



Palmerston Campus News

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Upcoming Events



TERM 2

Friday 8 April 2022

As we come to the end of Term 1, I would like to thank all of our families for their understanding and support this term. Some COVID-19 restrictions will still remain in place in Term 2, however we are very excited to welcome parents back to our assemblies and chapels. If you wish to attend please remember to sign in, use hand sanitiser, and remain 1.5m apart where possible. We also ask parents to wear a mask as an added measure of safety.

I want to thank parents for booking times to share in their child's learning journey at our Three-way Conferences this week. If you were not able to make a time, please contact your child's classroom teacher to arrange an alternative time. I would encourage you to consider the goals which may have been set for your child/s learning and "check in" with your child on how these goals are progressing.

It has been great to see the learning taking place during Term 1. The students have settled in beautifully. It is great watching them interact across year levels in the playground.

Term 2 will be a very busy term with lots of events and public holidays. Please keep an eye on the 'dates' section of your newsletter and especially on Signmee. It is really important to regularly check Signmee as all information for what is happening at school and any permission forms are sent via this platform.

On behalf of the Palmerston Campus staff, we wish you all a happy and safe Easter and we look forward to welcoming the students back for the beginning of Term 2 on Tuesday 19 April.

Vicki Trathen
Head of Junior School
Palmerston Campus



Friday 15 April
Good Friday



Monday 18 April
Easter Monday



Tuesday 19 April
Term 2 School Commences



Friday 22 April
Anzac Day Chapel Service



Continued

Upcoming Events



TERM 2 2022

Monday 25 April

Anzac Day Public Holiday



Thursday 28 April

Junior School Years 3-5
Athletics Carnival



Monday 2 May

May Day Public Holiday



Friday 6 May

Mothers Day Stall



Friday 6 May

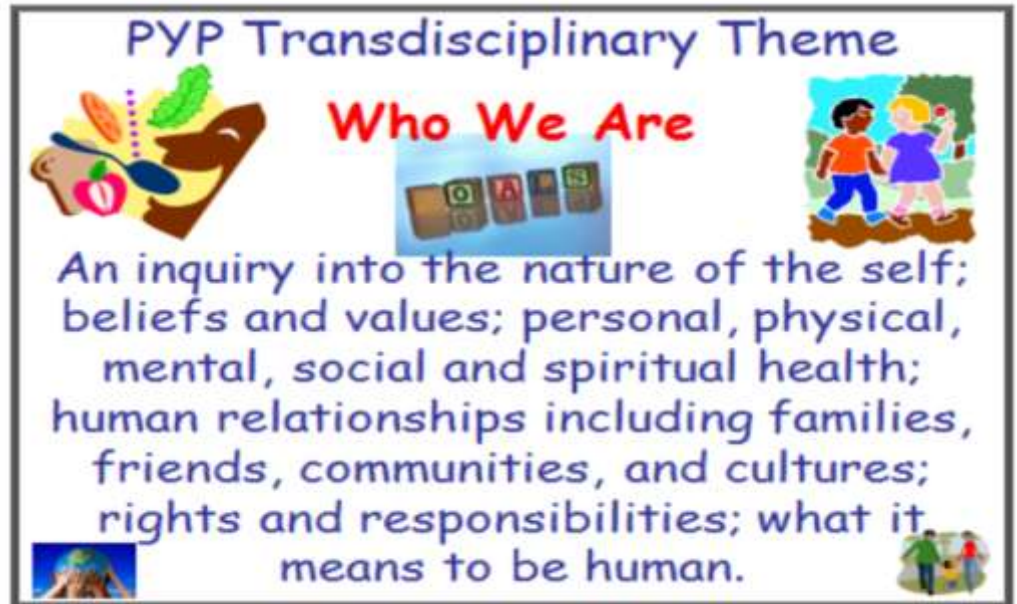
Mother's Day High Tea



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Primary Years Programme

I have thoroughly enjoyed spending time at each of the three Junior School campuses and getting to see some of the wonderful learning that is on display around the College. Each year level started the year off with the Transdisciplinary Theme 'Who we are' for their Unit of Inquiry in their classrooms. This was a wonderful way to begin the year as it tied in beautifully with their classroom set up of their Essential Agreement, routines, and getting to know one another.



Transition and Year 1 had a focus on how balanced choices enable us to have a healthy lifestyle and our responsibility for the actions we take.

Year 2 inquired into how developing relationships helps us to understand and work with others collaboratively. Including others is a beneficial way to maintain friendships.

Year 3 students were able to self-reflect on the ways that they learn best, how their beliefs and values influence the way they interact and their own self-management skills. It is interesting to be aware of our different learning styles.

Year 4 identified the interconnected factors that contribute to wellbeing and recognised the balance of physical, mental, social and spiritual health needed to support a healthy lifestyle.

Year 5 inquired into how neuroplasticity is connected to behaviour, as well as the different personality traits that can contribute to the ways that people take action throughout the world.

What an amazing beginning to our year of learning!

Rebecca Fletcher
PYP Curriculum Coordinator



Upcoming Events



Monday 9 - Friday 13
Monday 16 - Friday 20
 NAPLAN



Thursday 12 - Friday 13 May
 Year 4 Camp at Riyala



Wednesday 25 May
 National Simultaneous
 Storytime



Monday 30 - Friday 3 June
 Maths Week



Monday 13 June
 Queen's Birthday
 Public Holiday



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Awards

Congratulations to the following students for receiving awards over the last 4 weeks.

Positive Action Awards

Sofia Kassiou (4LG)
 Annie O'keefe (4LG)
 Mahuika Raharuhi (2CT) |
 Alexis Trease (3RK)
 Hayden Toll (3RK)



House Awards

Strauss

Mahuika Raharuhi (2CT)
 Leeland Barba (4LG)
 Jake Atkinson (5DS)
 Luke Smart (5DS)



Livingstone

Daly Melville (2CT)
 Gabrielle Banaga (2CT)
 Jase Hill (2CT)
 Annie O'Keefe (4LG)
 Jacob Prest (5DS)



Hughes

Alexis Trease (3RK)
 William Hore (4LG)

Fenton

Thomas McKay (TJK)
 Beau McDonald (3RK)
 Hope Carne (3RK)
 Alia Mahajan (3RK)
 Lara Boyle (3RK)
 Zahra Backwell-Kononen (3RK)
 Adele Iliou (4LG)



House Points Current Total

FENTON - 321

HUGHES - 310

STRAUSS - 275

LIVINGSTONE-239



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Upcoming Events



Friday 17 June

Colour Spectacular -
(Colour and Slime Run)



Monday 20 - Wednesday 22 June

Year 5 Camp
Bachelor Outdoor Education



Friday 24 June

T-2 Sports Day



Friday 24 June

Last Day Term



Year 5 Leaders

It was great to have so many parents with us in Chapel last Friday as the Year 5 student leaders (including James O'keefe via Zoom) were installed by Mr. John Proeve - Executive Director Lutheran Education SA, NT and WA. It was a great service and our students were very excited to finally receive their badges and share morning tea with their families. We were also fortunate to have Mrs Helen Taylor (College Board Member and Chair Person for Top End Lutheran Parish - TELP) and Pastor Noel Due the new TELP Pastor attended the service.

Next Term at the Week 2 assembly, the Gardening, Technology and Art leaders will be receiving their badges.



Recognition of Service Awards

In addition to installing the leaders, Mr Proeve also presented some of our staff with awards to recognise their service in Lutheran Schools. Congratulations to the following staff:

- ◆ Mrs Sue Tomes (20 Years Service)

Sue has been part of Good Shepherd since 2001! She commenced her role as Administrative Officer in the Palmerston Campus when it was only two years old. Sue is such an asset to Good Shepherd with historical knowledge that could not be surpassed by many. The many families and students who have met Sue, delight in her friendly demeanour and ability to assist with almost anything. Thank you for your many years of service Sue!

- Mrs Frances Simpson (10 Years)
- Mrs Catherine Sansom (10 Years)
- Mrs Vicki Trathen (10 Years)



Upcoming Events



Family Camp - 27 August

Grandparents Day - 19 August

Thank You

Thank you Luke Gosling MP
Federal Member for
Solomon for the donation of
a new Australian flag.



Thank you Eva Lawler MLA,
member for Drysdale for
the donation of a new
Territory flag.



Recycling

Through education and action we can help reduce, recycle and re-purpose to build a brighter future for every Aussie kid.

As part of our Sustainability efforts we are participating in the cans and bottle recycling program. Every second Friday, Envirobank will collect our full bags and leave us with new ones. Please send your children to the front office to collect a new bag.

We have also partnered with Wondersoft to help reduce soft plastic waste.

Did you know?

In Australia, only 18%* of plastic packaging is recycled - which is why Wonde recycling rewards was created. This is a fun and easy program for Aussie schools to recycle bread bags that might otherwise go to landfill and earn rewards points in the process.

Students are asked to bring in bread bags (any brand, does not have to be Wondersoft) and place them in a box that will be kept in the front office.

Once collected, Wonder is going to turn the plastic into wonderful things like school play equipment. All registered schools can earn reward points to spend on new sports equipment, simply by collecting the bread bags and sending them to Wondersoft.



Mums & Bubs Event

Thank you to Vicki Trathen, Head of Junior School, Palmerston Campus and Learning Enrichment Teacher, Catherine Sansom for attending this special event in Palmerston on Thursday 17 March.

This event celebrated new born bubs in Palmerston - and of course, we know it's never too early to start thinking about Play Groups and schooling for your precious bundle. The Little Lambs Play Group at this campus is a wonderful opportunity for little ones to get together and have some fun, and grown ups to relax and meet others.





Wheelie Days Term 2

We will be having allocated wheels days twice a week. Students can bring in their scooters or bikes to ride in Area 3. When they arrive at school, the students can put their bikes or scooters in the locked bike racks for safe-keeping and just take them out at recess and lunch. The students MUST bring a helmet to wear. These are the days that are allocated:

Week 2
Tuesday - Transition
Thursday - Year 1

Week 3
Tuesday - Year 2
Thursday - Year 3

Week 4
Tuesday - Year 4
Thursday - Year 5

Week 5
Tuesday - Transition
Thursday - Year 1

Week 6
Tuesday - Year 2
Thursday - Year 3

Week 7
Tuesday - Year 4
Thursday - Year 5

Week 8
Tuesday - Transition
Thursday - Year 1

Week 9
Tuesday - Year 2
Thursday - Year 3

Week 10
Tuesday - Year 4
Thursday Year 5

Harmony Day

On Monday 21 March we celebrated Harmony day. The students all looked bright and colourful in their orange and enjoyed different activities. Each student was asked to write about what Harmony looks like at Palmerston Campus, colour in a hand, and complete a handprint on a large canvas. The canvas will be displayed in the library and a symbol of Palmerston Campus 2022. We welcomed some children from Journey Early Learning as they joined in with some activities in the Transition classroom. Each class has selected a country to study and will share them over the coming assemblies.

Harmony Day - Everyone Belongs

Year 3 students shared their knowledge about Ukraine in our Week 8 Assembly. They have certainly learnt a lot and confidently shared their new knowledge.

Year 2 chose China as their country they wanted to know more about. Did you know that when you look at China on a Map it looks like a chicken? We also had a visit from the Chinese Dragons.





OUR COLLEGE CHAPLAIN.

**If you wish to contact me
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Colour Spectacular

Just a reminder that next term, we are hosting a Colour Splatacular School Fun Run fundraiser on Friday 17 June. Students are to asked to wear a WHITE shirt during the Fun Run. They will be covered in non-toxic, biodegradable colour powder and ooey-goey slime from head to toe! The non-toxic colour powder is made of high-quality corn starch and permitted food colours, so it's safe for skin and eyes. The water-based slime is designed for contact with skin, so it's also safe for skin and eyes.

Students will be given a coloured headband and sunglasses. The students can create an online fundraising profile and spend the term collecting donations/sponsorship. After the event students choose and receive prizes based on the total amount of dollars they have raised. Students have an opportunity to share in an extra \$200,000 worth of prize credit! They can achieve bigger prizes and earn bonus credit on their online profile. By creating an avatar, sharing their page with friends and reaching milestone donations, you can share in \$200,000 of extra prize credit!

Sponsorship forms and details on how to create an online fundraising profile will be sent home in Week 3 next term.



Mothers Day Events

We will be holding a Mother's Day High Tea and Mothers Day stall on Friday 6 May. A Signmee with further information will be sent out at the beginning of next term

Family Camp SAVE THE DATE – 27 August

The Annual Palmerston Campus Family Camp will be held on Saturday 27 August and Howard Springs Big 4. They can't secure any cabins or camping spots for us but when you call to book if you reference the school they will try as much as possible to group everyone together. Book your spot or cabin now to avoid disappointment. Further Information about the weekend will be sent out closer to the date.

Last year was a huge success and our families greatly enjoyed their time together; sharing meals, relaxing by the pool, utilising the jumping pillow and riding hired carts, bikes and scooters. A fantastic night was had by all – kids and parents!

We would love to have as many families as possible join us for a weekend of fun, an opportunity to meet new families and fellowship.

Countries All Around the World

In our Unit of Inquiry, Where we are in place and time, we have been learning about **places** and inquiring into our Central Idea *People are connected to geographical locations.*

We used the computers in the ICT Lab to research a country including its location, flag, capital city, population, money, the animals that live there and natural wonders.

Where we
are in place
and time

An inquiry into orientation in place and time, personal histories, homes and journeys, the discoveries, explorations and migrations of humankind, the relationships between and the interconnectedness of individuals and civilisations, from local and global perspectives

By Year 2



YEAR 3

Year 3 had a visit from Red Cross on Monday of Week 8 and were taught how to use a breathing exercise to stay calm when feeling stressed or anxious. They also discussed what important items should go in an emergency kit. The children were all given a pillowcase each, which they decorated with the important items they felt they would need in case of an emergency. Things like a mobile phone and portable charger, water, food, medicine, first aid kit and toiletries were all mentioned.

Year 3 decided by majority vote to explore Ukraine, as part of our Harmony Day celebration. The children researched information about their cultural dress, music, food, flag, geography, religion and art. Jayden and Evie presented the Year 3 findings at Assembly in Week 8.

Year 3 have been exploring 'time', what it is, how it works and where we would see evidence of time. The children had the option to work in groups or individually. From their brainstorming they covered that time can be seen as: past, present and future; digital and analogue, A.M. means morning and P.M. means afternoon, the little hand on a clock means the hour hand and the long hand on a clock means the minute hand.

Lastly, the class have been learning about the Parable of the Lost Son in Christian Studies. They have made their own sequencing cards for the parable based on their understanding of the story. They were expected to write a sentence on each card and draw a picture to match.



Ukraine



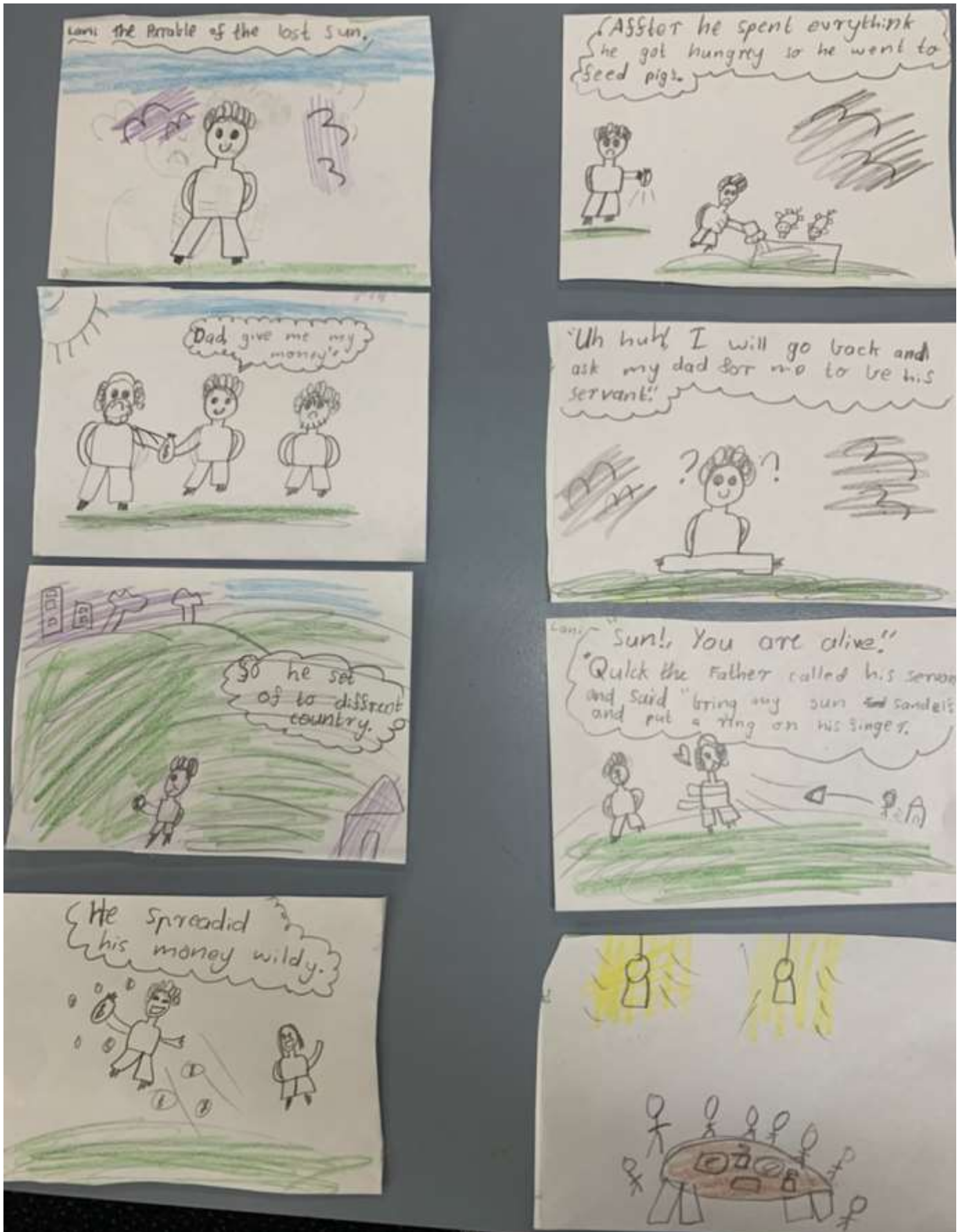
Time



YEAR 3 Continued

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Parable of the Lost Son From Lani:



College App update



Updated College App

Our College App has had a makeover! Be sure to download from the App Store if you haven't already. Many functions improved and a new, snazzy design. A handy App for Absences, Events, Contacts, links to documents, our website and so much more! [Good Shepherd Lutheran College NT](#)



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YEAR 5

Year 5 Excursion

Year 5 students went on an excursion with the Year 5 students from the Leanyer Campus as part of their 'How we organise ourselves' Unit of Inquiry. The students learnt about governance, leadership and voting.



Little lambs Play Group

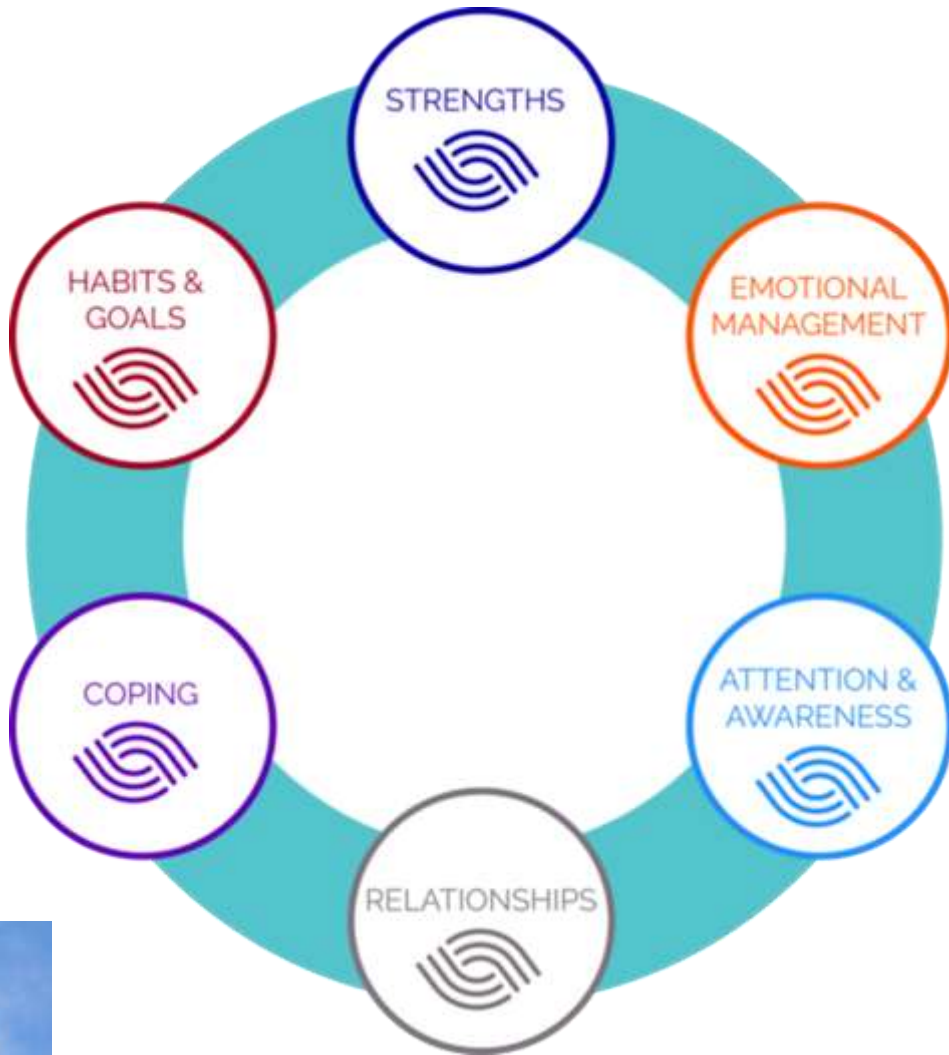
Playgroup has been in full swing the past few weeks and we have enjoyed meeting some new friends. The children have made many different craft projects and joined in with singing and book reading. We look forward to Term 2.





Most of you will know me and recognise me as the Learning Support teacher. This year I am also the Wellbeing coordinator for the Palmerston Campus and excited to be working with the school community to develop the social and emotional learning of our students. I have been a teacher at Good Shepherd Lutheran College for the past 14 years and taught year 1, Transition, Year 3 and most recently moved into the role of Learning Support teacher. My husband and I have one daughter (Olivia, 3) who regularly visits the College on Wednesday for Little Lambs Play Group.

In my role as Wellbeing Coordinator I will be helping students and staff to more clearly see their own and other's wellbeing. We will be using the SEARCH framework as a basis for Visible Wellbeing. This framework is being implemented throughout our College and was presented by Lee Waters in 2018 and 2019. I am looking forward to planning a range of activities for the students this year, starting with the Footy Colours disco on Friday. These events give us a chance to foster relationships, build community and have fun. Thank you to the parents who have kindly donated items for the disco.



Catherine Sansom
Wellbeing Coordinator

Charlie & Lani's Honeycomb Pasta!

- * cook one pack of tube pasta, drain and stand up in a baking tray
- * top with spaghetti mince and cheese
- * bake at 180 for 20 mins or until cheese is melted
- * serve with your favourite sides

A fun twist on spaghetti bolognaise and easy enough for the kids to make!

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Allergy Aware

Good Shepherd Lutheran College is committed to providing a safe learning environment for all our students and in particular to minimise the risk of allergen exposure. It is our policy to provide, as far as practicable, a safe and supportive environment in which students at risk of allergies can participate equally in all aspects of the student's schooling; to raise awareness about allergies, to engage with parents/carers of each student at risk of allergies when assessing risks and developing risk minimisation strategies for the student; and to ensure that staff have knowledge about allergies, anaphylaxis and the College's guidelines and procedures in responding to an anaphylactic reaction.

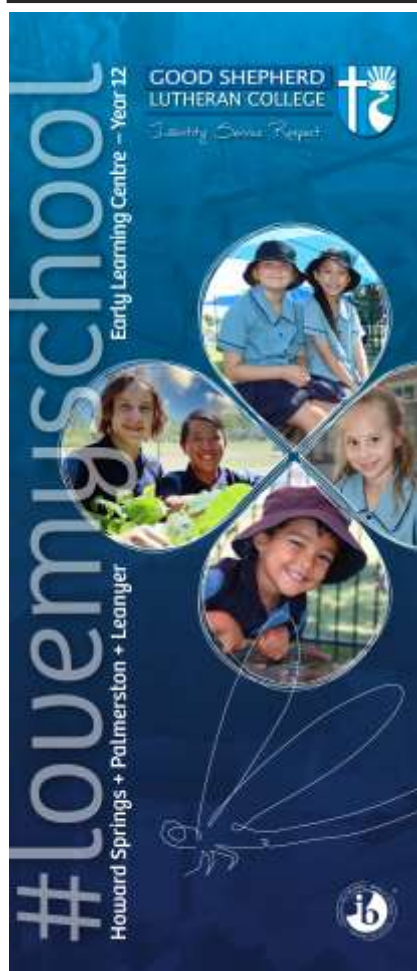
Given the number of foods to which a student may be allergic to, it is not possible to remove all allergens. It is better for the College community to become aware of the risks associated with allergies and for the College to implement practical, age appropriate strategies to minimise exposure to known allergens. For this reason, we do not promote that we either 'ban nuts' or are 'nut-free'. Promoting a College as 'nut-free' is not recommended for the following reasons:

- ◆ It is impractical to implement and enforce;
 - There is no evidence of effectiveness;
 - It does not encourage the development of strategies for avoidance in the wider College community; and
 - It may encourage complacency about risk minimisation strategies (for teachers, students and parents/carers) if a food is banned.

Whilst we do not claim to be 'nut-free', minimising exposure to particular foods such as peanuts and tree nuts can reduce the level of risk. This can include removing nut spreads and products containing nuts from the College canteen, but does not include removing products that 'may contain traces' of peanuts or tree nuts. **We request that parents/carers of classmates of a young students (ELC-5) do not include nut spreads in sandwiches or products containing nuts in their lunch box**

Where can I get more information?

Please speak to the teacher or the Principal if you have any concerns. Further information on anaphylaxis can be obtained from www.allergy.org.au



College Website, App, Facebook & Instagram

Don't forget to check these sources of information from time to time. Events and news articles are added to the College website and App regularly:

www.goodshepherd.nt.edu.au

College App

[Good Shepherd Lutheran College NT](#)

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/GoodShepherdNT/>

Careers Facebook Page

<https://www.facebook.com/gslccareers/>

Instagram

<https://www.instagram.com/goodshepnt/>



Good Shepherd and St Andrew Lutheran Church

- Worship Services -

* St Andrew Lutheran Church, Nightcliff - Sunday, 8.30am

* Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Howard Springs Campus Chapel - Sunday, 10.30am

For further information, please call: **8932 4444** or visit the Top End Lutheran Parish website:

<http://darwinlutheranchurch.org.au>

*We warmly welcome Pastor Noel Due and his wife Kirsten to the Top End. Pastor Noel has commenced in a new role as 'Intentional Interim Pastor', working part-time as a Pastor for the Top End Lutheran Parish (TELP). He will conduct services at St Andrew and Good Shepherd Lutheran Church every second week. He is very keen to work with our College as well, and we were thrilled that he could attend some of our LESNW Award Services in Week 8. We are absolutely delighted to have Pastor Noel and Kirsten amongst us and wish them all the very best as they settle into a new, exciting chapter of their lives. Welcome to the Top End Pastor Noel and Kirsten!

Easter Services

*Good Friday - Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Friday 15 April - 10.30am

*Easter Sunday - St Andrew Lutheran Church, Sunday 17 - April 8.30am (Easter breakfast at 7.00am).



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