



Howard Springs Campus

Junior School

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News



6 April 2023

Upcoming Events



Can it really be possible that Term 1 at HSJS has now reached its conclusion? So many amazing activities have occurred throughout these nine action-packed weeks, all of which have indicated to me that Howard Springs Good Shepherd is a thriving, teaching and learning school community! You only need to skim through the pages of this edition of the newsletter to see evidence of the wide variety of programs that your children have actively participated in. These range from sporting events through to sport, music and cultural activities. It is abundantly clear that rich educational programs come in a wide variety of 'shapes and sizes'.

Today we concluded our term by holding an Easter Chapel Service. This was an excellent opportunity to remind ourselves once again that Easter is about much more than chocolate eggs and hot cross buns. We gratefully recognised the true Easter message which focuses on the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ, God's one and only Son, through which all those who believe can have access to the forgiveness of our sins and the promise of eternal life. Whilst we can now look forward to a well-earned week break with family and friends, there are many exciting activities planned for the remainder of the year.

On behalf of all staff, I commend the students' efforts this term. We wish all members of our school families a safe and restful holiday break.

Kind regards,

Mrs Joanne Pulsford

Head of Junior School

Howard Springs Campus



CAMPS

Term 2 Week 5: Yr 4 to Riyala

Term 3 Week 7: Yr 5 to Adventure
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To **4SS** for receiving Howard Bear Caring Class!



To **5LB** for receiving Cleanest Class Keep Australia Beautiful Award!

A MESSAGE FROM OUR COLLEGE CHAPLAIN.

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



Chapel every Wednesday 0945am Senior school Chapel

Assembly every second Friday even weeks 0830am Cornerstone Church



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Chaplain Kyle's Easter Message

This term in Chapel, we have reflected on the times in scripture where Jesus was **countercultural**. We focused on the challenges of His time and how they can still be challenging for us today. We 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 hurt you.

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 do anything to be right with God**. We don't have to follow a 'perfect' person check list and gain his favour through 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 hollow Easter eggs, use them as a reminder of what the **true meaning of Easter** is really about. The hot cross buns represent Jesus' death on the cross and the hollow Easter eggs represent the tomb that was empty - **Jesus is no longer dead but risen!** My hope and prayer this Easter is that God would bless each and every family over the break and that we would truly **reflect on what Jesus has done for us**.

Kyle Cantrill
College Chaplain



Reminder

We love having our students eager to come to school in the morning, but a gentle reminder that students are welcome on campus without parental supervision **only after 7:45 am** where they are to head straight to Area 1 and staff are on duty. At the end of the school day any students not collected by 2:50pm will be seated at the front office and **need to be collected by 3pm**.

If you are needing supervision for your children outside of these hours Camp Australia offer before and after school care and be contacted on 0447044584.

Front Office Hours

7:45am to 3:15pm

Front Office Email

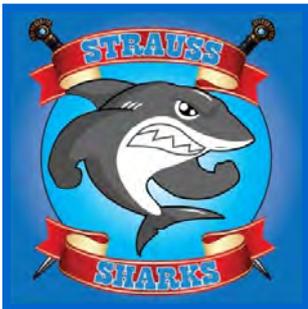
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Strauss: 169



Hughes: 159



Livingstone: 151



This week, 2LT said goodbye to one of our friends who is moving to Melbourne. We have also welcomed a new friend who has just joined us. This term, we built our friendships and learned to respect and be kind to each other. We held a Teddy Bear Picnic on Friday to celebrate our friendships.

Students have enjoyed watching science and STEM crafting videos. The class voted on one activity, collected some recycled materials and made these cool paper spinners. We discussed how we create energy when we twist the strings, and the energy converts to kinetic energy as the strings unwind. Students were fascinated by how the spinners work.



During the last 4 weeks of term 1MR has done a fabulous job. We have been learning Place value and practicing counting to 100. To demonstrate their understanding of place value, students got to represent numbers using MAB blocks. During their morning desk activity time, students practice counting to 100 on a number chart using white board markers and some more activities around the same concept.

Miss Brown and myself couldn't be more proud the way they all are progressing and working so hard.



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

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



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.

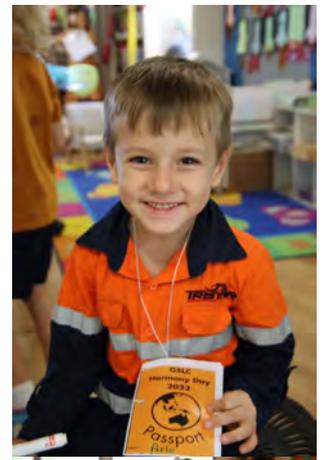
Mrs Cobban is based at the Howard Springs Campus every Monday and alternates between our Palmerston and Leanyer Campuses every Tuesday.

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





To Mrs Helen Saunders
on receiving the
kindness cup this week!



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Administration Officer:
Rachael Cross

Administration Officer:
Tara Davis

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7:45am until 3:15pm

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Hector the Cat Road Safety



Year 3 Data Collection





Swimming Lessons at the GoldFish Bowl Years 3, 4 and 5





Hello from Transition!

We have had an awesome first term at school. We have had many exciting things happening like Buddies, Harmony Day and Soccer. Students have loved being a part of these and creating and building friendships through them. In the classroom, we have focused on building learning routines and started our reading and writing journey. We have also been learning to count and are currently reading *The Very Hungry Caterpillar* to learn the days of the week!



Year 4

The excitement has continued this term.

In the world of Mathematics, we have continued number value. We have also been building fluency for telling time and working towards solving time duration questions. Such as school starts at 8:15am and ends at 2:40pm, how long are we at school? Students were astounded at that one!

We have been working on the new unit of Where We Are in Place and Time. Students have been investigating the history of Australia, through the central idea: Exploration and migration lead to new discoveries, opportunities, and understandings. Our main focus is the cause for journeys, the effects it has on communities, and how might affect our future.

The writing genre is the current unit is narratives. I can say that it has been fun reading the creativity of the students and many laughs have been had.

Of course, this isn't all we have been doing, we have also participated in swimming lessons. It never ceases to amaze at the young brain where it seems they are a sponge and how their skills can skyrocket. Students have improved their swimming skills over the past four weeks. It is gratifying to see this essential life skills being built.



Swimming
Lessons





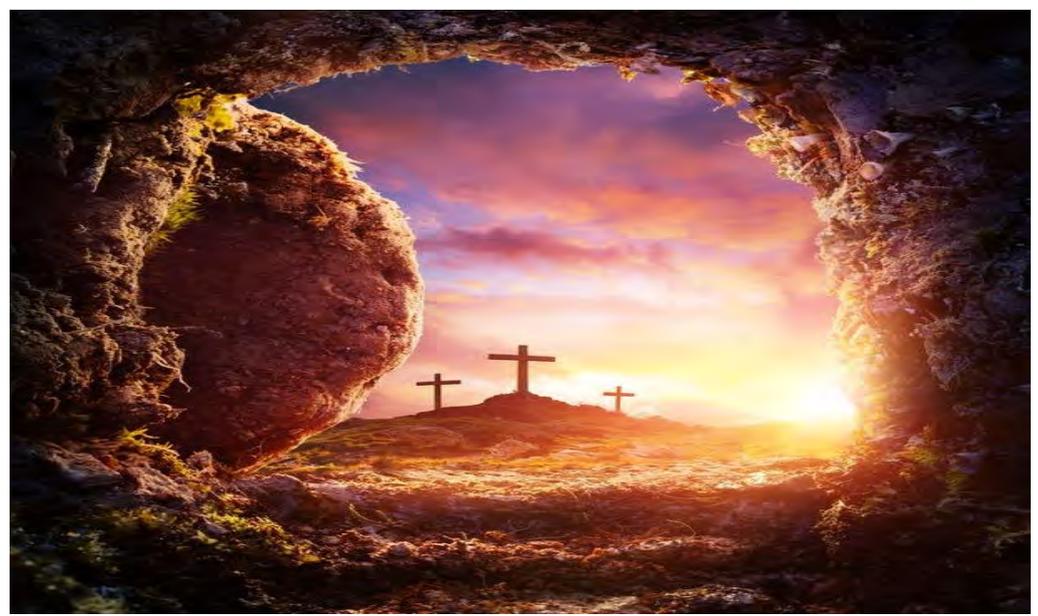
Wishing everyone in our community a very happy Easter and wonderful mid-semester break.

We look forward to seeing staff and students again on **Monday 17 April.**



'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.



A palm frond is placed in a clear glass vase, set against a solid reddish-brown background. The frond's long, thin leaves fan out across the upper right portion of the image, casting soft shadows on the wall behind it.

Top End Lutheran Parish

Easter Worship Services

Good Friday

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Howard Springs
Friday 7 April | 10.30am

Easter Sunday

St Andrew Lutheran Church, Nightcliff
Sunday 9 April | 8.30am

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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>

Easter Worship Services

Friday 7 April (Good Friday) - Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, 10.30am

Sunday 9 April (Easter Sunday) - Dripstone Cliffs Sunrise Service

