



# Sunshine Christian School

Living as children of the light - loving God, loving others, loving learning

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## Devotion – How are you being?

**Martha was upset over all the work she had to do, so she came and said, ‘Lord, don’t you care that my sister has left me to do all the work by myself? Tell her to come and help me!’**

**The Lord answered her, ‘Martha, Martha! You are worried and troubled over so many things, but just one is needed. Mary has chosen the right thing and it will not be taken away from her.’ Luke 10: 40-42**

Sometimes I look at my life and wonder, ‘Have I done enough?’ I often feel the need to do more in my service to God, trying to meet other peoples and my expectations. The problem is that God expects far more from me than I am able to do. My desire to meet expectations will inevitably fail. I can’t do enough as a Christian; I have to learn to be a Christian.

Martha in her effort to be a good host, got stressed over trying to meet expectations. But Jesus said, ‘Only one thing is needed’, which is what Mary was doing. She was sitting in the presence of Jesus.

In his book *The Practice of the Presence of God*, Brother Lawrence reveals the joy he found when he learnt how to spend every moment just being with God. It’s not as easy as it sounds to be constantly listening to God and talking to him. But whenever I have tried it, my stresses have disappeared and so has the burden of wondering whether I’ve done enough.

God enjoys the things you do for him, but he loves more than anything the time you spend with him.

**Dear God, as I go about my day, keep reminding me that you are with me. Teach me to listen to you and to talk to you. Amen.**

by Kathy Hoopman, in ‘*Renewed Hope for each Day*’ (LCA, Openbook, 2000)

## Calendar Dates

### Monday 29 July

Whole School Worship @ 9am

### Tuesday 30 July

NED – Positive Mindset  
Prep – Year 2

### Monday 5 August

Whole School Worship @ 9am

### Monday 5 August

Luke Kennedy Resilience  
Seminar: Yr 3 - 6

### Thursday 8 August

Whole School Athletics Day @  
Sassella Park

## St Matthew’s Lutheran Church

Our supporting church worships at  
9.30am each Sunday at 362 Barkly  
St Footscray.

All families and friends are  
welcome to join our worship.

**“Live as children of the Light”**

Ephesians 5:8



### Prayer Points

- We pray that God may walk with us, support us and comfort us during Term 3
- We praise God for the recent rains that have refreshed the land
- We give thanks for the joy of new life
- We pray for the Lyno, Makoi and Moncal families

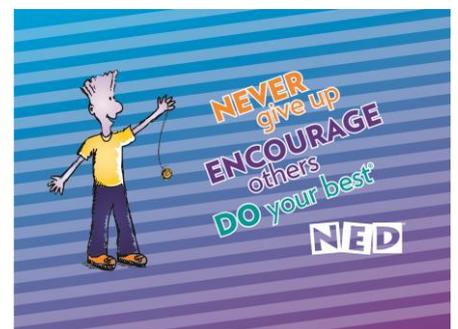
### Micah Award

To Paul for the love he shows to others  
in need



### NED – Positive Mindset Incursion

Prep – Year 2





## From the Principal

I wish to welcome staff and students back to school for another busy and exciting term of learning. Please take note of the following important information regarding this term.

### Athletics Day



As part of the Physical Education curriculum, all students are participating in our annual athletics day this term. The students will be participating in a variety of individual and team events at Sassella Park, Deer Park on Thursday 8 August. All parents are welcome and encouraged to come along to support the students as they participate.

### Interschool Athletics Day

Students in Years 3 – 6 who perform exceptionally well in individual events will have the opportunity to compete in Interschool Athletics against students from small schools in our area on Friday 23 August.

### Book Week

As part of our school's commitment to building reading skills in our students, we will be celebrating Book Week from Monday 19 August to Friday 23 August. The theme for Book Week this year is 'Reading is my Superpower' and students are encouraged to dress up to this theme or as their favorite book character on Thursday 22 August. Thursday's special rotations will be based on this year's theme.



### Premier's Reading Challenge

Another commitment the school has made to improve our student's reading skills is to participate in the Premier's Reading Challenge. The teachers will record the books the children read, and books read to children by parents and siblings also count towards their total. Please continue to encourage your child to read daily.

### Parent Teacher Interviews

On Tuesday 27 August parents will have the opportunity to meet with their child's class teacher in a formal parent/teacher interview. Although these interviews are optional, we encourage parents to make a suitable time to meet with the teacher.

### Special Events

There are a number of incursions that have been organized for this term:

- NED's Mindset Mission will be telling the Year P – 2 students all about the importance of having a positive mindset
- Guest speaker Luke Kennedy will speak to the Year 3 – 6 students about resilience and positive self-talk
- The RACV will provide the Prep to Year 6 students the opportunity to learn about how we can be safe on and around roads
- 'What If?' is the title of this year's ALWS Day for the Year 3-6 students who will learn about poverty
- During the Destination Moon Incursion Prep – Year 6 students will learn about the moon
- ICAS testing will be undertaken for selected students in Years 2 - 6

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Principal

## Notes from the Office

### Term 4 Fees

All Term 4 fees have been invoiced and mailed to families. Please see the office if you wish to discuss your fees or set up a payment plan.

### Lost Property

We have a lot of jackets and jumpers that are in the lost property box without names. If you are missing any uniform, please come and have a look.



## What we are learning

### Prep/1

In the Prep/1 classroom we have been using our strength to create magic paintings with wax candles. You have to push really hard for it to work properly!  
You can ask us what happens when we paint over the wax!



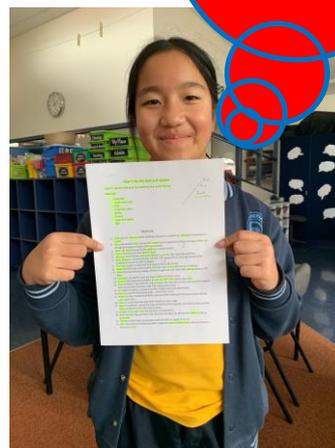
### Yr 1/2

In the Year 1/2 classroom the students have been learning about measurement and shapes during Maths. Ask your child to measure the length of any furniture using a handspan, foot or any small object. Then have a discussion.



### Yr 5/6

In the Year 5/6 classroom, we have been learning how to write our own procedural texts. We are writing a procedure on "How to be the best Year 5/6 teacher!" Ask us some of the things we think would make an amazing 5/6 teacher.



### Yr 3/4

In the Year 3/4 classroom we have been reading the book 'The One and Only Ivan'. We are learning new vocabulary words as well! Ask us about some of the words we have learnt.

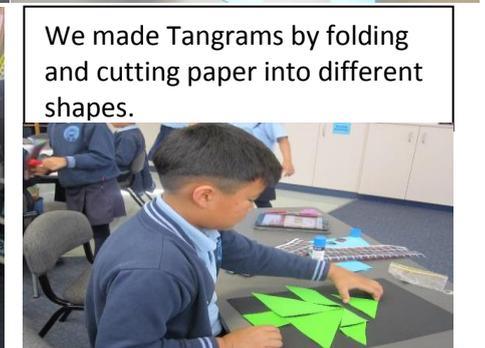
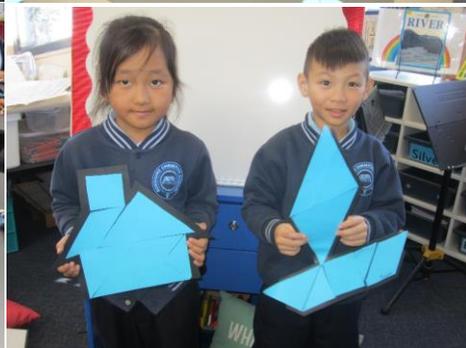




## Calendar of Events: Term 3

	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>
Wk 3	<b>July 29</b>	<b>July 30</b> NED – Positive Mindset P - 2	<b>July 31</b>	<b>August 1</b>	<b>August 2</b>
Wk 4	<b>August 5</b> Yr 3- 6 Resilience talk	<b>August 6</b>	<b>August 7</b>	<b>August 8</b> School Athletics Day	<b>August 9</b>
Wk 5	<b>August 12</b> P-6 RACV visit	<b>August 13</b> Year 3 – 6 ALWS Day	<b>August 14</b>	<b>August 15</b> Year 3 – 6 Interschool Athletics Trials	<b>August 16</b>
Wk 6	<b>August 19</b> <b>BOOK WEEK</b>	<b>August 20</b>	<b>August 21</b>	<b>August 22</b> BOOK WEEK PARADE AND ACTIVITY DAY	<b>August 23</b> Year 3 – 6 Interschool Athletics
Wk 7	<b>August 26</b>	<b>August 27</b> Parent/Teacher Interviews	<b>August 28</b>	<b>August 29</b>	<b>August 30</b> Father's Day Stall
Wk 8	<b>September 2</b>	<b>September 3</b>	<b>September 4</b>	<b>September 5</b> ICAS Science test (selected students)	<b>September 6</b>
Wk 9	<b>September 9</b>	<b>September 10</b> ICAS Writing test (selected students)	<b>September 11</b>	<b>September 12</b> ICAS Spelling test (selected students)	<b>September 13</b>
Wk 10	<b>September 16</b>	<b>September 17</b> ICAS English test (selected students)	<b>September 18</b>	<b>September 19</b> ICAS Maths test (selected students)	<b>September 20</b> Last Day of Term 3

# Maths in Year 1/2 – Making shapes and learning about their properties



We made Tangrams by folding and cutting paper into different shapes.



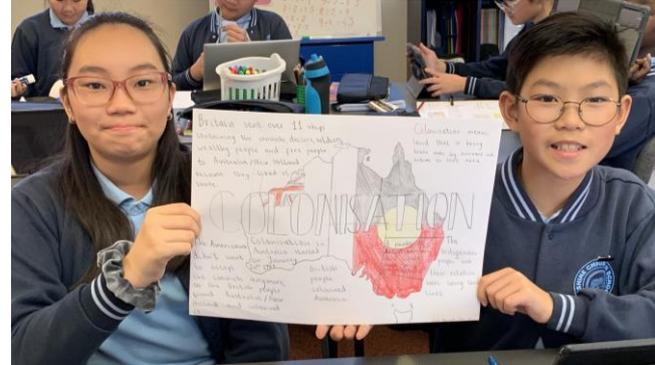
Do you recognize the objects that we created using tangrams?



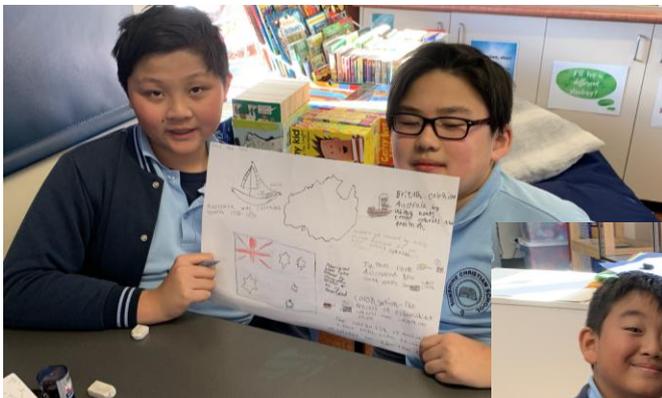
# Year 5/6 Humanities - Colonisation



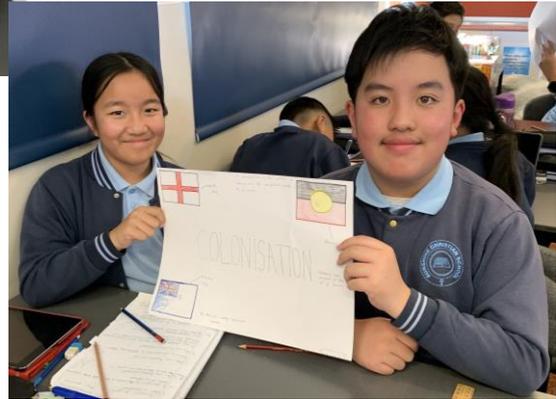
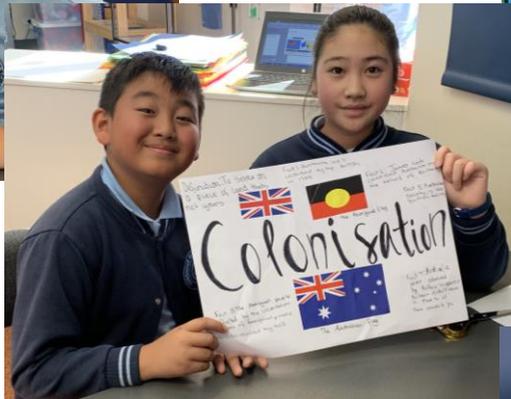
We have been learning about colonisation in Humanities



We have learned about the Indigenous people of Australia



And how they were affected by Britain's colonisation of Australia



We have made posters that explain why Britain colonised Australia



And how the land has changed over time.