



Good Shepherd Catholic College Mount Isa



Mr. Peter Scott
College Principal

Experience the Community Live the Values Achieve the Success

From the Principal

“We see further because we stand on the shoulders of giants.”

Sir Isaac Newton.

It is important as we make new beginnings each year, to take a moment to reflect on the past and on those who have come before us, to set a course for the new year with clearly defined goals and a sense of purpose. This is the message I have given to both staff and students as I have begun my new year's journey within the teaching and learning community of Good Shepherd Catholic College.

It was with a certain level of mixed emotions that I left Mackay at the end of 2016 after spending Christmas with my family. The move to Mount Isa has been one of upheaval, excitement and exploration, an opportunity to refresh, grow and redefine my purpose as a senior educator. With considerable experience over many years in Catholic education, I am looking forward to continuing the excellent work done by my predecessors in education on this site.

I also come with a clear vision and mission; to bring a strong focus on contemporary learning practice, consistent classroom pedagogy and to develop effective leadership at all levels of the college community; student, staff, middle, senior, parent and board. “Becoming a leader is the most crucial choice one can make – it is the decision to step out of the darkness into the light.” Deepak Chopra – The Soul of Leadership.

We have never needed enlightened leadership as much as we do today and contrary to the old beliefs, leadership is not just for the chosen few, leadership is for all. At the heart of visionary leadership lies creativity, organising power and love. We can no longer turn to government or to the old agencies that have offered guidance in the past, we must build the capacity to answer those fundamental questions ourselves; “Who am I?” “Why am I here?” “How can I make a difference?”

It has been delightful to experience the excitement of the incoming Year 7 cohort and the controlled enthusiasm of the Year 12's and their appointed leaders. It has been encouraging to see the determination and passion the staff demonstrated in beginning the year. I have been impressed with the tone of all students as they entered the gates of Good Shepherd last week. The great majority seem to be ready to “experience the community, live the values and achieve the success”, the three principles by which we work. With Christ, our light, we can clearly articulate a purpose that underpins the “difference” which lies at the core of a Catholic education.

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I look forward to a highly successful year. We have started well. My thanks to all, especially my Senior Leadership Team for the many hours of work needed to open for a new year. Over the coming months, I look forward to meeting every student, their parents and members of the broader community of Mount Isa. I look forward to serving this excellent college as we journey together in education over the course of this year and I look forward to shaping the leaders of tomorrow; students who are self-aware and self-managed, resilient, adaptable, empathetic, creative, engaged, team workers, socially aware and socially competent.

We live in challenging times, the world is seeing fundamental shifts in the way it operates, where the power of the media, the threat of terrorism, the changes in climate and the impacts of rapidly evolving technologies threaten the very fabric of people's lives and feed their anxieties and fears. A time of uncertainty. However, "what we do know, from our own Catholic education stories is that when quality leaders collaborate with those who treasure the community's mission as they do themselves, and move intelligently forward trusting in God's providential Spirit, the outcomes can be extraordinary." J and T D'Orsa - Leading for Mission.

So, just like the three Sisters of St Joseph who arrived in Mount Isa in 1932 to establish the first convent school, overcoming considerable adversities in this remote and harsh landscape, we must continue to maintain the stories of our faith and find contemporary ways to instill them in the hearts of our young people so that they can look forward with purpose to discover truth, justice and love in their lives.

Good Shepherd Catholic College families and staff are invited
to join together at the annual

P&F Meet and Greet BBQ

Please meet at

Good Shepherd Catholic College
(Lumen Christi Centre)

where the BBQ will begin at

5:00pm Tuesday, 7 February 2017

*"Be merciful, just as your Father
is merciful" Luke 6:36*





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Mr. Senan Keating
Deputy Principal

IMPORTANT DATES:

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From the Deputy Principal

A warm welcome back to all students and families for 2017, especially to those who are new to our College Community. I hope that your Christmas and New Year period was relaxing and enjoyable. This year is shaping up to be one of the most exciting yet, and it is great to see our students excited to be back in the classrooms ready to take on another year. Thankyou to all students, parents and staff for the positive start to the Year. I look forward to meeting you at the annual Welcome BBQ, hosted by the College P & F, next Tuesday 7th February from 5:00pm.

Curriculum Leaders

Each Learning Area within the College has a dedicated Curriculum Leader responsible for the overall teaching and learning within those departments. While your child's classroom teachers are usually your first port of call regarding questions or concerns around your student's progress, our Curriculum Leaders are also there to assist you if necessary. In 2017, our Curriculum Leader Team consists of:



Melissa Allen
VET



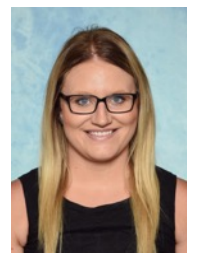
Nikki Dalla Vecchia
HPE / Sport



John Harrop
English



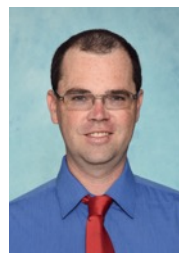
Sonja James
Arts



Samantha Kelley
Humanities



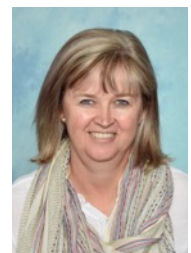
Vicki McKelvie
Sciences



Nathaniel Staples
Technologies



Jacqueline Warren
Religious Education



Lara Wolff
Mathematics

Subject Changes

Over the last week, many students, particularly Year 11s, have seen me in regard to changing subjects. It is important that students wishing to change any of their subject selections do so sooner rather than later to ensure they do not miss any foundational teaching and learning that occurs in these early weeks of Term. Subject changes won't be approved after Week 3. Students wishing to change subjects after this time may do so at the end of the Term or Semester depending on the subject.



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From the Deputy Principal...cont

Assessment Calendars

Assessment Calendars will be distributed to students on Wednesday this week. In 2017, the College is transitioning to Online Assessment Calendars and will no longer be providing printed copies to students. Assessment Calendars can be accessed by parents, staff and students either through the Student Intranet page, The Senior Portal, or on the College Website. Students have also been shown how to add the assessment calendars to their own Google Calendar.

Assessment Calendars are designed to:

- assist students to plan their study time
- help students to prioritise
- be an organisational tool
- communicate due dates to parents/carers and students

Ideally, Assessment Calendars should inform:

- the amount of study and assignment work needed at different points in the term
- scheduling of specialist appointments and trips around due dates where possible
- the commitments students make
- minimising of any paid work (e.g. students should cut back work during busy weeks of the term)

Please don't hesitate to contact your child's homeroom teacher or myself should you have any questions concerning accessing or reading the assessment calendar.

Assessment Policy

At the end of 2016, the College Board ratified a new Assessment Policy that will take effect this term. The new policy can be found in the Student Diary. In later newsletters this term, as we move closer to assessment time, I will outline the new policy and procedures regarding assessment.

Preparing For Success

In order for students to actively and authentically engage in the teaching and learning activities that teachers design and develop, it is important that students are arriving to each lesson fully prepared. Students should be bringing with them to class the following items, and your assistance with this is appreciated:

- Workbooks for note taking (1 for each subject)
- Pencil case full of stationery items (pens, pencils, glue, scissors, coloring pencils etc.)
- College Diary to write down any homework and reminders
- Chromebook, charged and ready to use
- Subject specific equipment such as visual diary for art etc.

Have a great week.



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Mrs Amy Webb
Assistant Principal (Pastoral)

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From the Assistant Principal (Pastoral)

Welcome back to all of our students and families for what I am sure will be another fantastic school year. I would like to say a special welcome to our Year 7 students, and any new students joining the Good Shepherd Catholic College Community. I hope you have all had a restful and enjoyable Christmas and New Year period, and are returning to school with a refreshed mind and spirit. We can now all look forward to the adventures that 2017 is sure to bring. As we enter into the new year. As I outlined in a letter earlier this year, the following policy reminders are important for both students and their families at the beginning of a new year.

Uniform Policy

We have a very clear uniform policy here at Good Shepherd. Students must arrive and exit school each day in their full academic uniform, which includes their hat and diary.

For students in Years 7-9, this uniform should include:

Girls	Boys
College maroon culottes College checked blouse (maroon tie attached) College grey socks Standard black lace up leather shoes (must be fully enclosed – see below) College maroon wide brim hat	College grey shorts College checked shirt College grey socks Standard black lace up leather shoes (must be fully enclosed – see below) College maroon wide brim hat

For students in Years 10-12 this uniform should include:

Girls	Boys
College senior white blouse College senior grey skirt College senior tie College grey socks Standard black lace up leather/synthetic leather shoes (must be fully enclosed) College maroon wide brim hat	College senior white shirt College senior grey shorts College senior tie College grey socks Standard black lace up leather/synthetic leather shoes (must be fully enclosed) College maroon wide brim hat

Please note that shoe types like: canvas runners, vans, high tops, ballet flats and Mary-Janes are not acceptable.

If your child is unable to wear their full academic uniform, please communicate this with the College Office or to their Homeroom Teacher

If students are not adhering to the College Uniform Expectations the following steps will occur: (this does not apply to students who present a note from a parent or guardian)

1. Student will be issued a lunch-time uniform detention. **Failure to attend the lunchtime detention will result in a Wednesday afternoon detention**
2. Three (3) uniform detentions will result in an afterschool detention (Wednesday afternoons 3pm-4pm).
3. Continued breaches of the uniform policy or failure to attend a Wednesday afternoon detention will result in the student being withdrawn from class until a meeting is able to take place between the student, parent/guardian, Pastoral Leader and myself.

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From the Assistant Principal (Pastoral)...cont

Mobile Phone Policy

We have a strict Mobile Phone Policy at the College that must be adhered to at all times. The policy states that:

“Mobile phones are not to be used at school and students are discouraged from bringing them. However, students who choose to bring their mobile phone to school, must comply with the following expectations:

They are not to be used at all during College hours – from the first bell for Homeroom to the final bell at 3:00 PM.

Mobile phones should be switched off and handed in at the Office. They should not be kept on a student's person, or in a student's locker.

Should a parent need to contact their child during the day for any reason, they should contact the College Office and a message will be passed to the student

Students who are found to be in breach of the Mobile Phone Policy will be required to sign their devices into the College Office before 8:30am for the four (4) consecutive days following the breach (they may collect the phone from the Office after 3pm each day), they will also receive a lunchtime detention.” More serious consequences will apply to students who repeatedly breach the policy.

Responsible Thinking Process

At Good Shepherd, we utilise the Responsible Thinking Process (RTP) as our strategy for managing student behaviour. This process is reflective and restorative, which aims to build and maintain positive working relationships within the classroom.

If students do not following classroom expectations, it will result in them being referred to the Responsible Thinking Classroom (RTC). If this occurs, the classroom teacher will contact parents/guardians that day. At the end of each week, Pastoral Leaders will be provided with a record of who has attended the RTC. If a student has multiple referrals, a meeting between the student, parent and Pastoral Leader will occur.

We have six fantastic Pastoral Leaders who are here to support your family through what can be a challenging high school journey. Please feel welcome to contact us at any time. The Pastoral Leaders for 2017 are:

Ms Jade Marinelli
Year 7

Mrs Pelly Morganson
Year 8

Ms Kylie McCarthy
Year 9

Mr Phil Schipp
Year 10

Mr Mark Toohey
Year 11

Mrs Melissa Allen
Year 12



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Mrs. Jacqueline Warren
Assistant Principal (RE)

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From the Assistant Principal (Religious Education)

Welcome to the beginning a new and exciting year. I hope the break provided time for rest and reflection for you and your families. The beginning of every school year we celebrate with a whole school mass. I would like to invite all parents and friends of the College to our Opening Mass next week.



Good Shepherd Catholic College invites you to celebrate with us in our

2017 Opening Mass

Please join with us at

**Good Shepherd Catholic College
(Lumen Christi Centre)**

where Mass will begin at

9:00am Wednesday, 8 February 2017

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Christian Meditation

During our staff Professional Development Week in January, John Crowley, Religious Education Advisor from the Townsville Catholic Education Office visited the College for a one day inservice for staff on Christian Meditation. Christian Meditation is a prayer practice adopted by TCEO and taught in all school across the diocese and as part of homeroom and Pastoral Care lessons students will practice Christian Meditation on a regular basis.

'The world teaches young people a set of values - but are these values conducive to the making of a better world? Western Culture invites excitement, not silence; activity, not stillness. Students are therefore often overstimulated and restless. It is vital that education responds to such social challenges by presenting teaching an alternate way of being' (Townsville Catholic Education Office - Teaching Christian Meditation).





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From the Assistant Principal (Religious Education)...cont

What is Christian Meditation?

Christian Meditation is a form of prayer and as such should be practiced. By allowing children to experience Christian Meditation for themselves John Main believed they would discover their “True selves in their real participation in the reality of God”.

St Ignatius of Antioch once said, ‘It is better to be silent and real than to talk and be unreal.’ Jesus seems to be in agreement: ‘In praying, do not babble like the pagans, who think that they will be heard because of their many words’ (Matthew 6:7)

Christian Meditation is Prayer

Christian Meditation is simple

Christian Meditation is a journey

Christian Meditation is experiential

Christian Meditation is supported by the Church

What Christian Meditation is not

Christian Meditation is NOT guided Meditation or Ignatian meditation (with images) . It is SILENT prayer.

Benefits of Christian Meditation

Christian meditation helps create a sense of wonder in children

Christian Meditation helps create a sense of God in those who meditate

Christian meditation helps to create a sense of community

Christian Meditation allows children a chance to be silent and experience God in the silence

Christian Meditation allows children a chance to enter into the present moment



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Ms. Nikki Dalla Vecchia
HPE Curriculum Leader

From the H.P.E / Sport Department

This year, we will see a number of significant events held by the HPE department. We are also looking forward to new opportunities in sport and physical activity for our students. I would like to firstly congratulate our College Sports Leader for 2017, Louis Hutchinson. Louis will bring an enthusiastic and student orientated approach to the role, and has already started to plan initiatives to be implemented this year. I am very excited to work with Louis, as well as the 2017 House Leaders to encourage further participation in sport at Good Shepherd Catholic College.

In HPE, students learn a range of topics aiming to encourage lifelong health and wellbeing.

This term in Year 7, students will learn about the importance of maintaining respectful and positive relationships. We believe this is extremely important particularly as they are new to the school and will be starting to form friendships with their peers. In Year 8, students explore the Australian Guidelines for Physical Activity and how to avoid a sedentary lifestyle. Students in Year 9 this term, will learn about the importance of eating a well balanced diet, as well as how to enhance healthy eating within our community. In year 10, we look at maintaining positive mental health and wellbeing.

In prac this term, we will be looking at developing skills in a variety of modified net court games in Years 7 & 8, and more specifically in Volleyball for Years 9 & 10. As these are team sports/games, students will have opportunities to work collaboratively, and demonstrate leadership, fair play and cooperation. We also aim to develop students' capacity to think critically about specialised movement skills such as hand eye coordination. Students will then be able to transfer their skills to lunchtime Volleyball competitions this term, which will be lead by our College leaders.

Students must bring their sports uniform on the days they have a practical HPE lesson (this is indicated on their HPE prac/theory timetable which was distributed in class). At times, class teachers may advise students of a change to their prac/theory days due to assessment or school events. Please do not hesitate to contact individual teachers if you have any concerns about this process.

As per the uniform policy, students will be required to:

- Arrive at school wearing their formal uniform.
- Change into their sport uniform before their lesson (indicated on their timetables).
- Be punctual and dressed for their HPE lesson.
- Change out of their sport uniform at the end of their HPE lesson (students will be given 10 minutes to do so by their teacher's).
- Leave school in their formal uniform.

Full sports uniform includes the sport shirt, shorts, and appropriate shoes for physical activity. Please see below for shoes that are NOT appropriate for physical activity:



If for some reason students are unable to meet the College uniform policy or do not have their full sport uniform, this must be explained in a note signed by the parent/guardian. Likewise, if a student cannot participate due to illness or injury, please explain this and their limitations in a note.



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From the H.P.E / Sport Department...cont

School Sport

In 2017, there will be a number of sporting opportunities for students to be involved in. Trial dates for school, district & regional sport will be communicated to students through the morning notices and on the HPE/Sport Website. This site will be updated and available from the Good Shepherd website. A link to the site will also be emailed to all parents in the coming week.

GSCC has a Netball club that plays in the local Netball competition. Trials for teams will begin at Good Shepherd on Thursday 2nd February, and Monday 6th. For more information/permission notes to trial, please contact the College office. Good Shepherd also supports the local Touch Association. Any students, staff or parents interested in playing or being involved with Touch, please call/email Kim Coughlan on kim.cogo@outlook.com or 0432 168 952.

There are a number of other local sports clubs in Mount Isa. If you are interested in joining a sporting club/team this year, there will be a Super Sport Expo held this Sunday at the Civic Centre from 9am - 12pm. This is a free event held by the Mount Isa City Council to encourage active participation in sports.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me. I look forward to an exciting year of HPE & sport at GSCC.





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Mrs. Melissa Allen
VET Curriculum Leader

From the VET Department

USI Information

All students currently studying a VET certificate such as Certificate I or II in IDMT, Business or Hospitality are required to provide the College their USI number. Students cannot be issued their qualification if they have not provided this number to the College. This number must be provided to the student's teacher as soon as possible.

Individuals can create their USI for no cost. It is a quick and easy process and will only take a few minutes of your time.

Students who are studying a qualification with us need to follow the process outlined below:

1. Students will need to go to <http://www.usi.gov.au>
2. Get at least one form of ID from the list below ready:
 - Driver's Licence
 - Medicare Card (this includes a current family Medicare card where your name is included)
 - Australian Passport
 - Non-Australian Passport (with Australian Visa) for international students
 - Birth Certificate (Australian) *please note a Birth Certificate extract is not sufficient
 - Certificate Of Registration By Descent
 - Citizenship Certificate
 - ImmiCard

IMPORTANT: The details you enter when you create your USI must match exactly with those shown on the form of ID used.

3. Click on 'Student Entry' from the Homepage., and then Click on 'Create your USI' at the top of the page.
4. Click 'Continue' at the bottom of the page and agree to the terms and conditions.
5. Fill in your personal and contact details.
6. Enter the requested details as shown on your form of ID (see list above).
7. Set your USI account password and questions for security. Your USI will now be displayed on the screen.

You should write down your USI somewhere safe or enter it into your phone for safe keeping. Your USI will also be sent to you by either your email, phone or by mailing address (whichever you choose as your preferred contact method when creating your USI). This number **MUST** be given to the College – you can email your USI to your teacher

Forgotten USI

If you forget or lose your USI you can retrieve it online. You will need to enter a few details to verify who you are to display your USI. The details must be the same as those you entered when you applied for a USI or, if you did so, when you last updated your USI account.



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Mrs. Melissa Allen
Yr 12 Pastoral leader

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From the Year 12 Pastoral Leader

Welcome back to Term 1, 2017. I hope that you all had a safe break and were able to spend some quality time with those who are special to you.

Year 12 is an important yet challenging year for both students and their families. I would like to take this opportunity to let you know that an important point of contact for your questions and concerns is your student's Homeroom Teacher or myself. This year I am excited to announce that the Year 12 Homeroom Teachers are: Anna Telford Samantha Kelley and Tayla-Maree Roberts.

Opening Mass

The first significant event for 2017 is the Opening Mass being held in the Lumen Christi Centre on Wednesday 8th February at 9am. All Year 12 students will be receiving their Year 12 badges at this assembly and it will be a very special occasion for our year 12 students. It would be great to see as many parents attend our Opening Mass as possible.

Year 12 Retreat

Year 12 Retreat is in Week 4. This is an important College event and more detailed information will be sent later this week. As Part of the Spiritual Development and Religious Education program of Good Shepherd Catholic College, all Year 12 students will participate in a Compulsory Spiritual Retreat Program. This retreat will be held at Mungalli Falls, Far North Queensland, running from Sunday 12th February until Friday 17th February.

Students will depart from the College by bus on Sunday 12th February and return to the College on Friday 17th February. Further details on arrival and departure times will be sent home this week.

The retreat gives students an opportunity to reflect on their lives in prayer before beginning the final part of their secondary school journey. Students who have undertaken this type of retreat in the past have commented later on what a wonderful experience it was and how it helped to steady them as they prepared for life, and the stresses beyond formal schooling.

Whilst the final cost of the retreat is \$650.00 which includes all travel, accommodation, meals, facilities and activities. The final balance of \$300 is due this Friday 3rd February. Retreat Consent and Medical Forms along with a Dietary Requirement Forms must be returned this week. Please complete these forms and return to the College office when paying your final balance.

Uniform

Students must be in full academic uniform each day. If there is a reason for compassionate grounds for exemption please send a note/email/phone call to let either myself or your student's Homeroom Teacher know when the uniform breach will be fixed. Students will be required to have a blazer for various College events which is a part of the full academic uniform.

Absence

Please let the College Office know if your student is sick or away for other reasons. Absence on assessments dates is particularly problematic for senior students and this type of absence will require a medical certificate.



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Mr. Mark Toohey
Yr 11 Pastoral leader

From the Year 11 Pastoral Leader

Welcome back to 2017! I hope you have all had a wonderful Christmas and New Year period and are ready to get back into routine for the new school year. I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself to you as the Pastoral Leader for the Year 11 Cohort. I am very excited about this new role at the College and look forward to working with you all.

Year 11 Retreat Payment

A reminder that the first deposit of \$400 for Year 11 Retreat was due on the 15th of November last year and the second deposit of \$400 is due on Wednesday the 1st of February. The total amount of the Retreat will be required by the Thursday the 8th of June (Term 2, Week 8). If you have any concerns regarding the Year 11 Retreat payments, please make sure you contact me at the College as soon as possible on 4743 2509 or via email mtoohey@goodshepherd.catholic.edu.au.

Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE)

This year is a very important year for our Year 11 students as it is now that they begin to accrue points to obtain their Queensland Certificate of Education (QCE). In order for a student to obtain a QCE they must accumulate a total of 20 points over four (4) semesters (two semesters in Year 11 and two semesters in Year 12). Students must also remain in and pass at least three (3) subjects for the total duration of Year 11 and 12 as well as pass a semester of both English and Mathematics. A QCE point is awarded for each semester that is passed within a subject. Students can also lose QCE points if they fail a semester and leave that subject. Points may also be awarded upon the successful completion of a Certificate course. A Certificate 1 course accumulates a total of 2 points, Certificate 2 - 4 points and Certificate 3 - 8 points.

It is very important that we begin to motivate our Year 11 students now to ensure that they are well placed to receive their QCE at the end of Year 12. If your child is struggling in a particular subject at school, please contact the subject teacher as soon as possible. This feedback on your child's progress is essential in ensuring they are in the correct pathway throughout Year 11 and 12.

Pastoral Care

This term the Year 11 cohort will be focusing on how to manage a Senior School workload by becoming more organised and learning effective ways to prepare and study for upcoming assessment.

I am very excited for my new role at the College as the Year 11 Pastoral Leader and look forward to working with all of you to ensure your child has a great year.



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Ms. Jade Marinelli
Yr 7 Pastoral leader

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From the Year 7 Pastoral Leader

I would like to extend a warm welcome to all Year 7 students and families to the Good Shepherd Catholic College Community. It has been a busy and exciting start to the Term.

On the first day of school our Year 7's started their high school journey with a short assembly with staff and the Year 12 students. Locks, laptops and textbooks were distributed on the day with the help of the Year 12 Student Leaders. Along with this the Leaders assisted the Year 7s in helping them understand their timetables, use their locks and also took them on tours around the College.

Each Year 7 was also allocated a Year 12 buddy and spent time getting to know them. At the end of the day the Year 7's and their buddies completed a range of games in their sporting house groups developing their school and team spirit.

This week, Year 7 students headed to Lake Moondarra for their first Retreat as Good Shepherd students. At the retreat students participated in orienteering, raft building, cooking and a range of team games.

It has been lovely to see all students within the cohort settle into the College as they meet their teachers and make new friendships. Should you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact me at jmarinelli@goodshepherd.catholic.edu.au or through the College Office on 4743 2509.





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From the Year 7 Pastoral Leader...Cont





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Mrs Fiona Coghlan
Careers Officer

From the Careers Department

Good Shepherd now has its own Careers Website. There are two ways this site can be accessed:

1. Log into the GSCC Website <http://www.goodshepherd.catholic.edu.au> then click on Students, Careers.
2. Go to <http://www.goodshepherdmtisacareers.com>

The site has lots of helpful information including Career and Course searches, Career Bullseyes (to help discover level of study required), OP, QCE, School Based

Apprenticeships, Tertiary Prerequisites, Post School Options, Help Videos, Resume Writing, Digital Portfolios, Career Games and Quizzes, plus loads more.

Take some time to look around the site. Any questions please feel free to contact me via phone on 4743 2509 or email fcoghlan@goodshepherd.catholic.edu.au

Work Experience

Work Experience will once again be available to students this year. Year 11 & 12 students are invited to participate through Terms 1-4. Year 10 students will commence Term 2 for Rice & Mackillop and Term 3 for Benjamin & Chisholm Houses. All senior students are able to undertake work experience during school holidays.

Work Experience is not compulsory, however we do encourage students to participate. It is for their benefit and future prospects. Many of our students currently doing School Based Traineeships/Apprenticeships started out with work experience.

Students must find their own employer, however I am happy to assist with contact names and provide "prompts" to assist with initial employer contact.

The Work Experience Schedule (including dates) and Applications can be located on the Careers Website under the Workplace Learning tab. <http://www.goodshepherdmtisacareers.com>. Please don't hesitate to contact me for future information.



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Mrs Lexine O'Donnell
Librarian

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From the Library

The Library is an integral part of the College's education programs. Emphasis is placed on helping students to develop research, information and literacy skills as well as enhancing teaching and learning. The enjoyment and appreciation of reading is encouraged. The Library manages a collection of fiction and non-fiction books, journals and iLibrary, as well as textbooks.

Library operating hours are: Monday: 8.30am – 4.00pm, Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 8.15am – 4.00pm Friday 8.30am – 3.15pm

The Library can be accessed by students before school (Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday only), lunchtimes and after school for research, completion of homework, printing and reading. Please note, in order for your child to be working in the Library on Monday and Wednesday afternoons, they need to return a signed contract and register for our College Homework Help program – see Homework Help section of this newsletter.

Textbooks, English novels and other curriculum resources require checking out at the Library Circulation Desk. The borrowing period for these is for the year or term and will need returning no later than the last day of the school year. Students are responsible for the copy issued to them, regardless if they return someone else's item that has been mixed up. To aid students in retaining the copy issued to them, students have been instructed to write their name inside the cover of the textbook and to make a note in their diary of the resource name and GSCC barcode number. As another precaution, please ensure your child has done these two processes when they take them home.

General borrowing, including fiction and non-fiction books, is for a period of two (2) weeks and these books will also need to be checked out at the Library Circulation Desk. An extension of two weeks is available if required. Due to limited resources, non-fiction book loans may be restricted to one book on a particular subject. If a student is having trouble obtaining a particular book, they can place a request for it to be reserved for them.

Replacement costs/fines for any lost, misplaced, lent or damaged Library resources will be added to your child's College fees or invoiced. It is the student's responsibility to see the Librarian as soon as a problem arises with resources during the period of their loan.

Overdue notices will be emailed directly to students and parents regularly with a list of overdue/damaged resources and outstanding fines for replacement of lost/damaged items. If payment of these lost items has not been settled at the office within a reasonable timeframe, the replacement cost may be charged to your child/s College fees. Students may also be restricted in the use of the Library if books are consistently returned late or are damaged. It is therefore important for your child/ren to renew any outstanding resources if they wish to retain them past the overdue date. This will reduce the occurrence of a fine being automatically issued through our borrowing system once a resource has been marked as lost, which is also automatic.

Lastly, the Library is a place for study, research and reading and we ask all students to respect the rights of others to work quietly and not be disturbed. The students are responsible for their behaviour and actions and need to respect the shared environment. Students are required to follow normal College expectations whenever in the Library.



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From the Library...Cont

Homework Help Program

The school offers an after school homework program where teachers volunteer their time to support our students academically. Homework Help has been very valuable for students who genuinely engage with the program. Due to popularity we have a booking system for students with a capacity of 40 students each day to maintain a pleasant study environment and ensure teachers can assist all students.

Homework Help is will commence in the Library in Week 3, Monday 6th February and Wednesday 8th February as per below:

Junior Homework Help (Years 7–9) – Mondays 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Senior Homework Help (Years 10–12) – Wednesdays 3:00pm – 4:00pm

Whilst Seniors are permitted to be in the Library on a Junior Homework Help day on Mondays, Juniors will be given first priority. Seniors may be asked to leave if there is not enough space in the Library to accommodate all Juniors. This also goes for Juniors attending Senior Homework Help day on Wednesdays.

To attend Homework Help please ensure the following steps have been completed:

1. Students must return the signed expectations contract which is valid for the current school year and accessible via the Student Intranet Page - see link below (If this has not been signed by parent/carer, students will be asked to leave Homework Help until such time as a signed contract has been returned to the Library).
2. Students need to register their attendance at Homework Help via the Student Intranet Page - see below link <https://sites.google.com/a/goodshepherd.catholic.edu.au/sstart/homework-help> (Students that have not registered online will be asked to leave Homework Help if a particular session is at full capacity - 40 registered students).
3. Upon entering Homework Help, students must sign in their attendance at the Library counter with Ms O'Donnell.

If Homework Help classes need to be cancelled during the Term, students will be notified via the school notices as soon as possible or an announcement will be made if cancellation is at short notice. Please note that a cancelled class will not be rescheduled for a later date.

Should students or parents have any queries please contact Ms O'Donnell through the College Office.



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Ms. Jade Marinelli
Musical Director

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2017 School Musical

This year our Arts Department is very excited to bring to the stage Smithy - the Musical. This College event will be held on Friday the 12th and Saturday the 13th of May, 2017 so be sure to save the date in your calendars!

Ticket sales will launch at our College Easter Fete on Friday the 24th of March.

Since Term 4 last year the cast have been becoming familiar with the script and the songs. However rehearsals are commencing in earnest this week with Bonding Day being held at the College on Sunday 8.30am till 3pm .

It is with great excitement that I announce our Musical Cast:

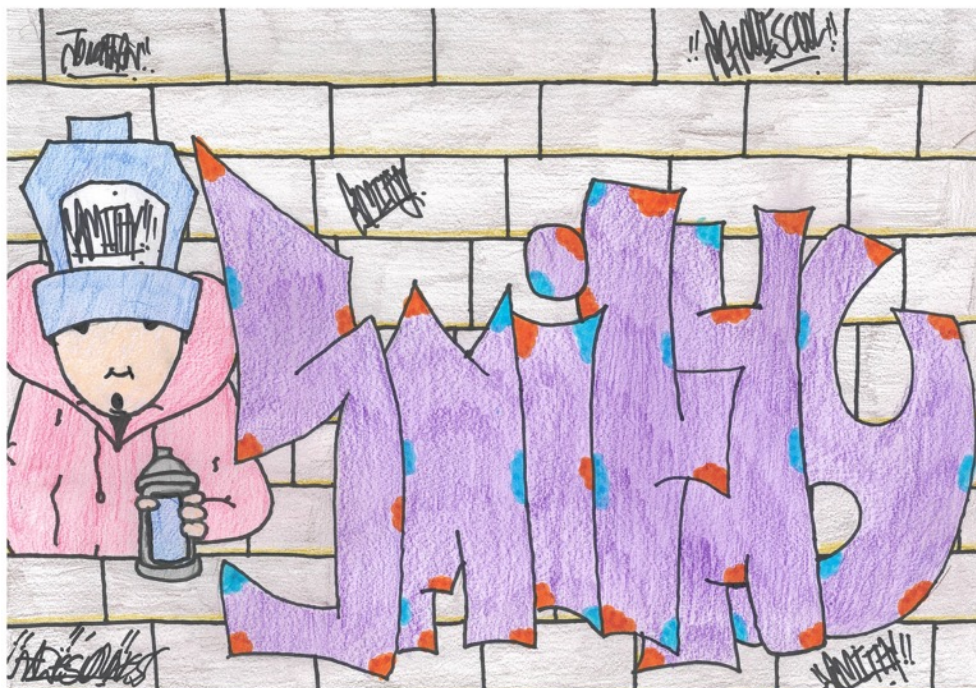
Patrick Harman
Laura Szabadics
Grace Heuir
Bobby Shepherd
Stepheny Reddish
Trysten Viney
Latai Katoa
Tristen Nicholson
Hayden Low Mow

Julia Grubczynski
Shawna Lindley
Tayla Laffin
Sophie Tobin
Hannah O'Shea-Breed
Maria Feliciano
Ariane Ventura
Juliet Tuppurainen
Belinda George

Khade Toeke-Dean
Tristan Bowen
Sera Staples
Shawna Lindley
Kira Brown

And a guest appearance by our
new Principal, Mr Peter Scott.

Stay tuned for more musical updates within our newsletter and College Facebook page.





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From the Tuckshop



Mrs Tracey Stringer
Tuckshop Convenor

FIRST BREAK DAILY SPECIALS				
MONDAY (ROTATIONAL)	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
PIZZA (PER SLICE) \$1.20		HAMBURGER \$5.00		
SPRING ROLLS \$2.00	BURRITO \$5.50	CHEESEBURGER \$4.00	CHEF'S SPECIAL \$5.00	NACHOS \$6.00
NOODLES \$5.00				

GOOD SHEPHERD TUCKSHOP MENU 2017					
<u>ASSORTED SALAD PACKS</u>		<u>SANDWICHES</u>		<u>HOT FOOD</u>	
LARGE CUP	\$5.00	CHICKEN & SALAD	\$5.00	GE POT PIE	\$4.00
SMALL CUP	\$3.00	CHICKEN & MAYO	\$4.00	GE BEEF PIE	\$3.60
FRUIT SALAD	\$3.50	HAM, CHEESE.TOMATO	\$4.00	AUSSIE BEEF PIE	\$3.50
FRUIT	\$1.00	EGG & LETTUCE	\$4.00	GE SAUSAGE ROLL	\$3.00
SUSHI	\$4.00	SALAD	\$4.50	PIZZA ROUNDER	\$3.00
YOGHURT & MIXED BERRIES	\$3.00	CORN MEAT & PICKLES	\$4.00	QUICHE	\$3.50
YOGHURT, MIXED BERRIES & MUESLI	\$3.50	CHICKEN,CHEESE,LETTUCE	\$4.50	SPINACH & CHEESE ROLL	\$4.00
YOUNGURT, FRUIT & MUESLI	\$5.00	CHICKEN,AVOC,CHEESE & MAYO FOCACCIA	\$5.00	NUGGETS X 4	\$2.00
				GOUJONS X 4	\$2.00
				HOT DOG & SAUCE	\$3.50
<u>ASSORTED WRAPS</u>		<u>TOASTED SANDWICHES</u>			
LARGE	\$5.50	HAM & CHEESE	\$4.00	HOT DOG, SAUCE & CHEESE	\$4.00
SMALL	\$3.50	CHICKEN &CHEESE	\$4.00	CHICKEN BURGER	\$3.50
		CHICKEN & MAYO	\$4.00	TOM/BBQ SAUCE	\$0.50

DRINKS	SNACKS
SMALL ORCHY/MILK \$2.50	CHIPS \$2.50
LARGE ORCHY \$3.00	MUFFINS \$3.00
LARGE CLASSIC MILK \$3.50	
DARE \$4.00	ICE BLOCKS
GATORADE \$5.00	ICY POLES \$1.50
SLUSHIE \$2.00	PADDLE POPS \$2.00
GLUTEN FREE MENU	CALIPPO \$2.00
NUGGETS X 4 \$2.50	MILO CUP \$3.00
BEEF PIE \$4.00	YOGHURT CUP \$2.50
MUFFINS/ LAMINGTON \$3.00	MAXIBONS \$4.00
TUNA SUSHI \$4.00	GOLDEN GAYTIME \$4.00
FRUIT SALAD \$3.50	FROSTIE FRUITS \$2.00
GLUTEN FREE MENU IS PRE ORDER PLEASE PLACE ORDER IN BROWN PAPER BAG WITH MONEY AND GIVE TO TUCKSHOP BEFORE 8.30AM	
SNACKS & ICE BLOCKS ARE SOLD SECOND BREAK ONLY	
ANY STUDENTS OR PARENTS WISHING TO HELP IN THE TUCKSHOP PLEASE SEE MRS STRINGER OR CONTACT THE SCHOOL ON 47432509. ANY HELP WOULD BE GREATLY APPRECIATED	
PRICES AND FOOD MAY VARY DUE TO AVAILABILITY	



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COMMUNITY NOTICES

**GOLD COAST
COMMONWEALTH
GAMES**
School Tour
April 2018

An outstanding opportunity to attend Australia's Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast in 2018!

Give your students the opportunity to attend the Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast in 2018. Our tour dates are as follows:
4th – 9th of April 2018

Students from a number of schools from Queensland, New South Wales and New Zealand will be combining to participate in the tour. There will be a maximum of 150 students on the tour. Each school will provide selected staff to participate in the tour who will be responsible for general supervision and welfare of the students from their school.

Accommodation:
Supplied by Brisbane City YHA, an award-winning hostel offering quality accommodation for school groups.

Meals:
5 breakfasts
4 dinners (including meal at Frog & Breathe Cafe)
Morning Tea and Supper
Note – lunches not included. They are available to purchase at each venue each day. One dinner not included.

More information will be forwarded to you if you express an interest in attending the Commonwealth Games School Tour.

Day 1
Arrive in Brisbane
Afternoon visit to Southbank and CBD
Optional: Art Galleries, Museum etc
Day 2
Full day Commonwealth Games
Day 3
Full day Commonwealth Games
Day 4
Full day at a selected theme park
Day 5
Full day Commonwealth Games
Day 6
Depart

Low Cost Tours Pty Ltd has been organising school tours in consultation with schools since 2010. The Company Director is an experienced teacher and school principal and is committed to working with your school to provide an outstanding experience for your children.



STRENGTH...

AN OKKER VALENTINES BARBY! Hosted by Paws, Hoofs & Claws

Hey! All you Aussie blokes, shout your missus on Valentine's Day to a fair dinkum Aussie BBQ with "gourmet" snags and toppings from around the world... She'll be stoked! Under the stars in the bush... What more could a sheila want?!

Where: Outback @ Isa Amphitheatre

When: 14 Feb

Open from 7pm-10pm

\$20 per person

Includes Entry,

Gourmet Sausage Meal,

glass of Bubbly.

Bar, music and

alfresco seating also available.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Good Shepherd Catholic College
Parents and Friends Association
will hold their Annual General Meeting
on Tuesday 7 February at 6pm in the
Good Shepherd Catholic College Library
If you would like to nominate for a position on
the executive committee please email your
interest to Any Webb
awebb1@goodshepherd.catholic.edu.au
All are welcome to attend.



SATURDAY 4TH FEBRUARY COPPER CITY TENNIS CLUB 2017 SIGN ON DAY 4 – 7PM

Sign up for the new year and get back into the game!
We have lots to offer in the 2017 year including our much anticipated A grade and reserve grade nights, social tennis – available to members and non-members and tournaments throughout. The club will also be accepting registrations from all age groups for coaching with a new coach joining the club.

10% discount off all memberships paid on the day!

Existing members – sign on a new member on the day and receive an extra 15% off your membership!

Social & Competition – take your pick or do both!

Free sausage sizzle

Cold drinks for sale from the canteen

Copper City Tennis Club
Cnr East and Rebecca St,
Mount Isa, QLD
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Tony: 0409 933 003

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