



VINEYARD  
Lutheran School Clare Valley

Term 1 Week 2  
5<sup>th</sup> February 2021

### Term 1 Upcoming Events 2021

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February – Summer Hub  
Carnival Trial

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February – mainly  
play

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> February – Student  
Parliament Assembly

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> February – District  
Swimming Carnival at Clare

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February – Swimming  
Carnival at The Valleys

Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> March – Summer Hub  
Carnival (Tennis/Cricket/Softball)  
please note change of date

Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> March – Brekky Bike &  
Beats

Friday 26<sup>th</sup> March – State Swimming  
Carnival

Monday 29<sup>th</sup> March – Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup>  
March – 6/7 Softball State Carnival

2021 Term 1 Calendar attached to The  
Wire

### Vineyard Term Dates 2021

Term 1: Wed 27<sup>th</sup> January – 9<sup>th</sup> April

Term 2: 27<sup>th</sup> April – 25<sup>th</sup> June

Term 3: 19<sup>th</sup> July – 24<sup>th</sup> September

Term 4: 11<sup>th</sup> October – 10<sup>th</sup> December

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# Vineyard Wire

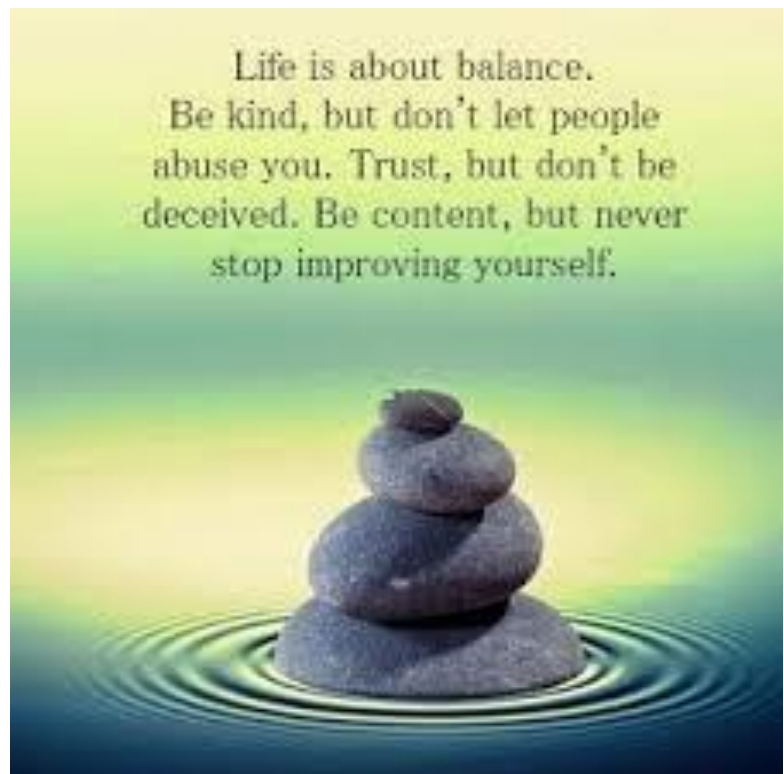
## Balance Life

***Blessed (happy, fortunate, to be envied) is the man whom You discipline and instruct, O Lord, and teach out of Your law, that you may give him power to keep himself calm in the days of adversity.***

A person who is lazy and passive is not happy. A passive person is someone who wants something good to happen, but who just sits still and waits to see if it does. Successful people live disciplined lives.

First Peter 5:8 says, "Be well balanced (temperate, sober of mind), be vigilant and cautious at all times." The devil would like you to go overboard in some area, but stay steady and God "will Himself complete and make you what you ought to be, establish and ground you securely, and strengthen, and settle you" (verse 10).

Submitted by Robby Edmunds



Life is about balance.  
Be kind, but don't let people  
abuse you. Trust, but don't be  
deceived. Be content, but never  
stop improving yourself.

## From the Principal

Lutheran schools - why? "Most people are other people. Their thoughts are someone else's opinions, their lives a mimicry, their passions a quotation". Oscar Wilde

In Australia's highly competitive education markets, why have Lutheran schools? What do Lutheran schools uniquely contribute to this environment? If we look to the past, then the answer is: to preserve unique cultural values and practices. Many of our schools used German as their first language. They were parochial schools, aimed not only at preparing their students for life but for a life shaped very much by the values and practices of German culture.

Today our schools are multi-cultural communities where the journey into identity is focused on discovery rather than mono-cultural conformity. Our schools are places where each member of its community can safely ask the question, 'Who am I?' being confident that others will respectfully journey with them into that discovery. On its surface this does not make Lutheran schools unique. Such respect and companionship should be enjoyed in any school environment.

What makes Lutheran schools unique is where people can go with that question. Lutheran schools provide people with the opportunity to 'look into' the very face of God, and ask their question, 'Who am I?' It is there in God's determined, '...let us make' (Genesis 1:26) that they will discover that they are God's people.

While all schools are places for vibrant discovery, Lutheran schools bring something unique to that environment. They are places where people are offered the opportunity to discover themselves in the face and voice of God. The God who, from the cross says, 'Look up and see. Look up and see me. Look up and discover yourself in me.' [Jesus said:] For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake will find it. Matthew 16:25

In a world where identity is slyly imposed, manipulated and exploited. In a world where the journey into identity can be difficult and dangerous, particularly for young people, Lutheran schools make a unique contribution. Desiring nothing to gain but offering everything to give, we see ourselves in our honest Other. We discover ourselves in God, we hear the voice that calls us the "Beloved." Being the Beloved constitutes the core truth of our existence." — Henri J.M. Nouwen

Rev James Winderlich  
Principal Australian Lutheran College

### **MEDICAL UPDATES/INFLUENZA REMINDER**

\* Please bear in mind that if your child is at all unwell, please DO NOT send them to school. Your child will still be able to access their learning at home through Diverse Learning. Please also continue your regular communication with your classroom teacher through the appropriate channels.

### **FLU LIKE SYMPTOMS – COVID TEST**

- If a student, staff member or volunteer presents with flu like symptoms or is noticed with them or is unwell at the school, then they will be isolated and required to leave as soon as possible.
- They will then need to be tested for COVID at a testing site; this needs to be done as soon as possible.
- They will then need to remain isolated until a negative result is notified.
- They may only return to school once ALL the symptoms have disappeared.

**These cold and flu symptoms include:** Cough, Fever, Sore throat, Temperature, Shortness of Breath, Fatigue, Aches, Pains, Headaches, Runny or stuffy nose, Diarrhea, Sneezing, Any loss of taste and/or smell.

### **STAFF INSTALLATION**

Staff are called to serve our students and families by sharing the gospel and providing high quality education. We take that call very seriously, and each year we commit to doing that to the best of our ability.

This week after Monday's Chapel devotion in the afternoon, Pastor Greg performed the installation rites for myself and Mrs Richardson as we arrived during last year.

All staff and students received a blessing at this service and we invited all families and friends to join us for this special worship service.

### **WELCOME BBQ AND PARENT INFORMATION NIGHT**

As with last year at Vineyard, on Tuesday night we held our Welcome BBQ together with our Parent Information Night. This social gathering was designed to foster and build new friendships and a stronger sense of community within our Vineyard family members. It was a great opportunity for class teachers to communicate critical information such as classroom expectations, routines, camps, homework expectations, sport uniform days, curriculum topics and much more.

We began at 6pm with our welcome BBQ but due to covid-19 regulations we were not able to have the salads and sweets as previously. We had a sausage on bread with sauce provided by the school. Following this, parents went to classes and teachers presented a twenty minute session which was repeated for families with multiple children. Thank you to Mrs Underdown who not only organised and donated the sausage sizzle but also provided a creche with activities for the children – ‘thaumatropes’ for them to make. Thank you also to Mrs Kennett for organising the administration side of the evening and for Ben Plowman and Nathan Richardson for assisting with cooking the BBQ.

## ENROLMENTS

If you know someone who is thinking about coming to Vineyard this year, please encourage them to contact us as soon as possible and organise a tour. Referrals from our current families are a great way for new families in our community to hear about Vineyard. You are welcome to come along with them and join the tour.

## STUDENT LEADERSHIP DAY

Today our student leaders for the school, School Captains Tobias Nurk and Amreen Atwal, had the opportunity to go to Good Shepherd Lutheran School, Para Vista, to attend a workshop to equip, inspire and encourage them in their roles. Based upon the four S's of Student Leadership it represents:

1. Significant others I respect
2. Spiritual Leadership
3. Servant Leadership
4. Support

We look forward to hearing how this day went in a report in next week's newsletter.

## COVID-19

The latest health advice from the government and AISSA is that activities can resume/continue providing physical distancing requirements (2sq m per adult) are followed. Parents, volunteers, and service providers may enter school and preschool grounds. Adults, including parents, must continue to physically distance wherever possible, including at school pick up and drop off or when attending school assemblies and concerts.

For events held both on and off site, food and beverages must not be served using shared utensils and there should be no communal food or beverage service, for example buffets, salad bars or sauce dispensers.

In addition:

- It is important that students and staff stay home if they are unwell.
- All overseas travel remains on hold.
- Schools are advised against booking interstate camps due to the changing nature of border restrictions.
- Additional cleaning of high use areas should continue.
- Records enabling contact tracing of all adults attending the campus should be maintained.

## QR CODES

SA Health has rolled out the COVID Safe Check-in system across the state's schools. As such, the implementation and use of QR codes is underway and all adults (including staff and parents) entering the site must check-in by scanning the QR code or completing the paper recording log template.

Children and students (including adult students) do not need to check-in and their attendance should be recorded via normal processes which can then be easily made available to SA Health for contact tracing purposes. The COVID Safe Check-in is purely for SA Health contact tracing purposes. It does not replace a school's normal visitor sign-in process.

## COMMUNICATION

This year we will continue sending most of our communication (including class newsletters, events, invoices and the Wire) by email on Fridays. Hard copies are easily available from Jennie / Leah at the front desk upon request. We hope that this assists families to access information easier and quicker. If you have any difficulties, please contact us as soon as possible. We will be continuing to use Seesaw throughout the week to showcase our student learning and will also be putting our events and reminders on our internal Facebook page.

## POLICY REVIEW

This week we are focussing on our Sunsmart policy, in particular hats, sunscreen and especially sunglasses. Should students wish to wear sunglasses at school, especially in summer months, they are encouraged to do so.

I hope you have a Blessed weekend

Geoffrey Strauss

Principal

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## School Sunsmart Policy



Students are now able to wear sunglasses at recess and lunch time as it is part of our School Sunsmart Policy.

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## School Notices

### Mid North Lutheran Ministries – Service Times

#### SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY

Clare	9.00am LR
Brinkworth	9.00am HC Pastor Greg
Blyth	9.30am LR
Snowtown	11.00am HC Pastor Greg + AGM
Burra	9.00am LR

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### Family & Staff Prayers

Over the last week in staff devotion we prayed for the: Edwards, Arnold and Amundsen families, staff member Geoffrey Strauss and Vineyard Lutheran School, Clare.

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### Students of the Week –

#### Term 1, Week 2 – Class Awards

**Nicholas Harvey** – For demonstrating **Quality**. For trying hard and keeping your work so neat.

**Archie Cutten** – For demonstrating **Compassion**. For taking the time with younger students at play. Thank you.

**Cody Woodlands** – For demonstrating **Appreciation**. For a wonderful start this year at Vineyard. You have shown a positive attitude and have been involved in all aspects of the school day.

**Rebecca Toon** – For demonstrating **Service**. For setting a wonderful example to others in the classroom and giving her best effort throughout all tasks.

**Kayla Amundsen** – For demonstrating **Quality**. Kayla, you have tried really hard this week with

your work and have persisted in challenging tasks. Well done!

*Students of the Week are presented at our Assembly every Friday afternoon at 2.45pm. Family and friends are welcome to attend.*

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### Birthday Blessings

God's Blessings to everyone who is celebrating their birthday this week and in the holidays.

7<sup>th</sup> February  
11<sup>th</sup> February

Geoffrey Strauss  
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### Summer Hub Carnival

The date of the Summer Hub Carnival has changed. It will now be held on Tuesday of Week 6 (2<sup>nd</sup> March) NOT Friday of Week 6 as advised in last week's Wire.

Trials will take place on Monday, 8<sup>th</sup> February from 4-5pm. Tennis trials will be held at the Clare Tennis Club, Cricket trials at the CHS cricket nets and softball on the CHS oval.

All students trialling will need to take a Trial and Event Consent form to the trial on Monday night. These forms will be sent home with students today.

Belinda Dare  
Sports Co-ordinator



# New Vineyard Students for 2021



## Introducing the Vineyard Care Team!



This year Amy Gogoll, Jennie-Lee Kennett, Christina Underdown and Shelley Upton have joined together to create the Vineyard Care Team. The Vineyard Care Team will be replacing the previous Classroom Carers Program.

- The main goals of the Vineyard Care Team are:
  - To support the Christian ethos and aims of the school
  - To develop a vibrant sense of community
  - To incorporate programs that will welcome families into the school and provide ongoing support and friendship to the school community
- To respond sensitively to the needs of the school community
  - To be a part of a link between all aspects of the school community ie. parents, students and staff

One of the main functions of the Vineyard Care Team is to develop a bond of caring between families within our school. We are creating a care register of people who are willing to help provide meals, baked foods, transport etc. for families who may need some extra support. Please keep an eye out for it and return ASAP.

We look forward to supporting our school community and helping to build strong, caring and inclusive community at Vineyard Lutheran School.

# Vineyard Lutheran School Foundation - Year 7 Swimming Lessons



Dear Parents/Caregivers

All students from Foundation to Year 7 will be involved with Swimming Lessons in Week 5. Children will be driven by bus to and from lessons. Children can wear their sports uniform all week to make changing easier. Time will be allowed at school for them to change into their bathers and at the Valleys for them to change out of their bathers. Swimming is a part of the curriculum at Vineyard, so it is expected that ALL children will participate. Below is the Lesson Timetable:

Year levels	Bus To Valleys	Start	Duration	Finish	Leave from Valleys
F, 1, 2 & 3	12.15am	12:30pm	55 mins	1:25pm	1.40pm
4, 5, 6 & 7	1:15pm	1:30pm	55 mins	2:25pm	2:40pm

Parents are more than welcome to come along and watch their child be involved in this program. If parents are available, we would also really appreciate help with getting the younger children changed after lessons.

All students will need to wear their uniform to and from school and change before and after lessons. They will need to bring to school each day:

- Bathers
- Rashie Top - **No top, no swimming!**
- Goggles (if required)
- Thongs or Crocs, etc- **only to be worn to swimming lessons and while at the pool.**
- Towel

Please make sure all your child's belongings are clearly labelled.

All children (unless otherwise requested by parents) will apply sunscreen before their allocated lesson time.

Some children experience anxiety in and around water. If this is your child, please contact your classroom teacher to discuss how this can be managed.

Medication at school will be taken to the pool with the class teacher.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to phone the school.

## Vineyard Lutheran School Swimming Carnival Friday 26<sup>th</sup> February

The swimming carnival will be held at the Valleys pool on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> of February. The carnival will commence at 11.30am. Students will attend school in the morning and will be transported to the Valleys by bus after recess. Once again, we will not be running separate carnivals for junior & upper primary but participating together throughout the day, as a whole school. We believe this format gives houses the best opportunity to work together and encourage each other. The program will include:

- Junior Primary (F-3) novelty events in the little pool
- Upper Primary (4-7) novelty events in the big pool
- Whole school novelty events in the little pool
- Competitive races in the big pool (choice of 10m, 25m & 50m)

**A program with times will be available closer to the event.**

**The carnival will conclude at approximately 3:00pm. Parents are asked to collect their children by 3.15pm. OSHC and bus children will be taken to the Primary school to ensure normal bus & OSHC routine is maintained.**

Any parents who are able to assist on the day would be greatly appreciated. Scorers & timekeepers will be required throughout the day. Please let me know if you are able to help.

Belinda Dare (Sport Coordinator)



# BREKKY, BIKES & BEIN' ACTIVE



Join us at the **Lennon Street Carpark** for a **FREE** brekky and supported walk or ride to your Kindy or School.

## THURSDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2021

### 7:45 AM

Please ensure your child has suitable riding experience to safely participate in this community school walk and ride. All parties participating in this event do so at their own risk and are required to ensure safety helmets are worn.



## Bounce into dance and cheer in 2021 at Hip Hop Bounce



### On offer in Clare:

- ✓ Hip Hop
- ✓ Jazz
- ✓ Contemporary
- ✓ Tumble
- ✓ All Star Cheer
- ✓ Adult's Dance Fitness
- ✓ Teacher-Training
- ✓ Competitive Cheer
- ✓ Competitive Dance (Contemporary)



Join our Little Bouncer Club specifically designed to introduce your 2-3 year old to the magic of dance.

Move into Mini Stars to nurture your 4-5 year old through their Kindy and school transition years with fun, imaginative dance progressions.

Jump into Juniors from age 6 to grow all the way to graduation at 18, or continue on as an adult dancer.

At Hip Hop Bounce, our whole curriculum is designed to teach technical dance and cheer in a creative and supportive environment.



With recreational, performance, vocational and competitive options we have the course to fulfil your dreams.

Our passion is working with you to help you shine your very brightest.

**Enrol now to put the Bounce in your step and thrive in the HJB Propelling Potential experience.**

**0416 239 676 \* kelli@hiphopbounce.com.au \* Find us on Facebook**

Port Pirie \* Jamestown \* Clare \* Crystal Brook \* Port Broughton

Week Commencing	Week	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
25 January	1	25/1 School Holiday	26/1 Australia Day Public Holiday	27/1 Term 1 Begins Welcome Morning Tea Chapel 2.30pm	28/1	29/1 Whole School Fitness	30/1	31/1
1 February	2	1/2 Chapel 2.30pm Staff Dedication & Blessing	2/2 Welcome BBQ- 6 pm Parent Information Night 7pm -8pm	3/2 New Foundation Students rest day @ home	4/2	5/2 Student Leaders Day  Assembly 2.45pm	6/2	7/2
8 February	3	8/2 Chapel 2.30pm	9/2	10/2 New Foundation Students rest day @ home	11/2	12/2 Whole school Head Lice Check Whole School Fitness	13/2	14/2
15 February	4	15/2 Chapel 2.30pm	16/2 <b>Shrove Tuesday</b>	17/2 New Foundation Students rest day @ home  <b>Ash Wednesday</b> with Pastor Greg	18/2	19/2 Assembly 2.45pm	20/2	21/2
22 February Swimming Week	5	22/2 Chapel 2.30pm  Swimming Lessons @ The Valleys  District Swimming Carnival	23/2  Swimming Lessons @ The Valleys	24/2  Swimming Lessons @ The Valleys	25/2  Swimming Lessons @ The Valleys	26/2  Swimming Carnival @ The Valleys	27/2	28/2
1 March	6	1/3 Chapel 2.30pm	2/3	3/3	4/3	5/3 Assembly 2.45pm  Summer Hub Carnival	6/3	7/3
8 March	7	8/3 <b>Adelaide Cup Public Holiday</b>	9/3 Chapel 2.30pm	10/3	11/3	12/3 Whole School Fitness	13/3	14/3
15 March	8	15/3 Chapel 2.30pm	16/3	17/3	18/3	19/3 Assembly 2.45pm	20/3	21/3
22 March	9	22/3 <b>Harmony Day</b>  Chapel 2.30pm	23/3	24/3	25/3	26/3 Whole School Fitness  Swimming State Carnival	27/3	28/3 <b>Palm Sunday</b>
29 March	10	29/3 <b>No Chapel</b> Compulsory Parent Teacher Interviews  Softball State Carnival ←	30/3 Compulsory Parent Teacher Interviews  Softball State Carnival  Pastor Greg with Whole School Devotion →	31/3  Softball State Carnival	1/4	2/4 <b>Good Friday</b>	3/4 <b>Easter Saturday</b>	4/4
5 April	11	5/4 <b>Easter Monday Holiday</b>	6/4	7/4	8/4	9/4 Assembly 1.45pm Last day of school early dismissal 2.15pm	10/4	11/4

Term 2 commences on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2021

Dates, times & events can change throughout the term