



Good Shepherd Primary School Newsletter

**6 August
The Transfiguration
of the Lord**



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Term 3 concludes:
Thursday, 22nd September

Term 4 commences:
Tuesday, 11th October

Term 4 concludes:
Friday 16th December

Term 3

Week 3

Tuesday 2nd August, 2022

Dear Parents and Guardians

Last night we had our Parents and Friends termly meeting. Thank you to the people who came along. Our committee presented the report on the finances and the profits made from the Mother's Day stall and the disco. They are so enthusiastic and are now planning the Father's Day stall, the summer/Christmas disco and preparing stock for the new Kindy parent information night in October.

We are very appreciative of their hard work, as it is the children who benefit from the funds. I know the committee appreciated all the parents who helped on the night of the disco and it is a great way to meet new people.

I also presented the principal's report at the meeting and noted that there will be a Catholic Early learning Centre built on the site of the old parish church to the left of our school. This should open in 2024. It will be a 90-place centre.

Recently you had an opportunity to take part in the "Tell them from me" survey. Thank you to the parents who responded. The results were very pleasing especially on the questions around inclusion and how the school supports students learning and behaviour.

Thank you also for the positive comments on the survey, we are very appreciative of your support and will continue to work with you to provide quality education for your children.

Tricia Carr
Principal



Upcoming Events

Wednesday, 2nd August through to Friday, 26th August:

- Monday, 15th August: The Assumption (Mass) 10.00 am
Good Shepherd Church.
- Wednesday, 24th August: Netball Gala Day
- Friday, 26th August: Blacktown Zone Athletics Carnival

School Fees

School Fees Statements have now been sent out. Due date for payment is 24th August. If you are on a payment plan, the statement is for information only purposes. Should you wish to discuss your account or commence a payment plan, please contact Mrs Haywood on 9836 7100.



Library Borrowing and Sports Days

Library Borrowing:

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

Sports Days:

- Wednesdays: Year 1, 3B, 3G and Year 4
- Thursdays: Year 2 and Year 5
- Fridays: Kinder, 3R, 3W and Year 6

Please note Kinder will continue with their Gross Motor activities on Tuesdays, so they are to also wear their sports uniform then as well.

2022 Term Dates

- Term 3 concludes: Thursday, 22nd September
- Term 4 commences: Tuesday, 11th October
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2022 Staff Development Days

(Pupil Free Days)

- Term 3 Staff Development Day - Friday 23rd September
- Term 4 Staff Development Days - Monday, 10th October, Monday, 19th December and Tuesday, 20th December

Communication between Parents and Staff

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 a phone interview with your child's Year Group Coordinator. Year Group Coordinators are as follows:

- Kinder: Mrs Yvonne Davies
Year 1: Mrs Beulah Frankson
Year 2: Mrs Trish Conner
Year 3: Mr Paul Battikha
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 Group Co-Ordinator, you can email, write a letter or make a phone call to our Assistant Principal, then to the Principal.

After School Supervision

Just a reminder that school finishes at 2:50 pm. Please ensure that your children have been collected **before 3:15 pm each afternoon**.

There are many children who have not been collected before 3:15pm which creates issues with supervision & safety for the children. If you are late collecting your children from school it impacts on the children, the staff and the running of the school. Please ensure that you have made suitable arrangements to have your children collected by 3:15 pm.

If there is an emergency and you are running late to collect the children, please telephone the school office on (02) 9836 7100. 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.

Term 3 2022 Staff Development Day

(Pupil Free Day)

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. Term 3's Staff Development Day is a Pupil Free Day and will take place on **Friday, 23rd September (Week 10)**. Our thanks to parents for organising care for their children on this day. COSHC will be able to offer spaces for care on this day. Please phone COSHC on Ph. 0409 121 980 for all inquiries and bookings.

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) **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	Mirudhula Parthiban	KG	Floriano Jameel
KR	Dan Fosita	KW	Not Published
1B	Tiberius Sanak	1G	Cliffeton Lasalo
1R	Samson Fatafehi	1W	Noah Kristofer Frias
2B	Ocean Lord	2G	Solomone Lasalo
2R	Marissa Assey		
3B	Matthew Ragheb	3G	Hunter Grebert
3R	Alex Rizeq	3W	Mason Dela Cruz
4B	Isaac Frias	4G	Violet Nguyen
4R	Noah Scali	4W	Athena Aloisio Malatai
5G	Lillian Dunn	5R	Zhania Galletes
5W	Achan Mawien		
6B	Gabriel Burke	6G	Nixon Baduria
6R	Makayla De Guia	6W	Milan Mahajan



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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

Student Absences

Dear Parents,

Just a quick reminder that **ALL student absences need to be explained. This is a legal requirement.** **Please use the Parent Portal to log your child's whole day absence. If your child is absent for a partial day, please do not use the portal to log this as we'll sign the children in/out from the office.** Thank you.

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.**



A day here or there doesn't seem like much but absences
add up 2 days a month adds up to 4 weeks a year /
20 days a year which is over one year of lost learning.

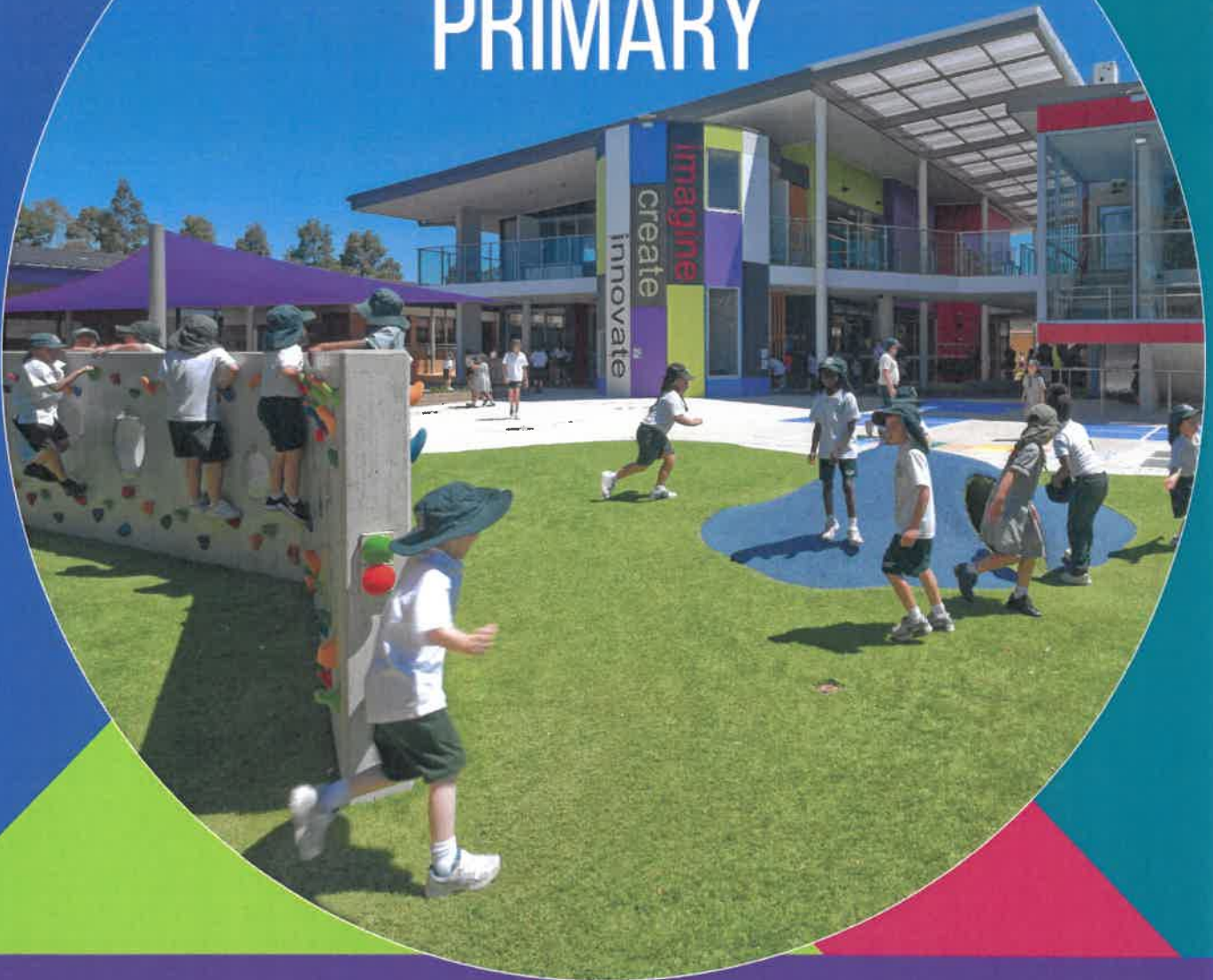
EVERY DAY COUNTS

every learner
every day



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