From Pastor Jonathan

“Apply your heart to instruction and your ears to words of knowledge.” (Proverbs 23:12)

Now that school is well and truly underway, you students have an important work to do: learn the things that you are being taught in class. Sometimes this work is easy, when it can be made into a game or an interesting activity. Sometimes, however, learning requires a lot of difficult work. For most of us, the only way to learn multiplication tables, the valence numbers of different chemical elements or the parts of speech is to simply rehearse them in our heads and in our notebooks until we know them well. Even then, we have to continue to work with them or we forget what we have learned. If we are to learn well, we can not avoid diligence and work.

Our verse today is a proverb: a piece of advice from a wise person and a word from the holy scriptures. It reminds us that it is important to listen to those who teach us and to put effort into learning. This is important because God uses this knowledge to give us the things we need. The knowledge that we gain from listening to our teachers helps us to become helpful members of society, working to serve our neighbors in love and to provide for the needs of our own families. Not only this, but God also teaches us about himself and the things he has done for us. Last week in chapel, we learned how Jesus sat and listened to the teachers in the synagogue when he was still a boy. Jesus learned the scriptures, and so do we. In them, we hear about how God loves us, forgives us, and gives us eternal life because of what Jesus has done. God gives us this knowledge, this assurance of forgiveness, as we pay attention to his word.

Heavenly Father, thank you for giving us the gift of learning. Help us to apply ourselves to instruction, that we might be better able to serve our neighbors and understand the blessings that you give us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Congratulations

Paul and Cassie Gerdtz are thrilled to announce the safe arrival of "Imogen Delaney" born on Thursday 5th February.

A baby sister for Chontelle, Trinity and Sophia.

Chontelle is pictured with her new little sister, Imogen.

Prayer Points

We pray for:

- The Gerdtz family and their new baby, Imogen
- A wonderful time of fellowship at our family BBQ

Jing Award

This week’s Award went to

Imogen

Congratulations

Worship Services

Sunday 15th February
8.45am - Holy Communion
10.00am - Kids’ Time
10.00am - AGM
10.30am - Holy Communion
6.30pm - Holy Communion

HTLS Chapel
Friday 13th February
9.00am - Year 5G

In our prayers this week

Our School families
Monday February 16th
Michael Adamu & Georgia Bailey and family
Jock & Katie Baker and family

Tuesday February 17th
Chris Baker & Catherine Tischler and family
Andrew & Kristen Barber and family

Wednesday February 18th
Andrew & Simone Bell and family
John & Mary Besselaar and family

Thursday February 19th
Warren & Frankie Blake and family
Dan & Charlee Bolwell and family

Friday February 20th
Ashley & Maryanne Bolwell and family
Steven Both & Corinne Hopper and family

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From the Principal

As I ventured around the school earlier this week it was with great trepidation that I opened the door and walked into one of the Foundation rooms. One week into the school year and what was I about to walk into??? You could have knocked me down with a feather; it was absolutely quiet and everyone was focused on one young boy at the front of the room. Jack was standing out the front of the room with a big grin on his face and a huge vegetable in his hands. Jack and the giant beanstalk it wasn’t, but it was Jack and the giant zucchini. It was the biggest zucchini I’ve ever seen and am I ever glad that I don’t have to eat it! It is big enough to have stuffed zucchini for a month, or tubs of zucchini ice-cream, or zucchini steaks, or worse still, zucchini chocolate cakes. I really must stop watching MKR before I actually start liking vegies.

As Jack struggled to lift and hang on to the great monstrous vegetable, I thought of how symbolic that was of the first few weeks of school for students, staff and parents alike. These weeks have been so busy that at times it feels like we are grappling with work and other activities and commitments that seem to get just bigger and bigger. At times we seem to struggle and then all of sudden everything is fine, that is until our next big challenge. I admired the way that Jack persevered, and in a very determined way, didn’t let go. And then, as if from nowhere, another boy came and took one. This lightened the load considerably and made the task safer and easier.

What a great lesson in life it was watching those two boys. If you get a spare five minutes and find yourself with your personal digital device, go to your favourite search engine and type in, Watoto Choir “Cast your burdens unto Jesus for He cares about you.” You will be rewarded with a simple song with a wonderful message sung joyfully and beautifully by an African choir. May God continue to bless you in these busy times and remember, a trouble shared is a trouble halved.

Mr. Jeff Gork
Principal

Family Barbecue - Friday 13th February

All school families are warmly invited to our Family BBQ, which is being held on Friday 13th February. It begins at 6.30pm, and will be held in the school grounds. Please bring your own picnic rugs or chairs, and cool drinks (beer and wine are permitted). All food order forms should have now been sent into the office. Come along for an evening of fun and fellowship, and meet the new families and staff.

Regular Weekly Chapel
This Friday Mr Gork, Mr Polack and 5G will lead Chapel. Visitors are welcome to join us for Chapel at 9.00am. Last Friday’s offering totalled $91.25.

Hats
As we are a Sunsmart School, hats must be worn outside at all times. Please remind your child to pack their hats, and please ensure all hats are named.

Fees
Fee statements have been issued and should be paid by Friday 13th February. Thank you.

Parent/Teacher Interviews
Parent/Teacher/Student interviews will be held at 3.30 - 6.30pm on Tuesday 17th February and Wednesday 18th February.

You can now book interviews at times that suit your family best. Go to www.schoolinterviews.com.au and enter the school event code 9UZC. A detailed instruction sheet has been sent home today. Online bookings open at 9.00am Friday 13th February and will close Monday 16th February at 4.00pm. Parents who cannot access a computer please contact the school office.

Lucky Banker
Jesse, pictured below is the Lutheran Lucky Banker for this week. A weekly prize will be awarded to a student who makes a deposit with the Lutheran Laypeople’s League.

Awards
Last week’s Awards went to

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Congratulations

Uniform Shop Hours
Tuesday 3 - 4pm
Friday 9 - 10am

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Office Hours
A reminder to everyone that the school office opens at 8.30am and closes at 4pm. Please keep phone calls and enquiries to within these times.

Before School
A reminder to parents that students should not be arriving to school before 8.30am. Teacher supervision commences from 8.30am onwards. On occasions where your child does need to be at school before 8.30am a written note is required.

Parking in Trinity Drive
The school has been advised that if parents park (and leave their cars), on the west side of Trinity Drive, near 298, they may be issued with a parking fine.

Correct Use of Car Park
When parents are leaving and returning to their cars in the car park please use the crossing and the foot paths instead of walking across the car park and behind vehicles.

It is very difficult for drivers backing out to see adults, and especially children walking through the car park and behind cars.

The drop off lane beside the railing is a drive through area, designated only for students who are able to get in and out of the car by themselves.

Parents can also park on the vacant land on the corner of Trinity Drive and Peppertree Lane.

Pancake Day
On Tuesday, 17th February, we will hold a pancake day to raise funds for Unitig Care. Pancakes will be supplied to all students and staff at recess, for a gold coin donation. Uniting Care will be using funds raised to help disadvantaged children, youth development and family support.

We require some volunteer Master Chefs, from 9am to 12 noon, to prepare and cook pancakes. Please leave names with Sue in the office.

One Piano Roll Wanted
Who remembers the old Mastertouch piano rolls that were played on the pianola back in the “good old days”? If you have one - it does NOT have to be in working order - and would like to donate it to the school, Mrs Gork would love to show one to the students in her Music lessons. Please leave it at the school office.

Bus Travellers
We keep accurate and up-to-date daily lists of all students travelling home on school buses, to ensure that children don’t get left behind. If a student isn’t marked off as boarding their bus, then the bus is held up until the child is located.

If your child is normally on the bus and will not be travelling home on it, the school office must be notified before 3pm.

Parents Teachers and Friends Association
The first meeting of the PTFA for the year will be held on Monday 16th February at 3.30pm in the staff room. Joining the PTFA is a great way to get involved in your child’s school, and develop new friendships.

The fundraising undertaken by the group in past years is responsible for many of the improvements seen around the school today. Come along and have your say and find out what exciting things are happening in 2015. Everyone is welcome and we would love to see some new faces.

If you have any agenda items for meetings please email Merrilyn Koch at gregkocj@ozlsp.com.au a week prior to the meetings to be included on the agenda.

If you’d like more information please contact Pres: Marnie Milbourne 0429 802767 Sec: Merrilyn Koch 5385 2169

Scholastic Book Club
Book Club orders were distributed last week. These order forms are distributed twice a term, and they offer books, software, games, activity packs, etc. at reasonable prices.

Parents should feel under no obligation to purchase from the Bookclub, but may like to take the opportunity to develop or extend their child’s interest in reading. Our school receives Reading Reward points from each purchase. These points enable us to choose new library books at no cost to the school.

All orders for this edition of the bookclub must be returned to school by Friday 13th February.

Cheques should be made payable to ‘Scholastic Australia’. Credit cards may also be used. For more information, contact Kay Schultz, Library Assistant.

Wimmera Machinery Field Days
The school will be operating Kiosk 2 at the field days on the 3rd, 4th & 5th March, 2015. This is a major fundraiser for the school and will involve serving a BBQ and drinks. The school is looking for volunteers over these three days. Thank you to the parents who have already offered to assist. More volunteers are still required. Please complete and return the roster, sent home last week, by Friday 20th February. For further details contact Kim Van Buuren on 0411 057821.

Canteen Volunteer forms
A canteen volunteer form went home last week. One helper is required for approximately one hour (from 10.30-11.30am) so it’s a great chance for all parents to have a go. Year 7 students also assist the helper. Please fill out the roster sheet and hand it in to the office as soon as possible so rosters can be finalised.

It would be great to see some new faces helping out, plus children love seeing mum or dad serving in the canteen at recess time. We also require parents to make hedgehog and rumballs at home (main ingredients are supplied). If you can help with this, please fill out the form and hand it back to the office.

Jenny Maroske, Canteen Co-Ordinator
Phone 5382 7912

Canteen Roster - Term 1
Serving
19th Feb Kate Matuschka
16th Feb Ange Carter - Hedgehog
Baking
19th Feb Kate Matuschka
Catherine Werner - Rumballs

Hedgehog bakers please line trays with baking paper.

Position Vacant
Uniform Shop Convenor
We have a position vacant for a Convenor of our Uniform Shop for the 2015 school year. This position is for 8 hours per week and award wages apply. This role includes, but is not limited to sales, ordering, stock control and financial reconciliation. For further information, please contact our Business Manager, Mr Garry Wallace. Applications close on Monday 16th February, 2015.
### Piano Lessons

Qualified & experienced Piano teacher

**Ms Elsbeth Ampt**

(A mus. A. Teaching)  
(A mus. A. Performing)

PIANO & KEYBOARD

Lessons are held at school  
Ph Elsbeth on 53863528

### Guitar Tuition

**Aaron Murray LLCM (TD)**

Here is a great opportunity for students to learn one of the most popular instruments on the planet. Electric and Acoustic guitar lessons are available to students of any age and ability. Lessons are tailored to suit you, whether it be learning your favourite song, developing new or previous skills, or to prepare for graded exams.

**When:** Thursdays 9:30 – 4:30  
(30 minute lessons)

**Where:** HTLS Music Room

Please contact me for further details.  
Phone: 0476 255 915  
Email: azza_murray@yahoo.com.au

### Bridges - Can you help?

Bridges is a literacy program that pairs a student who needs help in reading, in the early years, with a Literacy Assistant who wants to make a difference in a student’s life.

The lessons go for 30 minutes and are held 3-5 times per week. The actual program is flexible, lasting from 3-10 weeks. Everything you need, except your time and commitment, is provided by the school. If you are interested at all and feel that you could assist, even in a part time capacity, please call the school and let us know. We are happy to talk to you and answer any queries you might have. We know the rewards from this program will be long term for each child involved, and for you as an Assistant.

Carol McDonald (Bridges Coordinator)

### Noticeboard

- Sacramental Program St Michaels - contact the parish office 53821155  
- CFA Junior State Championships 21 - 22 February at the racecourse  
- Auskick registrations available at www aflauskick.com.au  
- ArtRageous Respite - further details phone 53 819 335  
- Joeys, Cubs and Scouts starting up, contact Kim O’Donnell 0428 847271  
- Tennis Hot Shots - Haven contact Rebecca Bird 0429 200670  
- Junior Squash Comp starting contact Launa Schilling 0439 799817  
- Holy Trinity Playgroup - every Friday morning 10 - 11.30am at Holy Trinity Lutheran Church Education Centre  
- Junior Triathlon - Registrations 2:30-3:30pm Race Start 4:00pm Saturday 14th February Enter online www.trihorsham.com.auonline

Full details are available on the school noticeboard

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| Feb 23rd  
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School Council 7:30pm | Feb 25th | Feb 26th  
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