Accelerate Adventures 🎽



September 2024

Welcome to the term 4 edition of Accelerate Adventures!

We're excited to share all the wonderful things happening in our kids' ministry.

Recap of Term 3 Feedback

- Lesson Resources: Volunteers have shared that the box with each week's lesson and resources has been effective. Starting this term, we will email lesson plans to the team the Tuesday before they are rostered on.
- **Tech Training**: We've received feedback regarding the use of the TV and tablet/screen. To address this, we've decided that the Lead/Support volunteers should arrive at church by 9:00 AM for assistance and training on the devices. This will also allow them to join the preservice prayer and briefing with the rest of the team.

Term 4 Program (5 Weeks)

- Our Term 4 program will be shorter as we prepare for a combined Christmas play and Carols service. The last 5 weeks of the term will focus on rehearsing with the children.
- Theme for Term 4: The Life of Jesus
 - Week 1: The Birth of Jesus
 - Week 2: Jesu Grows Up
 - Week 3: Jesus' Teachings
 - Week 4: Jesus' Miracles
 - Week 5: Jesus' Love and Sacrifice

Christmas Play/Production and Important Dates

- 8 December 2024: Combined Kids Church Christmas production and carols on Sunday evening. More details will follow by mid-October.
- **14 December 2024**: Christmas gifts/party will be held off-site. Details to follow closer to the date.
- **15 December 2024**: Kids Church's last Sunday for 2024, giving our volunteers a welldeserved break. Activity packs will be available for children during the service.
- 18 January 2025: Back to School reopening of Kids Church for 2025.

- **Cars for Kids**: On **28 September 2024**, we invite families to bring their children to this event to represent our church in the community.
- Volunteer Support: If anyone is available to assist our current volunteers, please speak to Karl. Extra hands are always welcome!
- Junior Leaders: We will be looking to use older youth volunteers as junior leaders starting in 2025.

Memory Verse For the Term Luke 2:14

"Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom His favor rests."

Other Important Information

BLUE CARDS!!!! - As part of our commitment to ensuring a safe environment for our children, we require all volunteers to submit a Blue Card application. The Blue Card system helps us conduct background checks to ensure the safety of everyone involved in our kids' ministry. If you haven't submitted your Blue Card application, please do so asap. If you have any questions or need assistance with the application process, feel free to reach out and I will assist with the process

Why is this important?

- 1. **Child Safety:** The primary purpose of the Blue Card is to protect our children by screening individuals who work with them.
- 2. **Compliance:** It ensures that our church complies with legal requirements regarding child protection.
- 3. **Trust:** By having these checks in place, we build trust with families and the community, showing that we prioritize the safety and well-being of our children.

Rosters

Term 4 Rosters will be sent out and put on Elvanto by Next week Tuesday, if you have any unavailability and not communicated it could you please let me know as soon as possible so I don't roster you on when you are unavailable.

Until next time, Blessings

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