

Zion News

Jesus Cares For All Our Needs.

This week the children have heard the story from the Bible of Jesus feeding a multitude of people with a boys picnic lunch of bread and fish. The people had been with Jesus all day, listening attentively to His words and it was towards the end of the day and the people were hungry and needing to go home. Jesus was very aware of their needs, just as he is very aware of all our needs, tiredness, loneliness, frustration, sickness, lack of work, family issues. He didn't ignore them or leave them but resolved the predicament in his quiet manner using what he had around him—a boys lunch. Jesus doesn't leave us alone in our life's journey. He wants to be asked to travel with us, often putting people in our life who will support us with what we need. A listening ear, a friendly smile, a conversation that builds us up, a surprise gift of a meal, a phone call just at that moment in time when we felt we could no longer go on. God also daily provides us with blessings, rain, sunshine, friends, food on our table, air to breath, family, teachers, the beach, wind, a home, family, and many more things that we daily receive yet take for granted. So talk to Jesus, offer yourself to Him and see what He can do for you.

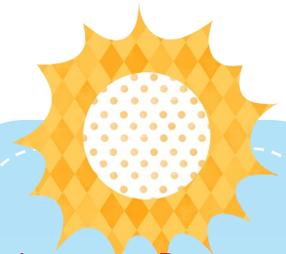
Why Preschool?

The preschool year offers children an environment that is rich in experiences and in play. These two areas are foundational for children to develop socially & to develop confidence & self esteem that assists in engagement & meaningful learning. Preschool provides children with amazing opportunities to problem solve, be curious, role play, make choices, deal with disappointment, share, cooperate, create, discover, take responsibility, ask for help, question, communicate, express their ideas & feelings, have fun and explore. It is a time where they develop emotionally, intellectually, socially, physically and spiritually in a caring and safe environment. "...each day will be important to the child's development & each child can only live this day once." Lambert & Clyde 2000



During the week, the children have & will be practising an Emergency Drill while at kindy. This will be a practice and will give the children a routine to follow if we did have an emergency. Please reassure your child that this is not a real emergency but it is one way we help keep ourselves safe. The procedure is as follows:

1. Three whistle blasts are heard
2. Children stop what they are doing, listen to the teacher and then will assemble at the gate. Children go quickly & quietly to the gate for a roll call to make sure everyone is accounted for. If it is safe we then can go back to play.



Important Dates

* Friday 22nd March

Playgroup

8:45-10:15

Group 2

10:30-2:30

* Wednesday 20th & Thursday 21st March

Harmony Day

* Monday 25th March

Star Night Group 1

* Tuesday 26th March

Star Night Group 2

* Saturday 6th April

Working Bee

* Monday 8th April & Tuesday 9th April

Church Service 2:15pm



Zion Preschool is pleased to announce the placement of a new Director Sam Harding for the rest of the year beginning from Monday 25th March. Please make her feel very welcome. Introduce yourselves and say hi.

I, Rosalie would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for your friendly welcome and your support during this term. It has been a privilege to journey together in your child's education. I wish you God's blessings for the remainder of the year. I know I will especially miss the children who I have grown fond of, but I know that I will be back from time to time.

Hi my name is Sam Harding and I am excited about being appointed acting director for the rest of 2019. I live locally in Gawler with my family. I began my career in education in 2005 at Roseworthy Campus Child Care Centre, during this time I enrolled at University to undertake a Bachelor of Early Childhood Education. Since then I have taught in Kindergartens and in schools, teaching Special Education classes and Disability units. I am looking forward to getting to know the children and their families over the coming weeks.



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Please ensure you place your child's name in reference section.



Immanuel School Gawler - Enrolments for 2020

If you intend to send your child to Immanuel Gawler but have not yet enrolled there please do so ASAP, as places are filling fast. You can contact Jenny in the office on 85225740 or download an enrolment application form from their website www.ilsg.sa.edu.au.

Immanuel Gawler is having an Open Afternoon on Sunday 24 March at 3pm. The Principal will provide a tour of the school facilities.

Harmony Day

We will celebrate Harmony day on Wednesday 20th March and Thursday 21st March. It is a time to celebrate that everybody belongs no matter what our back ground or culture. We are special and unique and all have something to contribute to our community. Please wear something orange for the day. If you have a garment or item of interest from another culture you might like to share this with us. The focus of the day is "Everyone Belongs". If your would like to be involved in this day please let staff know.





Star Night

Star Night is one of the special fundraising events held by the Zion Lutheran Preschool children. It is a night where we celebrate each child's individuality and where the child can express their unique personality and sense of style; it is not just a 'dress up night'. It is a night where they, The Children are the stars. There is no dress code for our Star Night. The only requirement is that your child must feel loved and special in whatever they choose to wear.

This could mean dressing up as Batman Elsa or a favourite animal. It could be wearing their favourite sports outfit or a special dance costume, it could even be as uncomplicated as wearing their favourite shirt.

At Zion Lutheran Preschool, we praise God and share with the children his amazing creations, from the elephant, to the birds, and even the platypus. Each animal is as unique and special and loved as the next, just like each one of us.

Star night gives each individual child the opportunity to be the star, they will be able to walk a parade type walk down the aisle, while the teacher shares a brief profile of their personality (likes, dislikes etc.) This opportunity aims to celebrate each child, helping them to feel connected to their preschool and share in their achievement of being so courageous in front of their peers, friends and families.

We hope to see you all there. It's one of our favourite nights of the year!



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Please don't forget to return your star night form

Family tickets are \$5

There will be a sausage sizzle, drinks and cupcakes for sale on the night

Cadbury Easter egg bags \$4ea