

Wednesday 13th March 2024

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Working Together as a Team:

We had our first Working Bee for Horizon Clare, and what a great team we were. Although the weather was hot and sultry, parents and children were keen to weed, rake and plant seedlings until the BBQ and 'much anticipated' ice-creams. We even managed to re-direct the small river we enjoy in the cubby house area, so that it no longer flows over the path.

It was so good to enjoy time with parents, who gave some great feedback and advice on other projects and ideas for the future. Thanks to all those who ventured to help.

We have also been working on naming our House Teams over the last few weeks and have enjoyed reading about many great Christian trailblazers on the way. Staff have decided on 3 three names of great Christian believers from the past. which will now become the names of our three House Teams at Horizon Clare. At our morning Assembly on Friday, we will be introducing the House Names, learning the journey of



these people, and matching the names with House colours. We will also be introducing our new House Points system, which will reward not just sporting achievements but also great initiative, helpfulness, academic effort and success, and Christian character.

Teamwork is so important and here at Clare we strive to be good team players, from keeping our grounds clean to giving a helping hand when we see a need. The families and staff are together each day and we are so grateful to God for encouraging us through His word to work as a great team under His leadership.

Belinda Seminutin – Head of School

Preparing our hearts for Easter:

the way He lived His entire life, too.

As we count down to the Easter long weekend, I continue to share with you some thoughts as we prepare our hearts and minds for this important calendar date.

Practice compassion. In His time on earth, Jesus was compassionate. Matthew 9:36 tells us that as Jesus moved through the towns and taught of the kingdom, "he felt compassion for them, because they were distressed and dejected, like sheep without a shepherd." Easter is a perfect time for us to revisit our priorities of helping people, caring for others, and being compassionate.

Christ was compassionate in giving His life for us, but He was compassionate in

THIS WEEK'S Memory Verse Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility value others above yourselves.

Philippians 2:3

Diary Dates:

NAPLAN Year 3, 5, 7, 9.

Wednesday 13th to Monday 25th March

Casual Clothes Day

Thursday 14th March

Year 9 TRJ 'The Calling'

Friday 15th March

Foundation Visit to The Gums

Friday 15th March

SAPSASA Swimming Carnival in Clare

Monday 18th March

Nathan 'Dubsy' Want Visit

Thursday 21st March

Sports Day

Thursday 28th March

Good Friday

Friday 29th March

Easter Monday

Monday 1st April

Cross Country

Wednesday 10th April

Not Ashamed of the Gospel **Workshop for Prefects**

Wednesday 10th April

Parent Teacher Interviews Wednesday 10th April

Last Day of Term 1

Friday 12th April early dismissal 2.15pm

Term 2 commences

Monday 29th April

Whole School Photo

Tuesday 30th April

SAPSASA Winter Hub

Wednesday 1st May

SACSA Primary Athletics

Friday 3rd May **SAPSASA Cross Country**

Monday 13th May



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NAPLAN Testing - Years 3, 5, 7, 9:

NAPLAN for 2024 has commenced for students in Year's 3, 5, 7 and 9 and will continue through to Monday 25th March.

It is not too late to order School Photos:

School photos have now been taken and orders will close <u>Monday 18th March.</u> Parents that have not yet ordered can still do so without penalty; however, you will need to act now by visiting <u>www.advancedlfe.com.au</u> and enter online order code: JDZ P5K LXF Chapel:

Chapel will be held in The Cottage this Friday at 2.30pm. The Year 8 classes will be leading Chapel, and the Foundation and Year 1/2 Class will be sharing some work.

We welcome families to attend.

Subway Lunch Orders - Term 1

Subway lunch orders will run just for this term with order envelopes sent home with students today. When ordering, both the money and envelopes are to be returned on Thursday for lunch orders to be ready for delivery on Fridays.

**Please note, we ask for the envelopes to be returned to the school if a Subway order is not required. Breakfast Club:

Breakfast Club runs every **Thursday** morning from 8:30am.

Students can take this opportunity to enjoy a delicious ready made breakfast before they begin their day at school.

Easter Fundraiser:

The Easter Fundraiser Order Forms were sent home to all families last week. Please share the news to your families and friends due to the forms being returned by next **Tuesday 19**th **March**, so don't miss out as you will not be disappointed! **Casual Clothes Day – Thursday 14**th **March**:

Our next Casual Clothes Day will be held tomorrow, <u>Thursday 14th March</u> (Week 7). Students are asked to bring a gold coin donation on this day, with proceeds going towards Walk the Walk and Orange Sky. This worthy charity supports people

experiencing homelessness to access free laundry, warm showers, and genuine connections. We have some staff from Horizon Clare that are taking the opportunity to support this worthy cause. Students are reminded that they need to wear appropriate clothing on this day and wear something orange!



Mainly Play will continue every Wednesday from 9.30am – 11.00am in The Cottage.

If you know of anyone with toddlers, who would be interested in attending, please share this so they can join in the fun!

Children's University - Final days to register:

Children's University Adelaide offers educational experiences for children aged 5-14 and volunteering opportunities for 15-18 year olds.

Last year, Horizon Balaklava had over 30 students Graduate at the University of Adelaide – our biggest group yet!

To join Children's University for 2024 and to register see Mrs S for more information before <u>Friday</u> 15th March .





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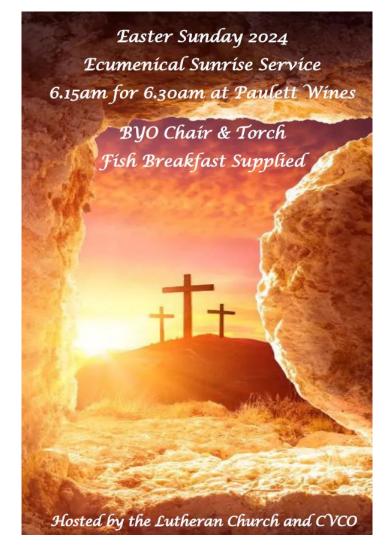


Orange Sky are a non-profit organisation providing free mobile laundry and shower services to people experiencing homelessness. Throughout March, Orange Sky are raising funds with 'Walk the Walk,' where participants each walk 122kms in solidarity for the 122,000 Australians experiencing homelessness.

Mr Densley, Mrs Ottens and Mrs Edmunds are team 'Hands and Feet,' walking to support *Orange Sky*. They are looking forward to completing their last kilometres as a team, on Sports Day.

All money raised tomorrow, for Casual Clothes Day, will be donated to team 'Hands and Feet.' We encourage all students to wear orange.







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SAVE THE DATE

All Parents and Caregivers are invited to hear guest speaker -Nathan 'Dubsy' Want, present on the topic of 'Navigating Inescapable Moments for Teenagers'

> Thursday 21st March, 6:30pm – 7:30pm Horizon Christian School Clare – The Cottage

> > Light supper provided afterwards

Register your entry by scanning the code below





"Life is an incredible journey, filled with countless moments that shape our teenagers' lives. Some moments bring joy and fulfilment, while others present challenges and hardships. We understand how important it is to acknowledge the significance of these moments and how they can deeply impact our teenagers' futures. As our teens grow, they will undoubtedly face situations that demand their attention and resilience. As parents, we must understand that there is no one-size-fits-all approach to guiding them through these experiences. Each teen's journey is unique, and there is no set expiration date for the duration of their navigation through these moments. Sometimes our teens may find themselves juggling multiple challenges at once. It's essential to understand that it's not a question of "if" but "when". These moments will arise. In this session, Dubsy will provide parents with practical tools to support and lead their teens through their current and future moments by fostering growth and resilience." ~ Nathan 'Dubsy' Want



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7.15pm - 9.30pm

Bring \$3

YOUTH ALPHA Games, Nachos, Video + Faith chats

FRIDAY APRIL 12TH

COMBINED YOUTH GROUP NIGHT

Details to follow - Stay tuned!



FOR MORE INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: 0437 703 258





