



# **GOOD SHEPHERD PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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Good afternoon Parents and Carers,

Welcome back to term 3. What a different start of the term it has been!

I wanted to take this opportunity to share important school news with you.

Mr Paul Battikha has been asked to take on a temporary Acting Principal's position at St Andrew's Primary school at Marayong. He will be there for the rest of the term. We will miss him greatly, but we understand what an outstanding educator he is and wish him every success. We know that Marayong community is very lucky to have him at their school, but we are not letting him get away – he will be back in Term 4. Congratulations Mr Battikha.

During Mr Battikha's absence Mr Ian Byrne will once again be Acting Assistant Principal and Mrs Dela Paz will be acting REC. They were outstanding in these roles at the beginning of the year when I was on leave.

I know you would have all heard the news that we will be continuing remote learning until the end of July at this stage.

Most students have been able to access their online learning tasks and we thank you for the assistance and support you are providing to the students at home. If you require a device for your child/children, please contact the school and we can arrange for you to collect one from the office. For those of you who don't have internet access at home we can assist with that also.

Please continue to follow the NSW Health guidelines and keep healthy and safe. The safety of our community is our top priority and consistent with Premier Berejiklian's strong message that everyone who can, should stay at home, we are working to minimise the number of staff on-site each day. Supervision will continue to be provided at school for families who need this support (essential workers, vulnerable students, or those who are not at home and have no other supervision options).

Please do not think that your children at home are missing out on what other children are doing. Those who are at school are doing the same online work. Staff are also working remotely.

Thank you for your support.

Patricia Carr  
Principal