

From the Treasurer

Due to the continuing generosity of our supporting churches and individual donors, together with income from recent well-supported fundraisers, we have been able to continue to pay our SRE teachers as they take the Gospel message to the students within our local high schools.

We could not do this without your wonderful support and look forward to seeing you at our Coffee and Cake fundraiser this Wednesday and encourage you to continue to support us. Blessings.

- David Green

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Northern Illawarra Combined Churches

Scripture Board Newsletter



Upcoming Events



Coffee & Dessert Night this Wednesday!

Date: Wed 14th Sept 2017

Time: 7pm

Location: Northern Illawarra Uniting Church Bulli

Come and hear the latest news about SRE in the Illawarra and be encouraged by the many conversations our teachers are having about the gospel in our local schools.

Message from the Chairman

The last few months has been an exciting but challenging time for High School scripture. I am constantly reminded how dedicated our teachers are – we ask them to go the extra mile and it is always no problem for them – my personal thanks to Tanja, Dal and Leanne.

Please read the teachers reports carefully and continue to pray for them for the rest of the year. Also please pray for our Schools and Principals and staff who are always trying to juggle so many competing events to ensure Scripture continues without too many interruptions from other activities.

- John Armour

From Tanja at Bulli

Term 3 was another busy term at Bulli High with the high light being that we finally and thankfully have the lunch time group up and running again! We are very grateful to a math teacher who is committed to be the supervising teacher so the students can get together as a religious group and therefore follow the department rules. They also all have a permission note from their parents. There is a good group of students that come and we are looking at being a good leader with material provided by Scripture Union. In class we had some

great discussions and many questions raised and answered. Some classes are very challenging because of classroom management issues. I specially want to thank the volunteer teachers again for coming in to teach under quiet difficult circumstances with irregular time slots, not knowing who will be in the class till you walk through the door and sharing Jesus with such a commitment!

- Tanja French



From Leanne at Corrimal

Over the last couple of months I've had the privilege of visiting a few of our supporting churches and sharing the joys and struggles of teaching SRE at Corrimal High. I also filmed a thank you video at Corrimal High on behalf of the SRE teachers for C3's vision building celebration week-end. How wonderful to fellowship and partner together as those who love Jesus as our Lord and Saviour and want to see His name proclaimed in our local high schools.

A highlight of this term was our inaugural "Toasties and tough questions." Usually we only get about 2-4 faithful students come along to our lunch time group. But we provided cheese toasties and the opportunity for anyone to come along and ask any question and we had 18 students show up, a couple of whom don't even do SRE! Nathan Zorn did a fantastic job of fielding and answering the questions while I madly cooked toasties, toasties and more toasties. The principal joked that I should be serving "Cheesus" toasties.

This term has seen me introducing Year 7 to Jesus as the unexpected King as we work our way through Mark's gospel. Year 8 are looking at how Jesus is the King God promised way back in the Old Testament. Year 9 & 10 have been wrestling with the idea of worldviews and how we find meaning in life as we've looked at Solomon's views in Ecclesiastes. I'm praying they'll see that meaning can only be found ultimately in Jesus.

I am thankful for the good relationships I have with the staff and executive at Corrimal High from whom I get lots of support. Please join me in thanking God for the amazing teachers there and please pray that these relationships can continue to grow and develop and ultimately bring glory to God.

- Leanne Begg

From Dal at Woonona

Scripture at Woonona High been going well with a general interest and calmness across most classes. It is always wonderful to have students asking real questions and seeking real answers. I have particularly been enjoying studying the gospel of John with year 10 and challenging them to see Jesus as the eternal word of God and worth following. It has been wonderful having Gabi involved in the classes as part of her Year 13 training. She has been making good connections with students and getting involved in teaching in the class and has been a real asset in preparing and leading studies for the lunch time group. She is seeking to train up others to lead the group by the end of the year. I also make many

connections with students through brekky club and toast club. We need supplies of strawberry jam to keep these going in our school. Please contact me or drop them at the school office or canteen if you can help. Please pray for an openness to the gospel and that students will be willing to take the next steps of faith. Please pray that Christian students will be able to be a strong witness for Jesus in the school. Lastly, please continue to pray for students to be willing to choose scripture, especially as some class numbers are quite small. Thanks for all your prayers and support.

- Dal Proudfoot



Teacher Visits

Our teachers love getting out and about to share how God is working in our schools. If your church would like a visit from one of our teachers please contact Nathan Zorn.

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