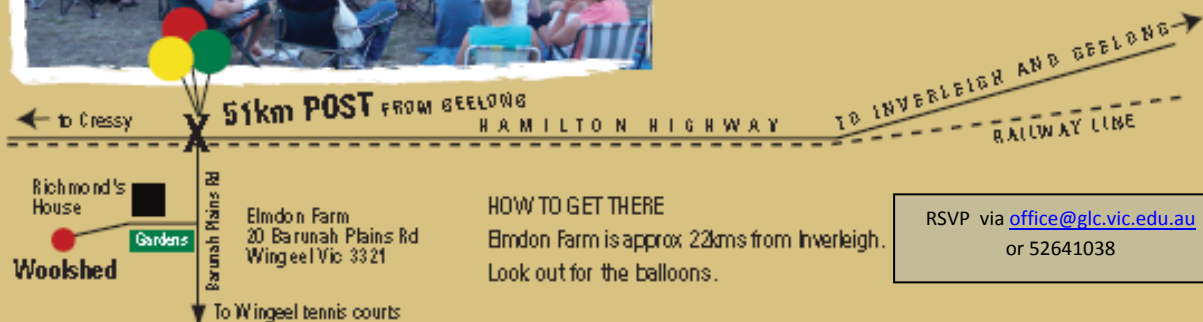
'BUSH CHRISTMAS'

Come and enjoy Christmas carols in the Woolshed, Saturday 17th December at Richmond's Farm, Wingeel.

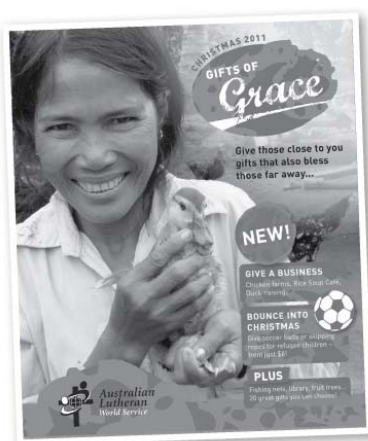


BYO:

- ♦ Picnic tea in the beautiful gardens from 6.30pm.
- ♦ Band will begin approx 8.15.
- ♦ Chairs.
- ♦ Family and friends.



RSVP via office@glc.vic.edu.au
or 52641038



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soccer balls,
small
business
loans...**

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(and receiving) the
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people? And are tax-
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COMMUNITY NOTICES:

KARDINIA AQUATIC CENTRE

FREE FAMILY FUN DAY!

**SUNDAY 15 JANUARY,
11.00AM - 3.00PM**

FREE ENTRY & FREE ACTIVITIES:

- Inflatable
- Waterslide
- Pod games
- Aqua roller
- Diving pool
- Swimming

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Geelong Swimming Club

Come and try fun day

**Sunday 4th December
12pm - 2pm**

Geelong College Pool

Email
geelongswimming@gmail.com
or visit
www.geelongswimmingclub.com.au

Vic's back with a Splash at Geelong Grammar

VICSWIM seeks to ensure that all Victorians have the opportunity to access water safety, survival and swimming programs that maximize safety and attitudes ensuring confidence and the ability to enjoy aquatic environments. 'Summer Kidz' is a long standing, proven program offered for one, two or three weeks during the January school holiday. Conducted by qualified and experienced teachers, and with small class sizes for enhanced learning, the intensive five-day programs cater for participants of all ages and abilities and are supported by the Victorian Government's 'Play it Safe by the Water' campaign. Enrolment in VICSWIM Summer Kidz 2012 is \$25 per participant, which includes one 40-minute class each day for the five (5) day program.

All enrolment can be done online by visiting www.vicswim.com.au or by calling Julie Rankin at Aquatics Recreation Victoria on 9271-3800.

Week	Start date	End date
1 9am-12noon	Monday 9 January 2012	Friday 13 January 2012
2 9am-12noon	Monday 16 January 2012	Friday 20 January 2012
3 9am-12noon	Monday 23 January 2012	Friday 27 January 2012

