



Palmerston Campus News

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Term 1 Week 9 2023

Upcoming Events



TERM 2

Monday 17 April

FIRST DAY
OF
TERM 2

Wed 19 April: Top End Region
Rugby for Yrs 4 and 5

Monday 24 April

Whole School Anzac Day
Service—Howard Springs
Campus.



Tuesday 25 April

Anzac Day Public Holiday



Monday 1 May

May Day Public Holiday



Continued

What a great start we have had to 2023. The students have had a settled start and we trust that our new families feel welcomed and part of our College community.

Thank you to the class carers who have organised class events during the term and the school holidays. Each year level has their own parent messenger group. The groups purpose is to keep you updated on school events, ask school related questions and to organise class get togethers. If you are not already a member of these groups and would like to be either get in contact with your class carers or myself.

This week we welcomed Payton Hamlyn and her family to our College community. Payton is in our Year 1 class.

We have also welcomed our new French teacher, Monsieur Max Desjardins, in the last few weeks. He brings a wealth of knowledge and great experience from teaching around the world. The students are loving having him around already. Monsieur Max will be with us on Thursdays and Fridays.

Thank you to the families who attended the 3-Way Conferences in Week 8. It is a great way for the students to share their learning with you. If you were unable to attend the 3-Way conferences, please ensure you check in with your child's teacher about their progress.

In weeks 6-8 the NAPLAN tests were held for our Years 3 and 5 students. A huge congratulations to our students for their attitude and effort they displayed during these times.

This term, the Year 3, 4 and 5 students have enjoyed swimming lessons at the Goldfish Bowl. The teachers were very impressed with our student's behaviour and improvement in their swimming skills. T-2 swimming lessons will be held in Term 3.

In Week 2 of next term, we will be having a Whole School Anzac Day Service at the Howard Springs Middle School. You should have already received a Signmee regarding this.

If you are unsure or are having difficulty in using Signmee or Seqta please don't hesitate to contact me I am happy to help.

Wishing you a very happy and safe Easter and will see you on Monday 17 April for the start of Term 2.

Vicki Trathen
Head of Junior School
Palmerston Campus



Upcoming Events



Friday 12 May
Mothers Day Stall



Friday 12 May
Mother's Day
High Tea



Monday 15 - Tuesday 16 May
Year 4 Camp Riyala



Wednesday 24 May
Junior School Years 3-5
Athletics Carnival Marrara

Wednesday 24 May
National Simultaneous
Storytime



Saturday 3 June
Principals Tour

Sat 27 - Sun 28 May - Fred's
Pass show

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Awards

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

Palmie Bear

Jase Hill
Cobalt Pickering
Aiden Muir

House Awards

Strauss

Reuben Henriques
Peyton Stewart
Oliver Penning
Ava Griffiths
Lani Trouchet
Hermione Penning
Stephanie Hickey
James Hewitson
Christopher Lugg
Marley Woldseth

Livingstone

Marley-Jean Marsden
Luca Ploughman
Harrison Cendo
Gabriel Banaga
Siyona Jangid
Aiden Muir

Hughes

Thanirika Duggirala
Samuel Hore
Brighton Jones
Jayden Honeysett
Alexis Trease
Cobalt Pickering
William Hore
Sofia Kassiou

Fenton

Beau McDonald
Lara Boyle
Dean Tshuma
Colby Taylor
Lara Walker
Thomas McKay
Jamie Tengis
Joy Carne

House Point Current Total

HUGHES – 396

LIVINGSTONE-370

FENTON – 363

STRAUSS - 283



At Assembly, which is held every even week at 8:20am, the House Cup is presented to the House Team who were awarded the most point for the fortnight.

Congratulation Hughes for winning the cup in Week 6

Upcoming Events



Monday 12 June
Kings Birthday Public
Holiday



Friday 23 June
T-2 Sports Day



Friday 23 June
Last Day Term 2

LAST DAY
OF
TERM 2



Family Camp - 28
October

Grandparents Day
25 August

Year 5 Leaders

In Week 9 we presented our Gardening Leaders, Technology Leaders, Stem Leaders, Chapel Leaders and Event Leader with their badges. They were very excited to receive them.

Events Leader: Charlie Trouchet

Library Leader: Owen Anderson

Gardening Leaders: Jimmy Hewitson, Hermione Penning

Chapel Leaders: Stephanie Hickey, Tracy Tran

Stem Leaders: Will Hore, Dimitri Audet



Sporting Schools

We have again received a grant to run a sports program for Term 2. We thank Sporting schools NT for providing our students with the opportunity to discover and learn the skills of different sports. In Term 2 we will be holding Golf workshops as part of this program. The students are able to wear their sports uniforms on these days. We will let you know which day and dates once it is confirmed.

Top End Region Soccer

We love sport at Good Shepherd and are so proud to have many students participate in Top End Region - Sport Education. Palmerston students Dean Tshuma, Samuel Bate, Lara Boyle, Kobe Burgess, Evie Griggs, Jayden Honeysett, Eamon La Porte, Beau McDonald, William Hore and Cobalt Pickering recently participated in the Soccer event held at the Palmerston Soccer Oval at Grey. A great day of sport, fun and sportsmanship. Well done everyone. Thank you to supervising staff, Alexa Johnson and Ahna Hawkett.



HARMONY DAY—TUESDAY 21 MARCH

Thank you to everyone who joined us for the Harmony Day shared breakfast. It was great to have so many families attend. What a great community we have. The students enjoyed their day dressed in orange or traditional dress. After chapel, the students participated in Harmony Day-related activities in their classrooms. After lunch, the Year 5 students led cultural games as part of House Games for the afternoon.



HARMONY DAY—Continued



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 safekeeping and just take them out at recess and lunch. The students MUST bring a helmet, or they will be unable to participate in the wheels days.

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



Family Camp SAVE THE DATE – 28 October

The Annual Palmerston Campus Family Camp will be held on Saturday 28 October at 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, riding hired carts, bikes and scooters and finishing the night with a scavenger hunt. 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.

ELC Update

You will notice as you drive into the campus in the morning, a variety of tradesmen's vehicles in the lower carpark. The plumbers have been in to prepare our toilet block, the toilet walls are going up, the painting is almost completed, and the air conditioners are being moved onto the roof. The floor in the middle space has been ground-ready for the vinyl to be laid. It has been exciting to watch the progress.

The positions of Early Childhood Teacher, Team Leader, and Educator are now being advertised. If you know of anyone who would be interested in these positions please direct them to our college website or to seek.

Thank you to everyone who has already donated toys and other items for our ELC. It is greatly appreciated. Please keep sending them in.



Easter Bonnet Parade



Easter Bonnet Parade & Disco

We started the day with an Easter Hat parade where the students, including Little Lambs Playgroup, showed off the creations they had made in class.





Easter Bonnet Parade & Disco

In the afternoon, we celebrated the end of term with a disco, topped off with popcorn, mini pies, sausage rolls, and icy poles. A great time was had by all.



Zooper Dooper Fundraising

Icy Poles are sold every Friday afternoon after school in front of the Admin building.



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Picture Plates

In Term 2 we are participating in a picture plates activity. You will have an opportunity to purchase items including plates, clocks, water bottles, coffee cups, bags etc. designed by your child using artwork or photos. A Signmee with further details and order form will be sent home at the beginning of Term 2



Recycling



We are continuing to collect a number of recycled items to continue to build on our recycling program.

We are collecting cans and bottles - enviobank orange bags will be sent home over the next few weeks. If you are not interested in collecting please let your child's teacher know or return the orange bag to the front office. Once they are full please return to the front office for collection. A new orange bag will be given to your child in exchange for the full bag.

We have also continued to partner with Wondersoft again this year to help reduce soft plastic waste in our environment.

Did you know?

In Australia, only 18%* of plastic packaging is recycled. Which is why Wonder recycling rewards was created. This is a fun and easy program for Aussie schools to recycle bread bags that might otherwise go to landfills 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.



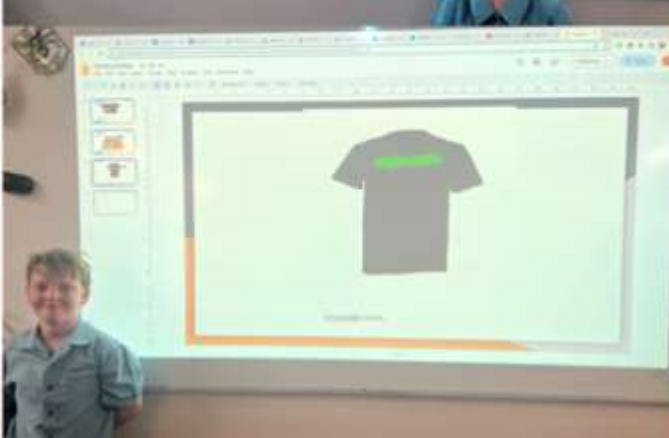
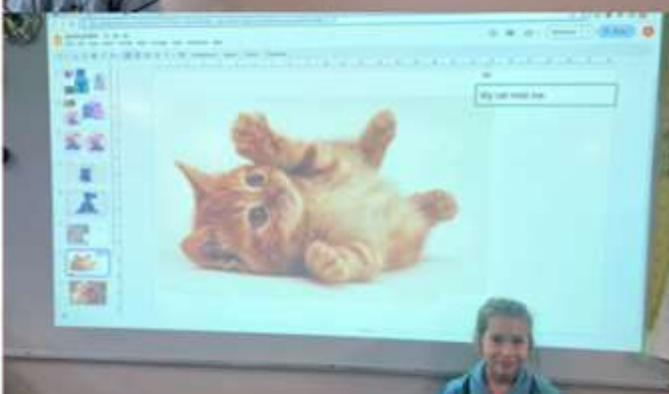
Once collected, Wonder is going to turn the plastic into wonderful things like school play equipment. All registered schools can earn reward points to spend on new sports equipment, simply by collecting the bread bags and sending them to wondersoft.

ICT in Year 3

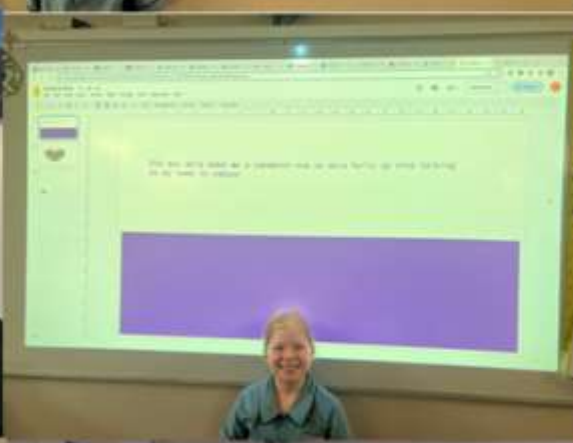
Now that we are in Year 3, we can use the laptops. We have been learning how to use the Google Drive. We learnt how to make our own folder, change the colour of it and create documents in our folder.

We used Google Slides the same way we use PowerPoint.

We learnt how to insert pictures, how to insert text boxes, and how to change the font style, size and colour. We also learnt how to add in new slides.



We are having lots of fun!



Year 5

The second half of this term has involved improving persuasive writing and gaining more skill development in understanding and working with factors, multiples and co-ordinates. We have now started focusing on information report writing and at the beginning of Term 2, will move on to fractions.

Along with the Leanyer Campus, Year 5 have been attending swimming lessons at the Goldfish Bowl. The children listened well to instructions, and I could see their skill development and confidence grow.



We were most fortunate to have a visit from Corporal Shane Stewart and a colleague of his, teach the Year 5s how to properly care for and fold an Australian flag. The children had goes at folding the flag in the classroom under Corporal Stewart's instruction, so they can now confidently hang up the flag each morning on the flag pole and take it down the proper way.



5RK finished the year with leading Chapel. They did a fabulous job explaining to the school the Christian practises leading up to Easter Sunday.





Australian Government

Department of Defence

More information about the program as well as Defence Member and Family Support can be found here:

<https://defence.gov.au/members%2Dfamilies/>



College Chaplain

If you wish to contact our College Chaplain, please call: 8983 0300 or email:

kyle.cantrill@ntschoools.net



Defence School Mentor

The College's Defence School Mentor (DSM), Mrs Kathleen Cobban is available to meet with children of Defence families at Good Shepherd.

The DSM is a defence-funded position, aimed at supporting children of Defence families, enrolled at Good Shepherd. The DSM provides assistance for Defence students and their families, and raise awareness of unique needs of these families to the military lifestyle.

Mrs Cobban is based at the Howard Springs Campus every Monday and alternates between our Palmerston and Leanyer Campuses every Tuesday.

Please contact the College if you would like your child to utilise these services or wish to know more about the program. 8983 0300 / admin@goodshepherd.nt.edu.au



Easter Write up

Kyle Cantrill - College Chaplain

This term we in chapel we have been reflecting on the times in scripture where Jesus was counter, cultural. We have focused on the challenges he made to the people of his time and how some of what he challenged them, can still be challenging to us today. We have explored topics such as Jesus seeing value in children when others didn't, Jesus seeing value in all people and wanting to share meals with outsiders, the challenge of loving your enemies and the ability to forgive people who have hurt you. These are all things that can be easily said but can be more challenging to act out in real life.

Leading up to Easter we have also explored the question why is Good Friday called Good Friday if it's a time used to reflect on the terrible torment that Jesus faced? There seems to be nothing good about that, right? The simple response to this question is; while we do reflect on the horrible things that happened to Jesus on Easter Friday, it is called good Friday, not because Jesus suffered but because of what his suffering means for us. Because Jesus died on the cross, we don't have to make regular animal sacrifices to be right with God nor do we have to follow a "perfect" person check list and try to be right with God through our own merit (Good deeds). Jesus has done the work on the cross. He is the sacrifice that was required for our wrong doings. It is only through him that we now can have a relationship with God.

This Easter when you have your hot cross buns, and your holo-Easter eggs use them as a reminder of what the true meaning of Easter is really about. The hot cross buns representing Jesus' death on the cross and the Holo-Easter eggs representing the tomb that was empty because Jesus is no longer dead but has risen. My hope and prayer this Easter is that God would bless each and every family over break and that we would truly reflect on what Jesus has done for us.

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/>



LITTLE LAMBS PLAY GROUP

Little Lambs playgroup has started again for 2023. We have enjoyed seeing our old friends and welcoming new families.

We were very busy making our Easter bonnets this week and proudly showed them at the School Easter Bonnet parade on Wednesday 5 April before our play group meeting.



Little Lambs
Play Group
meet
every
Wednesday
from
9am to
10:30am



'Foundations for Life' Open Day

Congratulations to Foundations for Life ELC, part of St Andrew Lutheran Congregation, on their fantastic open day and dedication of their newly developed sensory garden. College Principal, Mr Qualischefski, was there to represent the College at this important event on Saturday 18 March.



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Early Learning Centre - Year 12
GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN COLLEGE
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Howard Springs + Palmerston + Leanyer

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COLOSSIANS 3:14

ABOVE ALL, CLOTHE YOURSELVES WITH WHICH BINDS US

ALL TOGETHER
in perfect harmony.

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>



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www.facebook.com/
LuthEdAus/](https://www.facebook.com/LuthEdAus/)



Fred's Pass Show - Junior and Open Talent Quest

The Fred's Pass Rural Show is on Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 May 2023. It is a great opportunity for locals to showcase their creative and productive endeavours and win great prizes.

Good Shepherd's amazing music students are strongly encouraged to enter. Please see Mrs Llewellyn for more details.

Entry Fee: \$5.00

Entries close: Friday 19 May

This amateur competition is a great opportunity for all aspiring performers young and old to perform on a large stage with a friendly audience. All you need is the desire to perform and have a love of music!

Whether you're a vocalist, an instrumentalist, a duo, trio or band, get your application in. Judging is friendly and positive, and it is such a treat to see performers of all ages get up and have a go!

The Junior Talent Quest (14 years & under) will commence at 4.00pm on Saturday at the main stage. The Open Talent Quest (15 years & over) will compete on Sunday at 12.45pm at the main stage.

Conditions of Entry

- Open only to amateur musicians – the definition of an amateur musician is one who has never been paid to perform music
- Contestants will perform one act / song for judging but should have two prepared
- Acts should be kept within a maximum of 4 minutes
- CD backing will be allowed in this event but must have no vocals on it if the performance is vocal. All backing formats to be presented on a flash drive.

Judging Criteria

- Entertainment value
- Stage presentation: confidence, delivery and attitude
- Quality of performance

Prize Money - Junior

1st Prize: Studio recording session valued to \$400 sponsored by Masters Studio

2nd Prize: \$100 sponsored by Colemans Contracting & Earthmoving

3rd Prize: 2 lessons piano, guitar or vocal valued at \$80 (or \$20 cash) sponsored by Amadeus Music School

Prize Money - Open

1st Prize: Studio recording session valued to \$600 sponsored by Masters Studio

2nd Prize: \$150 sponsored by Senator Jacinta Nampijinpa Price

3rd Prize: 3 lessons piano, guitar or vocal valued at \$127.50 (or \$50 cash) sponsored by Amadeus Music School.

