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Lighthouse is exceeding in all things film with both Primary and Secondary taking their place behind the camera.

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A MODERN DAY MIRACLE

Our Deputy Principal, Alice Bakss, shares her personal journey and story in relation to the importance of giving blood.

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session, every day.

WELCOME NEW STAFF 2019

Our continued strong interest from the community in quality Christian education will see our enrolment continue to increase for the start of 2020. We will continue to progress our double streaming of classes to four year levels from the start of next year. To do this, we are presently undertaking an extensive recruitment and selection process to build our teaching team. Please pray for us as we seek one new primary and two new secondary teachers for the coming year.

MASTER PLANNING

At the time of writing, we are working with a local architect to develop a revised Master Plan to house our ever-increasing enrolment. This is a very exciting time for our school. Work on our new Hospitality Centre and refurbished Science Laboratory will commence shortly.

COMMITMENT TO EXCELLENCE IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

As a school staff, we have continued with passion and intentionality, to progress our school's goals of Academics, Spiritual Growth, Social and Emotional Development and Physical Development. Some notable celebrations include:

ACADEMICS

NAPLAN

- Year 3 students attained our school's highest results in Reading, Spelling and Grammar/Punctuation. Our Year 3 spelling result is in the top three schools in Rockhampton;
- Year 3 and Year 5 results are

FROM THE PRINCIPAL

by **PRINCIPAL BLAIR HARP**

Dear LCS Family,

With just a few weeks to go, we are able to take this opportunity to reflect upon some of the highlights of our Jubilee year here at Lighthouse, as well as look forward to the wonderful events and celebrations in the final months. I trust you will enjoy reminiscing upon the successes here this

year in the classroom, on stage, sporting fields and in the hearts of our students. God is good to us!

As a school staff, entrusted with partnering parents in the education of their children, we continue in our commitment to providing intentional Excellence in Christian Education every

historically our schools highest in five areas;

- Student results in Year 7 continue to be on a trajectory of improvement across all five areas;
- In Year 9, students attained an improved result to the previous year in Reading, Writing, Grammar/Punctuation and Numeracy.

Source: NAPLAN 2018 OUTCOMES – All Queensland Schools, August, 2018.

Rockhampton Mathematics

Inter-School Competitions

- Our Year 5/6 Maths Quiz team finished in second place out of nine competing local schools;
- Our Year 7/8 Maths Quiz team finished in second place out of nine competing local schools.

Senior Schooling Outcomes

- As at Semester 2 this year, LCS has significantly increased the number of students attaining VHAs (Very High Achievement), including a VHA10, the highest state rating possible;
- Progress with the roll out of the new Senior Schooling Syllabus continues strongly.

Film, Television and New Media:

- Senior FTV Students will again participate in the Queensland Regional School's Short Film Festival in Maryborough this term with Lighthouse students increasing their number of entries;
- Senior students participated in the school's first ever dedicated "Film Camp".

SPIRITUAL GROWTH

- Significant numbers of students attaining Scripture Memorisation expectations;
- Increased numbers of students involved in leading Praise and Worship in both Primary and Secondary;
- Increased numbers of students involved in the school's Praise and Worship Ministry.

SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT

- Additional teacher training and support to enhance Differentiated Student Learning including NCCD;
- Increased support time in Secondary to support Students with Additional Needs;
- Lunch-time programs including games, robotics and science moments.

PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT

- Participation in Rockhampton Secondary School Sports including Futsal, Soccer, Netball, Basketball and Volleyball Competitions (Premiership in Year 7/8 Boys Soccer);
- Participation in the Qld Schools Table Tennis Championships;
- Participation in Rockhampton Primary School Competitions (Basketball, Hockey, Soccer);
- Participation in Rockhampton District Cross Country;
- Inter-house Athletics Carnival;
- Our Lower Primary / Upper Primary Swimming Carnival.

P-12 IPAD/MACBOOK PROGRAM

We are presently in the middle of the third and final phase of our iPad / MacBook

program with the last of our teaching staff soon to receive their MacBook. All students from Year 5 to Year 9 now have an iPad and all students in Years 10 to 12 have a MacBook to support their Academic tasks. Pre to Year 4 classes have class sets of iPads. I commend staff for their extraordinary work in supporting the implementation of this program which is of critical importance to our facilitating and supporting learning and teaching in 21st Century classrooms.

BATTLE OF THE BANDS

A special note of congratulations to our secondary school band 'Runway' for their 3rd placing in the recent Central Queensland Battle of the Bands, held at the Pilbeam Theatre. Runway also took out 1st place in Best Film presentation!

We thank God for His continued grace and leading of our school community. We acknowledge the continued prayer and commitment of the school's parents and church membership into the lives of the next generation, and to seeing that every student at Lighthouse Christian School develops so as to see 1 Timothy 4:12 in action.

"Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example of the believers, in work, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."

Blair Harp ■



A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR JOHN

by **PASTOR JOHN BUCHHOLZ**

School Pastoral Leader

Please join me in praising our Heavenly Father for the privilege of serving Him in the ministry of Lighthouse Christian School.

May each of us rejoice and give thanks for the blessings our God continues to bestow on us. As we labour together to reach our children for His glory, we are also expressing our gratitude that He chose to use us. "O magnify the LORD with me, and let us exalt His name together." (Psalm 34:3)

Looking forward to finishing this school year and beginning another, I am filled with joyful expectations of what God has planned for Lighthouse Christian School.

Please join us in prayer as we continue to seek to minister to the students with a Biblically-based world view, challenging character building, and intentional teaching.

"And all thy children shall be taught of the LORD; and great shall be the peace of thy children." (Isaiah 54:13) As you prepare the children God has placed in your hands to love, our God will give you wisdom and strength for the journey.

"Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O LORD, my strength, and my redeemer." (Psalm 19:14) God has been faithful and by His grace, Lighthouse continues to add new families and see lives changed.

It was my privilege to baptise students from Lighthouse Christian School this Semester. May they continue to walk with Jesus. May each of us be faithful to pray daily as we continue to serve Him. "In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths." (Proverbs 3:6) Lighthouse Christian School is a ministry

of Lighthouse Baptist Church and I would encourage you to find a home to worship God.

Come Home to the Lighthouse.

Prayerfully, Pastor John ■



STUDENT BAPTISMS

by **PASTOR JOHN BUCHHOLZ**
School Pastoral Leader

We congratulate students from Lighthouse Christian School and the Lighthouse Baptist Church family who made the decision to follow Jesus in baptism.

It is a precious time for family and friends to see a young believer decide to make the crucial commitment of public testimony and follow Jesus in believer's baptism.

Congratulations to Mollie Lockett, Sabrina Cleland, Daniella Hall, Afton McLovin and Buddy McLovin.

God bless you as you grow and follow Jesus. ■

CAPSURED IN TIME

by **LEANNE GRAY & HANNAH BOSOMWORTH**



This year we are celebrating 25 years of Lighthouse Christian School, formerly known as Norman Park Christian School. As a school, we wanted to mark this occasion as we have been looking at photos and videos of the past 25 years. We decided to bury a time capsule this year for the future leaders of Lighthouse Christian School to reveal in 25 years' time in the year 2044. The school held a ceremony with current school students, staff and any parents that wished to attend. The ceremony started off with a Praise and Worship session led by Joshua Bobadilla and then a Verbatim Theatre

performance by our Year 11 and 12 Drama students about some of our Leaders of Lighthouse Christian School throughout the past 25 years. Pastor Robert Bakss continued the ceremony by speaking to the students about Purpose Park, where the time capsule was to be buried. Our Senior School Captains and Vice-Captain – Jesse Harp, Ashleigh Knobel and Natalie Bosomworth had the honour of carrying the time capsule to its burial place where they placed the time capsule underneath the new Purpose Park sign. Within the time capsule we placed photos from the past 25 years, documents, plans, current school

Lanterns, videos and lots more. It will be fantastic to see what our 2044 students will think of the items once it is opened! We finished off our celebrations with a cake that was cut by our oldest student, Zayne Pretorius and our youngest student, Sandra Platts. We are so blessed as a school to have reached 25 years in Christian Education and can't wait to see what God does in the next 25 years. ■





MN8 SERVING OUR CITY

by **JEANNE HARP**
Prep Teacher

MN8 is Lighthouse Christian School's very own children's performing arts group which formed three years ago to entertain our own Preps and the visiting Preps and Pre-Preps at Kindy Picnic.

Since that time they have continued to perform as a group at school, church and local events for the purpose of entertaining and educating through movement and music. Travelling with our own sound technician, Chris Gorle, we are fortunate to have our own set of cordless microphones and sound equipment and our own set of red and blue Lighthouse Kids t-shirts to ensure a more polished look and sound.

This year, MN8 performed once again at Romp in the Park. It was a wonderful occasion. We loved the opportunity to share a stage with

other performers at the gorgeous Botanical Gardens, enjoying beautiful sunny weather, laughing, singing and dancing with the children of our city. MN8 stretched themselves, their hearts and their talent to show us joy overflowing.

Not long after having seen MN8 perform at Romp in the Park, the Rockhampton Regional Council invited the MN8 group to perform at the Rockhampton Show on the Stage in the Walter Reid Pavilion and also at the River Festival this year, adding them to the program on the Adventure Land main stage. Once again the team brought energy and joy to us all and this was another beautiful day celebrating with MN8 in our city.

In term 4 MN8 once again performed at our annual Kindy Picnic. This year the last of

the original MN8 team graduates and we welcomed visitors to this year's Kindy Picnic to sing and dance with an entirely new team and an entirely new set of songs to go with the Adventure Island theme.

So many happy memories already this year and still more in the pipeline to come of our smiling bouncing MN8 team bringing joy, laughter and learning to our little ones though music and movement.

MN8 is an awesome opportunity for up and coming young Lighthouse performers to get valuable opportunities rehearsing and performing for City events using the best sound equipment and stages at popular venues around Rockhampton. ■



Q & A

with **VALERIE BEKKER**

In this issue of the Lantern, we are interviewing Miss Valerie Bekker. Miss Bekker started her role as Year 2 teacher at LCS this year and we have loved having her as part of our Lighthouse family. Miss Bekker's students love the activities and events Miss Bekker organises for her class such as celebrating 100 days of school.





WHERE ARE YOU FROM ORIGINALLY?

I was born in South Africa and in 2002 my family immigrated to Australia. I have lived in Rockhampton for the last 10 years. Before that, my family lived in various towns around Australia.

WHAT DO YOU DO HERE AT LCS?

I work in the LCS primary school as the Year 2 Teacher.

DID YOU ALWAYS WANT TO BE AN EARLY CHILDHOOD TEACHER?

Ever since I was a little girl, I wanted to be a teacher. As a little child, I used to play teachers with my friends and Mum. I also had this kids chalkboard and I would pretend to present lessons to my dolls and

teddies. I always pictured myself working with young children. I was once obsessed with the movie 'Matilda'. I dreamt of being like Miss Honey in the movie. I enjoy interacting with children in their early years, so it was a natural passion to want to work as an Early Childhood Teacher. My Grandmother is also a retired teacher, so I believe the passion for teaching runs in the family.

WE HEARD YOU RECEIVED A SPECIAL AWARD FROM THE UNIVERSITY. CAN YOU TELL US ABOUT THIS?

Earlier this year, I received the Catholic Education – Diocese of Rockhampton, Religious Education Prize (\$1,000). This award was for having the highest academic achievement in the Catholic Religious Education courses that I completed while at university.

WHAT DO YOU LOOK FORWARD TO MOST IN A DAY?

The saying goes... "Another day, another dollar". I like to change this saying to... "Another day, another opportunity to impact a life". Therefore, I most look forward to the moments where I can be a blessing to others. I look forward to opportunities where I change a person's day through a smile, a happy greeting, prayer, a listening ear, a word of encouragement, offering my services and a positive outlook. Additionally, I am motivated to continue my work when watching my students grow into the people God has created them to be.

WHAT ARE YOUR GOALS AS A TEACHER?

I aspire to help children grow holistically where their whole being is developed. The purpose of education is to develop students academically; however, I wish for more for my students. I want them to also grow spiritually, emotionally, socially and physically. I also aim to instill a love of learning in the children that I interact with. I think this is important because even as adults we are continuously learning.

WHEN AND HOW DID YOU BECOME A CHRISTIAN?

I grew up in a Christian family so I have been exposed to Christianity my whole life. In 2014, my family began attending Oasis New Life Centre in Rockhampton. Each year, the church holds a revival week and has a visiting pastor called Deon Hockey. During a revival service, I accepted Jesus as my Lord and Saviour. Then in 2016, I got water baptised.

WHAT IS ONE MOMENT THAT STANDS OUT AS GOD WORKING IN YOUR LIFE?

One of the most significant moments that stands out as God working in my life is when I was offered the position at Lighthouse Christian School. I am still in awe of the way that God worked in my life and purposefully placed me at LCS. A few years ago, a good friend of mine brought me along to a Live Out Loud service. She gave me a tour of the school and I remember saying to God that I would love to teach at Lighthouse. Until this tour, I did not know that LCS existed. After this time, I continued studying for several years. Upon finishing my degree, I applied to teach with the Catholic Education Diocese of Rockhampton; however, I didn't really want to go out west nor was I in a financial position to go out west. I remained faithful that God would provide. One day, I decided to look for teaching

positions on Seek. It was on this day that I found the advertised position at Lighthouse. Knowing that I did not want to go out west, I decided to apply. I still remember the day that Mr Harp phoned me offering me the position at Lighthouse. I was beyond excited and I was blown away by the blessing that God has given me. As I think back about my journey, I am amazed at how God planned everything, even down to the detail of my friend giving me a tour which led me to know about Lighthouse.

WHAT IS A PIECE OF ADVICE YOU WOULD LIKE TO PASS ON TO OUR STUDENTS WHO ARE GRADUATING THIS YEAR?

Trust in Jesus Who is your strength. We cannot do life in our own strength; however, with God all things are possible. For me, 2019 has been one of the most difficult

years being a first year teacher (university does not prepare you for the real world of teaching). Many times I have felt out of my depth and not good enough. I have learnt that God's love never fails; He is constant and we are never alone. No matter the situation, He will either catch you or teach you how to fly. Always remember Isaiah 41:10 – "Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my righteous right hand." ■



CALCULATING THE FORMULA OF SUCCESS

by **PASCAL VAN MELLO**
Parent Volunteer

When Mrs White asked me if I was able to coach the Years 7 and 8s for the upcoming QLD Maths quiz, I was a bit taken aback and also quite worried. I did not know why she asked me (and still do not) and frankly, maths has never been my cup of tea until recently. My son is autistic but also quite good in maths, so I had to step up my game to challenge him.

Their coaching lasted 4 weeks with one session a week during lunchtime. Being teenagers, I guess they often felt like they wanted to be somewhere else. But I like to think that whatever strategies and thinking processes I instilled in them helped in getting a 2nd place in front of Emmaus and behind Cathedral College.

The actual test was much harder than the ones I found to give them, so all credit goes to them.

In the meanwhile, Mrs White had also asked me to coach the Year 5 and 6s but theirs was to last only a week. We had sessions every day except one. They were super enthusiastic but also super noisy and distracted. But it was all good fun. Being called Mr Daddy was the highlight.

Their test was almost identical to the Year 7 and 8

so extra credit to them. They too came 2nd in front of Heights and behind Grammar.

Given the calibre of most of the schools in both quizzes and since this was our first participation, let us all give them a big shout out. Hip, hip, hurray! The pressure is on for next year's teams! ■



EMU GULLY CAMP

by **ASHLEE BOSOMWORTH & PAUL CLEMENTE**

Year 11 Students



During our time at Emu Gully, we couldn't really say that we knew the whole year 10 and 11 cohort properly, until we actually made it our priority to get to know each other through the activities and during our free time. Throughout those three days, we had successfully made new friendships, strengthened the existing ones that we had before and experienced a spiritual revival.

Emu Gully was a leadership camp that had aimed its efforts towards building skills and to improve the existing ones (like Leadership, Teamwork, Listening Skills, etc.) into young Individuals who will lead us into a better and brighter future.

The Highlights of Emu Gully:

- Many of us were able to showcase our skills through the activities and our free time.
- Each activity seemed to have brought

us closer as cohorts and as friends.

- The Night Walk showed us the importance of each other and teamwork.
- The Mud Pit activity showed us that it's important to never leave a person behind.
- During the course of our time at Emu Gully, we were presented with the opportunity to lead people to the Lord.
- Two students came to know the Lord on the second night which sparked a revival which would also lead to another three to later except Christ after returning.
- During our last two nights, some of the students were unable to sleep, so the teachers decided that we were allowed in the mess hall and play board games or just talk to each other.

On our last day at Emu Gully, we were disappointed to know that we had to

leave, as we were only getting to know our camp guides better and have almost treated them as if they were family.

If the year 10 and 11 cohort are the future of Lighthouse, then we are proud to say that Lighthouse Christian School is in very good hands, as they have grown not only as a group, but as individuals who continue to build on their skills, strive after the heart of God and improve themselves in order to become the future role models of the school. ■



LIGHTHOUSE TAKES THE WIN!

by **RUSSELL GORGE**
Secondary Sports Teacher





In June, LCS won their first Grand Final for Rockhampton high school sport. The Year 7 and 8 boys won the U14's Rockhampton and District School Sport Football Grand Final.

In Term 2, our Lighthouse team played and defeated St. Brendan's twice, The Cathedral College 'B and Emmaus 'B. We drew one game against TCC 'A and lost one game to Emmaus 'A. We finished 2nd on the ladder behind Emmaus 'A who finished top of the ladder and who we were to play in the final.

All were excited for the final, we had a game plan, we all knew our roles and we were pumped for the game. The final took place at Emmaus, where several finals were scheduled to take place. There were plenty of parents and supporters present. The scene was set, here we go! Half-way through the first half, Ben Bleakley chased the ball down, just kept it in play and crossed the ball. A perfect cross for Aaron Gorge to out-jump the defence and head the ball across the face of the goal, one-nil to Lighthouse! Just needing to make it to half time maintaining the lead and plan second half tactics. Then in the final minute, Emmaus equalise. New tactics needed!

The second half came and went without score, but with plenty of occasions for the parents to have heart palpitations with

the near misses! Special mention to Ben Bleakley, who in the last minute of normal time, threw himself in front of a shot to keep the game alive. Heart attacks, nervous twitches, calling for paramedics as the game was not good for your health but was sheer drama! Extra-time followed with still no more goals.

Next came penalties, the best of five. Our tactic was to kick low to the goal keeper's left, where he did not like diving!

First penalty: Aaron Gorge placed to the keeper's left.

Second penalty: Silas Bakss in the roof of the net to the keeper's right.

Third penalty: Kudzie Munjeri aims for the top right and somehow scores in the top left, utterly amazing! Everyone thought it was a mis-kick but Kudzie assured everyone it was pure skill and well-placed!

Fourth penalty: Ben Bleakley scored to the keeper's right corner.

Emmaus had scored their previous three penalties and stepped up for their fourth penalty. Jordan Knight dived to his left and saved. Tension builds, if we score our fifth penalty, we win!

Fifth penalty: Caleb Bakss just boots it into the roof of the net (so much for tactics!)

He scores, Lighthouse wins! The players run to one another, jump in the air and

bounce off each other's chests. We have done it! "Joyful, joyful, we adore you." Thank you Lord. ■



BRIGHT FUTURES AHEAD!

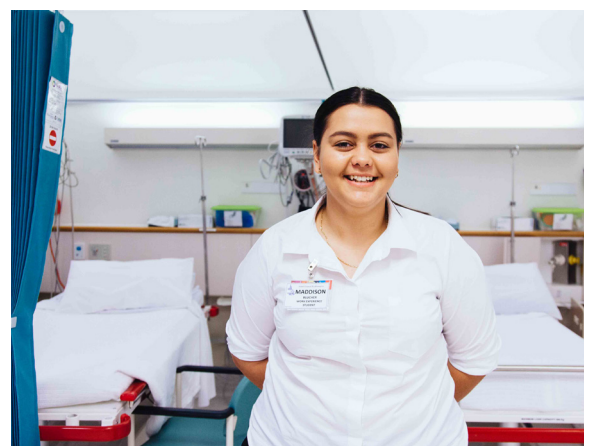
by **ALINTA SONDERGELD**
Careers Teacher

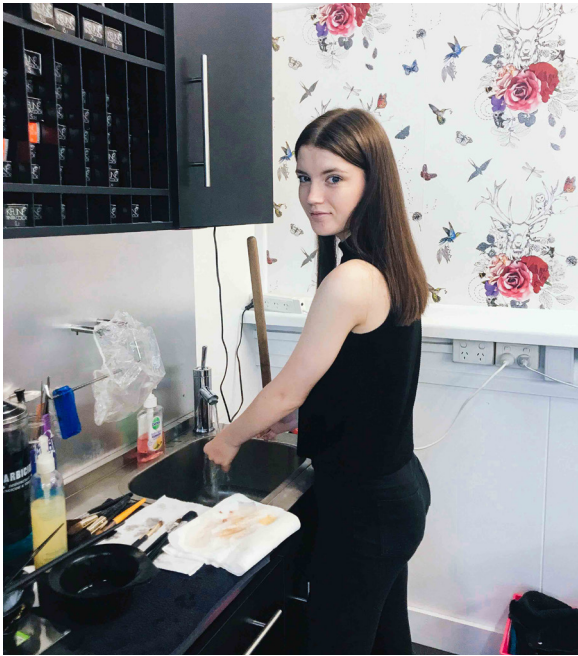
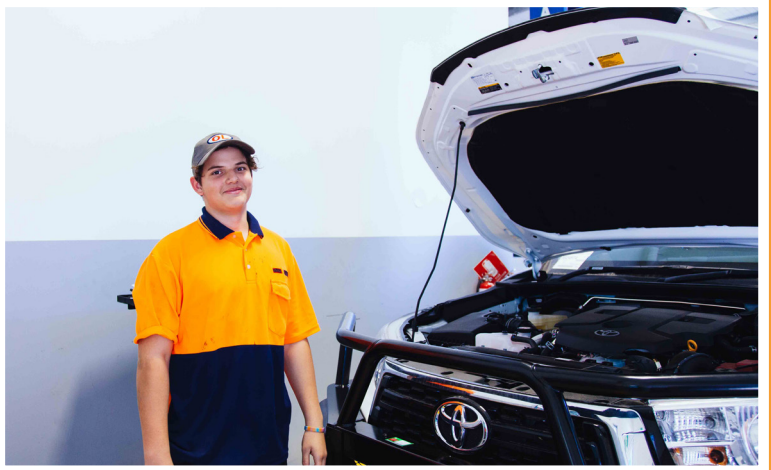
Over the course of the term, Year Ten students have been exploring different ideas about what industries and careers they would be interested in to prepare for work experience.

This year was just as diverse and interesting as it has been in the past with students requesting placements with the health industry, beauty, computer maintenance, carpentry, fabrication and vehicle maintenance, legal areas, teaching, information technology, creative media and music. The newest career to appear was Pastoring with Joshua Bosomworth asking to follow Pastor Bakss as he went about his duties pastoring the Lighthouse and wider community.

Lighthouse would like to extend a sincere thanks to the following businesses and organisations willing to invest in our local youth career development; Mercy Health and the Mater Misericordiae Hospital, Central Queensland University, Lighthouse Baptist Church, A Touch of Style Hair and Beauty, Green Brothers, Michael Stockhall Solicitors, Maddon Solicitors, Mining Equipment Maintenance, Opposite Lock 4WD, Centre State Computer Maintenance and Rockhampton Carpentry. ■

The following students were not able to be photographed during their placement due to the nature of their workplace and availability; Jamie Anderson, Luke Boustead and Noah White.





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by **LANA GRAY**
Administration Officer



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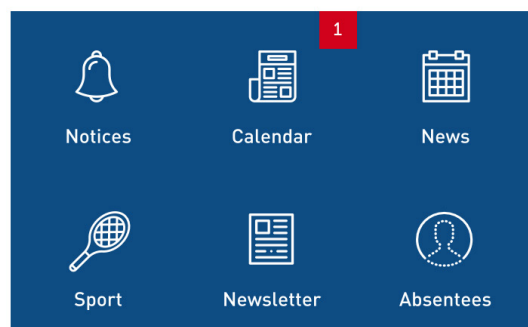
Over the past few months we have been working with Digistorm to develop a school app to streamline communication with our school families and it's finally ready to roll out! Our app can be downloaded from the App Store or Google Play, just search for 'Lighthouse Christian School' and start the download.

The app currently has 6 modules up and running including Notices, Calendar, News, Sport, Newsletter and Absentees. Presently, we use email as our main point of contact for all communication – we will now use the app as we are able to filter notices in a more efficient manner using the app. To ensure you don't receive unnecessary notifications, all you need to do is go to the Settings cog and under 'Subscriptions' select only the year levels and activities that apply to your child/children. Simple!

- Open the App store and search 'Lighthouse Christian School';
- Download and open the app;
- You will be prompted to allow the app to access your calendar – if you would like to sync the school calendar with your personal calendar, select 'ok';
- Next you will be prompted to allow the app to send you notifications. Please ensure you select 'allow'. You can fine tune the notifications on the next page so you aren't receiving notifications that don't relate to you;
- Select the 'Settings' cog which will be located at the bottom right of your screen;
- Select 'Notifications' – please make sure your Push Notifications are ON;
- Select 'Subscriptions' – please make sure you select only the activities/year levels that pertain to your

child/children so that you don't receive unnecessary notifications;

If you are having any troubles with the app specifically, please go to the 'Settings' cog, go to App Feedback and leave your comments there. This will be sent to administration who will endeavour to rectify the issue promptly. ■



LIGHTHOUSE KIDS



Sunday 10am

SPARKS 0-2 Years old
SUNBEAMS 3-4 Years old
SON SEEKERS Prep - Grade 1
LANTERNS Grade 2-3
BEACONS Grade 4-6

For more info contact our Children's Pastor - Glenn: 0425 489 181
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BOOK WEEK

by **JASMIN SMYTH**
Year 1 Teacher

Book Week 2019 was an exciting week for the students at Lighthouse Christian School. In lead up to our celebration of Reading, Mrs Bacon and Mrs Smyth ran some competitions to kickstart the week including a colouring in competition and the best lego dinosaur creation per class. Students in every class were excitedly colouring and building for these competitions.

Throughout the week, we also held a Book Fair in the library and many books were purchased. The commission that the school received was \$350 to put towards classroom libraries and resources.

In addition to this, there were

activities during each lunch hour as we continued to highlight the importance of reading at Lighthouse.

Some of these activities included bead making, colouring in, fossil making, fossil dig, playdough activities, dinosaur puzzles, lego building and create a dinosaur activity. It was a very exciting week which saw many students participating in the extra curricular activities.

To complete our celebration for the week, we had our annual Book Week Parade. This was hosted by Pastor Glenn who dressed up as 'Captain Underpants'. The costumes were outstanding with many classes

sporting a great array of characters.

The week celebrated our love of books and reading here at Lighthouse. A huge thank you to Mrs Bacon for making the week such a success. ■



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FETE 2019

by **RUTH CLEMENTE**
Fete Co-ordinator



We really enjoyed our time being part of your school Fete and would love to be part of it again next year!" When stall holders who aren't part of our school community give feedback like this, it confirms your suspicions that the event was a success.

Praise the Lord for blessing our school over the last 25 years. On the 24th of August, 2019 we had the opportunity to celebrate God's faithfulness to our school together.

Thank you all for your never-ending support for this event and for doing your part to ensure it's success. Our campus was filled with activities for everyone in the family to enjoy.

Among the highlights of the evening were

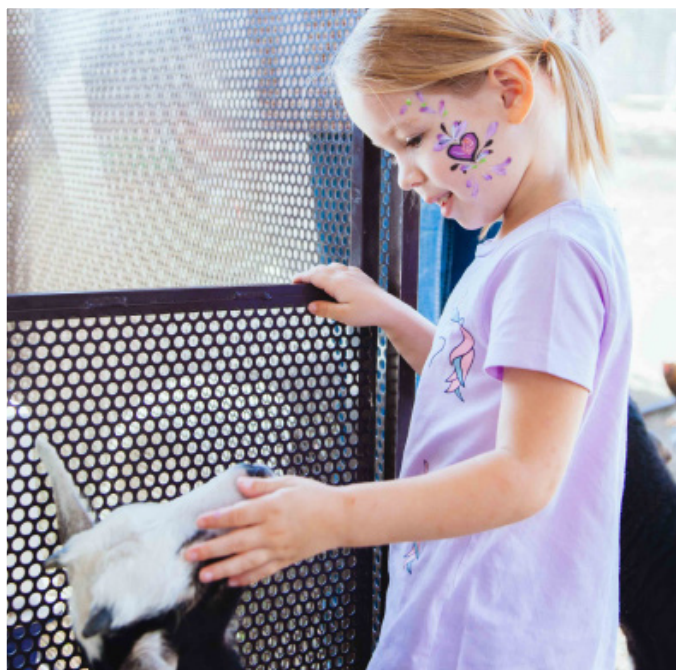
the live performances by our very own band, "Runway", the fashion parade, Verbatim Theatre, praise and worship by the Y&YA team and a whole lot of other fun activities. Incredible bargains were scored during the auction, rides and games were available for the kids to enjoy while parents and families were able to shop and support our many stall holders. We also honoured the long-serving staff members of our school; we are so grateful for their hard work and patience during those years.

With the evening being one of our major fundraising events of the year, we would like to express appreciation for the local businesses that donated auction items and monetary contributions. To those parents and families that gave their time and effort in the preparation and running of this event, your generosity didn't go unnoticed.

THANK YOU! ■



Kindy Picnic





SHOOTING HOOPS IN PHYSICAL EDUCATION

by **KAREN HALL**
Primary Sports Teacher

In Term 3 we were successful in receiving a Sporting Schools Grant. The Sporting Schools Grant provides programs for students to improve fundamental movement skills to encourage lifelong participation in physical activity, increase the awareness of the value of sport in schools, engage children in high quality sporting programs and connect children with sport in their local area. We chose Basketball as a lead-on to our Friday inter-school sports competition in Term Four. We had a coach-led package which meant a

Coach from Basketball Rockhampton came out weekly for 6 weeks to teach the Year 3/4, Year 4, Year 5 and Year 6 classes some basketball skills as well as teamwork skills. The students were very excited to meet and be coached by Nelson, Shaun and Mary from the Rockhampton Rockets and Cyclones. As the student's skills improved each week it was decided we would showcase our skills in an afternoon session where we would play Lighthouse Christian primary students against the Rockets and Cyclones players, including Ashlee Bosomworth from year

11. It was a great game with several baskets being scored for each team. Some shots were so amazing they even made the local WIN news that night! After the game there was an opportunity for students to get autographs and chat with the players. ■





SOME HIGHLIGHTS FROM STUDENTS

I loved playing the Red light/Green light dribbling game. Jacob Hall, Year 3/4

The Rockets were tall and good players. Taliah Wehlow and Corey Evans, Year 4

When we scored the first basket for the game. Darcy Bleakley, Year 6

I loved playing the game, Golden Child. Izaya Mills, Year 5

Being on the news. Henry Hall, Year 5

When Nelson slam dunked. Michael Henry, Year 7

When Corey did an amazing lay-up in the game. David Carloff-Hall, Year 5





by **LAURA HENRY & ELLA TATNELL**
Runway Vocalists/Year 7 & 8 students

A few weeks in, everyone felt like one big family, all connected and united. We had all worked hard for the moment coming up... Battle of the Bands. It was just around the corner and in each practise, we developed strength and motivation. Our mentors consisted of Mr and Mrs Marquez, Emilee-Joy Buchholz, Lynn Byun and Jesse Harp (our band leader). They all helped us improve our skill and performance ability.

To prepare for our big upcoming event, we practiced at other school events such as the 25th Jubilee Fete and at a morning chapel parade. All bands participating for Battle of the Bands were to create an introductory video to show before our performance which introduces our bands to the audience. This video took many hours of hard work. We give special thanks to Joshua Bobadilla who filmed and edited this creation and who dedicated lots of his time to create the best introductory video as possible. We would also like to thank Joshua for our fantastic Runway photoshoot and thanks to Darryl Cocker for allowing us to use his helicopter as an amazing background

for some of our photos. We were absolutely amazed at the photos from our photoshoot. We now looked like a band!

As our event got closer we attended a sound check at the Pilbeam Theatre where we were able to practice on the main stage and get a feel like what our performance at Battle of the Bands would feel like. Some of us were nervous but knowing we had our band members next to us on stage and with God's help, we would perform to the best of our ability. As a band we prayed before our performance not just for our night to go well but also for all the other bands who were also in the same place as us, performing in front of hundreds of people. We thanked God for this opportunity we had to praise Him in song and share that with so many people.

The night went really well and it was fantastic to watch the other bands perform. We were very excited to hear that we not only came 3rd out of 12 bands but won 1st place for Best Video! We would like to thank our parents for all the rehearsals they drove us to

and encouragement they gave us. We would also like to thank all the students and parents who came to support us on the night. It was a blessing to see so many familiar faces in the crowd. ■





Our New Playful Primary Playground

by **BRONWYN BOSOMWORTH**
Year 1 Teacher

This term we were blessed with the arrival of our long awaited primary playground. With Lighthouse growing rapidly in the past few years it was time we built more primary classrooms. Unfortunately, this meant that our greatly loved old playground needed to be demolished to allow for the new expansion of buildings.

It was a very sad day for students both past and present, when the workmen moved in to take away the well-used playequipment. Some tears were shed when the beautiful tree, which shaded many young children as they played over the last 25 years, was removed to make way for our new Purpose Park and Primary buildings.

Over the last few years, our parents and students have fundraised for a new, exciting playground through Fun Runs, bake sales and Lighthouse Fetes. Our students from Prep to Year 6 would like to thank all those who

have participated in these fundraising efforts as they are now enjoying our fantastic new playground.

The new playground features monkey bars, forts, a spider web, two slides and many other activities designed to promote physical and social development. Laughter and excitement can be heard coming from this new area of our school as the children explore and use their imagination playing on our new play equipment. ■



**I LOVE OUR NEW
PLAYGROUND BEACUSE IT
HAS LOTS OF SPACE AND
DIFFERENT ACTIVITIES.
I LIKE THE MONKEY
BARS AS THEY GIVE
YOU MUSCLES IN YOUR
WRISTS THAT HELPS
YOUR WRITING.**

- ROSE MORCOM (YEAR 2)



**IT'S AMAZING! I LOVE
EVERYTHING ABOUT IT!**

- SIENNA MILLS (YEAR 3)



A MODERN DAY MIRACLE

by **ALICE BAKSS**
Deputy Principal

"There are only two ways to live your life. One is as though nothing is a miracle. The other is as though everything is a miracle." - Albert Einstein

In the last 5 months I have had countless transfusions, and each time I would spend a good deal of time watching whatever it was filter into my body and wonder at the miracle of life and modern medicine. Without the transfusions, I wouldn't be writing this now, and I can't help but praise a God who made sure I was born in an era and country where we have become so used to the every-day miracles that we take them for granted and consider them normal, because one in three Australians will need a blood transfusion at some point in their life and they're part of our common vernacular.

I started this year with a platelet count of 13. Platelets are the part of your blood that makes your blood clot. Platelets are a white-ish coloured blood product, but only one component of your blood. The normal platelet count for adults is between 150 and 400, so my low count put me in an increased risk of bleeding category. What this meant for me was that each time I had an invasive diagnostic procedure to keep an eye on my liver disease, I needed a platelet transfusion. These life-saving little top-me-ups only last 3-4 days in a normal person but because I'm decidedly abnormal in the health department, they were lucky if they lasted a couple of hours.



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When my platelets dropped into the “we can’t count that low” range because I developed an auto-immune problem that killed off the last 13, the doctors scheduled fortnightly immunoglobulin transfusions. Another blood product – an expensive one (\$10,000 a transfusion if I was paying for it myself, thank God for Medicare!). These clever little proteins are produced by white blood cells and they pushed the platelet count back over 20 long enough for me to make it to my transplant. Throughout the surgery I would have received blood and platelet transfusions and I received one red blood transfusion in the weeks after surgery and also a number of bright yellow Albumin transfusions. This is another protein found in blood plasma that has some important job like looking after the fluid in your blood cells and making sure they don’t leak, among other things.

In fact, the proteins derived from plasma like Albumin and Privigen, the immunoglobulin transfusion, can be used in 18 different ways to help treat illnesses and injuries. For me, the transfusions I received helped to boost many of my failing systems until I was strong enough for those systems to work by themselves again. They stopped me from bleeding uncontrollably and made sure that there was actually blood to keep me alive. But it wasn’t just me in the hospital. There were at least five other transplant recipients in my ward during my stay among the hundreds of other patients requiring transfusions on a daily basis at that one hospital. There’s absolutely no doubt that blood transfusions save lives. For people like me, they’re part of the miracle.

This October, Lighthouse Love (a ministry of Lighthouse Baptist Church) held a “Blood Donor October” event, an opportunity to come together as a church family to donate blood. If you missed out and would like more information on how you can be a part of somebody’s life saving miracle, feel free to contact us at church@lighthousebaptist.com.au or talk to someone in administration. ■



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LIGHTS CAMERA ACTION

by **ANNETTE COOK**
Film Teacher

This year has been a huge year for Film, TV and Media at Lighthouse Christian School. This was a year of many firsts for the Film and Media department including the undertaking of the new Year 11 QCAA Senior Film subject under the new QCAA Syllabus, the introduction of an all new senior media subject, and the participation of students in a number of new and existing external Film events.

For the first time in the history of the school, we introduced a Senior Film Camp, where students from Year 12 were able to visit top film making institutions in Brisbane and participate in workshops. Students were also able to look at post-schooling study options at various institutes including Griffith University, JMC Academy and New York

Film Academy. As a bonus, our group was able to go behind the scenes at Hillsong Church in Brisbane to look at and speak to the lead members of their media and production team.

Earlier this year we received the exciting news that two of our Year 12 students came first in a CQ Young Filmmakers Competition sponsored by CQ Health. Jesse Harp and Julian Brumpton wrote, filmed and edited an anti-smoking ad called, "It All Starts with One." We are extremely proud of both of them. The boys won a \$400 gift card for the school, which went to purchasing a new Zoom H5 Field Recorder and shotgun mic. This will be used by many students in the future to achieve very high quality soundscapes for their films – thank you boys for your hard work.

The Year 11 cohort has had a huge year adjusting to the new Film, Television and New Media syllabus. In this new syllabus we moved from the old OP system to the new ATAR system which aligns with schools in NSW and VIC. This new system is quite challenging, but our students have stepped up to the plate and embraced this new challenge. In addition, for the first time Lighthouse Christian School started a new applied subject for film called Media Arts in Practice, which has been run concurrently with the Film, Television and New Media class. This subject has a more practical approach with less written components and is a fantastic option for students looking to do an applied subject under the new ATAR system.

The Year 10 and 11 classes attended the Regional Queensland Schools Film Festival run by Riverside Christian College in conjunction with Griffith University. Students participated in Workshops run by Arun Ketsirat from Griffith University, Tulahni Little (a freelance makeup artist who has also worked in film) ran a workshop on special effects make up, and Lighthouse's own Jesse Harp ran a workshop on 10 Top Tips to improve your Filmmaking. In the evening, students attended a screening at the Brolga Theatre of their short films and awards were judged and presented by Griffith University lecturer, Arun Ketsirat. Lighthouse won 9 of the 18 awards given out on the night, which is a wonderful result for our school. Adam Wojtas received 5 of the 9 trophies taking out: Best Documentary, Best Action Film, Best Story, Best Sound Design, Best

Costuming. Other results included: Gabby Wenman who won Best Story and Best Cinematography and Austin Brosnan who won Best Music Video. This year was the first time the Film Festival introduced a new category allowing students from years 7-9 to submit films in the Best Overall Junior Film Category. Our year 7 Students, Tillie Bleakley, Ella Tatnell and Amarlii Titmarsh, entered a music video called "Sabella" which won first place. It was a great time where students were able to showcase the films that they have been working so hard on all year and we look forward to seeing what our students can do next year.

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SENIOR FILM CAMP

by **ASHLEIGH KNOBEL & NATALIE BOSOMWORTH**
School Captain and Vice Captain

Our class had the opportunity to travel to Brisbane for film camp. We were able to explore and experience the sights and attractions of Brisbane and the Gold Coast. We left Rockhampton on Thursday and after a few stops and dinner at Gympie, we arrived at the YHA in Brisbane at around 11:00 at night. We got to our rooms and our heads hit the pillows almost within a minute.

Friday morning, we made our way to the rooftop to have our morning devotions then we went and had breakfast before heading off to the Gold Coast. We had the opportunity to participate in the Film Academy Workshop, learning different parts to a camera and techniques that can give you different effects. We made a short film using our phones to link the videos together and learnt how to do a long exposure also with the effect of blurring out someone; one of the long exposures that we made was LIGHTHOUSE.

After this, we headed off to Movie World for the afternoon. This was such a great

adventure, everyone had a blast and most of us faced a lot of fears by giving the scarier rides a go. Both Mr and Mrs Cook and Mr Harp went on the rides as well which made it extra fun. After a fun day of learning and heart-pumping adventures, we finished the night by chilling out back at the YHA for dinner and then going to a spontaneous walk down the street for dessert at Chocolateria San Churro filling our bellies with delicious churros before heading back to go to bed.

Saturday morning, we woke bright and early after breakfast we made our way to the Escape Manor, split into groups, we solved riddles and problems then made our way to Subway for lunch. Afterwards, in groups, we went on a shopping adventure through Queen St then had dinner at the YHA. We then rugged up in our warmest clothes and caught the train to the Ekka where we rode insane rides and watched the fireworks show.

Sunday, we dressed up in our nicest church clothes and went to church at Hillsong in Mt Gravatt; they greeted us with a warm

welcome and even offered us a tour. Then we visited Griffith University for their Open day after receiving some helpful information we had lunch then journeyed to the GOMA (Gallery of Modern Art) to explore the wonderful artworks. Heading back for dinner at YHA then at night visiting the Mt Coot-tha Lookout to gaze at the incredible view of the city.

On our last day in Brisbane, we packed up all our stuff making sure not to forget anything, said our goodbyes and journeyed to JMC Academy where we learned how to develop our STRANGER THINGS titles and what they offered. Afterwards, we said goodbye to the city and made our way home with a long drive ahead of us stopping for Krispy Kreme's on our way.

All in all, it was an amazing year 12 camp and from all year 12 cohort we are so grateful for the experience and to Mrs Cook for planning the entire trip down to the minute. ■

MEDIA ARTS

by **ABIGAIL BRAUN**
Year 6 Student

In media arts this term we have been learning about documentaries and how they are made. We learned about the four main tools used in making a documentary and then used these tools to make our own documentary about a school staff member. These tools were observation, narration, archival material and interview. Observation is used to show the subject in a video to make the viewer feel like an eye witness. Narration is often used over the top of archival material to help the viewer understand what they are looking at. Archival material, such as photos or videos provided by the subject, help tell the story. Interview is where the subject is seen talking and answering questions. These tools are combined to tell a story about the subject and their life.

Our group interviewed Mrs Hall, who teaches primary PE. Her family is new to the school this year and we used photos of her family and places where she has lived to help tell her story in our documentary.

by **HENRY HALL**
Year 5 Student

In Term Three in Media Arts we made a documentary on iMovie on the iPad. We had to interview one staff member from Lighthouse Christian School. We videoed them in a group then we had to individually edit the video and add in sound effects, pictures and photos in the correct part of the videos and edit the volume.

We learnt all the different shot types and camera angles and information about interviews. We were taught this by Mrs Hall and we applied that into our video and documentary. ■



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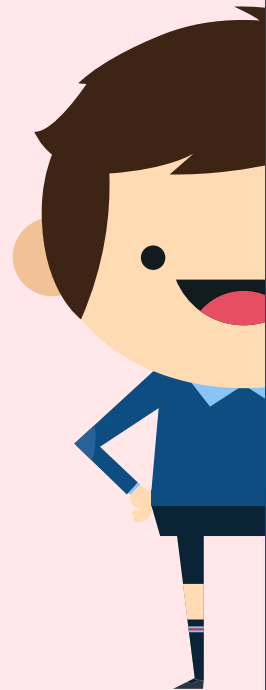
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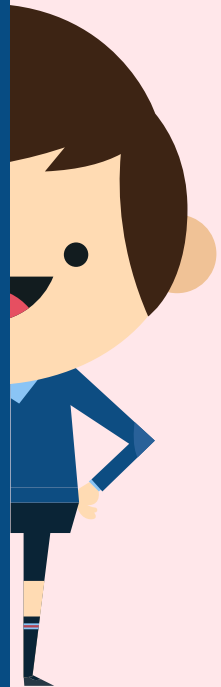
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DAILY 20 MINUTES OF READING?

Student B



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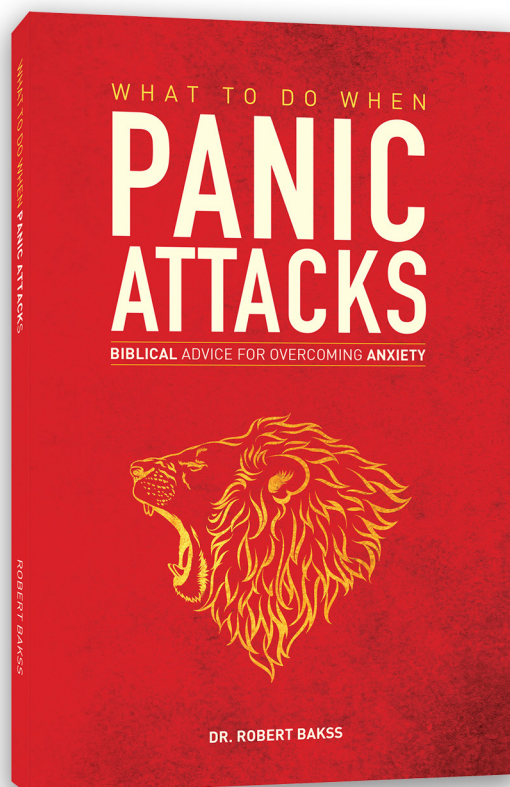
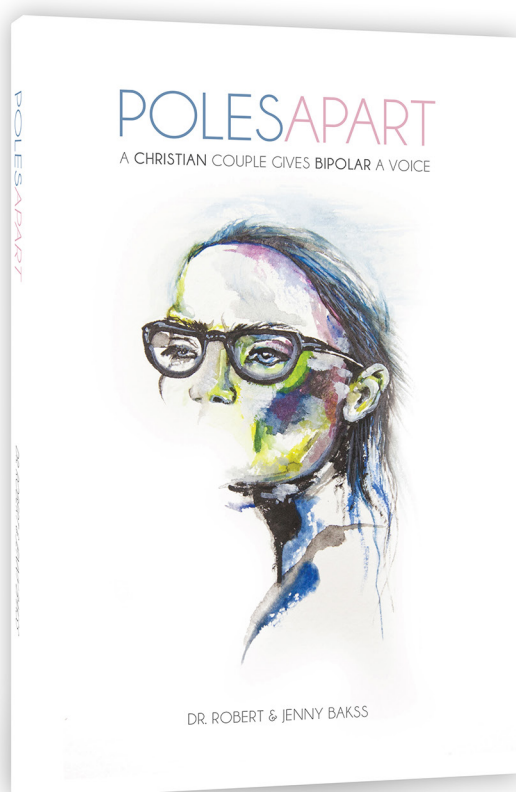


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school year

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BREAKING THE STIGMA OF MENTAL ILLNESS



Living with a mental illness can be extremely difficult and challenging. My wife, Jenny, has suffered from bipolar disorder for the last 24 years and we both felt it would be helpful to write on the subject of mental health, especially as it relates to Christians. We have published two books which are both aimed to help people understand bipolar disorder, depression and anxiety from a biblical perspective. The topic of mental illness amongst Christians and Churches is often misunderstood, demonised, denied and rarely discussed. We are passionate about helping break the silence on the topic and do our part in helping to remove the stigma that is often attached to mental health issues. With 1 in 4 people in society suffering from a mental health illness or disorder within their lifetime, the topic is very relevant to many people. Both books have been well reviewed and have helped many already. Our prayer and hope is that God will continue to use our journey and written works to inform, encourage and help many more understand these matters better.

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