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Welcome to the 2022 school year with a special welcome to all our new students and their families.

I am very happy to be back at Howard Springs Junior Campus after 3 years at our Leanyer Campus. It's great to see some familiar faces and to meet the new people that have joined the community since I was here last.

I really appreciate the support shown as we have navigated the various absences and hurdles over the last few weeks with restrictions, etc. It's lovely that we are, hopefully, turning a corner and can get back to school more as we know it. Assemblies and Chapels will gradually return to being held in person; however we will be splitting into Transition to Year 2; Years 3 -5, and, unfortunately, without parents for the time being.

Some reminders to ensure smooth running, safety and supervision at school:

- Students may arrive at school from 7:45am, not before, and go to the area at the playground if arriving before 8:05 when classrooms open.
- Students leave campus grounds promptly at the end of the day and must be picked up by 2:50pm. Playgrounds are not to be used after school.
- Camp Australia is available if needed before 7:45am and after the 2:50pm supervision ends if needed.
- Home toys remain at home unless arranged with the teacher for show and share.
- Hats must be worn outside if students want to play in the sun otherwise they need to remain in the shade. Please ensure hats have names on.

I would like to welcome our new teachers this year: we have Ashlee Holmes in Year 3, Emma Richards and Emma Taylor in Year 4, and Maddison Maine in Year 5. We also have Aurore Floury joining us to teach French; Rebecca McGuire teaching Art and Sarah Hamilton teaching PE. We also have Catherine Horner continuing German lessons with our Year 4 and 5 students one lesson each week. We welcome Alicia Carpenter as LSO and Navneet Kaur as ELC Educator; we have, however had to bid farewell to Rebecca Carpenter as she moves to a new role; Sophie Blake has taken over the role of ELC Team Leader. In addition to this, we welcome Rebecca Fletcher as PYP Coordinator, now across our 3 junior campuses. I'm sure you will make them feel welcome to our Howard Springs Junior community.

Thank you for working with us for our recorded Parent Information sessions. I hope these explained everything that you needed to know. Please feel free to contact the classroom teachers if you need any further clarification.

We were very privileged to welcome His Excellency, the Governor General, and his wife Mrs Linda Hurley to Howard Springs Junior Campus last month. They were visiting Darwin for the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Bombing of Darwin, and decided to come by and visit our school while they were here. They loved our natural school grounds and thoroughly enjoyed spending time in classes 3AH and 5JC.

It would be lovely to be able to start looking at some community events for next term, perhaps even the end of this term if we are able.

If you would like to be class carer for your child's class, please email me, or let the teacher know, so I can arrange a meeting and discuss options. It would be so lovely to see everyone together and get to know you all.

I look forward to seeing you all around school,

Cheryl Gunn Head of Junior School Howard Springs Campus



#### **Front Office Hours**

7:45am to 3:15pm

**Front Office Email** 

#### admin.hsjs@ntschools.net

## **House Point Tally**

Fenton: 43



Strauss: 25



Hughes: 38



Livingstone: 37



# Primary Years Programme



I would like to introduce myself to anyone I haven't yet met within our school community this year. I have held the role of Primary Years Programme Coordinator at our Leanyer Campus since 2015. This year I have also accepted the position as PYP coordinator at our Palmerston and Howard Springs Junior Campuses, so I will be at each campus regularly each week.

I have had teaching experience at each of our campuses since starting up here at our Palmerston Campus as a classroom teacher in 2011, teaching Library and PE at Leanyer Campus for a couple of year, and several weeks of teaching in one of the Year 1 classes at Howard Springs Junior in 2018. I am enjoying working with all of our wonderful staff across the Junior Schools to implement the IB Curriculum Framework in our classrooms.

#### **Evaluation**

You may be aware that in August this year we will be going through the process of Evaluation as a part of maintaining our accreditation for being a recognised International Baccalaureate World School. It is an exciting opportunity for our college as we navigate this process, with a 'virtual' visit taking place, rather than having educators from other IB World Schools visit our classrooms. We have received parent feedback from our survey sent out in 2021 that will help support us in this process. Our visitors are also expecting to speak with our parent community during their virtual visit, so we are looking for any interested families on each campus to let us know if they would be available during this time.

Please contact me via email at <u>rebecca.fletcher@ntschools.net</u> if you are willing to contribute to a discussion with our evaluators.

**Rebecca Fletcher** 

**Primary Years Programme Coordinator** 





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Howard Springs Junior Campus Leaders 2022		
School Captains		
Liam Fischer	Lara Ford	
House Leaders		
Zoe Jeremiah	Strauss	
Dhanvi Kadasamy	Strauss	
Olivia Firth	Fonton	
Aliyah Brown	Fenton	
Kingsley Pots	Livingstone	
Rochelle Criddle		
Zach Hanton	Uushaa	
Holly Bencsevich	Hughes	

# Well done to our PYP Learner Profile Award recipients!

Year Level	Student	Student
TTC	Kasey Pickersgill	Arini Velmula
T1SM	Savannah Pearson	Sergio Berno
1KH	Lucy Jansan	Harrison Cendo
2NH	Gordon Leafe	Mia Spinks
2JA	Sophia Karpathakis	Ellie Malan
3DL	Emily Hughes	Isabella Peters
3AH	Sunny Upton	Tenisha Sebastian
4ER	Claire Martin	Sebastian Kimani
4ET	Jack Kelly	Jesse Joyce
5JC	Imogen Baldwin	Dallas Wynne
5MM	Leah Mott	Alex Nolan



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# Playground Essential Agreement

No hat, No play
No sharing food
Look after equipment
Leave home toys at home
Take responsibility for our actions
Show kindness and courtesy to each other
See the teacher on duty for an office pass

Treat others as you would like to be treated!











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## **ELC News**

We have had a wonderful start to 2022 and have enjoyed getting to know each other! This Term we are diving deep into our Transdisciplinary unit 'Who We Are'. We have discussed who is in our families, our special jobs at home and what we love to do with our families!

Our focus child days are back and we love it! Every term each child gets their own day to bring in something special to share at mat times and then do a fun activity with Miss Langridge! This Term we have been sharing our family photos with each other at mat times!

Here are some photos of our favourite memories that we have made already!

Miss Langridge













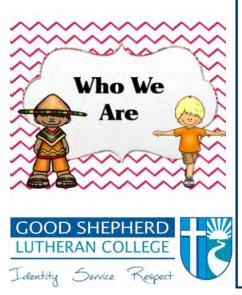




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## Year 3 News

Year 3 students have begun the year with gusto by building their writing abilities. We have learned about adding descriptions using adjectives, verbs and emotional language.

We continue our Mathematics learning by extending our understanding of bonds, doubles and the commutative properties of addition and subtraction. So, they now have a further two ways of exploring number.

The reading journey continues by unpacking texts through: sequencing, main idea and comprehension.

We are nearing the end of the journey for the unit Who We Are with the Central Idea – Understanding myself allows me to appreciate and learn about others. We have learned the things that stop us form learning and the ways we learn best. To enhance this, we also investigated how to best communicate with a particular audience: text, verbal, letters, emails and the five love languages by Gary Chapman and when each is appropriate to use.

We look forward to learning more about Math and furthering our communication skills.







**OUR COLLEGE CHAPLAIN.** 

If you wish to contact me my email is kyle.cantrill@ntschools.net









## Clean Up Australia Day, Year 4ER



Year 4ER did a clean-up Australia task in their class around the whole school!

On Clean-Up Australia Day, 4ET took action by cleaning up the rubbish from around our school. We managed to collect bags full of rubbish from around the school! It is so important we keep our world beautiful both for us now and future generations.

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# **Governor Generals Visit**

We were honoured to spend an afternoon with His Excellency the Governor-General and Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley earlier in the term. Their Excellencies were very engaging and the students had the opportunity to share their learning as well as ask lots of questions. We learnt about the importance of the Commonwealth as well as the various roles of the Governor-General.

Their Excellencies were visiting the Top End for the 80th anniversary of the bombing of Darwin.



# Shrove Tuesday









Last week, the **Year 5** students came together to celebrate Shrove Tuesday. The students enjoyed a hot breakfast to mark the last day before Lent. We learnt that the reason we celebrate Shrove Tuesday with pancakes is because it is a way to use up rich foods such as eggs, milk and sugar before the fasting season of the forty days of Lent. We discussed that instead of fasting, some people may choose to give up something else they enjoy during this time such as watching television or treats.



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# Year 5 Unit of Inquiry











The Year 5 students have been inquiring into 'Who We Are'. We have explored neuroplasticity, personality traits and different ways humans take action. A highlight of this inquiry has been our Zoom interview with a neuroscientist from Washington DC. She researches Alzheimer's in young people and taught us lots of great things. Some of the things we learnt were how animals can show signs of Alzheimer's, how scientists study the brain and how the brain is our bodies communication system.





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# Building Resilience in Turbulent Times with Andrew Fuller

Andrew Fuller Clinical Psychologist, Author and Speaker



How can parents support their children in these turbulent times? Join leading clinical psychologist Dr Andrew Fuller for a free webinar, where he will give his expert advice. Turbulent times call for resilient minds. From COVID-19, the Ukraine invasion and rampant flooding, it's already been a tough start to 2022. As resilience is being tested, students in our care are looking for support and guidance.

How might we understand and reduce anxiety for ourselves and others? How can we engage in conversation about tough times? And how can we create hope and positivity for the future?

Join us for this free webinar for parents and carers – a national Independent schools initiative – with leading clinical psychologist Dr Andrew Fuller.

Learn the three active ingredients of resilience Develop strategies to reduce anxiety Build self-esteem and deal with setbacks Gain strategies for engaging in tough conversations Help students prepare for a better future

#### Andrew Fuller

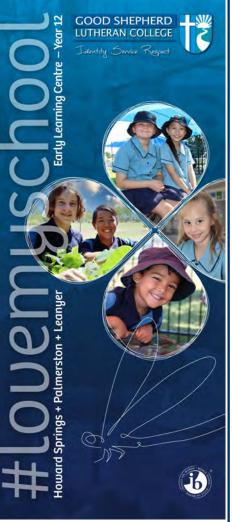
Andrew Fuller is a clinical psychologist, family therapist, author, speaker and creator of Learning Strengths<sup>™</sup>. Andrew has worked with over 3,000 schools in Australia, NZ Asia and the UK and with more than 5,000,000 young people on core elements of resilience - connect, protect and respect (CPR) and building The Resilient Mindset.

#### **Register your place**

Due to the anticipated demand across the country, we have scheduled two webinars. Get in early to secure your place.

#### **Event links**

Wednesday 16 March (7pm – 8pm AEDT), or Tuesday 29 March (8pm – 9pm AEDT) <u>https://theparentswebsite.com.au/free-webinar-building-resilience-in-turbulent-times-with-dr-andrew-fuller/</u>



#### 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

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**Monsoon Year Books** 

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2021 Monsoon year books have arrived. We are loving the cover!

Thanks so much to Year 12 student (2021) Rose for the fabulous croc inspired artwork.

Copies are \$10.00 and can be ordered via the Signmee notice sent in Week 3 or over the phone with credit card.



# 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



# **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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# BACK TO SCHOOL PRAYER

Dear Lord,

emotions about their first day of school! Fill them with peace instead of worry. Give them courage instead of fear. Strengthen them with your presence as they start the new year. Amen

Our children are filled with

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