

# HORIZON NEWS

Term 4 Week 2  
Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## Take it to the Lord in Prayer:

The great thing about school is that I get to learn things as well! Lots of the learning that happens for me is also re-learning. This week I re-learnt a lesson in staff devotions about prayer.

At times, I can be a bit cynical about the types of prayers that some people pray. I've never really been one to pray for car parks in shopping centres, hoping I find the shoes I want at a good price, or other things I would consider unnecessary to bother God with.

However, I've recently had my thinking challenged about the amount of praying I am doing during the day. I'm not talking just about moments where we stop and take the time to have an extended and focussed time of prayer. I'm talking about committing all the things that come our way throughout the day, to God. To send up a quick internal prayer about a meeting I'm about to have, taking a phone call, having a chat to a student. Why shouldn't I be aware of committing all these events to God? What's the worst thing that could happen?

Too often my prayer life revolves around the 'fix it' mentality. Essentially, I carry on, bumbling through most things myself, until it gets to such a point that I call for reinforcements from God. Not a great modus operandi.

We are called to "**pray without ceasing**" (1 Thessalonians 5:17). I've always found this a daunting exhortation, as I haven't the where withal to focus on all the big ticket items in my life during the day. But what if the focus of this verse was not "continually bring all those big items to God earnestly", but it was more about "God cares about all the parts of your life and wants you to be in a state of constant prayer about all these areas, no matter how insignificant they seem to you" This is a huge change for me. It makes my prayer life a constant part of what I do throughout the day:

"Thank you God for a safe journey. Help me to be efficient when shopping. Look after that ambulance and the people in it. Thankyou for clean water to drink, whenever we want. Help my daughter find the right dress for her formal. Give me wisdom as I talk to these parents. Thank you for warm clothes and heating."

It's possible that as I talk more to God, thank, and communicate with Him, that I'll probably hear more from Him as well. That would be handy!

## Bill Greenslade - Head of School:



For a child is born to us, a son is given to us. The government will rest on his shoulders. And he will be called: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace.  
**Isaiah Chapter 9 Verse 6**

**THIS WEEK'S**  
*Memory Verse*

## Term 4 Diary Dates:

### **Pre School Transition**

Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> October

### **Parent Information Night**

Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November

### **Casual Clothes Day**

Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November

### **Special Breakfast Club for Families and Friends**

Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November

### **Pre School Transition**

Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November

### **Swimming Lessons**

Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November –  
Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> November

### **Swimming Carnival**

Friday 24<sup>th</sup> November

### **Primary/Secondary School Transition Day**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November

### **Art Gallery Excursion Foundation – Year 4**

Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November

### **Pre School Transition**

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November

### **Year 3 - Year 6 Mid North Christian School**

#### **Performance at Pt Pirie**

Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November

### **Year 3 – Year 6 Stig Weymes Show at Clare Town Hall**

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November

### **Casual Clothes Day**

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> November

### **Clare Christmas Street Parade**

Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December

### **End of Year Awards**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December

### **Last day of Term**

Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December (not early dismissal)

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## New Families and Parent Information Night:

Next **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> November** an information session will be held with discussing the developments in preparation with the addition of Year 9,10,11 and 12 classes for 2024. This will be held in The Cottage at 7pm.

We invite Horizon's families and other families outside the school community who are interested in sending their children to Horizon Clare next year, to attend. A Supper will be provided along with a creche for those who require this.

We look forward to seeing you at this important informative evening.

## Chapel:

Chapel will be held in the Cottage at 2.15pm on Friday. This week will be organised by the Year 3/4 Class.

## Hats in Term 4:

Hats are a compulsory part of the uniform for Term 4 to ensure our students are 'sun smart' at school. Students will be required to wear a Horizon school hat when outside.

## Mainly Play:

Mainly Play will be continuing every Wednesday, in Term 4 from 9.30am – 11.00am in the Cottage. If you know of anyone who has toddlers or babies, that would be interested in attending please share this so they can join in the fun too!

## Special Breakfast Club invite for Parents:

On **Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November** we are asking our Parents to come along and invite a friend to our special Breakfast Club, where you can enjoy the company of other families and friends, over a barista coffee and freshly cooked breakfast. A lovely way to start your morning!

## Subway Lunch Orders - Term 4

Subway lunch orders will be offered to students in Term 4 on Friday.

The envelopes for ordering have been sent home with students today, and when ordering, both the money and envelopes are to be returned on Thursday for lunch orders to be ready for delivery on Fridays.

## Swimming Lessons Water Safety Consent Form

A Water Safety Consent Form will be sent home with all students tonight. It is required that these forms are to be completed before swimming lessons start on the **Monday 20<sup>th</sup> November**. We ask that these forms are returned as soon as possible, as your child will not be allowed to participate in their lessons without this form.

## Casual Clothes Day– Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> November:

Our first Casual Clothes Day for Term 4 will be held on **Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> of November**. Students are asked to bring a gold coin donation to support GFA World – Gospel for Asia as they support a whole range of things from training local missionaries, giving out bibles, giving out chickens and goats, building wells and lots more. A reminder that students must wear school appropriate casual clothes on this day and will still be required to wear a hat when outside.

## Hot Shot Tennis Carnival:

The Hot Shots Tennis Carnival took place at the Clare tennis courts on Thursday the 19<sup>th</sup> of October, featuring students from Year 3 to Year 6 competing against their peers from the region. The event unfolded on a unseasonably hot day, but participants were treated with a refreshing ice block to beat the heat.

Approximately 250 kids attended, making it a large and exciting gathering of young athletes. This carnival provided a fantastic opportunity for all students to engage in the sport of tennis and showcase their skills while enjoying a day of friendly competition and camaraderie.



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**mainly play**

TIME: 9:30-11AM  
VENUE: HORIZON CHRISTIAN SCHOOL  
- in "The Cottage" -  
  
(CLARE CAMPUS)  
COST: \$5/FAMILY  
Registration options available  
CONTACT: AMY GOGOLL ON 88 421 808

Wednesdays during school terms



**11**  
NOVEMBER

AUBURN CLARE & DISTRICTS RSL



**LEST WE FORGET**

# REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

**10.45AM CLARE TOWN OVAL / CLUBROOM**

Following the service please join us for Lunch then at 12pm the official welcoming to the new Clubroom

**LIVE MUSIC, REFRESHMENTS AND RAFFLE**




**ADELAIDE Strikers GIRLS CRICKET LEAGUE**

## BAROSSA GIRLS COME & TRY CLINICS

Girls across the Barossa who want to give cricket a go are welcome to attend one of 4 FREE Come & Try events. All equipment is provided but players are welcome to bring their own.

4 Locations to choose from with all sessions starting at 10am:  
**Long Plains Recreation Grounds (Long Plains CC) - Oct 29th**  
**Elliot Goodger Memorial Reserve (Willaston CC) - Nov 5th**  
**Saddleworth Oval (Gilbert Valley CC) - Nov 12th**  
**Centennial Park Oval (Nuriootpa CC) - Nov 19th**

For more info please contact SACA rep Matt Leigh - mleigh@saca.com.au

# CLARE SWIM CLUB COME AND TRY NIGHT

Join us for the upcoming Clare Swim Club come and try night. Followed by information session about the 2023/24 season. Sausage sizzle available, gold coin donation.



**Thursday, 2nd November 2023**

4.15pm - 5 pm

For full details pop over to our  page - <https://www.facebook.com/clareshwimclub> or contact Kristy 0412 200 934 / Annabelle 0402 345 524