Middle/Senior Newsletter



Howard Springs Campus

Wishing our families a safe and happy holiday.

We look forward to students returning on Tuesday 16 April.

Holiday Office Hours

Howard Springs Middle Senior Campus
Palmerston Campus
Normal Office Hours

Howard Springs Junior Campus Leanyer Campus Closed

Uniform Shop OPEN 9am - 12noon - Friday 12 April





Term 1, Week 9

Upcoming Events

Mon 8 - Mon 15 April

Mid-semester break

Mon 15 April:

Staff Professional Development

Tues 16 April:

Students Return

Tues 13 - Fri 19 April

Year 6 Canberra Camp

Tues 23 April:

Year 9 Leaders Conference

Wed 24 April:

Combined College ANZAC Day Service

Thurs 25 April:

ANZAC Day

Thurs 2 May:

Years 3-5 Athletics Carnival

Fri 3 May:

Years 6 -12 Athletics Carnival

Fri 3 - Wed 8 May:

Years 11/12 Geography Fieldtrip - Singapore

Tues 7 May:

Years 7-10 Pat Cronin Foundation - Be Wise

From our Head of Students

This is my first time writing in the College newsletter since joining this community as the Head of Students from Year 6 to 12. It has been great settling in and experiencing what the College and wider community is all about. On a personal note my partner Kimmie and I welcomed the birth of our first child Hugh into the world on March the 6, we are both super appreciative of the support and well wishes we have received so far.

This year to help with the pastoral care and wellbeing of students the College has moved from staff House Leaders to Year Level Coordinators who are listed below:

- Year 6: Naomi Favell
- Year 7: Sean Rimmer
- Year 8: Balin Powardy
- Year 9: Harmony Chambers
- Year 10: Christina Mccarthy
- · Year 11: William Janssen
- Year 12: Anita Synnott

This team with the help of many others in the College have a commitment to fostering the holistic wellbeing of our College community. Many things play a role in nurturing the emotional, social and psychological health of our students.

In today's fast paced world, where academic pressures and societal expectations can weigh heavily on adolescents, it is imperative that we create a nurturing environment where students feel supported, valued and understood. At our College, we recognise that academic success in just one aspect of schooling, and equally important is the cultivation of resilience empathy and self-awareness.

It has been great to see so many amazing programs and activities happening within the College and also outside. We have had students out on many TERIS sports days, PARTY Programs, Youth Conferences and some Leadership Conferences next term. Last Thursday was the McGregor-Shaw Fundraising Day and was a day that demonstrated the values of the College and house spirit for such a great cause.

Upcoming Events (cont.)

Fri 10 - Sun 12 May:

Seabreeze Festival - Music Performances

Sun 12 May:

Mothers Day

Mon 13 - Tues 14 May:

Dolly's Dream Workshops

Tues 14 May:

Years 9/10 Elective Music Performance

Fri 17 May:

Year 10/11 Vetis Career Expo

Mon 20 May:

Years 9, 10,12 Dance Performance

Mon 20 May:

Big Day In

Wed 22 May:

TERIS Yr6-9 Indoor Beach Volleyball

Thur 23 May:

Year 11/12 Drama Performance (Creative Arts)

Fri 24 May:

TERIS Yr10-12 Indoor Beach Volleyball

Fri 24 May:

Year 12 Trivia Night



Jake BarnesHead of Students Years
6-12

Lastly, I wanted to encourage the importance of parental engagement in supporting your child's wellbeing and schooling journey. We actively encourage parental involvement through information sessions, our social media channels, and open communication channels.

If you would ever like to get in touch, please get in Contact via email or phone. Regards,

Mr Jake Barnes

McGregor-Shaw Family Fundraiser

On Thursday 28 March, the Howard Springs campus Junior, Middle and Senior schools took part in fundraising activities to support our College McGregor Shaw family.

The Junior school students supported the fundraiser with the sale of sausage sandwiches, fruit poppers and Zooper Doopers at lunch time. Dennis Tak (Staff member) manned the BBQ while the Year 5 Captains handed them out along with the poppers. Students were also able to wear their favourite sports team attire or house shirt.

Middle and Senior school students and staff supported the fundraising efforts by a Dress in your Sporting Colours day, buying treats at the bake sale and sausage sizzle, Karaoke singing, Kick a footy comp and Lolly Jar guess competition.

Congratulations to the following winners of the competitions on the day:

Guess the Lolly Jar - Layla Di Toro

NRL Kick - Nate Saunders Year 8

AFL Kick - Mr Alex Chote

Karaoke - Joel Shute Year 6

MVP Spirit of the Day - Jimmy Hewitson Year 6









Overall, the College raised an amazing \$4459 on the day. A fantastic effort by our community to support our fellow students Willard, George and Stirling, as well as their parents, as they continue the journey of recovery.

The fundraising campaign continues with a Raffle Competition running through until Friday 26 April. We thank the amazing local businesses and individuals who have supported this fundraising raffle through their donations of the fantastic prizes. Tickets can be purchased by following the QR code link below.

Alternatively, donations can be made directly through the Go Fund Me page, being run by family and friends of the McGregor Shaws.





Kyle CantrillCollege Chaplain

College Chaplain

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

kyle.cantrill@ntschools.net

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

Ephesians 4:32 ICB

Year 11 Integrated Learning - Abseil Excursion

During term 1, students from the Yr11 Integrated Learning classes have been learning the skills required to participate in and conduct an abseil activity on both natural and manmade surfaces. During the term, students have lbeen practising their skills in

- · knot tying,
- · risk assessment,
- · equipment,
- · activity planning
- selecting and tying anchors using the SERENA principals.

As a culmination for this activity, students were required to organise and participate in two abseiling activities, one at Darwin High School, using manmade anchors and one at Robin Falls (in the Adelaide River region), that used natural anchors.

The two activities ran very successfully, with every student completing the abseils and a number of students attempting the Robin falls climb. Only 1 student completed the climb this year and a congratulations goes out to Ashleigh Emmett for her awesome effort in succeeding in completing the climb.









Year 9 Calling and Departure Ceremony

The Rite Journey (TRJ) is a rite of passage – a program designed to support and guide students in their transition from childhood to adolescence. TRJ was officially initiated at GSLC on Monday 11 March with the inaugural Calling and Departure Ceremony.

During the first part of the ceremony, 'The Calling', students spent time with their TRJ teachers working through various activities that encouraged them to show gratitude for their childhood.

Students were then joined by their caregivers and mentors for the second part of the ceremony: 'The Departure'. Both the students and caregivers had prepared a letter to share with each other, reflecting on their past and looking to their future as they begin to navigate the journey into young adulthood together.

Additional photos and detials can be found on the







Year 10 Work Exerience









Year 10 work experience can evoke a mix of excitement at the prospect of engaging in the world of work and nerves through being removed from the familiarity of school and entering the professional realm. Work experience is valuable for providing students real work and career exposure, skill development, networking opportunities and personal growth through navigating an unfamiliar environment, using initiative, and embracing challenges helping to strengthen maturity and develop a sense of responsibility.

The 2024 year10 cohort have been fortunate to partner with Early Careers team from the Northern Territory Government (NTG) in a piloted program design to provide exposure to career opportunities within Government Departments. Students formally applied by submitting a resume and letter addressing their career aspirations, the Early Careers team liaised with suitable departments and over 20 placements successfully attended work experience within an array of positions, hosted by:

- · Department of Health
- Department of Infrastructure, Planning and Logistics
- Department of Corporate and Digital Development
- · Department of Industry, Tourism and Trade
- · Department of Education
- Department of Health
- · Department of Territory Families, Housing and Communities,
- Department of Environment, Parks and Water Security.

NTG work experience students attended a morning tea hosted by the Early Careers team where they learnt about career opportunities from traineeships through to holiday employment programs and profession careers. Good Shepherd Lutheran students are the first students in the Northern Territory to be hosted for work experience within NTG, the pilot program was extremely popular and a success with positive feedback from hosts and students. Thank you to Lindsey Somers and the Early Careers team for allowing us this opportunity.





Students were also provided the opportunity to source their own placements outside of Government and the diversity and scopes of work the 2024 cohort attending was amazing. Host employers have provided amazing feedback of the students with some offering further work experience and mentoring opportunities, school based and full-time apprenticeships, if the students wish. This is testament to the student's willingness to learn and adapt to new situations wholeheartedly.

Year 10 work experience is more than a check box on the school curriculum: it's a transformative opportunity providing students an insight into the realities of the world work, preparing them for their career journey and senior years. Good Shepherd would like to extend our gratitude and thanks to all host employers for supporting students learning in the workplace, industry support of the program is paramount for a successful work experience program.







Year 11 Legal Studies Excursion

Wednesday 20 March, the Stage 1 Legal Studies students travelled to the NT Legislative Assembly for an excursion. Upon arrival, the class was promptly taken into the open gallery of the chamber to view parliament in session.

Once the Members adjourned for lunch, the students had various elements of the functioning of parliament explained to them, as well as the opportunity to ask questions about some of the features of the chamber and the positions that people hold within parliament.

Following this, students participated in an interactive session with the Northern Territory Electoral Commission about democracy and some of the key principles and features of Australia's democracy and democratic elements.

Both parts of the tour were an engaging opportunity for students to see the theory they've been learning about in class in reality. Thank you to Lisa at the Parliament and Karen at the NTEC for running these informative and interesting sessions with students.

Mali White



Year 10 Excursion - East Point Military Museum







Wednesday 3 April, the whole year 10 cohort went on an excursion to the East Point Military Museum. The stusents have been studying aspects of World War 2 in class this term, this was an apt way to end the term. Students were able to explore the many exhibits on display inside the museum, as well as the gun placement and other buildings outside the facility. It was an informative and engaging experience for the students. Thanks to the Military Museum for hosting us.

Mali White Ian Hixson Siobhan Niland Sharna Condran





Student Achievements

Congratulations to the following students selected to represent the Northern Territory in the NT Thunder Motorcross Team.

Rhys Gwynne

Gus Simpson

Darcy Simpson

Kingsley Potts

Ben Macfarlane

Nathan Lawrence

Aiden Blowers - enrolled to commence in 2025

The students will be traveling to Bunbury WA to compete in the Australian Championships during September. They are currently raising money to



support travel and equipment costs; bikes, tools, equipment, accessories and transportation. To support the students raffle tickets can be purcahsed via the link - https://acacia-hills-motocross-association.square.site/s/shop

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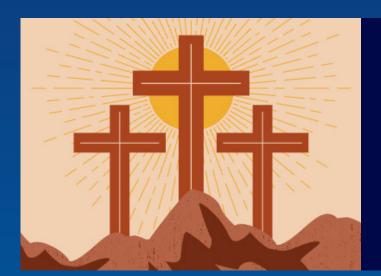
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"Put on then, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, compassionate hearts, kindness, humility, meekness, and patience."

Colossians 3:12 ESV

College and Community Notices

McGregor-Shaw Family Rafile

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

3rdPrize: Valued at \$50

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



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

SCAN the QR CODE TO PURCHASE TICKETS



College and Community Notices



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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