



# Good Shepherd Primary School News Update

24th May

Term 2

Week 4

Tuesday, 19th May, 2020

**The Ascension of  
the Lord**

ASCENSION



Dear Parents and Guardians,

Next Sunday we celebrate The Ascension of the Lord an important feast in our Christian calendar that is documented in the Gospels.

At the 'Ascension' Jesus, "*Lifting up his hands blessed them. While he blessed them he parted from them.*" Luke 24:50,51. The gesture of hands outstretched in blessing, expresses Jesus' continuing relationship to his disciples and to us.

In our faith we know that Jesus holds his hands stretched out in blessing over us. This is why, as we commemorate the feast of the Ascension, we should be motivated to go about our life with joy, Christian joy.



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Dear Parents & Guardians,

This morning (Tuesday 19 May), NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian announced the return to face-to-face teaching for students in all NSW public schools, effective from next Monday, 25 May. This announcement brings forward our return to regular school attendance.

In line with the Premier's announcement, the expectation is now that students at all CEDP schools will return to school on Monday 25th May.

We look forward to welcoming everyone back at Good Shepherd Primary School on Monday, 25th May.



## Good Shepherd Second Hand Uniform Shop

Many people have asked about purchasing clothes at the Uniform Shop. There are limited numbers of each item in the Uniform Shop.

As parents are not allowed on site in the school, could you please use the COSHC gate which will be barricaded off and you will have access to the Uniform Shop only.

Term 2 concludes:  
Friday, 3rd July

Term 3 commences:  
Monday, 20th July

Term 3 concludes:  
Thursday, 24th September

**Tricia Carr  
Principal**

### 2020 Term Dates

Term 2 concludes: Friday, 3rd July  
Term 3 commences: Monday, 20th July  
Term 3 concludes: Thursday, 24th September  
Term 4 commences: Monday, 12th October  
Term 4 concludes: Wednesday, 16th December

### 2020 Staff Development Days (Pupil Free Days)

Term 3: Friday, 25th September (to be confirmed)  
Term 4: Thursday, 17th December and  
Friday, 18th December (to be confirmed)

### Sports & Library Borrowing Days for Term 2, 2020

#### Sports Days

Wednesdays: KB, KG, 2R, 2W and Year 6  
Thursdays: 1B, 1G, 2B, 2G, 4R, 4W and Year 5  
Fridays: KR, 1R, 1W, Year 3, 4B and 4G

#### Library Borrowing

Mondays: Kinder and Year 6  
Tuesdays: Year 1 and Year 2  
Wednesdays: Year 4 and Year 5  
Thursdays: Year 3

### Religious Education News

The gospel of Matthew begins with the genealogy of Jesus. He did this so that he could place Jesus' birth within the context of Jewish history. The first fourteen names mentioned are those of the patriarchs, the ancestors of Israel. The second fourteen are Israel's kings and the last fourteen are simply relatively unknown persons from Israel's past who played a vital role in the coming of the Messiah. Matthew sees the magi as representing the many gentiles who were joining Matthew's community. In the opening two chapters of his gospel, Matthew is not simply concerned with historical details, but by using Old Testament references, tries to make us aware of who Jesus is.



### Second Hand Winter School and Sports Uniforms

If anyone has any second hand uniforms (School and Sports), we would be very grateful if you were able to donate them to our clothing pool. Thank you Mrs Carr



### School Fee Account

If you require assistance with fees due to COVID-19, please go to <https://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/> and apply online or alternatively please contact Mrs Kristy Haywood on 98367100 to obtain an application form.



### School Commencement and Finishing Times

School commences at 8.30 am and concludes at 2.50 pm. Any child who arrives after this time or leaves school earlier for an appointment etc will need to report to the School Office. It is very important that your child arrive to school on time. Children arriving late to school miss out on valuable learning time and their late entry to the classroom disrupts their fellow students. **If your children are late to school, they are to be escorted to the School Office by a Parent/Carer.**



### Kindergarten 2021 Enrolments

Enrolment Application forms for Kindergarten 2021 are available from the School Office. Parents, if you already have a child at Good Shepherd, you will still need to submit an Enrolment Form for any **new** siblings for 2021.



### Canteen Online Ordering

If you are going to order lunch for your children, we encourage you to use the option of online ordering. If you choose to send your child with a lunch order, please fill out a brown lunch bag at home. This will minimise the congestion in the front office in the mornings. We are trying to maintain the appropriate social distancing as we interact with our families as children will be returning to school next week. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Winter Uniform for Terms 2 & 3

Dear Parents, please note the following uniform requirements for Terms 2 & 3.

### School Uniform

#### Girls:

School Uniform Checked Tunic  
White Long Sleeve Blouse  
Checked Scissor Tie  
Green Hair Ribbons  
Grey Tights or Grey Socks  
Black School Shoes  
Green Zip-Up Jacket  
School Uniform Hat

### School Uniform

#### Boys:

Black Long Pants  
White Long Sleeve Shirt  
Green Zip-Up Jacket  
Black Socks  
Black School Shoes  
School Checked Tie  
School Uniform Hat

### Sports Uniform

#### Girls:

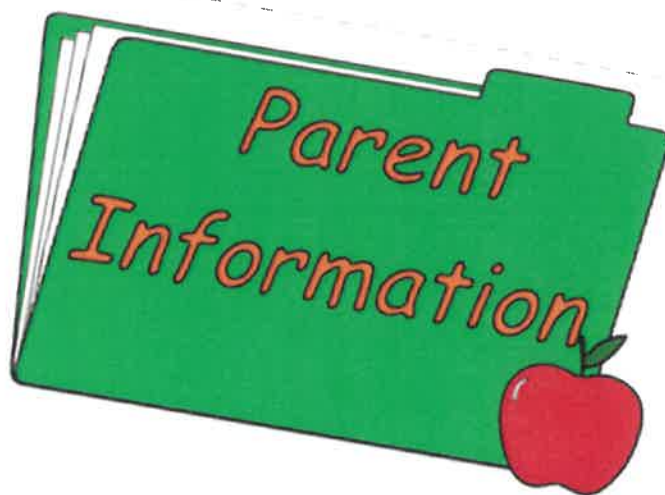
White Polo Shirt with School Emblem  
Bottle Green Shorts  
Bottle Green Tracksuit Uniform  
Predominantly White Joggers/Sneakers  
A White Skivvy (colder weather)  
White Socks  
School Uniform Hat

### Sports Uniform

#### Boys:

White Polo Shirt with School Emblem  
Bottle Green Shorts  
Bottle Green Tracksuit Uniform  
Predominantly White Joggers/Sneakers  
A White Skivvy (colder weather)  
White Socks  
School Uniform Hat

In cooler weather, a bottle green uniform tracksuit is worn, and a white skivvy may be worn over the white polo shirt.



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19 May 2020

Dear Parents and Carers

This morning (Tuesday 19 May), NSW Premier Gladys Berejiklian announced the return to face-to-face teaching for students in all NSW public schools, effective from next Monday, 25 May. As a result, we are looking forward to welcoming students back full time from next Monday.

We understand that this morning's news will see students return to school much sooner than many of us expected. Your school will provide you with more information in the days ahead as preparations for the full return to at-school learning continue.

I want to reassure you that the safety of our communities remains our priority. The relevant government and health authorities have provided assurances that it is safe to welcome students back. Our schools will continue to reinforce important health and hygiene messages.

Thank you for the way you have responded to challenges of COVID-19, including making the transition to at-home learning and balancing your child's learning with work arrangements. As always, if you have any concerns about your child's learning or wellbeing, please contact your school.

Yours sincerely

**Gregory B Whitby**  
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P.S. We're here to help! A reminder that information about fee relief is also available on your school's website.