



2025 - Term 1, Week 5

Upcoming Events

WEEK 6

Wed 12th Mar - Mon 24th Mar
NAPLAN

WEEK 7

Fri 21st Mar
HARMONY DAY

WEEK 8 & 9

Mon 24th Mar - Thurs 27th Mar
Mon 31st Mar - Thurs 3rd Apr
SWIMMING LESSONS

WEEK 9

Fri 4th April - Last day of term

TERM 3

WEEK 1

Mon 14th Apr - Pupil Free Day -
Staff Development
Tues 15th Apr - Students return

Fri 18th - Mon 21st Apr
EASTER

WEEK 2

Fri 25th Apr
ANZAC DAY

Front Office Hours

Mon - Wed, Fri
7.45am - 4.00pm
Thurs
7.45am - 3.15pm

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Dear Families,

We have reached the mid-point of Term 1, and what a fantastic start to the year it has been! I would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all parents and families who attended our Welcome BBQ and Information Night. Your presence and engagement are a testament to the strong partnership between home and school, which plays a crucial role in supporting our students' learning and well-being. We deeply value this connection and look forward to continuing to work together throughout the year.



At the beginning of the term, each class engaged in a whole school inquiry, focusing on setting up their Class Vision and Essential Agreements. These were developed in alignment with our school values and have helped shape positive learning environments where all students feel a sense of belonging and purpose. These agreements will guide classroom culture and interactions, ensuring a shared commitment to community, respect and service.

We are excited to announce the establishment of our Student Representative Council (SRC), led by Lachlan Jose. The SRC will be working closely with the school leadership team to support aspects of our school's strategic plan, with a particular focus this semester on expanding extra-curricular opportunities for students. The council will meet every Thursday afternoon, collaborating to implement meaningful changes that reflect student voice and enhance our school community. We look forward to seeing the positive impact of their leadership in the coming months.

A reminder that NAPLAN assessments will take place from the 12th to the 24th of March. To minimise any worry, we encourage families to support their children by reminding them that these assessments are simply an opportunity to try their best. A good night's sleep, a healthy breakfast, and a positive mindset will help them approach these assessments with confidence.

Our school swimming program is fast approaching and will take place in Weeks 8 and 9. This is a fantastic opportunity for students to develop their swimming skills and water safety awareness. More information, including schedules and what students will need to bring, will be sent home in the coming weeks.

Thank you again for your continued support and involvement in our school community. We are excited about the learning, growth, and opportunities that lie ahead for the rest of the term.

With Kindness
Tahlia Anver

Nurturing Lifelong Learners: The IB Learner Profile

At Good Shepherd Lutheran College, we are proud to offer an International Baccalaureate Primary Years Programme (IB PYP) education that places students at the heart of learning. The IB Learner Profile encourages students to develop the skills, knowledge, and attitudes needed for success in school and beyond. These ten attributes guide children in becoming thoughtful, principled, and compassionate individuals who respect themselves, others, and the world around them.



The 10 Learner Profile Attributes:

Inquirers – We nurture curiosity and develop strong research and inquiry skills. Our students love learning and continue to grow their knowledge throughout life.

Knowledgeable – We explore a wide range of subjects and engage with ideas that have local and global significance, developing deep conceptual understanding.

Thinkers – We use critical and creative thinking skills to solve problems, make ethical decisions, and take responsible action.

Communicators – We express ourselves confidently and creatively in multiple languages and ways, while also being active and respectful listeners.

Principled – We act with integrity, honesty, fairness, and respect for the rights of others. We take responsibility for our actions and their consequences.

Open-minded – We appreciate our own culture and traditions while also valuing and respecting diverse perspectives from around the world.

Caring – We show empathy, compassion, and respect. We are committed to making a positive difference in our community and beyond.

Risk-takers – We approach new challenges with courage and determination, embracing change and innovation with confidence.

Balanced – We understand the importance of maintaining a healthy balance between intellectual, physical, and emotional well-being.

Reflective – We take time to thoughtfully consider our experiences, strengths, and areas for growth to support continuous learning and self-improvement.

Through the development of these attributes, IB PYP students grow into individuals who not only succeed academically but also contribute positively to society. As parents, you play a vital role in reinforcing these attributes at home. Encourage curiosity, model open-mindedness, and support your child's journey toward becoming a lifelong learner.

Together, we are nurturing young minds to build a better and more compassionate world!

For more information about the IB Learner Profile and how you can support your child's learning at home, feel free to reach out to myself or your child's teacher.

Rebecca Fletcher
PYP Curriculum Coordinator

From our Wellbeing Coordinator

Tena Koutou. Ko Donna Sudana toku ingoa. (Hello everyone. My name is Donna Sudana.)

As the Year 5 teacher and Wellbeing Coordinator at Leanyer Campus, I am committed to sharing my deep knowledge and passion for inquiry-based learning and student wellbeing. I will continue to inspire and collaborate with my colleagues, students, and the broader community, fostering an environment where both academic growth and emotional wellbeing are valued and nurtured. Through this dedication, I aim to create a supportive and dynamic learning space where every student thrives, both academically and personally.



At Leanyer Campus, we are committed to making wellbeing visible. This is an integral part of student learning through the SEARCH Framework. This framework focuses on six key pathways: Habits and Goals, Strengths, Emotional Management, Attention and Awareness, Relationships, and Coping. These pathways are connected to our units of inquiry and are taught alongside the curriculum. The aim is for both students and teachers to recognise what wellbeing looks, sounds, and feels like in the classroom.

We will also continue to prioritise restorative practices, where students have the opportunity to express their feelings and be heard. These conversations help to rebuild and strengthen relationships, fostering a positive and respectful school community.

In addition, our teaching includes regular circles, encouraging students to share ideas and collaborate on problem-solving. Affective statements are used in class to help develop emotional literacy and strengthen social skills.

We encourage you to discuss your child's wellbeing learning at home and explore how they are engaging with these pathways. By sharing thoughts and ideas together, we can deepen these important connections and support their growth in both the classroom and beyond.

I look forward to communicating with you all on a regular basis over the coming year.
Ma te wa (Until next time).



College Chaplain

If you wish to contact our College Chaplain, Kyle Cantrill,
please email kyle.cantrill@ntschoools.net

“Those who hear the teaching of God and obey it - they are
the ones who are truly blessed”

Luke 11:28

Chapel is every Monday 8.30am at Leanyer campus

House Points - Current Tally



FENTON: 187



STRAUSS: 156



HUGHES: 115

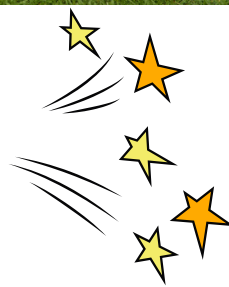


LIVINGSTONE: 153

CONGRATULATIONS

PYP Superhero Awards!

Well done to the following students for receiving their Caring PYP Superhero award at assembly:



WEEK 2

Ioanna Spyropoulos
Annabelle Seymour
Adele Zamolo
Shazzy-May Lilly
Dominik Fernan
Zerina Benu
Jiyaa Dharmarajan
Anastasia Manison
Brooklyn Fairfield
Ashish Atwal
Adishree Thapa
Mettabel Philip

FRENCH

Matilda Kohli
Tilly Patindol
Evannah Thekkayil
Brooklyn Fairfield
Pavlos Spyropoulos



This year we continue to embrace our theme of Living Our Values Every Day. To acknowledge our incredible students and the ways that they demonstrate the values of Community, Respect and Service in all of their actions and interactions, this year we are proud to introduce a new fortnightly award. The first recipient of the Living Our Values Every Day award was Adishree Thapa. Adishree consistently proves herself to be a highly respectful student who shows kindness and commitment to everything that she does. Adishree's family has made a move interstate and this was a lovely way to say thank you to Adishree for all that she has given to our community. We look forward to continuing to honour our students who make a difference every day through their commitment to Living Our Values.

PYP Superhero Awards!

Well done to the following students for receiving their Risk-Taker PYP Superhero award at assembly:

CONGRATULATIONS



WEEK 4

Sullivan Coates
Azaylia Hamilton
Cooper Sealey
Aiden Barry
James Shaw
Oliver Versteegh
Samar Sing
Miahna De Santis
Sallyanne Tungatalum
Chantelle Cunningham
Zhara Poulter
Dominic Kempster

FRENCH

Maya Grey
Kalotina Kitsos
Adel Tetteh
Aamiyah Thekkayil
Claudia Dos Santos
Andy Warren

CAMP AUSTRALIA

Savanna Hughes
Robert Symonds
Imran Syed
Frankie Taylor
Ellie Gabriel
Matilda Kohli
Cooper Sealey
Austin Peterken



2025 School Leaders

Introducing our School Leaders for 2025

Our School Captains are Sharon Renny and Dorothy Ekpo. Lachlan Jose is the leader of our Student Representative Council.



SRC Representatives

Ashish Atwal
Claudia Dos Santos
Tenzin Reeves
Aamiyah Thekkayil
Daniel Ekpo
Adel Tetteh



Introducing our House Leaders

Fenton Eva Gabriel
Jeron Joseph
Strauss Mettabel Philip
Hamish Renilson
Livingstone Ernest Kiratu
Haris Syed
Hughes Zhara Poulter
Andy Warren
IT Leader Dominic Kempster

Chapel - every Monday

Assembly - every second
Thursday (even weeks)

8.30am at
Dreambuilders Church

Parents and caregivers
welcome!

Chapel

WEEK 8 1RC

Assembly

WEEK 6 2KF

WEEK 8 TPC



5DS - Excursion to Parliament House

Last week we went on an excursion to Parliament House. We were all excited because this was our first excursion of the year.

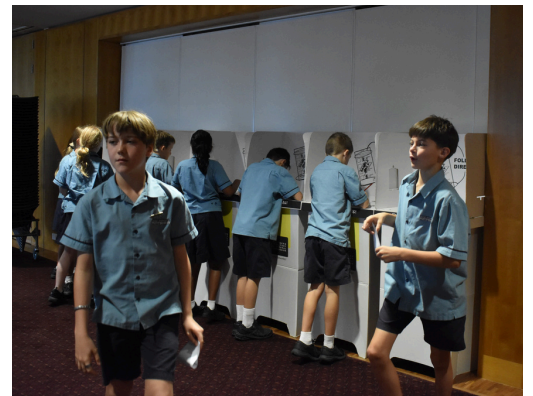
At Parliament House we saw the very first Northern Territory flag. It was special because there was a flower called the desert rose. It is an iconic flower representing the 7 states of Australia and the Northern Territory. The flag also had the star formation of the southern cross.

We saw the chamber. This is where government debates. We learnt that they had a stand for a special mace and that our government system is based on the English system. The government has a speaker who is like the leader because when everyone speaks, they have only 3 minutes to do so then she will give out warnings to stop.

The public can sit and listen when parliament is in session as well as news reporters who would be in another area to report about the debates. We went to an area that had thick glass so we could hear what government would be saying but they wouldn't be hear us. We got to meet a member of Parliament who told about debates in the chamber.

There was also a voting area. We got to vote for a playground, technology, a farm and a sports center. We learnt that not everyone had privileges to vote in history. We learnt about democracy. This is when we can vote for who we choose.

We all thought this was an excellent way of learning about the government and systems.



Cricket Clinic



Cricket NT and Tracy Village ran a before school clinic this morning. The children had a ball playing games to build their skills.



Bombing of Darwin Service



On 19 February 1943, 83 years ago, Darwin faced a devastating attack - the first of at least 64 air raids on the Top End, which continued for 18 months until November. The Bombing of Darwin left hundreds of servicemen and civilians dead, with countless others injured.

The Bombing of Darwin commemorative ceremony at the Darwin Cenotaph was a time for reflection, and a chance to honour the servicemen, servicewomen, and civilians who defended our country, those who selflessly helped others, those who endured the aftermath, and those who tragically lost their lives.



Good Shepherd Lutheran College Captains from all campuses, along with staff, attended the event to pay tribute to those affected by the attacks. As a mark of respect and remembrance, our captains laid wreaths on behalf of the College.

Good Shepherd Lutheran College is proud to participate in this annual event, ensuring that the sacrifices of the past are never forgotten.



Welcome to Adrian, our new Board Chair

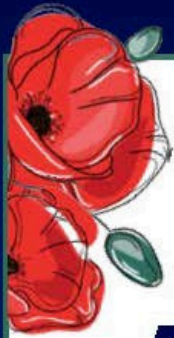


We are delighted to welcome Adrian to the Good Shepherd Lutheran College community as our new Board Chair.

Adrian has a deep connection to Darwin, having begun his teaching career here in 1976. With extensive experience as a Lutheran Principal, system director and governance leader, he brings a wealth of knowledge and leadership to our College. His commitment to ethical decision-making is evident through his ongoing contributions to two national ethics committees.

During his visits to our campuses, Adrian was greatly impressed by our students, staff, and facilities. He looks forward to supporting and strengthening our community as we continue to grow and thrive.

Welcome Adrian - we are grateful for your leadership and service.



Good Shepherd Lutheran College
invites families to our

ANZAC Service

Thursday 24 April 2025
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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Does your child want to learn a language?

Students welcome from Year 1 - Year 12

We offer the following after-school language classes:

- Monday: Greek, Japanese, Portuguese, Spanish
- Tuesday: Auslan, Greek, Indonesian, Italian
- Wednesday: French, German, Mandarin, Russian
- Saturday: Mandarin (10:00am - 12:30pm)

Join us in 2025

- Mon-Wed - 4:00 - 6:00pm ✓
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- Sports Vouchers accepted ✓

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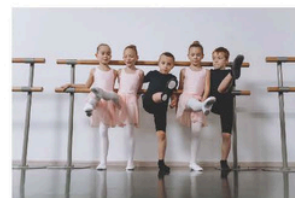
Term 1 starting - 28th January

New enrolments open all year round

~Boys & Girls welcome~



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| Play Dance | 3-4 years |
| Ballet & creative movement | 4-6 years |
| Ballet, Technique & Jazz | 7-12 years |



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- Annual Cecchetti Ballet examinations

PERFORMANCE OPPORTUNITIES

- Annual concert, showcasing classical ballet, national and contemporary dance
- Community events, including the Seabreeze Festival
- Senior students encouraged to develop choreographic skills

CONTACT

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FAMILY FUN NIGHT!

SATURDAY 8TH OF FEB 5-6:30PM



- ALL FAMILIES WELCOME
- RED COURT DOUBLES
- PICKLEBALL
- MINUTE TO WIN IT GAMES
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Save the Date

FIRST EVER BIOBLITZ at the Casuarina Coastal Reserve SATURDAY 29TH MARCH

A BioBlitz is a community focused, nature-based event aimed at engaging the local community to share expertise and enthusiasm for nature. Together with scientists, you can actively participate in conducting research and recording your findings.

More information coming next week on the Friends of Casuarina Coastal Reserve Inc website <https://fccr.org.au>



**TRACY VILLAGE
CRICKET CLUB**

COME & TRY CRICKET
5.30PM TO 6.30PM AT TRACY VILLAGE
4 WEEK PROGRAM EVERY FRIDAY
COMMENCING FRIDAY 14 MARCH 2025
TO FRIDAY 4 APRIL 2025



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Howard Springs

Leanyer Campus

94 Leanyer Dr
Leanyer

Palmerston Campus

Cnr Temple Tce and Emery Ave
Palmerston

**Do you love our school
as much as we do?**

**Please help us spread the
word - we appreciate it!**

REVIEW



Top End Lutheran Parish

We welcome you to come and be a part of our community.
Our Sunday morning church service starts at 9.30am
14 Trower Road, Milner

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Email: darwinlutheranchurch@gmail.com