Senior School

Term 3 is generally our busiest on the academic calendar, and thus far 2016 has proved no different. Early in the term a number of our Year 10-12 students attended our Urban Exposure Tours of both Brisbane/Gold Coast and Sydney. Both tours were well received and jam packed with an excellent array of activities and visits. The purpose is to expose our students to what possibilities lay ahead for them, but also so they may rub shoulders with other like-minded young adults to push their skill level and motivation to learn. As I write, we have students on our final trip to Adelaide, I hope it’s not too cold for them!

We have also just celebrated Strauss Day where our student captains organised an excellent day with our new coordinator, Dr Lubomir Bisevac. BBQs, cupcake sales, car wash activities all raised over $800, all donated to Bethany Home. Well done to all involved.

Very soon we will be saying a heartfelt goodbye to our Class of 2016 as we send them off to their next adventure. However, before that is done, we have much to do and experience. I am looking forward to a busy yet fruitful semester.

Mr Dean Cummins
Head of Senior School

Middle School

We are now in the middle of Term 3, so we are over the half way mark, nearly in the stadium for the final lap! This term we have had Year 9’s go out on camp. It has been great to see our students succeed in a different environment, outside the normal classroom. Huge thanks to all the staff that have been involved in the camps, especially Mr Paul Enright and Mrs Tarn Ham.

Our Year 9 leaders are busy with helping our Middle School grow. Arianna Baldieri, Indya Kinna and Ben Ogden will participate in our very first Middle School Student Representative Council this week. Congratulations to each of you and all the very best for this important role and opportunity to assist in the development of our dynamic Middle School.

Mr Daniel Yamada
Head of Middle School

Upcoming Events

- Mon 22 Aug - Book Week Costume Day, Year 6 students
- Thurs 25 Aug - Year 12 Parent Information evening
- Fri 26 Aug - MS, Aurecon Bridge Building Competition
- Sun 4 Sep - Father’s Day
- Thurs 8 Sep - PARRS Orienteering, MS / SS
- Thurs 8 Sep - Year 10 2017 Information Evening
- Sun 11 Sep - Combined College / Church service
- Tues 13 Sep - Middle & Senior School Parent-teacher Interviews
- Thurs 15 Sep - Middle & Senior School Parent-teacher Interviews
- Fri 16 Sep - Hughes Day
- Tues 20 Sep - Middle & Senior School Immunisation Program
- Fri 23 Sep - Last Day Term 3
- Sat 24 - Mon 26, Pedal Prix, Murray Bridge
- Mon 10 Oct - First Day Term 4
- Mon 10 - Fri 14 - Year 12 Trial Exams

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Students please remember to never be scared to try new things and have a go at challenges!
Upcoming Events

- Mon 17 Oct - Parent Workshops
- Thurs 20 Oct - PARRS Hockey
- Wed 26 Oct - MYP Information Evening
- Thurs 27 Oct - PARRS Badminton
- Thurs 27 Oct - Year 12 Students’ Last Day
- Mon 31 - Fri 4 Nov - SWAT VAC
- Thurs 3 Nov - ARTiculate
- Fri 4 Nov - PARRS Swimming
- Mon 7 - Fri 25 Nov - Year 12 Examinations
- Fri 18 - Fri 25 Nov - Year 11 Examinations
- Mon 21 - Wed 23 - Year 10 and Year 8 Examinations
- Wed 23 Nov - Valedictory & Awards Service
- Thurs 24 Nov - Middle School Instrumental Concert
- Fri 25 Nov - Valedictory Dinner
- Mon 28 Nov - Senior Students, Step Up House Orientation Day
- Mon 28 Nov - Year 7 Orientation Day
- Fri 9 Dec - Year 6 & 7 Assembly, 9.30am
- Fri 9 Dec - Year 8 & 9 Assembly, 11.00am
- Fri 9 Dec - Years 10 – 12 Assembly, 12.00pm
- Sat 10 Dec - Class of 2011, 5 Year Reunion

Strauss Day

A number of events took place on Thursday 4 and Friday 5 August in celebration of Strauss Day. The music sessions during lunchtimes drew good crowds as did the yum-my cake stalls. Well done to all students who made ‘blue’ cupcakes, especially the Cookie Monster ones that were very popular. Students held a BBQ and a carwash to raise funds for Bethany Home, Malaysia.

Dr Lubomir Bisevac
Strauss House Coordinator

Year 8 Kakadu Trip

In May, Year 8 ‘Individuals and Society’ students visited the Bowali Visitor Centre, Ubirr Rock and Bardedjilidji in Kakadu National Park. The field trip tied in with their Unit of Study, focusing on geomorphology and the use and management of national natural areas of geologic and cultural significance.

Gabrielle Kaoustos
Humanities Coordinator
Upcoming Events

Japanese Cranes

Brisbane and Adelaide Universities Trips
These special interstate trips have proven to be extremely helpful in assisting senior students with University and course options. Online University applications are now open, so Year 12 students certainly have a lot on their minds! We wish them all the very best for their studies, course applications and future aspirations.

Combined College / Church Service

Sunday 11 September

Howard Springs Campus Chapel

10.30am

All Welcome

Year 8 Japanese students attempt to make ‘Senbazuru’ Origami (one thousand cranes) wishing peace delivered by the wings of the cranes all over the world. This is to commemorate the 70th Anniversary of victims of Hiroshima/Nagasaki, 6 - 9 August.

Mr Nishimoto and Mr See Kee
Japanese Language Teachers
Year 10 & 11 Subject Fair
This special event was held on Tuesday 26 July and it was a most informative evening for students...and parents. Student leaders, staff and Industry representatives put an enormous amount of effort into the evening. Thanks for your attendance and many positive comments.

Year 9 Camp
The 5 classes of Year 9 students attended a four day camp in Litchfield National Park during Weeks 3 and 4. Students enjoyed their time whilst on camp and were very fortunate to share their experiences with visiting Japanese students from Seirin High School.

Paul Enright
Camp Coordinator
Technology Expo

Design Technology senior students greatly enjoyed the STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics) inspired ‘Skills 2021’ Expo at Parliament House on Monday 8 August. A few schools and companies such as Microsoft, Lenovo, NEC and Adobe showcased marvellous displays of robotics, 3D printing and gaming. Junior School ‘Tournament of Minds’ students also visited the expo and they all agreed it was awesome!

Raul Moizao
Design Learning Area Coordinator

Special Awards

Congratulations to NT Literary Award winner, Ashleigh Abram who received the Kath Manzie Award on Monday 1 August at Parliament House and to Stella Foster on receiving a credit for the recent Education Perfect World Championships.

Dissecting Sheep Brains in Stage 1 Psychology
Japanese Students Visit

12 students and 2 staff from Seirin Senior High School in Wakayama, (which is not too far from Osaka) Japan, enjoyed their two week visit to the Top End from Monday 25 July to Friday 5 August. Students attended classes at the Howard Springs Campus and visited each Junior School. They were very impressed by the younger students who shared their learnings with them. The Japanese students attended the Year 9 camp in Litchfield and they simply loved the opportunity to experience the ‘bush’ and wildlife. Thank you to all host families for opening up your homes to the Japanese students; it has been great to see the relationship between Good Shepherd and Seirin High School grow. We hope to see them all again soon.

Daniel Yamada
Head of Middle School
Congratulations to Middle and Senior School dance students who won the 2016 YOHFEST on Thursday 16 June. The event took place at the Darwin Entertainment Centre and the students’ performance was incredibly powerful. Students also received an award for ‘most outstanding performance’ and a cash prize of $500.00… and as you can see from the photo on the left, they were ecstatic!

Elective dance students have been very privileged, participating in a number of specialised workshops this term. So far, students have developed their Samba and Hip-hop skills.

Lyndal England
Arts Events Coordinator
Little Shop of Horrors
The Arts Department put on a spectacular performance with this year’s musical, ‘Little Shop of Horrors’ held at Brown’s Mart Theatre from Friday 10 – Sunday 12 June. A more in-depth article and photos will appear in the Term 3 Pathways Newsletter.

Sydney Arts Trip
In Week 1 of Term 3, 19 Arts students visited Sydney to participate in a whirlwind experience of professional workshops, University tours and once in a lifetime opportunities to see live theatre and art works.

Students thoroughly enjoyed their time in Sydney and feel that the opportunities have greatly increased their awareness of career pathways in both Visual and Performing Arts.

Jade Briscoe
Learning Area Coordinator - The Arts
College Website, Facebook, Twitter & College App

Don’t forget to check these sources of information from time to time. Events and news articles are added to the College website regularly.

You can also discover upcoming events and good news stories on our Facebook page.

https://www.facebook.com/GoodShepherdNT/
Website: www.goodshepherd.nt.edu.au
Twitter: https://twitter.com/PrincipalGSLC

Have you seen the College’s new App yet?

Good Shepherd Lutheran College NT

Parent Workshops

Thank you to all parents who were able to attend the very first evening of ‘Parent Workshops’ on Wednesday 10 August. Your surveys will enormously assist our planning for future evenings. The next is scheduled for Monday 17 October, Week 2 of Term 4. We will send you a new brochure with workshop descriptions very soon.

Stage 1 Child Studies

A recent assessment for Stage 1 Child Studies’ students involved the development of a number of activities that were then put into action with Howard Springs Campus junior students. It looks like everyone involved had a lot of fun. Well done to all students involved.
Maths Camp

Last weekend, 17 of our students attended Maths Camp at Bachelor Outdoor Education Centre run by MTANT and the NT Department of Education. The students ranged from the middle years, with the majority coming from Year 6 and 10 cohorts. The math activities were interspersed by the feeding frenzy of hungry minds. Mr & Mrs Bisevac, provided the wonderful food, while Ms Peters, Ms Sajtos-Hobbs and myself assisted in the different maths worlds. Mrs Macdonald was everywhere from the kitchen to the high ropes to the ping pong tables and the trampoline. Students investigated astronomy world and problem world while the seniors wrestled with the importance of calculus in the real world. The seniors also tackled a particular proof that pi actually equals 4 not approximately 3. The ability to prove that this is not so rests with our understanding of infinity. I am still struggling with this one! I think everyone enjoyed themselves and we look forward to more of what is in store for maths camp in 2017. Amanda Petersen, Mathematics Learning Area Co-ordinator

National Science Week, 13 - 21 August

Students are really enjoying the opportunity to participate in a variety of Science activities this week - which is incidentally, Science Week! Thank you very much to all staff involved; for organising lunchtime Science sessions... and more.

Many Middle & Senior School students have been preparing for September's Pedal Prix, (24-hour endurance event) in Murray Bridge, SA. Students have been training hard and are now enhancing the College’s HPVs, (Human Powered Vehicles). A warning to fellow competitors; Good Shepherd is a force to be reckoned with! Good luck everyone! We'll have more news in the lead up to this very exciting event!
Reflections

Jesus said, ‘I am with you always’.
Matthew 28:20

Forgive our sins as we forgive everyone who has done wrong to us.
Luke 11:4a

Special Guest for Year 7 Students
Thank you Judith O’Hearn (Green) for spending time with our Year 7 students on Thursday 10 August, and for sharing your journey with them. Judith won gold for 100m Breaststroke at the 2000 Paralympic Games in Sydney.

It costs $0.00 to be a decent human being.

Each Friday, we place a positive message on our Facebook page, and this lovely, recent message received so many ‘likes’, we thought we’d include in this newsletter. Such a simple message—but great reminder for us all!

DrLaura.com
Community Notices

Happy Birthday PNA!
30 Years of Palmerston Netball Association
1986-2016

Join us for a Splash Party!
Saturday 3rd September 10:30—12:30
Palmerston Aquatic Centre—free entry
Free sausage sizzle and water rackete course!!
A party for the whole family

TRIVIA NIGHT AT CAZALYS!
Saturday 3rd Sep... $10 per ticket—Trivia starts at 7pm
Get a table together 10 people together, win some PRIZES
Bar food & drinks available before, during & after!
~ Contact your club for tickets ~

2016 Good Shepherd Netball Windup
held at the 30 year Palmerston Netball Association party
sausage sizzle and presentation
for all team players, coaches & families
Saturday September 3rd from 10.30am to 12.30pm
FREE
Located at Palmerston Pool

Vinnies Volunteers Wanted
JOIN US IN CHANGING LIVES. Vinnies Palmerston is looking for new volunteers! Would you like to join our team? If you LOVE meeting new people, have a POSITIVE attitude, ENJOY fashion, have time to CONTRIBUTE to your community, want to gain EXPERIENCE in retail & would like to VOLUNTEER for a leading NT charity

Become a Vinnies Volunteer Retail Assistant.
To find out more contact the Centre Manager 3 Roylat St, Palmerston or call 89488100

HEALTHY SCHOOL CHALLENGE
PARBA invites your school to participate in the INPEX Healthy School Basketball Challenge!
We are seeking eager Year3/Year4 teams and also Year5/Year6 teams to compete against other Palmerston school teams.

IMPORTANT INFO:
WHEN: Starts Wednesday 17 August 5:30pm-7:30pm in Palmerston
x1 game each week for 8 weeks
COST: $100/player to cover the insurance and admin/referee fees
**school vouchers accepted**

DATES TO REMEMBER:
YMCA Palmerston at 10:30am - 12pm
COME & TRY DAY- AUGUST 6
SIGN ON DAY- AUGUST 13
COMPETITION BEGINS- AUGUST 17

For more information please contact PARBA Development Officer, Brittany Ward on 0423304570