



# Palmerston Campus

## Upcoming events

### TERM 2 2024

**Monday 15 April**

Staff Professional Development

**Tuesday 16 April**

Students return for Term 2



**Thursday 18 April**

TERIS– Rugby League

**Thursday 18 April**

Junior School Captains attending Parramatta Eels Captains Run



**Wednesday 24 April**

T-5 attending College Anzac Day Service at Howard Springs Campus



**Thursday 25 April**

Anzac Day Holiday  
Junior School Captains attending Dawn Service

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## Term 1, Week 9

As we come to the end of Term 1, I would like to thank you all for your continued support. We trust all of our new students and families have settled in and feel a part of our College community.

Thank you to the class carers who attended our first meeting for the year last week. Each year level has created their own parent messenger group. The group’s 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 via email. [Vicki.trathen@ntschoools.net](mailto:Vicki.trathen@ntschoools.net)

I want to thank parents for booking times to share in their child’s learning journey at our Three-way Conferences . 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.

Next term will be very busy, filled with numerous exciting events for everyone to enjoy. All communication regarding these events and other important updates will be sent out through TASS. We understand that we are all still in the learning process when it comes to using the TASS system, and there may have been a few challenges along the way.

If you encounter any difficulties or have questions related to TASS, please don’t hesitate to visit the front office for assistance. We are here to help and ensure that everyone can navigate the system smoothly and effectively. Your understanding and cooperation are greatly appreciated as we continue to improve our communication channels.

Wishing you all a restful and enjoyable break during the upcoming holidays. We look forward to welcoming everyone back for Term 2 with renewed energy and enthusiasm.

**Vicki Trathen**  
Head of Junior School  
Palmerston Campus



## Upcoming Events

**Monday 29 April**

Dolly's Dream Student Workshop

**Monday 29 April**

Dolly's Dream Parent Workshop

**Tuesday 30 April**

Dolly's Dream Student Workshop

**Tuesday 30 April**

Dolly's Dream Teacher Workshop



**Thursday 2 May**

Year 3-5 Athletics Carnival  
Marrara



**Friday 3 May**

ELC Official Opening  
ELC Teddy Bear's Picnic



**Monday 6 May**

May Day Public Holiday

**Tuesday 7 – Thursday 9 May**

Swimming Lessons



**Thursday 9 May**

Parent Support Group Meeting

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## AWARDS

Congratulations to the following students for receiving awards over the last 5 weeks.

### Palmie Bear

Billy Bui

Year 3

### Aussie of the Month Award

Billy Bui



## House Awards

### Strauss

Leila Emmott

Claudia La Porte

Amiyah Winch

Ava Griffiths

Mahuika Raharuhi



### Livingstone

Ronan Nowak

Kendall Volpe

Noah Griggs

Cormac Nowak

Alice Reynhout

Scarlett Griggs

Adam Cobban

Kobe Burgess

Pippa Melville



### Hughes

Molly Crick

Jesse Madden

Tessa Crick

Elijah Trease

Bailey Jones

Magenta Pickering

Madeleine Commons-

Fidge

Alexis Trease



### Fenton

Kyal Backwell-Kononen

Jamie Tengis

Joy Carne

Logan Trathen

Jack McKay



## House Point Current Total

HUGHES – 410



FENTON—405



STRAUSS—378



LIVINGSTONE- 317



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 points for the fortnight.

Week 6  
Hughes were awarded the Cup.



Week 8  
Fenton were awarded the cup.



## Upcoming Events

**Friday 10 May**

Teris Tennis



**Friday 10 May**

Mother's Day Stall



**Mother's Day High Tea**



**Friday 10 May**

Year 5 Leadership Workshops

**Monday 13-Thursday 16 May**

Swimming Lessons

**Friday 17 May**

Palmerston Campus Swimming  
Carnival/Fun Day



**Monday 20 May**

Years 3-5 Combined Cross Country  
HSMS

**Thursday 23 – Friday 24 May**

Year 4 Camp



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## Wheely Days

Next term we will be having allocated wheels one day 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, or they will be unable to participate in the Wheels days.

These are the days that are allocated:

Week 1 Thursday (18 April) Transition

Week 2 Tuesday (23 April) Year 1

Week 3 Thursday (2 May) Year 2

Week 4 Wednesday (8 May) ELC

Week 5 Wednesday (15 May) ELC

Week 6 Thursday (23 May) Year 3

Week 7 Thursday (30 May) Year 4

Week 8 Thursday (6 June) Year 5

## Family Camp SAVE THE DATE – 26 October

The Annual Palmerston Campus Family Camp will be held on Saturday 26 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. 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.

## Colour Run

Next term, we are hosting a Colour Fun Run on Friday 14 June from 5:30pm – 7:30pm. Students are asked to wear a WHITE shirt during the Fun Run. They will be covered in non-toxic, biodegradable colour powder 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. To participate in the Colour Fun Run all participants can purchase a ticket from the front office for \$10 which includes entry into the Colour Run, sunglasses, and a headband. Parents, siblings and other family members are welcome to participate.

Food and drinks will be available to purchase on the night. Further details will be available via TASS including Ticket purchase dates.

## Upcoming Events

### Saturday 1 June

Community Family Fun Day  
10 am – 2 pm



### Thursday 6 – Friday 7 June

Year 3 Sleepover

### Friday 7 June

TERIS Cross Country

### Monday 10 June

King's Birthday - Public Holiday

### Friday 14 June

Colour Run



### Friday 21 June

ELC – Year 2 Sports Day

Friday 21 June

LAST DAY  
OF  
TERM 2



### Advanced Notice:

Grandparents and Special Friends  
Day will be held on Friday 19 July  
Term 3 Week 1

## Community Fun Day

We will be holding a Community/Family Fun Day/Open Day on Saturday, June 1 at our Palmerston Campus from 10 am-2 pm.

We are now in the planning stage for the day and are busy trying to organise stalls, entertainment and fun for the day. Our wonderful class carer Lizzie Hodgetts will be working with myself and Mrs Sansom as our Event Liaison. If you are keen to be involved and help organise this awesome event, please get in touch with me ASAP ([vicki.trathen@ntschoools.net](mailto:vicki.trathen@ntschoools.net)). We will be meeting very early next term to ensure we have a variety of stalls and activities.

To make this event as successful as possible, we rely on the contribution of our fantastic families. As a school, we will run several stalls and each class will have the responsibility of supporting and coordinating one of our stalls. We will be needing help to run the stalls on the day and assistance through the donation of items for each stall.

One of the stalls we will be running is a White Elephant Stall. If you have any 2<sup>nd</sup> hand items such as toys, clothes or household items please drop them in early next term. A good excuse for a cleanout this holidays.

Once the planning group has met early next term, we will let you know the list of stalls and entertainment we will have on the day.

I understand how busy everyone is, so if you are unable to be a part of the planning committee but have some great ideas or contacts for possible stalls, or entertainment please get in contact with me.

## ELC Open Day and Teddy Bears Picnic

On Friday 3 May we will be holding our official opening of our ELC during Chapel. This will be followed by the ELC annual Teddy Bears Picnic. Please look out for an invitation to this exciting event.

## T-5 Swimming Lessons

The swimming program for Transition to Year 5 will take place in Weeks 4 and 5 of Term 2 at the Swell Palmerston. This is an important part of the Health and Physical Education Curriculum. The instructors will assess the students in their first lesson, and they will move through the levels at their own pace. The students will have 7 lessons in total and will complete the swimming program with a mini carnival/fun day at Swell on Friday 17 May. Parents are welcome to attend our carnival. Permission forms and further information will be sent out via TASS by the beginning of Term 2.

# Harmony Day Taste Festival

This year we celebrated Harmony Day with a difference. We held our first ever Taste Festival in the hall with each class choosing a different country and showcasing a variety of foods from that country. ELC joined in by making and sharing Fairy Bread. Transition students shared with us food from Mexico, Year 1 from Japan, Year 2 teased our taste buds with 2 dishes from Spain, Year 3 cooked Spaghetti, Pizza and Gelato from Italy, Year 4 Canada and finally Year 5 shared delicious food and drink options from Vietnam.



## Easter Bonnet Parade

Thank you to Mrs Fuller for leading our Easter Chapel on Thursday last week. Thank you for sharing the true meaning of Easter with us. A huge thankyou to Woolworths for donating an Easter Egg for each of our students.

Following our Easter Chapel the students from ELC – Year 5 had the opportunity to parade and show off the Easter Bonnets they had made. We have some very creative teachers and students. There was such a huge range of designs across the classes. Well done everybody.

We hope everyone had a Safe and Happy Easter long weekend.



# Primary Years Programme

## Transdisciplinary Themes and Learning Area Subjects

The transdisciplinary themes provide the context for schools to frame a whole-school programme of inquiry, which is a cornerstone of the PYP pedagogy and its flexible framework. The programme of inquiry articulates how the six transdisciplinary themes will be explored across the different age groups. It provides students in the early and primary years with the opportunity to experience a coherent and balanced curriculum.

The programme of inquiry fosters students' development of subject knowledge, skills, conceptual understandings and dispositions. When the teaching team collaboratively plans each unit in the programme of inquiry to identify significant, relevant, challenging and engaging central ideas for investigations, creative inquiries flourish.

Designed collaboratively, each school's programme of inquiry reflects the unique aspects of that school community—from its geography, to the needs and experience of its members and associated national curriculum requirements. Through the programme of inquiry, all learners—students, teachers, and members of the community—are researchers. They move from what they know through personal experience and prior knowledge into ways of seeing and knowing that may be new or unfamiliar to them. They locate and work with subject-specific knowledge and skills in relation to the transdisciplinary themes. They compare and contrast the subjects' respective methods, tools and approaches to generate theories that support their conceptual understandings of the transdisciplinary themes. Through the programme of inquiry, they understand the essential interconnectedness and interdependence of themselves, other people and the planet.

Through curriculum learning area subjects, students learn to appreciate the “ways of knowing”—the modes of thought and communication associated with a subject. They develop, for example, understandings of the methodologies associated with thinking like a scientist, a historian or an artist (Gardner and Boix Mansilla 1999).

The transdisciplinary theme and central idea of a unit under investigation contextualize subject knowledge in the inquiry process. Fostering transdisciplinary understanding requires that teachers consider subjects in relational terms to each other—and to the theme—as opposed to in isolationist or oppositional terms (Giri 2002). The role of the teachers—classroom or specialist—is to support the creative reimagining of the subjects and to identify possibilities for combining them (Bernstein 2015) in context of the transdisciplinary themes.

Rebecca Fletcher

PYP Curriculum Coordinator



## Wellbeing Coordinator

As a parent I know too well that we ask our children how was school as soon as we see them after a jam-packed day. Most of the time I get the reply, 'ok mum' or 'I don't know' and occasionally I get 'I don't want to talk about it'. I am sure most of you can relate to this. Often the question 'How was school?' is a big question to process and it is hard for a child to sum it all up and give an answer. The website [Raisingchildren.net.au](http://Raisingchildren.net.au) has some useful tips that we can use when asking our children about school. I hope that these provide some ideas and tips on how to get an insight into the life of your child at school.

Exact from [raisingchildren.net.au](http://raisingchildren.net.au)

When your child first gets home from school in the afternoon, they'll probably be tired and hungry or thinking about other things. So, easing the transition from school or after-school activities to home can help your child feel more like talking.

It's best to avoid asking your child a lot of questions straight away – this can be overwhelming for your child. You can just let your child know that you're glad to see them, and talk about non-school topics for a while. Younger children will probably also like unpacking their bags and going through any notes before you ask about school.

Saving questions about homework for later on can also take the pressure off!

Every afternoon or evening will be different. Even if your child usually likes to share their day with you, there'll be days when they don't want to talk. Sometimes it's a matter of sensing your child's mood and picking the right moment. Some days there might not be a right moment at all, and that's OK.

Simple, positive and specific questions about parts of the day can get your child talking. It's good to use questions that invite more than a 'yes', 'no' or 'OK' response. For example:

- What's the news from school today?
- What was fun?
- What did you like best at school today?
- What does your classroom look like at the moment?
- What did you do in class after recess?
- Who did you hang out with today?
- What subjects did you do today?
- What topics are you working on in science at the moment?

**Catherine Sansom**

Learning Enrichment Teacher / Wellbeing Coordinator





## Meet the 2024 Class Carers

### ELC - Tenneil Ross

I'm looking forward to being this year's class carer for ELC, where my daughter, Aliyah has been attending since October 2023. We absolutely love the community spirit that Good Shepherd brings to their students and families. As Class Carer, I am excited at continuing these relationships with ELC families and getting to be involved in all of the exciting events coming up throughout the school term. Looking forward to meeting you!



### Transition – Erin La Porte

My name is Erin La Porte and I'm looking forward to being Transition class carer in 2024. Our daughter Claudia is in Transition, Ngaire is in Year 3, and our son Eamon is in Year 5. We have loved being at Good Shepherd Palmerston since Eamon started in Transition and are lucky to have got to know many families and friends through the different year levels.

I am originally from Melbourne but have lived in Darwin since mid 2006, with most of that time spent living in Palmerston.

Being from Melbourne I can't help but love the AFL and follow my Richmond Tigers closely through the joys and heartaches throughout each year. We try to squeeze in a visit to Melbourne to attend a game each year when we can. I also love trips to Bali, singing, reading, baking and listening to music from best era there is - the 80s and 90s.

Something really special about our smallish school is the way the kids from all different year levels get to know each other and their families. Similarly we as families get to know all the teachers and staff also. I hope new families joining the school this year will come to enjoy this too as we all get to know each other.



### Year 1 – Lizzie Hodgetts

Hi families, I am Lizzie, mum to Jordan in year 1, Dakota in ELC & Matilda who is 2 & goes to daycare.

We were welcomed to Good Shepherd last year & have absolutely loved the schooling journey so far, we love the community that Vicki & her team have created & foster so well. I am excited to be a class carer this year for year 1, & hope that I can support our class, the school & any other parents where possible.



### Year 2 – Naomi McKeown

My name is Naomi and I'm on my second year of class caring. My small family and I started at Good Shepherd in late 2022. We followed a great friend of ours that had made the move from our previous primary school and never looked back.

My husband Dan and I work very hard on making family memories fun and creating many laughs on our crazy adventures.

Our youngest boy Jim is in year 2 and our oldest boy Bill is in year 5. They are our greatest achievements in this world.

This will be our final year in the Northern Territory as we will be packing up and moving closer to Family in WA.



## Meet the 2024 Class Carers

### Year 3 – Barbara Lugg

Hi everyone, My name is Barbara Lugg and I am the Class Carer for the Year 3 Class this year. For those who don't know me I am the mum to Lily in year 3 and Christopher in Year 5 or as some of the kids have said I am the mum with the spiky green hair. Our Children have been attending GSLC since Christopher has been in Transition in 2019 . We have 3 pets at home who are very much like our family. We have 2 cats; Shelby and Bluey and a dog Sandy they are very spoiled. We have lived here in Palmerston since 2011 and we love how GSLC Palmerston Campus Teachers, Parents and Families are so friendly and easy to get along with. I look forward to meeting you all at the upcoming fun events the school has planned for this year.



### Year 4 – Belinda and Straff Muir

My husband Straff and I will be working as joint class carers for Year 4 this term, our first time in the job! We are relatively new to Good Shepherd with our two boys starting at the Palmerston campus last year. This year we have our daughter Elody in ELC, Emmett in Year 4, and our eldest Aiden has headed over to the Howard Springs Campus for Year 6. We have loved the community at Good Shepherd, and the opportunities to get to know other families, so are looking forward to being able to support the existing activities and potentially create more. I am available in the Year 4 parents chat and Straff can often be found walking the kids to class – he is hard to miss . We are always open to ideas – especially if there is something you have been a part of before that worked well!



### Year 5 - Zoe Boyle

Hi everyone, my name is Zoe and I am co class carer with the amazing Erin for Year 5 this year.

My daughter Lara has been at Good Shepherd since Transition and now in her last year at Palmerston, lucky I have Cameron who has just commenced his first year so have more time at this amazing school.

A bit about me- I was born in Katherine, I am a registered nurse, love to play netball and volleyball and my favourite food is pesto pasta.

I look forward to meeting all the new families this year.



### Year 5 – Erin Hicks

Hi all! My name is Erin, together with Zoe we are the year 5 class carers! My daughter Lani is in year 5, she is the Strauss house captain and is so excited for her last year of primary school!

I have been a part of the wonderful GSLC Palmerston community since 2014, when my eldest daughter started transition, and Lani was only 3 months old.

I've been a class carer a few times and am looking forward to helping organise all the events this year.

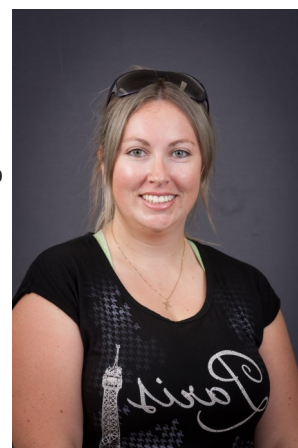


## Meet Our 2024 Teachers

### ELC – Kimberly Knibbs

Hello, My name is Kimberly Knibbs, I am the ELC teacher. I joined the Good Shepherd Lutheran College Palmerston campus last year. I graduated with my Bachelor of Teaching degree in 2011 and have been loving teaching ever since. I also have a master's degree in special education from Deakin university. I have worked in both mainstream and special education settings. I am a passionate early years teacher who has a love of learning believing I am a lifelong learner.

During my spare time I enjoy spending time with my husband and 3 wonderful children. I enjoy horse riding, shopping and having games nights with friends and family. It's been very exciting to be Palmerston's first ELC teacher and I'm looking forward to what the future brings.



### Transition – Jasmine Cendo

My name is Jasmine Cendo and I am excited to be the Transition Teacher at the Palmerston campus again this year. I am a Darwin local, having moved here from Queensland with my family when I was eight years old. I grew up in the northern suburbs and now live in Palmerston with my own family.

After completing school, I studied a Bachelor of Communication and worked for several years in this field within the NT Government. I then completed a Graduate Diploma to become a Teacher. I have taught most year levels throughout primary school between The Essington School Darwin and Good Shepherd Lutheran College.

I am married with two children; Harrison is eight years old and Charlotte is ten. We also have two much-loved red heeler dogs named Chilli and Mala.

When I am not in the classroom, I enjoy being outdoors and spending time with family and friends.



### Year 1 – Dana McDonald

Hi. I'm Dana McDonald and this is my fourth year at Good Shepherd and my twenty-fourth year as a teacher. I have worked all over Australia and internationally, teaching all year levels from preschool through to Year 12. I have two children, who attend Palmerston Campus in Years 4 and 5.



### Year 2 – Jessica Keogh

Hola! I'm Mrs Keogh and I currently teach Year 2. I studied Education and International Studies at UTS and I have been teaching since 2007. I began my teaching career in Alice Springs, where I met Mr Keogh. We have 2 sons who attend Middle School. We have been in Darwin for 9 years, so I have come to call the NT home. I am not one for hot weather, so luckily my hobbies are all indoor activities. I love sewing, baking, cooking roast dinners and dessert on Sundays and lifting weights at the Gym. We have a pet Dog called Colin and a cat called Margot. Some fun facts about me are: I have been struck by lightning, I lived and studied in Spain for a year and my heaviest deadlift so far is 120kg. I really enjoy teaching. It's a hard job but the connections we make as teachers with students and their families are very rewarding. No matter what the school day brings, I can honestly say there are many moments with my students that bring me joy. I hope and strive to return these moments to my students as *they teach me* so much!

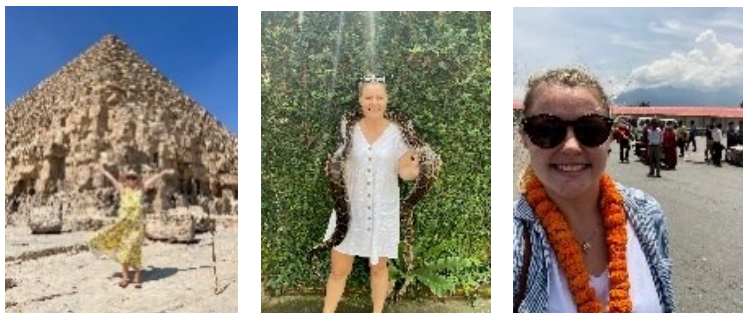


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### Year 3 – Chelsey Tolhurst

Hi, I'm Miss Tolhurst. This is my second year teaching Year 3 and I'm most excited for the Sleepover and our Space unit.

My parents still live in Coffs Harbour where I grew up. I have two younger sisters. Ashley is a nurse and lives in Bondi; Bonnie is a geologist and does FIFO from Perth to the Pilbara.

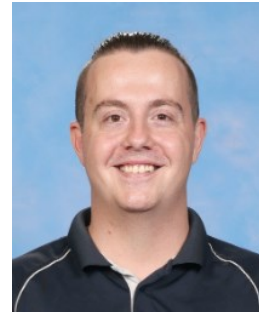


### Year 4 – Lochie Godber

Welcome families of 2024! I am excited for another new year at Good Shepherd with year 4 students. My name is Lochlan Godber (as you probably already know) and this year I will be teaching the wonderful year 4's. This is my sixth year at Good Shepherd and I have been working in education since 2015 and have loved the challenges and opportunities that have presented themselves.

I enjoy a variety of hobbies but don't really stick to one. I am somewhat of a jack-of-all-trades. I am a qualified pilot (recreational) but have not really flown in the past 3 years. Throughout the year I volunteer with NT Sports Education where I manage state teams in a variety of sports, coach basketball and LOVE to travel.

On my weekends I enjoy spending time with my pup Lylah, family and friends and enjoy watching a good TV series on Netflix to relax. I look forward to this new year and the opportunities and personalities it brings.



### Year 5 – Rebekah Dettman

Hello!

I'm Rebekah Dettmann. I have recently joined the Good Shepherd Palmerston team for 2024 after graduating from ACU in Melbourne midway through last year. I'm originally from a farming family in central Victoria, and taught at the Lutheran school in Alice Springs before moving to Darwin at the start of the year. I love the colour green, painting, sewing, reading and finding fun spots outdoors with my hammock! I attend St Peters Anglican church in Nightcliff and am enjoying getting to know the fun places to visit in Darwin.

This term year fives have looked at democracy in Australia and different systems of governance. We had multiple great incursions and an excursion to Parliament House. Year fives have made wonderful progress in their public speaking and are working on new and engaging ways to present to the class.



## Meet Our 2024 Teachers

### Learning Support/Wellbeing Coordinator – Catherine Sansom

My name is Catherine Sansom, and I am the Learning Enrichment Teacher and Wellbeing coordinator at the Palmerston Campus. I have been part of this amazing community since 2008 and taught Year 1, Transition and Year 3 before moving into the Learning Enrichment role.

My husband and I have a 5-year-old girl who has started her educational journey at Palmerston campus this year. In my spare time I enjoy watching sport (particularly netball) cooking and getting into the garden. I am an active member of the netball community in the NT and currently Chair of Netball Northern Territory. I am a NSW Blues supporter and on State of Origin days you will find me having great rivalry with Mrs Trathen.



### Head of Junior School – Vicki Trathen

I was born in Bundaberg, Queensland, and grew up on a Sugar Cane Farm. I have a very big extended family and grew up as the eldest of 29 cousins.

I have been in Education for 23 years this year teaching a range of year levels. I have worked at St. Joseph's College for 2 ½ years, Hervey Bay Qld for 5 and the rest of my time here at Good Shepherd.

My Husband Bevon and I have 3 children. Charli in Year 12, Jack in Year 10 and Logan in Year 2.

My whole family are very passionate QLD supporters and love watching all Rugby League games on TV and would love to see more live games.

I enjoy spending time with my family and friends and discovering new places.

I have been extremely fortunate to have crossed several items off my bucket list including skydiving, Swimming with Dolphins, and Hot Air Ballooning.

This year in the December holidays I am super excited to cross another item off my list. I am traveling with my family and friends for a six-week trip to the USA. I am super excited to be starting our trip with Christmas and New Year's Eve in New York. I think everyone's sick of hearing about it and I haven't even got there yet!! I look forward to a great year getting to know you all!



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# Palmerston ELC

What a great start to 2024! The ELC students have settled in well and are thriving in our environment. We performed our very first assembly item and have loved having our Year 4 big buddies visit weekly and can't wait to see them again next term. Students are keen to participate in our Yarning circles discussing numerous topics including the zones of regulations and emotions, friendships, devotions, and Christian Studies, how to be safe at school and so much more. Students are enjoying learning through play with a variety of activities set up following their interests and extending their knowledge. We have made volcanoes in the sandpit, made birthday cakes and ice-creams for each other to 'enjoy', read stories together, played mums and dads, created some beautiful artwork, manipulated blocks to build some amazing creations, practiced counting and recognising letters in our names. We are still discussing our UOI topic often looking at our Belonging tree and drawing pictures of our families. We have welcomed some new friends in the ELC this term, we welcomed our pet fish, a very exciting event for the students watching them being released into the tank. We have also introduced Johnny the bear who gets to go home with a lucky student each weekend to have new adventures and learn more about our class members. We have celebrated a number of events this term in the ELC including Luna New Year, Shrove Tuesday, Global recycling day, National Purple day for Epilepsy awareness, Easter and Autism Awareness day. We are looking forward to a fun and engaging Term 2 with some exciting events coming up.



## Transition

TJC have had a wonderful first term of learning and settling into 'big school'.

The focus in the classroom has been on building number knowledge and understanding, as well as taking the first steps towards learning to read and write by growing our literacy skills. TJC have also enjoyed learning about the different ways that God shows his love in Christian Studies.

We have enjoyed getting to know each other in TJC and we always look forward to our weekly Buddies Sessions with 3CT. Having the students come together regularly contributes positively to their social and emotional learning, increases self-esteem, builds a strong sense of connection and contributes to supportive and respectful relationships within our school community.

TJC loved celebrating Harmony Day and learning about different cultures through stories, pictures and discussions. Students enjoyed learning about Mexico, preparing the food and decorations for our stall at the Taste Festival, as well as experiencing a range of other cultural food from the other class' stalls. It was an amazing day of learning and coming together as a community.

Easter was also a special time in TJC, learning about its Christian significance and having lots of fun with Easter crafts, topped off by the whole school Easter Bonnet Parade.

TJC is excited for what Term Two will bring!



# Year 1

In 2024, our learning journey will be continuing to expand our understanding of the SoundsWrite program, improving our spelling, reading, and writing. We will work on agency by creating plans together of what we want to learn within the Units of Inquiry. Through our 'Who We Are' Unity of Inquiry, we learned about how to be a good friend and treat each other kindly. We have focused on how our decisions and behaviour have an impact on others and how to have relationships that benefit us all. We had our yearly stay-up which was loads of fun. We played in the water and some siblings even joined in. We watched a movie and ate pizza for dinner.



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**Kyle Cantrill**  
College Chaplain

## College Chaplain

If you wish to contact our College Chaplain, Kyle Cantrill, you can email him using the address below.

[kyle.cantrill@ntschoools.net](mailto:kyle.cantrill@ntschoools.net)

**"Be kind and loving to each other. Forgive each other just as God forgave you in Christ."**

*Ephesians 4:32 ICB*



# Harmony Day in Year 3

For our **Harmony Day Taste Festival**, Year 3 inquired into Italy.

We researched food and culture and decided on our menu – pizza, pasta and gelato. Then we practised making the pizzas.

We had to spread the sauce, sprinkle the cheese, place and ham and cook. The most important step was the taste testing.

We would like to thank our amazing parents for donating all the ingredients for our cooking escapades.





As part of our inquiry, we made a HUGE map of Italy and its neighbours. We drew quintessential Italian things and placed them on our map.



## La Porte Red Rocket Juice

This is a refreshing, icy juice that you can make at home. Keep all the ingredients in the freezer year round and you can make it whenever you like.

### Equipment

Ninja style blender or similar

### Ingredients

Frozen red or black grapes, handful

Frozen mango, 2 handfuls

Frozen raspberries, handful

Frozen watermelon, 4-6 chunks

Frozen passionfruit, 1-2 cubes

Water, approx. 1 cup



### Instructions

Put all ingredients in your blender and mix at high speed until combined, about a minute.

Adjust the amounts of the fruit according to your taste. If any ingredients are not frozen you will need less water. Always put a little less water than you think you need, and you can easily add more if too thick. The consistency should be such that you can spoon it out when it's done.

For something different, freeze it into icy poles after mixing.

Makes about 4 serves.



# COMMUNITY FUN DAY

SATURDAY 1 JUNE

10AM - 2PM

Good Shepherd Luthern College  
Cnr Emery Ave & Temple Terrace, Palmerston

ANIMAL ENCOUNTERS  
ARTS & CRAFTS  
FACE PAINTING  
FOOD STALLS  
GAMES & PERFORMANCES  
JUMPING CASTLE  
TOMBOLA  
+ MUCH MORE



Save the date.

Full details and tickets will be available at a later date.

# GSLC PALMERSTON CAMPUS

# COLOUR

# RUN

Friday 14 June

5:30 - 7:30PM

\$10 per participant



# McGregor-Shaw Family Raffle



**Drawn Friday 26 April 12:30pm**

## 1st Prize: Valued at \$670

- \$50 Howard Springs Tavern voucher
- \$100 Fishing lures from voucher
- \$150 Woolworths voucher
- \$150 ASN Supplements- Amino acids, Damage Control, Prework out
- \$50 Betta Butcher Coolalinga Voucher
- \$120 Good Riddance Insect Repellent Outdoor Pack
- \$50 Sage Landscape - Material Supplies

## 2nd Prize: Valued at \$100

- \$50 Howard Springs Tavern Voucher
- \$50 Desire Voucher
- \$80 Intersport bag, 6 socks and drink bottle

## 3rd Prize: Valued at \$50

- Amino Energy supplement
- 9x individual sachets of Pre-workout, Collagen, Protein
- \$20 worth fishing lures
- \$25 worth Intersport socks (2 pairs) and a drink bottle



**SCAN the QR CODE TO  
PURCHASE TICKETS**

**All funds raised will go to the  
McGregor-Shaw family fundraising  
effort. If you would like to donate,  
please follow the link to the Go  
Fund Me Page**

**LINK: <https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-support-the-magregorshaw-boys>**

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Good Shepherd invites College  
families to our whole school

# ANZAC Day Service

Wednesday 24 April 2024  
11am start

**Howard Springs campus basketball courts**

Cnr Whitewood Rd and Kundook Pl, Howard Springs

The service will run for approximately 45 minutes. Please  
be sure to bring adequate water and sun protection.

*They shall grow not old,  
as we that are left grow old;  
Age shall not weary them,  
nor the years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun  
and in the morning*

***We will remember them.***

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Cnr of Whitewood Rd and Kundook Pl  
Howard Springs NT

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### Palmerston Campus

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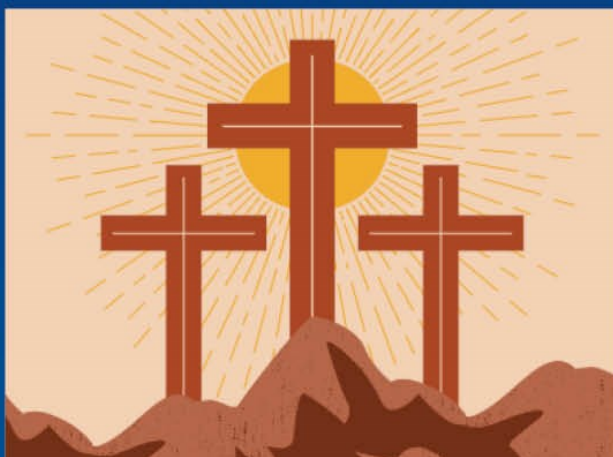
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"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience."

*Colossians 3:12 ESV*