



# ST ALBERT'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL LOXTON

## NEWSLETTER

Week 1, Term 2  
1 May, 2018

### Important Dates



**Tuesday, May 8**

Mass (10:00am) prepared by Yrs 3/4/5 Class  
Parents and Friends Meeting (7:00pm)

**Sunday, May 13**

Mother's Day

**Tuesday, May 15 – Thursday, May 17**

National Assessment Program  
Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN)

**Tuesday, May 15**

School Board Meeting (7:00pm)

**Friday, May 18**

Assembly hosted by R1 Class (2:40pm)

**Sunday, May 20**

Children's Liturgy (11:00am)

**Monday, May 21**

Volunteers' Week

**Tuesday, May 22**

Mass (10:00am) prepared by Yrs R/1 Class

**Thursday, May 24**

School Photo Day

**Friday, June 1**

Grandparent / Grand-friend &  
Walk to School Day



*Term 2 begins with a smile!*

## Welcome back

Dear Parents / Caregivers and Friends of the St Albert's Community

Welcome back to another sensational term!

It was wonderful to see so many smiling faces flood back into school over the first two days. Everyone has looked relaxed and happy to be back and ready to take on the challenges of another term.

I hope everyone had a wonderful time over the holidays, spending precious time with family and friends.

As we returned to school, we were welcomed with a fresh and vibrant look around the yard, as we had some parents volunteer their time to come in and help prepare the school for a new school term. I cannot thank them enough for their efforts and it is wonderful to have such a caring and helpful school community.

The new Term brings with it the cooler weather and this means students will begin to pull out their warm jumpers to wear to school. A reminder to look at the uniform notice in the Newsletter that informs you about the uniform shop opening times and all information regarding the new jumpers.

LOVE – it's a verb and a sacrament. Changing a nappy is an act of love. Helping a child take its first steps, practising spelling words, baiting hooks, soothing angers, kicking a ball together, attending recitals and plays, affirming gifts – all these loving actions continue the human growth process that starts in the womb. These self-giving actions make visible the bond between parent and child.

As we begin Term 2, we thank you for your ongoing love and support for your children and the school and we look forward to continuing to work together to ensure that we have a fantastic Term, filled with fun, faith, laughter and learning.

**Brogan Whitelaw**  
**Acting Principal**

# Our Lady of the River Parish



## Parish Priest

Father Paul Bourke  
Phone 8582 1894

## Riverland Priest

Father Cletus Mloka  
Phone 0484 562 612

## OLOR Youth, Families and Young Adults

### Facebook Group

[www.facebook.com/groups/OLORYouth](http://www.facebook.com/groups/OLORYouth)

## LOXTON MASS TIMES, SUNDAYS

1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Sundays – 11am

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays – 6pm

## LOXTON MASS TIMES, WEEKDAYS

10am Tuesdays.



# Little Albee's Playgroup



**Who:** 0-5 year olds

**When:** Tuesday mornings 9am – 11am  
(during school terms)

**Where:** Playgroup room  
(transportable at the end of the outdoor court)

**Bring:** A piece of fruit and hat

**Cost:** \$2.00 per child or \$4.00 a family per week  
Tea and coffee will be supplied

### For more information:

Please contact the school  
Phone 8584 5110

### Chelsea Gutsche

Play Group Coordinator

## ANZAC Day Service

During the school holidays ANZAC day was commemorated. This day is such an important national occasion as it marks the anniversary of the landing at Gallipoli. Like hundreds of thousands of fellow Australian citizens, our two school captains, Jenna and Jack, made their way to the Cross of Sacrifice in Loxton to commemorate this significant event.

Jenna and Jack represented the school and laid a wreath on behalf of St. Albert's during the Dawn Service. This day calls for respect, honour and pride, and this is definitely the attitude and values displayed by our two school leaders during the service.

Our school is very fortunate to have a wonderful friend and volunteer in Howard Hendrick, who is a returned serviceman. Howard's story is an amazing one to be heard and we are blessed to have such a remarkable individual involved with our school and parish. Our two leaders were very honoured to be able to have their photo taken with Howard after the service.

I would also like to thank Shelly Westbrook, who created and constructed a beautiful and fresh new wreath for our school to use for the ANZAC Day Service.





## Pastoral Support



Hi everyone,

### Milo Fundraiser Term 2

During Term 2 on Mondays we will be serving warm milo at lunch time for 50 cents mug. Orders not needed.

Later in the term we will also have a special food day for charity.

Erin and the SRC

All money raised goes towards a charity.

Best wishes,  
Erin Harrald  
*Pastoral Care Worker*

## Uniform Shop



### WINTER WINDCHEATERS

Delivery for the *ordered* windcheaters are expected by the end of Week 2.

If anyone would like to purchase a new windcheater and has not previously ordered one, please contact me as soon as possible. I have ordered extra garments, however sizes and quantity will be limited and a new order may take another three weeks.

### OPEN TUESDAYS FROM 2:00PM – 3:00PM

or by appointment at other times.

#### Please note:

As I have commitments assisting teachers and students in classrooms at other times, I may not be able to help with uniforms. Please contact me by email to arrange an alternative time. Orders may also be sent to me by email and I will package ready for collection.

Jenny Hicks  
Uniform Shop Manager

[jennyh@stalbert.catholic.edu.au](mailto:jennyh@stalbert.catholic.edu.au)

## School Communication

### 'Yellow Slip' initiative

This term we are introducing the 'yellow slip' initiative. This initiative is a result from the 2017 Parent Satisfaction Survey, which encouraged more communication from the school surrounding repeated, low – level misbehaviour. After consultation with Teachers and Staff, the yellow slip has been introduced to help inform parents if their child has continued to have these repeated misbehaviour incidents.

If a yellow slip appears in your child's diary, it is to indicate that after a reminder and repeated warning, the unwanted behaviour persisted. We ask parents to acknowledge the yellow sticker by signing the appropriate area. It is also likely that your child's teacher will make contact to discuss the issue and work in partnership to support an amicable solution.

## Loxton Pedal Prix – Parents & Friends

This Sunday, May 6<sup>th</sup> Loxton is hosting the UNISA Australian HPV Super Series. The day is always a wonderful spectacle with it being a really great community event. The P & F are going to be setting up a food stall for this event, which is a fantastic opportunity for the school. They are still looking for people to volunteer their time to help with the food stall. This is a great opportunity to fundraise for the school, which is hugely beneficial to our students.

They are looking for people to help with the cooking of the bacon and eggs, the sausages and the hamburgers or to help with the serving. If you are able to spare some time on Sunday it would be greatly appreciated. If you are unable to attend but would still like to contribute, donations of eggs and bacon would be welcomed.

Alternatively, the school has also volunteered to look after a checkpoint of the race. Therefore we need people to help with managing a spot on the track.

If you are able to help in any way could you please contact the school on 85845110.

## NAPLAN

The dates for this year's National Assessment Program – Literacy and Numeracy (NAPLAN) tests are Tuesday, May 15 – Thursday, May 17. All students are encouraged to participate in the tests. Withdrawals are intended to address issues such as parental beliefs or philosophical objections to testing. These issues should be discussed with the Principal ASAP so that an appropriate course of action can be determined before the testing dates.

## Save the Date

This year's Auction With A Difference theme is...Mexican!!  
Saturday, August 11 from 7pm at the Loxton Sporty Club

## Community News



### **PEDAL PRIX LOXTON**– May 6, 2018

10am to 4pm

Food and refreshments all day – shops open.

### **BIG MUD DAY OUT** – May 8, 2018

11am – 2pm.

Wilabalangaloo

1582 Old Sturt Highway, Monash.

Messy, natural, sensory play with mud, sand, sticks and leaves.

Contact: Berri 85 952 415.

### **NET SET GO** – Start date – May 12, 2018

8:45am for 1 hour – 5 to 7 year olds.

Cost \$65.

Register now: [netsetgo.asn.au](http://netsetgo.asn.au)

### **AUSKICK** – Start date – May 12, 2018

At Loxton North Football Oval

9am to 10am

Register now: [play.afl/auskick](mailto:play.afl/auskick)

Email: [loxtonauskick@gmail.com](mailto:loxtonauskick@gmail.com)

### **iPLAY THERAPY** – Starting May 23, 2018

Children's Mindfulness Sessions

iPlay Therapy Shop 6/7 Chaffey Colannades,  
Fourteenth St Renmark.

Bookings: [iplaytherapy@outlook.com](mailto:iplaytherapy@outlook.com)

Wednesdays 4:30 to 5:30pm.

Groups will be up to 8 participants only.

### **SUNDAY 27 MAY**

Adelaide Comets V Adelaide United

Loxton Football Oval

3:00pm – Tickets \$10

National Premier Leagues

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### **DVDS – UNEXPECTED MOMENTS**

Little Town Christmas 2017

Now available for purchase and collection

from the Loxton Lutheran Ministry Centre

Wednesdays/Thursdays 10am – 3pm or

phone 0427791987.

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