

# NEWSLETTER

TERM 1 | WEEK 2 | 2024



**MT TORRENS  
CHRISTIAN**  
SCHOOL



## Term 1 Calendar

**12TH - 16TH FEBRUARY** | Daily Swimming Lessons at Woodside Swimming Pool Years F - 6, 9:45am start

**27TH FEBRUARY** | NAPLAN Coordinated Practice Test

**12TH - 13TH MARCH** | El Shaddai Camp Years 7 - 12

**13TH - 15TH MARCH** | NAPLAN Testing Years 3, 5, 7, 9

**18TH - 25TH MARCH** | NAPLAN Catchup Testing

**27TH MARCH** | 2024 Sports Day

**28TH MARCH** | Easter Egg Hunt (Years F-6)

**3RD APRIL** | SAPSASA Sports Carnival

**9TH APRIL** | Rebekha Sharkie MP Visit 10am-10:30am

## 2024 Term Dates

<b>TERM 1</b>	29th January - 12th April
<b>TERM 2</b>	29th April - 28th June
<b>TERM 3</b>	22nd July - 27th September
<b>TERM 4</b>	14th October - 6th December

## From the Principal

We start this year with anticipation for all the Lord has in store for us as a school community. We are excited to have several new families join the school and look forward to their involvement in the life of the school. This year we are also trialling several new initiatives such as swimming lessons for the primary students later this term and a school camp for the senior students at El Shaddai.

This term the memory verse is shorter, so all students are encouraged to learn it. It includes perhaps the best-known verse in the Bible from John 3:16: "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life." The immense love of God is shown by the death and resurrection of His Son Jesus for our sin so that those that put their trust in Him receive the free gift of eternal life. I trust that the familiarity of this passage will not obstruct its vital importance and depth as we mediate together on it this term. Blessings  
Mr Matthew Trinkle

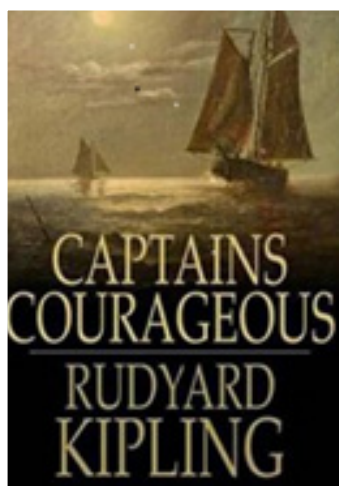
## What's Happening in English this Term?

Years 5-12

This term classes have a fantastic selection of classic novels that they are studying, each one offering an evocative, entertaining, enlightening and sobering view of the human condition. Two classics written in the late 19th century provide us with a view into the past at a time when men sailed the seas in wooden boats. Captains Courageous shows us a time when men laboured hard fishing to earn their bread on the Grand Banks off Newfoundland while the world was changing around them, and For the Term of His Natural Life gives insights into the realities of convict life in the early Australian colonies. Moving into the 20th century, the dominant events of that century are illuminated for us in two enduring tales. The rise of communist ideology and totalitarian government which so coloured most of the 20th century is so cleverly and aptly portrayed by George Orwell in his famous tale, Animal Farm. And finally, The Silver Sword provides an insight into the hardships children faced who were caught up in war torn Europe and the resilience that can be developed through hope.

I hope the students will enjoy their journey through these stories as much as I do, who have yet to tire of them.

Miss Linda Allen



The Silver Sword

Captains Courageous

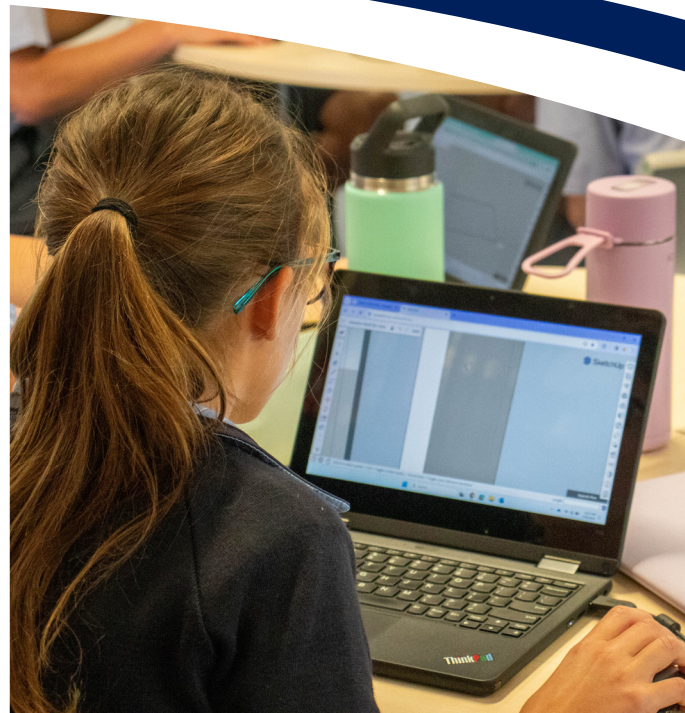
Animal Farm



## Senior Technology

This semester the senior Tech class will design and produce a piece for construction. The item needs to be functional and using a box shape. During the process students will learn how to use and apply SketchUp. This is a computer programme that assists in the precise design of structures. While students use it to create relatively simple structures, draftsmen use it to design more complex structures such as houses. Students will also learn a number of ways to join timber, create a fine finish, paint or varnish and cut panels precisely.

Mr Bruce Hicks



## Year 5-6 Science

Congratulations to Chase, William, Samuel, Reuben, Isaac and Azayla for demonstrating safe use of a bunsen burner and obtaining their bunsen burner license in week one this term.

Miss Hannah Trinkle



## Year 7-12 Hike

Students in year 7-12 participated in a 9km hike around Mount Torrens in week one. Students were very resourceful, finding a variety of discarded materials on the side of the road and keeping themselves thoroughly entertained.

Miss Hannah Trinkle



## Welcome to our new students

In 2024 we welcome new students and families to Mount Torrens Christian School. Ricardo Guzman, Victor Brosille and Luca Negrean are our 2024 Foundation students. As well as Peter and Alec Dunford in Year 2 and 4. Our interstate travellers Celina and Liana Negrean in Years 2 and 3 from WA, and Jonah Neumuller in Year 5 from QLD. We thank God that He has provided and entrusted these students to us and pray they grow and learn in Him this year and in the future.



## First Day of School 2024!







Victor Brosille



Luca Negrean



Ricardo Guzman





## Lobethal Christian Fellowship Church Welcomes You

Lobethal Christian Fellowship Church holds services on Sundays at 10.30am and a devotional service on Tuesdays evenings at 7pm.

We extend a warm welcome to you to come along and join us. Church lunches are also held on the first Sunday of every month.

Lobethal Christian Fellowship is located at 17 Frick Street, Lobethal.



## New MTCS Staff

This year we also welcome back Mrs Tiffany Sklenar from maternity leave. Mrs Sklenar will be teaching alongside Mrs Jane Everett in the F-2 class on Mondays and Wednesdays.

We also welcome Miss Madeleine Rehl from Western Australia who has joined us this year in a SSO role, with Mrs Rachela Brosille who has also permanently joined us as an SSO.



Mrs Tiffany Sklenar



Miss Madeleine Rehl



Mrs Rachela Brosille



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