Year 12 Valedictory Service

Gerry Wood Music Award
Jessie-Claire Campbell

Australia Day Student Citizen Award
Piper Denholm

Northern Territory Board of Studies Year 12 Academic Excellence Award
Katie Minerds

Principal’s Award
Saysha Ham

Stage 2 Subject Awards

Mathematical Studies: Declan Howard
Mathematical Applications: Victoria Savaris
Mathematical Methods: Katie Minerds
English Studies: Katie Minerds
English Communications: Jayden Paterson
English Pathways: Ngaire Lavender
Biology: Katie Minerds
Physical Education: Katie Minerds
Visual Art: Rachael Koehler
Legal Studies: Georgia Barlow
Modern History: Piper Denholm

Research Project: Alexandra Watson
Workplace Practices: Joshua Carling
Chemistry: Nicholas Hockey
Creative Art: Georgia Barlow
Food & Hospitality: Alexandra Watson
German: Jake Mансer
Physics: Declan Howard
Society & Culture: Piper Denholm
Music: Jessie-Claire Campbell
Christian Studies: Declan Howard
Information Processing & Publishing: Kyle Williams

Stage 1 and Year 10 Subject Awards are listed on page: 13
Last Friday was the Year 12 students last official day at the College. It was a day of mixed emotions for them, happy at completing their secondary education, sad at leaving the College, saying goodbye to staff and fellow students and nervousness at what awaits them in the future.

It has been amazing to see the growth in the students during their time with us. It has also been wonderful to see the development of the senior years at the College. From the 12 students that graduated three years ago to the 40 that farewelled us on Friday. I have seen the students develop over this time to become more focussed, driven and understanding of the need to strive for excellence through hard work and dedication. It is through this that they will not only achieve their goals for their chosen career pathway but for success in life generally.

The focus that the College has placed on the academic program as well as the Christian values and ethos has equipped these students for the world outside of the College gates. We wish them God’s blessing as they now study for exams and then wait for their university placements, continue with their apprenticeships or commencement in the workforce.

Car park

The Car parks at both campuses can become very busy places in the morning and just after school. All due care is needed to ensure the safety of the students as they arrive and leave the College and I implore parents to be both careful and courteous to others during these times. We have had a few incidents recently where potential accident was only just averted. I ask parents to comply with the following.

- Drive very slowly
- Only pick up students from the drop off zones not from the College roadways
- Be courteous to other parents
- If you have parked in the parking bays go and collect your child from the waiting area don’t call them over to the car
- If you are dropping children off on the road side at the Howard Springs Campus please ensure that this is on the side of the road that the College is located on. Whitewood Rd is a 70km zone and there is no crossing.
- At the Palmerston Campus please ask your child to use the designated crossing area.

We all want our College to be a safe place for our children.

Julian Denholm
College Principal
Christmas is quickly coming upon us. We have only just reached the end of October and it seems a long way away, but the school term well under way, the shops are full of Christmas decorations and gifts, and many of us have probably begun the frantic run of end-of-year and Christmas functions and parties. Past experience tells us that the nine or so weeks until Christmas will go very quickly.

In the midst of all the busyness, the hustle and bustle which this time of the year brings with it, it’s easy for the real meaning of Christmas to be covered over also. When Jesus, the Son of God, our Saviour, was born into this world two thousand years ago life was also busy. The town of Bethlehem was so full that night that Mary and Joseph had to take shelter in a stable. And it was there, in that lowly setting, that the child was born who would change the course of history like no child before or since. As the angel announced to the shepherds, that the child was born who would change the course of history like no child before or since. As the angel announced to the shepherds, the angel said, “Don’t be afraid! I have good news for you, which will make everyone happy.” This very day in King David’s hometown a Saviour was born for you. He is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:10-11 CEV

As we remember the gift God gave to us in Jesus, it’s good for us also to respond to this in our giving to others. One way we do this at Good Shepherd is through the Gifts of Grace Appeal, run by Australian Lutheran World Service. Each class in the middle and junior schools have been given a ‘gift catalogue’ which contains items like: 5 hens and a rooster for a family in Cambodia ($40), a year’s worth of porridge for a child refugee in Africa ($5), school clothes for orphan refugees ($11), initial care for children who have lost their parents ($14), clay water filter ($13), a well and pump ($165), plus many others. Each class is making up a list of what they would like to purchase, and then students will be able to bring in donations so these gifts can be purchased.

You are also able to make use of this catalogue to purchase gifts for your own family and friends, simply go to www.alws.org.au. What better to buy the person who has everything than a goat ($53) to help a poor family start breeding goats and get some money! If you order any gifts you will be sent a gift card which you can then pass on to friends and family as their ‘present’.

Thank God for the great gift of Jesus at Christmas. As we remember his gift may we also be moved to share what we have with others.

God’s blessings to you all,
Pastor Andrew

RECEIVING AND GIVING

Prayer Families

Week 5

Melville: Slack; Smith; Craig-Smith; Gray; Sobieralski; Solien-Alder; Sowry; Spinks; Springbett; Staines; Rosewarne; Stankic; Statham; Staynoff; Steele

Week 6

Stevens; Richards; Stockwell; Stover; Stringer; Summerville; Sutherland; Syme; Symnott; Tanner; Taylor; Allwright; Tace; McGinley; Theyers

A big thanks to all staff and students who participated in our Bandana Day on Friday 18th November. Across the two campuses a total of $1910.35 was raised. Hopefully a side effect of this was an increased awareness of the needs of young people who are facing cancer themselves, or who are concerned about members of their family.

Thanks all for your participation and assistance in this important cause.

Pastor Andrew Koehler
pastor@goodshepherd.nt.edu.au
Term 4 certainly is a busy time for students in all year levels of Senior School. As the Year 12’s move rapidly towards their final days of school and into NTCET exams, the next group of students who will enter Year 10 in 2014 have already begun their journey with an information evening packed with NTCET details, subject choices, vocational and career opportunities. With such a strong focus on looking forward, it can be tempting to be thinking about the end of the year far too early! Although the end of Term 4 will quickly race up to meet us, it is important that students remain focused and make the most of the opportunities that will present themselves this term.

Firstly, all Senior School students need to begin revising their subjects in preparation for exams now. Exams not only contribute to the student’s grades and hence future opportunities, but performing well in exam conditions (unseen questions, unassisted, time-limited), is a skill that is important both at school and beyond and one which can be enhanced with practice and intentional strategies. Good revision practices are based on repeatedly engaging in the material to be learned, in chunks, over an extended period of time. Using all your senses (reading, drawing, writing, making maps & diagrams, songs & rhymes) to engage with the information you need to remember, helps your brain to store the information in your Long Term Memory in ways that are much easier to retrieve when required. Dealing with the information repeatedly, with sleep in between is critical for encoding information into your Long Term Memory; last minute cramming does not work as your Short Term Memory cannot hold much information and without sleep in between, it does not move into your Long Term Memory. Starting now, setting aside some time each week to commence exam revision will pay dividends in a few weeks time.

The second important milestones for students are in the final weeks of school, following exams, when programs designed to prepare them for the following year will be held. In week 8, Year 11 students will begin their Stage 2 subjects and in week 9, Year 10’s will do the same with their Stage 1 subjects. In addition to beginning subject work, students will also further develop their understanding of the requirements of the NTCET and career sessions that will lead them through Senior School and beyond. These programs will ensure that students commence 2014 focussed and with momentum so that maximum benefit is gained from their classes during the term the best results possible are achieved. It is very important that students attend these programs lest they start 2014 already behind their classmates, and is particularly important for students entering Year 12 as it is a very short year with final exams in October.

Of course, between now and these events, there is still plenty of learning and a range of assessment tasks that need to be completed so it is important that students are well organized and using their diaries or organizers to record all their upcoming commitments and plan their approach to them over the coming weeks. With a planned and organized approach, students will be able to move steadily and comfortably through their commitments, making the most of all opportunities and arrive at the end of the year satisfied with their achievements. So, heads down...!

Darren Boyce
Head of Senior School

Saving Work

Unfortunately this year there have been several instances of students in the senior school loosing work because they have not saved it correctly. Students need to be in the habit of saving work in several different places so that they can continue to access work even if an ipad dies or a USB becomes corrupted.

One way to ensure that work is not lost is for students to email drafts to themselves using their NT Schools account. If they simply start to develop the habit at the end of a lesson where they have been using working their ipad to email themselves, then they can access their work if anything happens to their ipad. Another alternative is for students to set up an icloud account or dropbox that work can be saved into.

IT staff are always available every lunchtime in R6 to assist students with any IT issues. Students who are not sure how to set up accounts like icloud should take the time to meet with these staff to be shown. Loss of work due to IT issues is not an excuse for extensions or resubmission of tasks, both of which can cause students to fall behind in their work. It also causes a huge amount of stress for students, particularly if it is a large and significant assessment piece that has been lost.

It would be useful for parents to take the time to check with their student how they are managing the safe saving of work and to encourage students to follow the recommendation of always backing up their work.

Elsabe Bott
NTCET Coordinator

Careers in the ADF Information Sessions

Darwin

- 13th November 2013 - 6:00PM: Presentation on the variety of 1 year commitments available in the ADF
- 3 December 2013 - 6:00PM: Tri Service presentation promoting all avenues of entry into the ADF

Women in the Air Force Webinar

Thursday 28th November 2013, 6:30PM – 7:30PM (AEDT)

This webinar will provide an open forum for women interested in joining the Air Force to ask questions and hear firsthand what it is like to be a Woman in the Air Force.

Your students can join the webinar from: www.defencejobs.gov.au

Education Standards for the Army

Army have recently revised the minimum education standards for entry. The educational standards have changed from Year 9 passes in Maths and English to Year 10 passes in Maths and English (minimum ‘C’ passes). This has taken effect from 29/9/2013. For any questions in regards to eligibility please feel free to call the Darwin recruiting office on (08) 8936 2000.

Women In Defence Movie Evening- Save the Date

Defence Force Recruiting will be holding a ‘Women in Defence Movie Evening’ on 21st of November in Darwin and are inviting all females interested in Defence the opportunity to attend a FREE screening of The Hunger Games: Catching Fire. If you have any female students from 16 -20 years old who would be interested, please contact Mrs Synnott.

If you have any questions or queries about careers in the Australian Defence Force please feel free to get in contact with Anita Synnott (Student Pathways Coordinator)

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A school year in many ways is like a book. The beginning starts with students and teachers getting to know each other and the scene is set for the remainder of the year. The middle two terms are a rollercoaster of emotions, events, assessments each with their own action, climax and resolution. The end term however is often what you are tempted to skip forward to, just like the last page of a book, to see how things are going to end up. The end term would not however be such a climax without the hard work that has gone into the first three quarters of the year.

Currently we are heading toward the last chapter of the book with many events occurring that are the culmination of a year’s hard work, and for some a peek into the sequel, next year’s exciting beginning and newness to look forward to. Listed below are just some of the events that are occurring within the Middle School in the next few weeks.

**Week 5: Wednesday November 6**

**Year 7 Orientation Day:** A day where all Year 7 students for 2014 come to the College for an orientation into Middle Schooling and our Year 7 structures. This year we will have new students from schools around Darwin joining us for the day along with the current Year 6 students at the College. A day of fun, learning and new experiences is planned for these students.

**Week 5: Wednesday November 6**

**Year 8 Study Day:** Exams at the College begin in Year 8, and to give our Year 8 students help in preparing themselves for exams a study day will be held at school for these students. During the day they will have a lesson in each of the five examinable subjects as well as a workshop on note taking, study tips and how to read exam questions and respond in a way that communicates knowledge and understanding of the concepts not just the content, thereby maximising their grades.

**Week 6: November 11-15**

Year 8 and Year 9 exams are held in this week. Subjects students will be examined in are English, Mathematics, Science, Humanities and Language B. By now all students have received a hardcopy of their revision booklets and have been emailed an electronic copy. We have had three presentations in assemblies focussing on exam preparation and study techniques to help students prepare themselves for success in exams.

**Week 8: Thursday November 28**

**Year 9 Orientation Day:** A day where all year 9 students will take part in a Senior School orientation day. This day will give students an opportunity to find out more about the Senior School processes such as the House Home Groups, the subjects that they will be undertaking in 2014 such as the Personal Learning Plan, and what it means to be a Senior School student and the responsibilities that come with this.

Rachel Boyce
Head of Middle School

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The Senior Choir performed at an official Citizenship Ceremony on Tuesday, welcoming our newest Australians to Palmerston.

The choir sang two songs as the ceremony opened, and were asked to sing another two songs by those in attendance. They closed the ceremony by singing The National Anthem.
Disco
Thank you to everyone who so generously supported the disco by setting up, cooking, serving, selling items, collecting tickets, cleaning up and giving donations of food or money. $3,700 was raised and will be given to the Haigh family. It was great to see so many of our families coming along and enjoying the evening. A big thank you also to Ms Jaensch and her dance club for performing on the night and teaching everyone some different dances.

Uniforms
In general there has been an improvement in the standard of uniforms in the Junior School but we ask all parents to ensure that their children attend school well groomed and wearing the correct uniform – including shoes.

Car Park
We ask that parents are courteous to each other in our car park and to be patient during the busy period from 2:30 – 2:45 each day. Parents must either park their cars or line up in the Kiss and Drop Zone. Students will not be allowed to enter cars which are ‘double parked’ or walk across the car park by themselves. Our school based constable has offered visit our car park to help monitor this.

Coffee and Chat Session in Week 5
Friday, 8 November at 8:15am Topic: Reading in Years 3 – 5. This is a repeat of the session held in Term 3. We will look at the Lexile Program, Big Universe and how the Year 5 Literacy Café works.

Guidelines for Celebrating Events
It is important that we continue the learning in the classrooms during Term 4. We will no longer have ‘Secret Santa’ with our students but instead ask families to support ‘Gifts of Grace’ which provide for basic needs of people in third world counties. More information will go home about this later.

We ask that students wait until Week 9 to give out Christmas cards to their friends and teachers and we also ask that no candy canes are brought to school to be given out. The classes will be having lessons until Thursday of Week 9. On the last day of school, Friday, 6 December we will be having class parties to celebrate the end of the year.

Assembly
Our assembly on Friday, 1 November will be hosted by 4KK. Parents are invited to attend and to stay for coffee afterwards.

Lynne Pokela
Head of Junior School
On Wednesday, 16 October, Year Two visited Crocodylus Park as part of their current Unit of Inquiry into How the World Works. They have been learning about how living things grow, change and have offspring similar to themselves.
BANDANNA DAY

TERM 4 DISCO-HEADGEAR THEME
Healthy Living Tip #2

Fight fatigue with exercise
Exercise, even a brisk walk, can be more effective than a nap or cup of coffee at fighting fatigue. Exercise is good for the mind and body as it releases a hormone called endorphins, this makes us feel happy, reduces stress and a good bout of exercise also helps us sleep better at night.

Reference books at Good Shepherd Resource Centre?
Reference books provide the reader with factual information and are usually consulted only briefly to find that specific information.

Typically, these are examples:
- Dictionaries
- Encyclopedias
- Almanacs
- Bibliographies
- Directories
- Handbooks
- Yearbooks

In the accompanying photo, Connor and Zelco are pointing out the big, red "R" on the spine and the cover of a reference book. This is the way the Junior School Resource Centre flags that this book is not available for borrowing but must remain accessible to anyone on any school day in the Resource Centre.

However, there are exceptional circumstances when other books are "tagged" in this way. Its rarity, expense and size may be factors. Another circumstance has to do with a non-fiction book for which there is high demand among borrowers. A prime example of this is The Lego book of ideas which I purchased some time ago as a special interest resource for the Junior Library. This title is in so much demand that few borrowers actually get the chance to borrow it in a year. Therefore, I bought a second copy and catalogued it as a reference book so that more students get a chance to have a look at it when they visit the Resource Centre on any given day. This copy is to be shared.

In these days of digitization, reference books are increasingly available electronically. For example, the College subscribes to The World Book Encyclopedia which gives every student access to three levels of online information for research and assignment work.

In the final analysis, red "R" books are a useful tool in the acquisition of learning.

FROM THE CLASSROOM

JUNIOR SCHOOL CHOIR and the 50+ CLUB

The Junior School choir visited the 50+ Club at the Gray Community Centre on Tuesday, 29 October and sang to the club members. The audience was very appreciative and enjoyed having the students visit. The choir members were treated to a delicious morning tea and then talked and played games with the club members.
PINK DAY
PYP NEWS

THE BIG NUMBERS

3,631
Schools the IB currently works with around the world

1,116,000
The number of students with access to the four IB programmes

57,000
Teachers trained by the IB in 2012

130,000
The number of student scripts submitted for examination in 2013—two thirds were marked electronically

2,000
IB World School in the Americas was authorized in April 2012

IB AROUND THE WORLD

Top 10 countries by numbers of IB World Schools

50
The number of schools that already offer the BCC, after its introduction in September 2013

330
Canada

1,438
United States of America

DID YOU KNOW?

27,000
The number of graduates to have joined the IB’s official alumni network. There are now more than a million IB alumni

5,500
Participants in the IB’s online workshops in 2013

600
Total number of students who represented 49 countries at 2013’s World Student Conferences

3,734
Members of the IB Educator Network (IBEN) in classrooms and schools around the world

PROGRAMMES IN DEPTH

15
Middle Years Programme

2,453
IB World Schools in 154 countries

1,011
IB World Schools in 53 countries

ONE-YEAR GROWTH BY PROGRAMME

FIVE-YEAR GROWTH BY PROGRAMME

The MYP was created for students aged 11 to 16

The PYP was created for students aged 3 to 12

The History of the IB

1968
The Diploma Programme was created by teachers at the International School of Geneva

1980
Recognition from the early 1980s, the Diploma Programme has been accepted by major universities

1994
The Middle Years Programme (MYP) was created for students aged 11 to 16

2000
IB World Schools in 180 countries

2008
28 October 2008 marks 40 years since the official founding of the IB in 1968

2012
Authorization of 2,000 schools to offer the Diploma Programme

2013
IBCC programme goes mainstream after successful 2011 pilot

PYP Coordinator
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ACHIEVEMENTS

Student

Email student achievements to:
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This Term for the Year 5 Unit of Inquiry they have been looking into the risks and challenges that people face in our world. The students were tasked to create and develop promotional items and a brochure to raise awareness on a particular issue. They have been working in groups based on common interests. The students were excited to share their learning during the Year 5 Presentation Night on Tuesday, 22nd October, where parents were able to roam around the different awareness stations and learn about their child’s educational journey.

CASEY: The exhibition night was a great experience for me and I would like to do it again. It was fun!

LIVIA: My favourite part of the exhibition was everybody coming around and asking different questions.

ELIJAH: When it came to exhibition night, I was most worried about the parents and their questions.

KASIE: Although I was well organized, it was still scary when the parents came up and asked us questions.

JACK H: I liked working in groups and presenting the different promotional items we made.

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Year 10 and Stage 1 Subject Awards will be presented at assembly on Friday, 29 November 10.15am in the Chapel. Parents are welcome to attend.

Stage 1 Subject Awards

English - Pre Studies  Josephine Staines
English - Pre Communications  Lyla Hafner
English Pathways  Jason-Ryan Finn
Mathematics - Specialist  Jacob Koehler
Mathematics - Pre Studies  Jacob Koehler
Mathematics - Pre Methods  Tayla Barrett
Mathematics Applications  Christopher Hill
Legal Studies  Brandon Hoschke
Japanese  Lyla Hafner
Chemistry  Kirsten Emory
Music  Saysa Ham
Information Processing & Publishing  Sapphire Lobley
Communication Products  Bethany Hawthorne
Psychology  Jack Solien-Alder
Biology  Juan Morales
Physical Education  Jack Stevens
Outdoor Education  Rebekah Gesh
Visual Art  Bethany Hawthorn
Workplace Practices  Kane Andrews
Food & Hospitality  Taylor Barrett
German  Hecitta Maree Kondakov
History  Jessica Wilson

Christian Studies  Layla Hafner
Creative Arts  Bethany Hawthorne
Business & Enterprise  Teagan Haddrill
Physics  Lyla Hafner
Research Project  Jacob Koehler
Media Studies  Teagan Haddrill
Tourism  Shianne Paterson

Year 10 Subject Awards

English  Daniel Gangur
Humanities  Grace Thomas
Mathematics  Kurt Stanwix
Science  Geoffrey King
Health and Physical Education  Rhys Morcom
Christian Studies  Grace Thomas
Japanese  Daniel Gangur
German  Grace Thomas
Visual Art  Lyndall Neate
Performing Arts  Grace Thomas
Information & Communication Technology  Daniel Day-Johnson
Design Technology  Jai-Cee Everett
Personal Project  Grace Thomas
Personal Learning Plan  Jake Bowler

Tennis Challenge

"Club Super Challenge" was held at the Gardens Tennis complex on the 12 and 13 October 2013. The students all played awesome for Tennis Palmerston coached by Daniel Parker and Sam Giess.

Results of the two day event were:
Amy Dunlop - 2nd in her division of singles
Jenna Robbins - 1st in her division of singles
Jemma Gossow - 4th in her division of singles
Amy Dunlop and partner Lachlan Gallagher - 2nd in their doubles
Jenna Robbins and partner Jemma Gossow - 2nd in their doubles."
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Community

Order Uniforms Online

College uniforms can now be order online. Simply go to www.flexischools.com.au and click “Register Now”. You will be sent an email with further instructions on how to complete the registration. Once registered you can start placing orders immediately. Of course if you are already using Flexischools to order lunches there is no need to re-register.

If you have any questions, Flexischools provide a great help desk on 1300 361 769, or you can contact them via their website.

Early Bird Discount

The new school year will soon be upon us so to encourage us all to get organised with our uniforms the College Shop is offering a 15% discount on purchases made on Wednesday, 6 November and Thursday 28 November between 2.00pm until 4.00pm. No appointment necessary.

Uniforms can now be ordered online at Flexischools.

Christmas Craft Club 2013

Pre registration on-line essential
sunt.org.au
Click on ‘Coming events – Children’s Craft Club’
Numbers strictly limited

Related Events:
Enquiries: Annette Bailey 0417 840 611

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Northern Territory Association for the Education of the Gifted and Talented

KIDS LIKE US

Will be hosting a full day Parent Workshop providing information which will include:

- What to do in the holidays
- How to prepare for a new school year
- Coping with change
- 2E: Twice Exceptional Identification (Gifted with a learning disability)
- Sensory processing

Also featuring local speaker Shannon Allott, Senior Occupational Therapist and Practice Manager at OT In Action.

When: Saturday 30th November
9am to 4pm (lunch and refreshments provided)

Where: Sacred Heart Primary School Palmerston
Cost: $50 NTAEGT members
$75 non-members including membership

R.S.V.P: committee@ntaegt.org.au by Thursday 28th November

Kids Like Us will also be hosting a FREE, ACTION PACKED, SMILING kids workshop on Sunday morning for all new and old NTAEGT kids of all ages. Please also RSVP numbers.

Sunday 1st December 9.30am to 11.30am

Primary School Children

Monday 16 to Friday 20 December
8.30am to 12 noon
36 Batten Road, Marrara

$25.00 for full week or $6.00 per day

Pre registration on-line essential
sunt.org.au

Click on ‘Coming events – Children’s Craft Club’
Numbers strictly limited

Performers will be given prepared materials

Enquiries: Annette Bailey 0417 840 611

About Scripture Union

SU is a volunteer-based international Christian movement which operates in moisturizing millions for people of all ages. It has operated in Australia and Australia for over 100 years and in the Northern Territory for over 20 years, with a variety of initiatives for all ages. This includes classes for children, youth, teens, and adults, as well as leadership development. SU’s mission is to share the love of Jesus in a way that is accessible to all people. It focuses on children’s education in Bible-based, age-appropriate, and age-appropriate learning environments.

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