



# Howard Springs Campus News

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Middle & Senior Years



Good Shepherd Lutheran College Newsletter

Term 3, Week 5

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**Mon 21 Aug**

College Captains Pitch

**Mon 21 Aug - Fri 25 Aug**

Book Week and Book Fair

**Mon 21 Aug - Fri 25 Aug**

Year 10 into Year 11 Parent Interviews

**Tues 22 Aug - Wed 24 Aug**

Student-led conferences

**Fri 25 Aug**

Book Week Parade

**Fri 25 Aug**

TERIS Combined Orienteering

**Fri 25 Aug**

Year 12 Overnight Retreat

**Thurs 31 Aug - Fri 1 Sept**

TERIS Touch Football

**Fri 1 Sept**

Year 12 Trivia Night Fundraiser

**Fri 8 Sept - Sat 9 Sept**

Year 12 Retreat

**Mon 11 Sept**

Immunisations (Second Round)

**Mon 11 Sept - Fri 15 Sept**

Jungle Book Production

**Wed 13 Sept**

TERIS Beach Volleyball

**Fri 15 Sept**

TERIS Squash

## Senior Years

It has been another huge start to the term with many events taking place. Our Year 11 students went to our Palmerston Campus to participate in the first Team Building and Leadership Day. This focused on bringing the Year 11 cohort together to identify and develop their strengths in a safe and supportive environment, whilst challenging them to develop a variety of skills such as communication, teamwork, resilience and leadership. This has led our Year 11s into Senior School Leadership - nominations have been accepted and we are working our way through the candidates for College Captains, House Captains and Senior Leaders. It is a very exciting time and I wish all the applicants good luck.

As Year 11 works on leadership, our Year 9 cohort have begun sessions with myself and Mrs Anita Synnott, our Careers Practitioner. The program, 'Step Up to Senior School', works on building foundations for our students, getting them ready for Senior School and exploring their rites of passage, expectations, study habits and career opportunities.

Between the last of the public holidays, the College held the second Annual Cross Country, Wellbeing Day and Colour Run. This event was again hugely successful, with many external providers attending the day. A huge thanks goes out to all staff for their support of this event. Miss Gemma Cusack is working on collating the results and they will be announced in the coming weeks.

Finally, Livingstone House put on a fantastic Livingstone Day. It was great to see the students vs. teachers basketball game - I heard a whisper that there are more games on the cards... watch this space!

Thank you to our students and families who continue to support the work that GSLC staff do. We look forward to seeing you at the 3-Way Conferences in Week 6.



**Peta Trahair**

Head of Senior Years

## UPCOMING EVENTS (cont.)

### Wed 20 Sept

TERIS AFL (Year 6)

### Thurs 21 Sept

TERIS Table Tennis

### Thurs 21 Sept

Year 9 THRIVE Year Level Day

### Fri 22 Sept

TERIS Golf and Table Tennis  
(Year 6)

### Fri 22 Sept

Last Day of Term 3

## UPCOMING CAMPS

### Mon 21 Aug - Wed 23 Aug

Year 8D Camp

### Mon 28 Aug - Wed 30 Aug

Year 7A Camp

### Wed 30 Aug - Fri 1 Sept

Year 7B Camp

### Mon 4 Sept - Wed 6 Sept

Year 7C Camp

### Mon 4 Sept - Fri 8 Sept

Duke of Ed Camp

### Wed 6 Sept - Fri 8 Sept

Year 7D Camp

### Mon 11 Sept - Wed 13 Sept

Year 7E Camp

## Middle Years

Even with the interruptions of two lovely long weekends, it has been a great start to the term in the Middle School with so much learning and associated activities happening. Some highlights include our Cross Country/Wellbeing Day/Colour Run events, as well as our Senior School Expo, 'T for Thomas' football games, TERIS events and the College Open Day.

College staff have been present at the Freds Pass and the Royal Darwin Shows in recent weeks, giving vast exposure to the offerings of the College to the general public. It has been wonderful to meet new families, as well as run into existing families and students who attended these events.

We have completed Year 5 into 6 interviews for all our current College students who are moving up to the Middle School in 2024, and we will be conducting many interviews in the coming weeks for new Year 6 and 7 students. This is a very exciting time for the College and for the students who are joining us on the Middle School campus as they begin their learning journey as secondary students.

In Week 4 we began our camp program for Year 8 who are adventuring at 'Perry's on the Daly', and in a few weeks our Year 7's will venture out to Litchfield to enjoy camping and lots of great associated outdoor activities. These are important experiences for all students as they navigate their way socially and emotionally into young adulthood with their peers, and are always some of the most memorable events students look back on as they get older.

With the 3-Way Conferences coming up in Week 6 I encourage all parents and caregivers to make appointments to meet with teachers as these are a key opportunity to engage with your child's learning and progress. I look forward to seeing families next week over the two evenings.



**James Faraone**

Head of Middle Years



Some of our Year 8A students on camp at 'Perry's on the Daly'.



## T for Thomas Match

On Wednesday 26 July the GSLC Blues took on the Taminmin Reds in the annual 'T for Thomas' charity match to raise awareness for sepsis.

Congratulations to our girls team who were able to claim the victory! An unfortunate loss for the boys, however they will be back with a vengeance next year!







## Royal Darwin Show

### Good Shepherd College Stall

Good Shepherd once again had a stall at the Royal Darwin Show this year from Thurs 27 - Sat 29 July. Thank you to those who stopped in and said hi. We love seeing our families - and meeting new ones!

### Country Music Talent Quest

Congratulations to Year 6 student, Audrey, on winning the Junior Section of the prestigious Country Music Talent Quest! Audrey absolutely blitzed the competition with her rendition of Jolene.

This competition paves the way for undiscovered local talented singers and songwriters from Junior to semi-professional, to follow in the footsteps of Australian country musicians such as Sara Storer, Marcus Meyers and Busby Marou. Well done Audrey, it was a brilliant performance.



### Middle School Choir and Band Performance

The College's Middle School Choir and Band had the opportunity to perform at the Show on the final day. The songs were toe-tapping and fabulous, enjoyed immensely by the crowd.

A big thank-you to Music teacher extraordinaire, Mrs Llewellyn, for your wonderful work with these outstanding music groups.





## Royal Darwin Show (cont.)

### Young Artist Exhibitors

We are thrilled to congratulate our talented students who showcased their exceptional art and design creations at the Show this year.

The College had a significant presence at the event in most categories. We would like to take this opportunity to recognise each and every student who represented the College at the Show.

We are particularly thrilled to shine a spotlight on our Year 9 Visual Arts students. Notably, the following students secured the top three prizes in their respective categories - a testament to their perseverance in class to perfect their chosen medium.

Stephanie Dent's remarkable pencil drawing stole the show, earning her the well-deserved first prize in the 'Junior Art' category. Stephanie's ability to capture depth, detail, and imagination in her work is truly inspiring and speaks to her potential as an artist.

Second prize was claimed by Rosinia Kastellorizios for her mixed media work, which was thoughtfully themed around WW1. Rosinia's work not only showcases her artistic flair but also her dedication to storytelling through her art, inviting viewers to reflect upon the impact of history on the present.

Lastly, a heartfelt congratulations to Daniel Bradtke for his remarkable achievement of securing third prize in the 'Painting Any Medium' category. His watercolor masterpiece, despite being his first attempt at the medium, demonstrated a keen eye for colour and form that promises more amazing works to come.

We are beyond proud of all our students who participated in the Darwin Show, and we commend them for their commitment, passion and creativity. It is through their efforts that our college's artistic community continues to thrive and inspire.

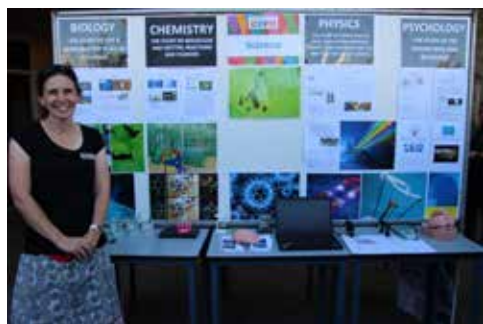


## Senior Years Expo

The 2024 Senior Years Expo was held on Tuesday 1 September at our Senior Campus. The Expo is an event held for the benefit of our Years 9-11 students. The event is an opportunity for our students, along with their families, to seek support with subject selections for 2024, gain knowledge from career pathway representatives of our Northern Territory community, learn insights from our Old Collegians and, for our Year 10 students, showcase their completed Personal Projects.

### Subject Selections

The College provided an initial opportunity for our Years 9-11 students to customise their learning by selecting certain subjects. In addition to the digital selection form received by all students there was an opportunity for our students and their families to consult with subject teachers to gain further support in making subject decisions.



### Career Pathways

We are fortunate to have excellent relationships with a wide range of employers (including Defence and Police), industry leaders, registered training organisations and universities. The Expo was it a fantastic opportunity for students and parents to have face-to-face interactions to get up-to-date information on courses, trends in employment, and prerequisites needed for university.

### Old Collegians

A highlight of the Expo is seeing Old Collegians come back and speak as part of a panel and on behalf of their current employers. It was wonderful to see so many past students who are now able to provide career insights for our current students.

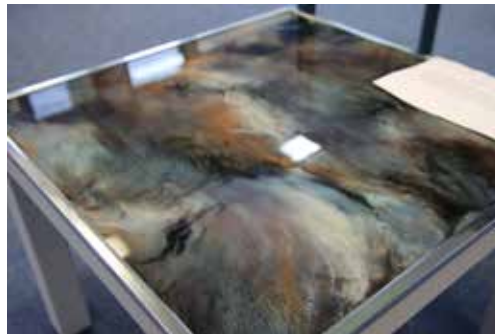




## Senior Years Expo (cont.)

### Year 10 Personal Projects

As part of the Expo, the Year 10 Personal Projects were finally unveiled and put on display for all to see. The Personal Projects are an amazing opportunity for our Year 10 students to engage on a personal level with issues we face around the world using new skills they wish to develop, or, to challenge themselves to think bigger about something they are passionate about. We had a wide variety of projects to celebrate, ranging from building sustainable housing, to learning how to weld, to building coffee tables, to coding video games. We couldn't be prouder of all their hard work!





## Wellbeing Day

The College's second annual Wellbeing Day was yet again an absolute hit! The day began with a Cross Country race, which our Year 5s from all campuses were able to join us for.

We then moved on to our planned Wellbeing Day activities which included navigating an inflatable obstacle course, library activities such as colouring-in and origami, playing soccer and baseball, learning circus tricks, cuddling therapy dogs and practicing yoga and meditation, just to name a few!

The day wrapped up with a Colour Fun Run which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The NT Fire and Rescue Service brought their trucks down and made sure everyone stayed cool - and wet!

We can't wait for next year!







## Livingstone Day

Each term, a day is dedicated to one of the College Houses. In term 3, it was Livingstone's turn!

A number of fun activities ran throughout the day, which ended with the main event: the student versus staff basketball game.

No one really knows who won... but the staff will tell you it was them!







## Year 8A Camp

Students from 8A recently headed out to Perry's on the Daly for a two-day bush/hiking camp. Students did some bike riding, bush walking (carrying packs) and fishing. They also had the opportunity to relax at the campsite, swim in the pool and spend some time in the games room.

The camp demonstrated to the students what life can be like living with only the things you are able to carry with you.

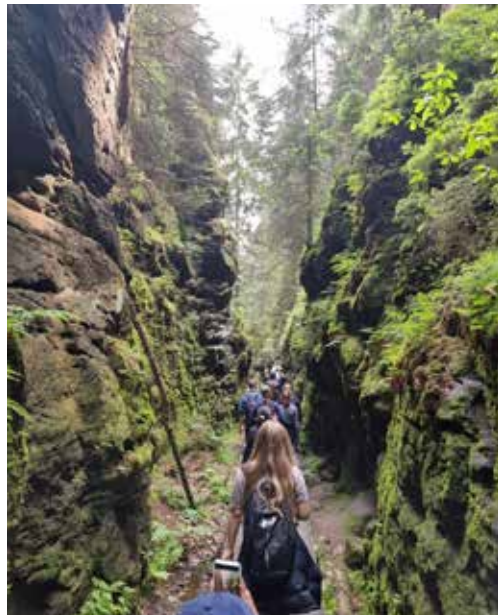




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## Middle School Leaders assist at ELC - Year 2 Active Fun Day

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Our Middle School Leaders did a fantastic job helping out at the ELC - Year 2 Active Fun Day. Once the morning of sporting events and activities wrapped up, everyone enjoyed a (very popular) sausage sizzle. We couldn't have done it without you, Leaders!



## National School Sport Australia Opening Ceremony Performance

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Congratulations to Stage 1 music student, Charli, who featured as a soloist at the Opening Ceremony for the National School Sport Australia Combined Touch Football Championship at Marrara Stadium on Monday 14 August.

Charli performed two songs - the Australian National Anthem and Don't Stop Believin', originally by Journey. Her renditions were flawless and she did the College proud.

Charli's achievement served as an inspiration to aspiring young touch football players, and we eagerly anticipate her future musical endeavours!





## Defence School Mentor

The College is pleased to welcome on board our new Defence School Mentor (DSM), Mrs Margaret Ray-Taylor. Mrs Ray-Taylor 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 the College, providing assistance and catering to the unique needs of the military lifestyle.

Please contact the College using the details below for more information or to utilise this service.

Mrs Ray-Taylor is available as follows:

### **Leanyer Campus**

8:30am - 2pm Thursdays on even weeks  
(weeks 2, 4, 6, 8 and 10)

### **Palmerston Campus**

8:30am - 2pm Thursdays on odd weeks  
(weeks 1, 3, 5, 7 and 9)

### **Howard Springs Campus**

8:30am - 2pm every Friday

## Stay Up To Date

### College Website

[goodshepherd.nt.edu.au](http://goodshepherd.nt.edu.au)

### Linkedin

Good Shepherd Lutheran College NT  
[au.linkedin.com/company/good-shepherd-lutheran-college-nt-incorporated](https://au.linkedin.com/company/good-shepherd-lutheran-college-nt-incorporated)

### Facebook

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### Instagram

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### Leanyer Campus (ELC - Year 5)

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### Palmerston Campus (ELC - Year 5)

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Palmerston NT

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## Don't forget to get your tickets to the Jungle Book Musical Production!

Available either via Signmee or by phoning College Administration on 08 8983 0300.



## Top End Lutheran Parish Worship Services

### St Andrew Lutheran Church

14 Trower Rd Nightcliff  
Sundays at 9:30am

For further information please contact Noel Due:  
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