



# TLS NEWSLETTER

23 JUNE 2022 (WEEK 9)



## OFFICE HOURS

Please be aware that the Front Office will be closed over the holidays and will reopen on Tuesday, 12 July 2022.

During Term 3 the Front Office will be open from 8.30am to 3.45pm. This is to ensure that relevant Staff can attend meetings.

We wish our TLS Community a blessed break and look forward to welcoming everyone back in Term 3.

# PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE

JAMES PHILLIPS



I congratulate all students, parents, staff and friends on the completion of Semester 1. This has been the first full semester of school in two years and the students have adapted exceptionally well, showing great resilience and perseverance, particularly as they have become increasingly tired. It has also been wonderful to see our school values at work in our community; service, respect and integrity. Tomorrow, as you attend your child's three-way conference and see the presentation of their Digital Learning Portfolio (DLP), I trust that you can see, acknowledge and celebrate their individual growth this semester.

I have really enjoyed watching TLS has talent during lunch time this week and thank the students who served on the Student Representative Council (SRC) this term for organising it. In Lutheran schools, we celebrate the many and varied skills, gifts and abilities that each individual brings. I have been so proud of each student who has shared their passion and gift with us, and it shows how diverse our lovely community is.

Whilst we have had a big semester, we have been blessed to be able to return to so many activities and events that we were previously use to. I want to thank everyone who has served, volunteered or contributed on any level, including through our Parent, Staff and Friends Association (PSFA).

As we look ahead to Term 3, there is already a lot planned from camps, Jump Rope for Heart, Great Explorations and the School Concert. Please keep your eyes on the website calendar for the most up-to-date information on events, as this is regularly updated.

Planning has begun for Laternenfest and as you can see later in this edition of our Newsletter, we are looking for many hands to make light work. If you are able to contribute on any level, we would really love to hear from you. Your commitment can be as big or as small as you are willing.

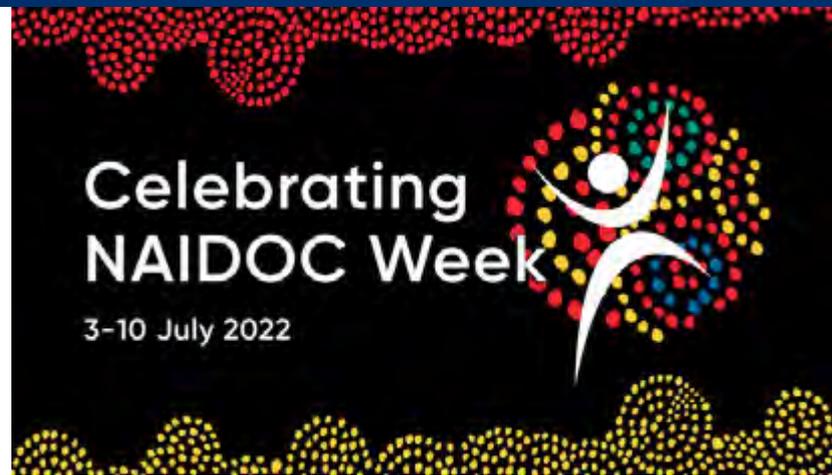
As we complete the semester, we can reflect on this Sunday's Gospel reading found in Luke 9:51-62. In this passage, we see numerous individuals who said they would follow Jesus....but first....I need to... [fill in the blanks]. It can be sometimes challenging to read what Jesus is saying in context. There is a danger in this passage that if we take it literally, we may not attend to the many needs that strive to fulfil in our daily lives. Perhaps Jesus is not actually saying to ignore these needs but challenging us on a deeper level. Is commitment to Him is something that we tend to put off, or don't take seriously enough? What Jesus offers each of us is an amazing grace-filled reward, which is far better than anything we can imagine. Relationship with our God is available to all through faith and prayer.

I pray that all families can take the time to relax, refresh and spend quality time with one another over the next fortnight. Again, thank you for your partnership in the educative process and I look forward to seeing you again in Term 3.

**Mr James Phillips**  
Principal

# WELLBEING NEWS

MISS JANE



The latest in our SchoolTV reports focusses on NAIDOC week which falls during our school holiday break from Sunday, 3 July to Sunday, 10 July. I hope the information presented in this special report can inspire good conversations with your children over the holiday break. I wish you all a safe and happy break, and in whatever you are doing, stay safe and we look forward to seeing you all again in Term 3.

Miss Jane

## SPECIAL REPORT: Celebrating NAIDOC Week

NAIDOC week celebrates the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people. It is celebrated by all Australians and is a great opportunity to recognise and learn more about the history and culture of indigenous communities.

NAIDOC stands for National Aborigines and Islanders Day Observance Committee. Its origins can be traced back to the Aboriginal rights movement, when on Australia Day 1938, protestors marched through the streets of Sydney to highlight the status and treatment of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Australians. Today, it is a week-long celebration held in July that consists of range of traditional and contemporary activities.

NAIDOC Week is an important event that helps build positive relationships between Aboriginal and non-Aboriginal people. It enables a deeper understanding of our differences and similarities. NAIDOC week is an opportunity for all Australians to eliminate bias and discrimination by reflecting and reconciling the wrongs of the past to facilitate hope and build a fairer future. Families are encouraged to join in and support young people in learning the significance of NAIDOC Week.

This Special Report offers suggestions on how families can celebrate NAIDOC Week together. We hope you take a moment to reflect on the information offered, and as always, we welcome your feedback. If this raises any concerns for you, a loved one or the wellbeing of your child, please seek medical or professional help.

You will find the link to this month's edition via the Parent Portal on our Website.



## EMMETT AWARD

AUSTIN

Demonstrating a brilliant work ethic with a positive growth mindset. Displaying GRIT when faced with challenges and driven nature to succeed. Presenting work creatively and "thinking outside the box." Being inclusive and well mannered.



## JOHN LANDY AWARD

LUCY

Her consistently polite, kind and helpful manner in the classroom and play ground. Lucy can be relied upon to offer help wherever and whenever it may be needed and brings positivity to everything she does.

# SCHOOL AWARDS

## FOUNDATION

Annie C  
Oscar B  
Alice B  
Harper A

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## YEAR 1

Henry P  
Minnie W

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## YEAR 2

Harper B  
Magnolia S  
Austin M

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## YEAR 3

Zayne S  
Annabelle K

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## YEAR 4

Imogen P

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## YEAR 5

Ava K  
Belle K  
Eli H

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## YEAR 6

Drew R

# TLS COLLECTED \$182.25 IN SUPPORT OF MRI FOR U & I



# TLS HAS TALENT



# SPECIAL NOTICES

## Laternenfest

is returning in  
2022



★ We are needing helpers to keep  
this unique community event going! ★

- Develop Risk Management plans
- Facilitate stallholders
- Bring new ideas
- Facilitate kuchen baking
- Set-up and pack-up of Gingerbread House, Laternenfest signs & hang Lanterns.
- Media Promotion (Social Media, TV, Radio & Newspapers)
- Gate keepers
- Treasurer to manage finances

- Coordinate Hay Bale Art: bale orders, bale delivery and removal of all bales.
- Erect staging
- Coordinate Stein holding event
- Set up on the day (tents, seating etc)
- Clean up on the night ready for Elections
- Clean up and tidy churchyard next morning; removal of staging, bar and picket fencing

IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP WITH ANY OF THESE TASKS  
PLEASE CONTACT **JANE CROWE** AT THE SCHOOL ON  
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