

## From the Principal

“As [Jesus) went along, he saw a man blind from birth...he spit on the ground, made some mud with the saliva, and put it on the man’s eyes. “Go,” he told him, “wash in the Pool of Siloam” (this word means “Sent”). So the man went and washed, and came home seeing”.

John 9:1,6,7

I’m a big fan of dirt.

As a child I loved nothing more than to have a big pile of freshly dug earth to build racing tracks for my Matchbox Cars. Like many of my generation, I lost more than my fair share of cars somewhere in the backyard when cars were buried in freak landslides, extreme crashes and through a little bit of boyish carelessness. I still mourn the loss of my Nigel Mansell replica F1 car – if anyone finds it, please let me know!

In a recent survey, it was seen that the second most popular thing that 10 year olds like doing is making mud pies. Who knew? I would have thought that it would have been surpassed by a game or device of some sort. It is nice to know that kids still like dirt.

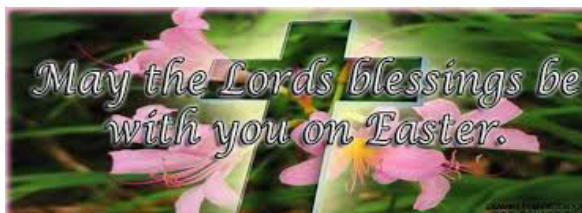
In our Bible verse this week we see Jesus taking humble dirt and healing a man, in doing so, completely changing his life. Jesus gave this bloke some dirt and suddenly he had his life back.

Often we think that we need to have a lot of material possessions before we can help others. “If only I had a spare room, I could give a home to someone who needs it”, “If only I earned more money, I could give money to the poor and needy”, “If only I had a better job, I could give my children better things”.

Jesus shows us that the most important gifts in this world often don’t cost a thing. Playing in the dirt and enjoying God’s creation costs us nothing, neither does offering an encouraging word or hug to someone going through a rough time.

May God bless us this week as we seek to be open to helping others in seemingly small and low-cost ways.

Blessings



## Calendar Events

### Week 9

- **Monday 27 to Wednesday 29 March - Book Fair in Junior School 3pm to 4pm**
- **Monday 27 March - Year 11 and 12 Studio Arts Excursion to NGV and Fed Square**
- **Monday 27 March - Year 8A Geography Excursion - White Cliff, St Andrews & Cape Schank**
- **Monday 27 March - PTFA Lake Walk - Meet in Admin at 8.45am**
- **Tuesday 28 March - Inter House Swimming - Year 3 to 12 - Noble Park Swim Centre**
- **Wednesday 29 March - Primary Regional Swimming**
- **Friday 31 March - BBQ Lunch Day for 4Cs**
- **Friday 31 March - Bulletin**
- **Friday 31 March - Last Day Term 1 - Students dismissed 3.25pm**
- **Friday 14 April - Christian Worship Service Good Friday Service - Lakeside College 9am**

### Week 1 Term 2

#### WINTER UNIFORM TERM 2 & 3

- **Monday 17 April - Easter Monday**
- **Tuesday 18 April - Student Free Day**

## Junior School News

### Service Learning – Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS)

In our Service Learning curriculum, we wish to inspire our students to make a difference. As such, this year's Christian Studies focus encompasses the Australian Lutheran World Service (ALWS) theme "Walk My Way". We are developing units of learning to inspire, inform and equip our students to be active and aware about justice and development. The theme "Walk My Way" will allow students and teachers to 'walk in someone else's shoes' as they learn about why people in poor countries walk for food, water, health care, education, safety and they learn about people living with disabilities and their 'walk' in life.



On Tuesday March 21, Years 3 - 5 had a visit from Vicki Gollasch of ALWS as an introduction to our focus Service Learning 'Awareness'. ALWS 'Awareness' school resources are targeted across all levels of primary and secondary, and designed to integrate with Australian Curriculum. Vicki returned to run an age appropriate presentation to the Prep – Year 2 students the next day. Vicki is a wonderful presenter and was able to provide the real life perspective for our ALWS service learning units which will become a strong focus in Term 3.

*Jane Wiebusch*  
Head of Junior School

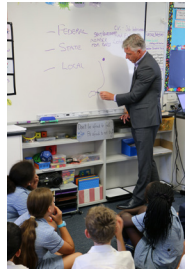
Lakeside College Year 5 students were fortunate so receive a visit from local member for Bass, Bryan Paynter MP on Tuesday morning to discuss with them the roles and responsibilities of the different tiers of government and how students can initiate change in the local and broader community through persuasive letter writing.

The Year 5 Civics and Citizenship curriculum investigates the key values that underpin Australia's democracy, as well as the electoral process. Mr Paynter shared his vast experiences as an MP, since being elected in 2014, discussing with students key roles and responsibilities of each governing tier. To complement the Year levels persuasive writing task, Mr Paynter also discussed and gave examples of how students can initiate change through the writing of persuasive letters to promote their beliefs and causes. Providing them with ideas of how to best structure a letter that will receive responses from appropriate governing bodies.



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Year 5 students will now use the advice provided to write letters to various authorities which will express their opinions and voice their concerns. Writing projects such as these ensures that students at Lakeside College write for authenticity and purpose. Their audiences are real and they understand that they have the ability to take action. The class will again meet up with Mr Paynter in Term 4, when the students will travel to the Victorian Parliament in Melbourne for a guided tour.



Reflections on Mr Bryan Paynter's visit:-

*Today Mr Paynter visited the Year 5 class at Lakeside College and talked about the different governments and their responsibilities.*

*He told us what the different governments have to do and how they serve the community. There is a Federal, State and Local Government. He also explained how he receives letters that notify him of issues people have. Mr Paynter said he gets plenty of calls, emails and letters about what people want and need and he is there to try and help them. Sometimes he also gets notified about things that really need to be handled by others, but he still always try to help if he can.*

*By Caitie and Alex*

*This morning Mr Bryan Paynter, the Victorian Parliament representative for the Bass area visited our Year 5 class to talk about what his job is and how he can help us if we have a problem. We learnt how people in parliament work at different levels. We also learnt about the different responsibilities they have and the areas they looked after. Such as State parliament looks after police, education, some roads and emergency services.*

*By Jeremy*

## Middle School News

### Our trip to Wilsons Prom by Taylor Edwards

On Tuesday the 14th of March the Year 8 students all piled into the bus ready to head off to Wilsons Prom. We were all very excited for camp and to get away for a while. When we arrived at the camp site we separated into two groups, and we were introduced to our Auscamp leaders. Our group names were the Gymnastic Wombats and the No Names. Once we got to know our group leaders we moved on to our first activity. Group 1 (the gymnastics wombats) did a scavenger hunt on mountain bikes, this is called rogaining. Whilst Group 2 (the no names) went down to squeaky beach to do some rock pooling. After our activities, we regrouped to shower and have dinner. We had burritos for dinner! The next morning we were all very excited for the activities that lay ahead!

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After breakfast, we all got geared up and ready to go! Gymnastic Wombats started with abseiling whilst No Names started with rafting and water activities. After lunch we switched activities. For dinner we made risotto! We also had a competition to see who could make the best dessert with only a few limited ingredients, some very interesting dishes and others not that bad. Surprisingly the boys took the win!! The next morning was our hiking day! After breakfast the groups separated to do their hikes. Gymnastic Wombats hiked up the highest mountain in Wilsons Prom and No Names did a beach hike. After our long walks we had dinner. Spaghetti was on the menu for our last night on camp! Before going to bed we all went down to the cinema to watch red dog true blues. We all really enjoyed the movie! And then it was off to bed for the last night. The next morning we were all very tired! After breakfast we regrouped and got ready to set off for our last activities Gymnastic Wombats were rock pooling whilst No Names was mountain biking. After our last activities we enjoyed sausages before heading off on our way home!

### Staff News

On behalf of the Middle School I would also like to thank Mr Joerg Todzy for all of his work in our German program. We will miss his fun lessons and wonderful dress sense! Best wishes Mr Todzy for your journey ahead.

### Middle School Leadership

Middle School has a leadership program which focuses on the basis that every student has the potential to be a leader. Students at each year level participate in a leadership skill development program that is specific to their year level. The program focuses on teamwork, organisation, achievement, communication, community and reflection. All students are encouraged to undertake leadership roles throughout their time in Middle School. In 2017 below are some of the opportunities students may engage in:

- House Captains (Year 8 and 9 only)
- Big Brother/Sisters to our Year 6 students
- Mentor Year 7 students and new students to the College
- Participate in the Activ8LEAD Program (Year 8 only)
- Enrol in the Duke of Edinburgh's Award (Bronze) (Year 9 only)
- Sport Captains for Interschool Sport
- Participate in the Year 6 and Year 7 Leadership afternoons (Term 2 and 3)

If you would like to discuss student leadership at the College please feel free to get in contact. I would like to introduce you four of our formal Middle School Leaders for 2017 – Erin, Ethan, Holly-Jane and Taylor. Enjoy!

*Ms Vanessa Murfet*  
*Head of Middle School*

### Meet our Middle School Leaders

#### Meet Erin Maxwell – Year 9

Hi my name is Erin Maxwell I am in year 9 and I am Hessel House Captain for the Middle School. I have been at the

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College for 6 and a bit years. Some of my passions are Sport and spending time with Friends and Family. What I would like to achieve as a House Captain this year is making the school more environmentally friendly. I have set myself the goal this year to get to know everyone in the Middle School.

#### Meet Taylor Edwards – Year 8

My name is Taylor Edwards and I am the House Captain for Toomuc in 2017. I joined the Lakeside community in 2015 for Year 6 and I am currently in Year 8. Through my position as captain, I am looking to improve my own leadership skills as well as to help Toomuc House. My goal as Middle School House Captain is to get my fellow house members more excited and involved with house events! I am very passionate about sports and team work and I have a love for leading and assisting people! I am looking forward to the year ahead!

#### Meet Ethan Wilson – Year 9

Hi my Name is Ethan Wilson and I am a Bunurong Middle School House Captain for 2017. I have been at Lakeside College for 10 years now. Some of my passions are volleyball and floorball and also the Army. What I would like to achieve as a house captain is to provide purposeful education for Middle School students and to improve career options for students who are trying to figure what they want to do once they leave school. I want to achieve my goals this year and support Middle School students.

#### Meet Holly-Jane Jamieson – Year 8

Hi I am Holly-Jane Jamieson, and I am Jamieson's Middle School House Captain. This year I am in year 8A, I joined Lakeside College in Year 7. My goal as House Captain is to make Jamieson house more of a family, and to encourage the Jamieson house members to try and do their best.

## Senior School News

With the holidays fast approaching, I would like to take this opportunity to remind our Senior Students the importance of getting homework and SAC preparation completed before the break to enable more time for study. End of term breaks are a time when students can clear their head, relax a little and stretch their brains in different ways. However, letting a study routine slip means you are missing out on a huge opportunity to get ahead.

### Revision

During the school holidays, students don't have the constant onslaught of new content coming in from their teachers every day, which makes it the perfect time to organise the notes from the previous 10 weeks of learning. Use this break to write up summaries for each subject and create study books. Study books, with copies of worksheets or equation lists, not only allow students to organise their thoughts, they also provide a quick and highly effective source of distilled information. So when exam time creeps up, there are no excuses for cramming information the night before. Students may also use their Edrolo accounts to assist with their study routine. A reminder for those who may have forgotten: PTO



All students studying a VCE subject should have access to the wonderful world of EDROLO.

If you already have an Edrolo account, you can view your new classes by logging in with the same details you've already been using! You don't need to follow the below instructions. If you don't have an existing Edrolo account:

- Go to [edrolo.com.au/lakeside-lutheran](http://edrolo.com.au/lakeside-lutheran)
- Enter your surname and check that it recognises your correct first name
- Enter your email address, mobile phone number, and select a password
- Click 'Let me in'
- You'll then be logged into your account
- Please start by watching the short training video you're now ready to go!

If you run into any difficulties, please shoot an email to [help@edrolo.com.au](mailto:help@edrolo.com.au)

On behalf of the Senior School staff and students, we would like to take this opportunity to say 'Auf Wiedersehen!' to Mr Todzy who will be leaving Lakeside College at the end of this Term. Mr Todzy has been a valued member of our school community for nearly 7 years and we would like to say 'Danke' for all his hard work and wish him all the best in his new life.



*Paul Wilson  
Head of Senior School*

We are coming into our final weeks of Term 1 and I'm sure we are all ready for holidays. Let's try not to slack off now.

We had our College Open Day on Saturday 18th March. We had many families come and our students held tours for them to experience what our College is like. The music department did performances, while there were many science experiments available in the Science Lab.

On Tuesday, we had the ALWS talks. We were informed about the struggles people face in other parts of the world and what we can do to help them out. One way to help out is by taking part in a walk. It is \$26 which can provide a child with a teacher, text books, pens and a desk. We hope that with this information we can make a change to their lives.

As far as sports go, on the 28th March, we have our inter-house swimming carnival that will be held at Noble Park swimming pool. Be sure to hand in your notes signed by parents and we encourage everyone to participate. Even if you are not a strong swimmer, try the novelty races. May the best team win!!

We hope you all have a great rest of the term!

*Chelsea and Chantel (Year 11)*

Easter is fast approaching – as is the end of term. The weather is changing and getting a bit unpredictable. Change is in the air!

Easter is all about change. It's a time when we remember when the world changed for the better – when life had the ultimate victory – over death. Jesus Christ died and rose again to conquer death once and for all. Sounds unbelievable! Christians acknowledge that it sounds incredible, but we also believe it.

The reasons why we believe it may differ from person to person, but the benefit is the same. For Christians, the cross is a symbol which tells us that we will never be separated from God again. There is literally nothing we can do that will stop God loving us, forgiving us and giving us a chance to start again.

Jesus died to create a bridge between us and God. In Him we learn what the Father wants for us, for His world and what we can do to make this life the best it can be, for ourselves and each other.

One way we do that is through service. So far this year the students have participated in Bunurong Day, raising funds and awareness for Bunurong House's charity, Aboriginal Literacy Foundation. On Tuesday 21/3 Vicki Gollasch visited us from Australian Lutheran World Service to teach us how we can support people in less privileged countries who have to walk many miles for basic things like water, food and education, often in scary circumstances.

And on the last day of term students can enjoy a BBQ lunch to support the 4Cs – sausages are \$2 and drinks \$1.

Pastor Nathan and I wish you a joyful and peaceful Easter! We pray that the risen Christ will be with you and all your families

*Chaplain Kathy*



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