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Dear Parent/ Caregiver,

We hope you have been enjoying the school holidays. KIDS Ministry Groups commence again on **Sunday 18 July** for all children from Pre-School age through to those in Year 8. As a children's ministry, KIDS is committed to supporting the family unit and working alongside you to help your child live the best life possible.

Everyone needs wisdom. The Book of Proverbs in the Bible is full of wisdom and practical applications for every part of daily life. And that's what we will be exploring over the next term at KIDS!

If you haven't read the Book of Proverbs lately, then we warmly recommend getting hold of a modern version, and read a chapter day. Not only will your own life be enriched, but you will be able to talk about them with your child. You may even be asked to quote a favourite proverb.

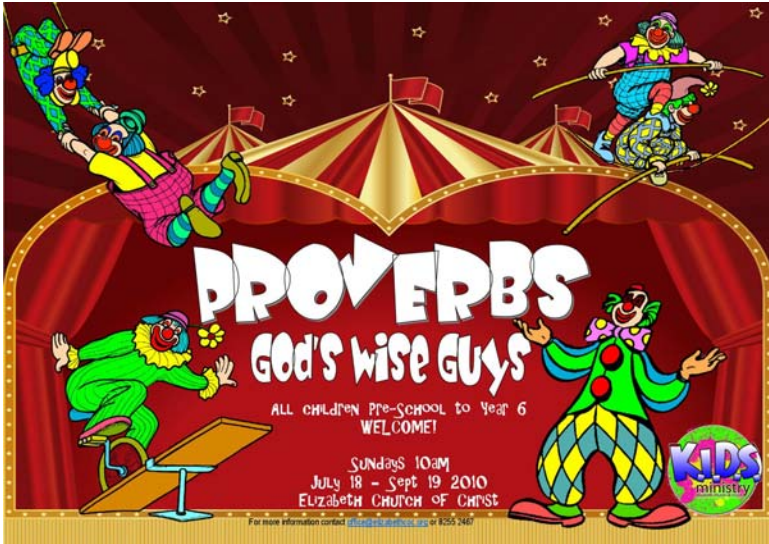
Once again we will have lots of fun as we discover what God has to say to us during KIDS this time. There will be fun activities, craft, multi-media, music and stories. Children will also learn some great clowning tricks and skills and meet some fun new friends.

In week 10 on Sunday 19 September we will celebrate the end of Term with our usual Family Service. Please put this date aside in your diary. This service will be extra special as we have invited the Children's Choir from the International Evangelical Pentecostal Africa Congregation to join us on this day.

Enclosed is a flier to attach to your fridge and one for your child/ren to invite a friend as well as an outline of the teaching themes for the term.

We look forward to some fun clowning around learning about God's wisdom with your child.

Sarah Watson
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TERM 3 Outline



Pre-School 2 -3 year olds

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| Week 1 | People: are all different. Jesus loves everyone. |
| Week 2 | People: Jesus wants us to include everyone. |
| Week 3 | People: Feelings. God wants us to be kind. |
| Week 4 | People: Good Choices. |
| Week 5 | God's Child is Kind |
| Week 6 | God's Child is Friendly |
| Week 7 | God's Child is Obedient |
| Week 8 | God's Child is Thankful |
| Week 9 | Thank You God for Friends |
| Week 10 | FAMILY SERVICE |

MEMORY VERSE:

"With all your heart you must trust the lord and not your own judgment. Always let him lead you, and he will clear the road for you to follow. Don't ever think that you are wise enough, but respect the Lord and stay away from evil." Proverbs 3:5-7



4 and 5 year olds

TERM 3 Outline



Year 1 to year 6

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| Week 1 | God's Way, The Wise Way | Proverbs 9:10 |
| | Wise living flows from a proper relationship with God. We can do this as we humbly acknowledge that the Lord God who created the world knows best how we should live, and commit ourselves to learn and do what he says. | |
| Week 2 | Speaking Wisely | Proverbs 10:19, 20 and 12:18 |
| | We can use words to gossip, lie, flatter, criticise, break confidences, create discord and put down others. If wise, our speech can speak truth, guide, soothe and comfort impart knowledge, empower others and build them up. | |
| Week 3 | Acting Wisely | Proverbs 11:5 and 11:23 |
| | Do my actions heal or hinder, hurt or help others? Am I just and fair, selfish or selfless in the way I treat and relate to others? Wise living means serving others helpfully. Wise living is putting love into practise. | |
| Week 4 | Wise Feelings | Selected Proverbs |
| | To live wisely is to show love in every situation and relationship. Feelings of hatred and anger will express themselves in destructive behaviour that hurts others and breaks friendships. Self-giving faithful love will be expressed in kindness, generosity and friendship to others. | |
| Week 5 | Thinking Wisely | Proverbs 15:28, 26:23, 20:9 and Phil 4:8 |
| | God knows whether our thoughts are good or bad even if we try to hide them from others. Often our actions express what we are thinking. The best way to avoid bad thoughts is to fill our minds with good thoughts. | |
| Week 6 | Wise God, Wise Kids | Proverbs 3:5-7, 4:10-12, 9:10, Luke 10:25-37 |
| | Summary week on living the wise way. Letting the Lord guide our thoughts, feelings, behaviour and actions. | |
| Week 7, 8, 9 | Ministry Electives | |
| Week 10 | FAMILY SERVICE | |