



The Most Holy Body and  
Blood of Christ  
5th & 6th June 2021



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Friday, 25th June

Term 3 commences:  
Monday, 12th July

Term 3 concludes:  
Thursday, 16th September

# Good Shepherd Primary School News Update

Term 2

Week 8

Tuesday, 8th June, 2021

Dear Parents, please see the following message regarding the Draft New Curriculum for Religious Education from our Executive Director, Mr Greg Whitby.

## 'Living Life to the Full' our Draft New Curriculum for Religious Education

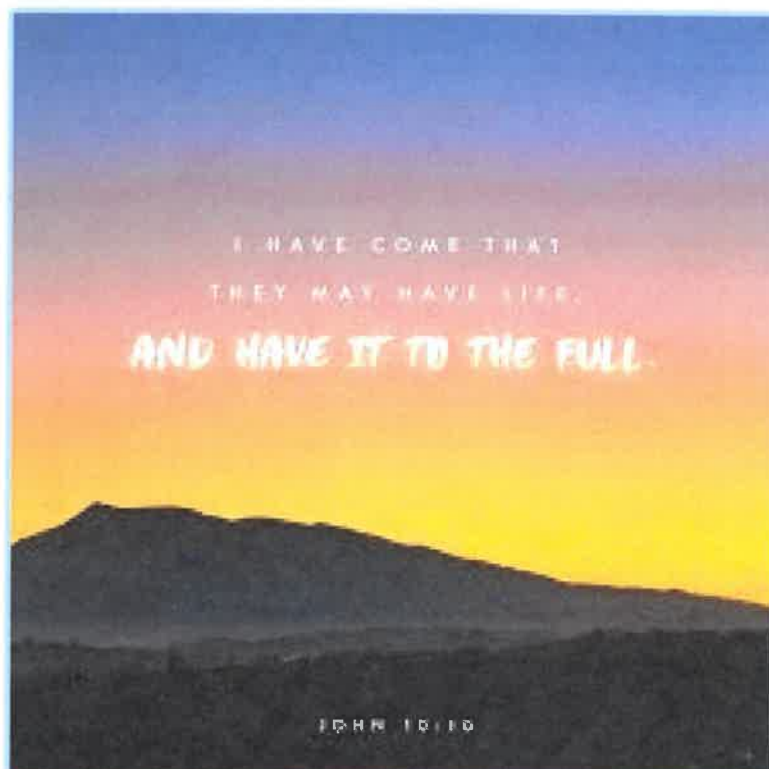
For several years now, our Catholic community has been working together to update the way we share our faith with children and young people. This draft new curriculum for Religious Education will be known as **Living Life to the Full** and is now available on the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta website together with a guide to help community members learn more.

Faithful to Sacred Scripture and Tradition, Catholic Teaching and Values, **Living Life to the Full** is designed to be age-appropriate for children and young people. When it is launched in late 2021 the Draft New Curriculum will replace 'Sharing Our Story', the current curriculum that has been in place for more than 20 years.

A video is available on the Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta website of Bishop Vincent's announcing the name on the new curriculum **Living Life to the Full**.

Here is a link to <https://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/Learning/Religious-Education>

*"I have come that they may have life and have it to the full" John 10:10*



## Primary Athletics Carnival

We didn't let a little rain last week stop us from holding our Primary Athletics Carnival on Friday and what a great day it was! The sun was shining and the students were having fun competing in a range of events and activities. Well done to all the students who competed in the carnival.

The Age Champions and Runner Up Age Champions are:

Age Group	Age Champion	Runner Up Age Champion
8's Boys	Zaevar Orayenza	Tuoro Savea Hosking-Ellis
8's Girls	Shellie Ale	Estelle Osifo
9's Boys	George Abdallah	Andrei Bichescu
9's Girls	Matilda-Holly Marks	Jasmine Ismail
10's Boys	Fabiano Jameel	Sonny Stanley
10's Girls	Riena Manuel	Seraphina Vaasili
11's Boys	Henry Sene and Malakai Setefano	Zaeclan Orayenza
11's Girls	Mary Bella Shamoka	Makayla De Guia
12's Boys	Lucas Blazevic	Marvin Malual
12's Girls	Betty Tanaki	Isabella Gutierrez



# Primary Athletics Carnival



## Upcoming Events

Wednesday, 9th June: Stage 3 Boys Soccer Gala Day  
(**POSTPONED until further notice**)

Thursday, 10th June: Year 1 Sydney Zoo Excursion

Tuesday, 15th June: Infants End of Term Awards  
(8.30 am Good Shepherd School).

**Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day) for Term 2, 2021:**

**Friday, 11th June 2021**

Wednesday, 16th June: School Winter Disco

Thursday, 17th June: Year 1 Jungle Day

Monday, 21st June: Primary End of Term Awards  
(8.30 am Good Shepherd School)

Friday, 25th June: NAIDOC Day School Celebrations

Friday, 25th June: Last Day of Term 2

Monday, 12th July: Term 3 commences

## 2021 Term Dates

Term 2 concludes: Friday, 25 June

Term 3 commences: Monday, 12th July

Term 3 concludes: Thursday, 16th September

Term 4 commences: Wednesday, 6 October

Term 4 concludes: Wednesday, 15th December

### 2021 Staff Development Days (Pupil Free Days)

Term 2: Friday, 11th June 2021

Term 3: Friday, 17th September 2021

Term 4: Tuesday, 5th October and Thursday  
16th December

Please note the **Staff Development Days for Term 4** are **Tuesday 5th October and Thursday, 16th December**. Students last day for Term 4 2021 will be Wednesday 15th December.

### Staff Development Day—Term 2 2021

Each year Staff participate in professional development to support them in their roles as educators. The focus of these days is aligned to Good Shepherd School's goals. Staff will use information they have gathered about the children to design learning programs for the children that will best meet their needs. These Staff Development Days are **PUPIL FREE DAYS** and Term 2's will take place this **Friday, 11th June (Week 8)**. Our thanks to parents for organising care for their children on these days. COSHC will be able to offer limited spaces for care on these days. Please refer to page 4 of this newsletter under "COSHC News".

### School Reports

Dear Parents, please note school reports will be going home shortly. If your personal circumstances require a second copy of your child's report, please contact the school office. Thank you.



### Social Skill of the Week

*"Chew with your mouth closed"*

### Kindergarten 2022 Enrolments

Enrolment Application forms for Kindergarten 2022 are available from the School Office. Please call in and pick up an enrolment pack. Parents, if you already have a child at Good Shepherd, you will still need to submit an Enrolment Form for any **new** siblings for 2022.

### Term 2 School Fees

Dear Parents, please note Term 2's School Fees were due 26th May.

If you require assistance in setting up an arrangement, please contact our school office.

As we are limiting cash payments to the school, please use your post biller code reference on the statement to pay cash at the post office. Eftpos is available from the school office. Thank you.

### Privacy Consent

Dear Parents & Carers,

If you do not give consent for the use of your child's image and/or works to be published in our School Newsletter or on our website, **please notify the school in writing**. If you do not want your child to sell raffle tickets, please also inform the school office. Thank you.

### Lost Property & Change of Underwear

As the weather is cooler, please check that your child's clothing has their name on it—in particular jackets and hats, as there are many items that end up in the Lost Property Bin. Please re-check any items that you pick up in the Lost Property Bin as they may have another child's name on it. If you accidentally pick up another child's clothing, please return it to the Lost Property Bin.



Dear Parents & Carers, please note if someone else will be collecting your child **early or during school hours**, on your behalf, you need to inform the school **in writing or by email to:** ([goodshepherd@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:goodshepherd@parra.catholic.edu.au)) **PRIOR TO PICKUP**. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

## Peace & Joy Awards

The Good Shepherd School Community would like to congratulate the following students for their hard work and dedication throughout the past week. These awards are presented for cooperation, respectfulness, responsibility, care, compassion, fair go and integrity.

KB	Christopher Taungakava	KG	Jeremiah Sene
KR	Dorian Pena	KW	Alexander Cutmore-Ale
1G	Isaac Grech	1R	John Nucum
1W	Kilisitina Pifeleti		
2B	Taysia Paahi	2G	Billy Allen
2R	Abuok Mawien	2W	Theodore Hatziandreou
3B	Caitlyn Dunn	3G	Kruze Tauaifaga
3R	Jayden Aberca	3W	Emmanuel McGill
4B	Jerome Aloisio-Malatai	4G	Jacob Heffernan
4R	Aaron Botham	4W	Euan Gozeon
5B	Bassam Abdallah	5G	Cassandra Pascual
5R	Miguel Reyes	5W	Vlad Anastasiei
6B	Shanika Dimri	6G	Mahalea Pinto
6R	Kaelyn Aquino	6W	Jenna Felizardo

### Winter School Disco – Wednesday 16th June

Wednesday, 16th June will be our Winter Disco. At this stage we are planning to have a winter disco organised by the Parent Group. Of course if there are further Covid restrictions, this may not take place but we will keep you updated.

For those of you who remember our discos, this one will be a little different. Because of Covid restrictions, parents will not be able to stay inside the hall to watch their children at the disco. It will definitely be a "drop at the door". Please keep the date free for your child. Please see attached flyer.



#### Information regarding Leave from School

Leave from school for holiday/overseas trips in school time is not encouraged and must be explained in writing to the School Principal.

A leave form ("Application for Extended Leave") must be completed at least 4 weeks in advance for 5 or more school days. If leave is 10 days or more, an interview with the Principal is also required, together with an Application for Extended Leave form. Leave forms can be obtained from the School Office.

Leave of 4 days and less needs to also be approved by the Principal. Please write a letter to your child's class teacher outlining the details of the leave, including the first and last school day that the child will be absent.

Leave during school terms is strongly discouraged.

#### COSHC News

For Vacation Care, you will need to enrol via the following link before submitting your booking form

[https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment\\_v2/centre/Juoyss0qLnZpHfDw2Kw7Ug](https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment_v2/centre/Juoyss0qLnZpHfDw2Kw7Ug)



### Student Absences

Dear Parents,

Just a quick reminder that **ALL student absences need to be explained. This is a legal requirement.**

#### Unexplained Attendance letters

Your child may bring home a letter asking for an explanation for your child's absence from school. **Would you please complete and return back to your child's teacher promptly.**

#### Children Absent from School due to illness

In the event of your child being absent from school due to illness, please inform the school office by phone or email. It is necessary that a written note of explanation be forwarded to the class teacher on the day of your child's return to school. We need to receive this note within seven days of the last day of absence. Prolonged absences from school due to illness should be supported by a medical certificate.

### Communication between Parents and Staff for 2021

Just a reminder that the direct line of communication if you need to discuss concerns/issues etc regarding your child is:

Email, phone call or letter addressed to your child's teacher stating your concerns and requesting an interview if required.

Following this, you can request an interview with your child's Year Grade Leader.

2021 Year Grade Leader are as follows:

Kinder: Mrs Yvonne Davies  
Year 1: Mrs Beulah Frankson  
Year 2: Mrs Trish Conner  
Year 3: Mrs Joan Bellenger  
Year 4: Mr Paul Battikha  
Year 5: Ms Elizabeth Le Breton  
Year 6: Mr Ian Byrne

If you need to take further steps after speaking with the Year Grade Leader, please send an email, letter or phone call to our Assistant Principal, then to the Principal.

### Complaints/Grievances Forms

Parents, please note if you would like to make a complaint/grievance in regards to any school matter, you can pick up a form from the school office. All matters will be attended to under strict confidentiality.

### Pastoral Care & Student Management Policy and the Countering Discrimination, Harassment & Bullying—Policy

Dear Parents & Carers, for information on the above policies, and other policies, please refer to our School Website—About Us—Policies & Procedures. Please note our Parent Handbook is on our School Website under "Enrol Now" for your convenience.

### Student Supervision Reminder

#### All children must be picked up by 3.15 pm

As you know it is a priority at Good Shepherd Primary School to keep every child safe. Teachers have a duty of care to supervise children both in class and on the playground. This supervision commences at 8.10 am each morning. **Similarly afternoon supervision of children concludes at 3.15 pm. Parents, please be mindful that all children must be picked up by this time.**

It is vital that parents seek a safe, supervised environment whilst they are away at work. It is not the responsibility of school staff to provide before and after school care whilst parents are at work. School staff have their own personal and professional responsibilities to attend to in out of school hours. Thank you for your support with this matter.

### Label Uniforms

Please label your child's uniform especially their hats, drink bottles, school bags, jumpers as many items are ending up in lost property! Names can be written on with a laundry pen, embroidered, or you can use iron-on labels. All unlabelled uniforms are washed and re-sold in the uniform shop. By failing to label your child's uniform, you are spending money unnecessarily when you need to replace these items.



### Uploading of Photos onto YouTube and Social Media

Parents, please note there is to be no uploading of pictures of students that are not your own child, onto YouTube and Social Media eg Facebook, Instagram etc. from events at school without prior permission from the School Principal. Such events include school functions, excursions, liturgies etc.

### Contact Details

Parents, it is vital that all contact information including phone/mobile numbers, emergency contacts, home address, email address are kept up to date. Please contact the School Office if any changes need to be made. Thank you.

# Good Shepherd Parent Group Winter School Disco

Wednesday, 16th June 2021

Dear Parents,

Our School's Parent Group is running a Winter Disco for students. Details as follows:

Kinder to Year 2:	4.30 pm to 5.30 pm
Years 3 to 6:	5.45 pm to 7.00 pm
Entry Fee:	\$4.00 payable at the door (Cash only)

Available for purchase on the night (Cash only):

Hot Dogs & Sauce:	\$3.50
Poppers, Water, Chips:	\$2.00
Glow Sticks:	\$2.00 - \$7.00

Parents, please ensure you collect your children at the conclusion of the allocated time. Thank you.



# Did you know

Your child's best learning time is the start of the school day  
just a little bit late doesn't seem much but

He/she just  
missing,

That equals ..

Which is ...

and over 13 years  
of schooling that's ...

10 minutes per day

50 minutes per week

Nearly 1.5 weeks per year

Nearly half a year

20 minutes per day

1 hour 40mins per week

Over 2.5 weeks per year

Nearly 1 year

Half an hour per day

Half a day per week

4 weeks per year

Nearly 1 and a half years

1 hour per day

1 day per week

8 weeks per year

Over 2 and a half years

every learner  
every day 



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