Dear Parents and Caregivers,

This is a much shortened newsletter to give some valuable information to our campus community. We will publish a more extensive newsletter in week 9 as the final newsletter for our academic year.

**Staffing for 2016**

Sadly Mrs Debbie Tyson (4/SDT) and Ms Rachael Murray (TRM) will be leaving Good Shepherd at the end of the year. Both Debbie and Rachael are moving interstate with their families and we will miss them at the St Andrew Campus. Thank you to both these wonderful ladies for the service they have given to our College.

We have been fortunate enough to secure two staff members to replace these teachers and I would like to announce the staffing structure for 2016 as:

- **Head of Campus** - Mrs Karen Koehler
- **PYP Curriculum Coordinator/Teacher-Librarian** - Mrs Rebecca Fletcher
- **Learning Enrichment Teacher** - Mrs Glenda Prescott
- **ELC Teacher** - Mrs Irene Kitsos
- **ELC Team Leader** - Miss Rachel Wood
- **ELC Educators** - Mrs Jacinta Martins and Mrs Nancy Juan
- **Transition Teacher** - Mrs Sarah Davis (relocating from SA)
- **Year 1 Teacher** - Miss Leah Kelly
- **Year 2 Teacher** - Miss Angela Perkins
- **Year 3 Teacher** - Miss Emily Quinn
- **Year 4 Teacher** - Mrs Tahlia Anver
- **Year 5/6 Teacher** - Miss Georgia Dickson (currently teaching at Good Shepherd Palmerston Campus)
- **LSO’s** - Mrs Janet Langdon, Mrs Karon Bibby, Mrs Claire Bell
- **Administration Officer** – Mrs Kath Dunlop

**Christmas celebrations**

I would ask all families to hold off on sending in candy canes and cards until week 9 of the school year. We are still engaged in learning in the classroom and once candy canes start students can become distracted. Thank you for your cooperation.
Pre-authorisation visit
On Thursday and Friday of this week Yoon-Ah Lee will be visiting St Andrew campus to give feedback about implementing the Primary Years Programme. We are looking forward to the feedback as it will guide further strategies to improve our practice as we strive to provide quality education for all students.

Year 5/6 students moving to Middle School
This Friday will see the end of classes for Year 5 & 6 students at St Andrew campus in the current form. Students who are attending Good Shepherd Middle School will attend that campus from Monday next week as part of our Step-up Programme. Students in those years who are not attending Good Shepherd Middle School will remain at St Andrew campus and form a step-up class for the remaining two weeks of term. During this time these students will be involved in a Unit of Inquiry to gain skills needed for middle schooling.
At chapel this Friday we will officially farewell all of these students from the campus.

Other happenings around the campus:
- Life Education Van visiting Thursday and Friday 19/11 & 20/11
- Uniform Fittings in the Library Thursday 19/11 & Thursday 26/11 9am – 4pm
- Year 5/6 graduation dinner - Friday night 20/11
- 3TA Poetry Cafe - Tuesday 24/11
- Step-up day for St Andrew Campus & Orientation day for new students - Thursday 26/11
- Chapel led by TRM – Friday 27/11
- Good Shepherd College Graduation and Awards Night at Darwin Convention Centre - 2/12
- St Andrew Campus Awards Assembly at Dreambuilders Church - Thursday 3/12 at 1.45pm
- Last day of school - 4/12 including class parties and fun activities

- Book Pack Pick-up and Open classrooms Wednesday 20 January 2016 10.30am-12.00pm
- First day of 2016 school year – Wednesday 27 January

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you for a great year. Our students are thriving and learning. To those families who are leaving us, we pray God's blessings on you, and thank you for your role in making our campus a Christian community of learners.

Blessings,
Karen Koehler

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