



Good Shepherd Catholic School

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Vision Statement:

Good Shepherd Catholic School is an inclusive community growing together in faith by living our Catholic values and beliefs. We are guided by catholic Gospel teachings of Jesus Christ, in partnership with parents, caregivers, parish and the wider community. Our school is dedicated to fostering life-long learning through educational excellence encapsulating the spiritual, cognitive, emotional, social and physical development of the child.

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers of Good Shepherd Catholic School



Welcome to Term 2. It certainly has been a very different start to one that we have ever experienced in the past. The end of last term was certainly an empty feeling with hardly any students on site and staff interacting with students who were working at home. Good Shepherd Catholic School was a bit like a ghost town. We have started this term with almost half of our students returning, with the other half working at home. I would like to thank the staff for the outstanding work they have done and continue to do to ensure that our students are learning in these very different times. I would like to remind families that the learning that is being carried out at school is exactly the same as the learning that is expected to be completed at home. I invite any parent or caregivers who are having difficulties with the learning that is being carried out at home to contact their child's teacher.

Normally, as a school community, we would have recognised the events leading up to Easter with whole school activities. Due to COVID-19, this did not happen. As a Parish community, we were unable to gather as a family of believers to celebrate this most sacred time in the Church's calendar. Instead, all Parish Easter celebrations were streamed live. The Parish has continued to do this and if you would like to experience this, please check out the Parish website (<http://www.gslockridge.org.au/Home.aspx>) and access the link to be part of the Eucharistic celebration. Currently, Masses are streamed live from 9:00am each Sunday. I hope all our families had the opportunity to celebrate Easter in some way.

Thank you to all our families who are supporting our new drop off and pick up procedures during this period. We are all aware that it is not perfect however, while we still have restrictions in place, it is the best that we can offer. The school will continue to modify these arrangements to ensure that the students are safe as they arrive and leave school each day. All I ask is that parents and caregivers remain patient.

I would like to remind families that all large gatherings (assemblies, school Masses) are still not able to take place. The easing of restrictions may alter this current position and we will keep families informed of changes as they take place. As I am sure you are all very aware, change can be very rapid, so I ask you to keep an eye out for any emails that are going to be sent out. In a school our size, email is the most effective way of communicating with our families.

Please all stay safe and healthy.

Mark Powell

Principal

A Message From The Executive Director of Catholic Education

28 April 2020

Dear Parents and Caregivers

I wanted to firstly thank you for your strong support of Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA), and especially for our wonderful staff, over the past six weeks. Our system's commitment to a Christ-centred and student-focused education has been at the forefront of our efforts as we have been challenged by and responded to the COVID-19 pandemic.



As you are aware, in alignment with the Western Australian Government's position, from Wednesday 29 April, Catholic schools will reopen. CEWA continues to be in full compliance with the National Cabinet's "COVID-19: National Principles of School Education". [Link to National Principles](#)

Students in Years 11 and 12 are strongly encouraged to attend classes for face-to-face teaching. Parents of children in Years K to 10 have been given the choice as to whether their children attend school or undertake learning from home. Parents are reminded that they should not send their children to school if they are unwell.

Please be assured that the best possible teaching and learning will be offered to all students in Years K to 10, either through on-line learning or the completion of school developed work packs. Any child who attends a Catholic school will be taught and supported in their learning and pastoral welfare by their teachers and education assistants. The same opportunities will be provided to those children who are working from home.

I would like to provide you with some information about the planned transition of Catholic Education Western Australia (CEWA) to full attendance at school by all of our students. We hope that this will occur soon.

CEWA is guided by, and in full compliance with, the COVID-19 National Principles for School Education. In making a final decision regarding the full return by students to schools, the following three considerations will need to be satisfied:

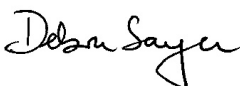
1. Our students and staff must be safe at school.
2. The education provided to all students must be high quality and equitable.
3. Teachers will provide teaching and learning opportunities to students through one mode of delivery.

In determining the achievement of these three conditions, CEWA will undertake a formal review of its current position on Monday 11 May. We will closely monitor the Government's daily health advice, guided by the Chief Health Officer of Western Australia and informed by the Australian Health Protection Principal Committee (AHPPC) [Link to advice](#). We will also continue to plan for the physical, cleaning and hygiene requirements that will be required for a full return by all students to school. Attendance rates will be monitored daily to ensure that we are offering the most effective and appropriate teaching and learning strategies for our students.

I am aware that your principal has recently written to you reaffirming that every child's place in a Catholic school is guaranteed, regardless of a parent's financial situation. Information regarding fee relief and details of the Health Care Card discount scheme have also been provided to you. If you have any concerns with school fees, I strongly encourage you to contact your principal to have a confidential conversation.

I share your strong desire to see our schools return to the vibrant and engaging environments which have always been hallmarks of Catholic Education; where teachers can welcome their students on a daily basis and teaching can be delivered to all children within the rich learning environments of our classrooms.

Yours sincerely



Dr Debra Sayce
Executive Director

School Values

Our Catholic Values underpin all of our 6 school values.
This year our School is focusing on our school value...

Community

We encourage strong partnerships with families to help foster children's development

Birthday's

The following celebrated a birthday over the holidays or this week
We wish them a very **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Lincoln Mort 1W	Ajang Gayo 6B	Nicholas Napier 3B
Tejj Bijadhur PPB	Michael O'Riordan 2W	Myka Laserna 4W
Aiden McCormick 2W	Spencer Hoeden 4B	Anthony Panaiia 5W
Zara Burke KW	Charlie Barlow 1W	Charlotte Morris 2W
Chase Mateljan 5B	Charlotte Talbot 5W	Mannat Hundal 1W
Arielle Joyce Ramilo 2W	Sharon Mufungate 5B	Max Andacic PPB
Indiana McLaughlin 5B	Eva Guerriero KW	Zion Latimer 4B
Charlotte Scobbie 2W	Jiro Nanagas 3W	Mwamba Nonde 4W
Caelan Culleton 1W	Dion Francis 4W	Cahlia Puglisi 6W
Setayesh Yaqubi 6B	Arjun Masuta PPB	Suryansh Shetty 1B
Liliana McGrath 6B	Harlow Kaeding PPB	Vianca Yaneza 2W
Romeo Fisher KB	Samar Khanchi 1B	Dominic Lewis 5B
Ishya Burugucherla 6W	Saoirse O'Riordan PPW	Imogen Greeve KW
Dana Andacic 2W	Fasika Eyayu 4B	Emily Iozzi 1B
Marci Iozzi 1B	Beau Hudson 2B	Khloe Lwarence 4W
Alexis Young 1B	Pearl Anthony 5B	Tara Purkiss KW
Travis Abbott 3B	Devin Dao 6W	Sejal Habib Raghavendra KW
Rosie Burke 1B	Keturah Rebero 3W	Sachin Kalale 6W
David Tran 6W	Alessio D'Andrea 3W	Gialinh Ha KB
Liam Tejero 4B	Connor Black 5W	Mrs Vacarro
Miss Luscombe	Mrs Kusabs	



Faction Points

Maali House:	277
Foley House:	201
Francis House:	230
Noonan House:	243



Term Dates 2020



Term 2	28 April – 3 July
Term 3	20 July – 23 September
Term 4	13 October – 11 December

Camp Australia



So we can care for all students at your school, we do recommend families register an account with us and always book in advance. Why register? To attend our care, parents/guardians must register their child with us by completing an online enrolment form via our parent portal. It's very important that parents/guardians fill out all compulsory enrolment documentation for their child and notify us of any medical conditions, illnesses and other, to ensure the health and safety of all children in our care. Families can register for free at <https://pp.campastralia.com.au/account/register-contacts>

The P & F Page!



Welcome to Term 2, we hope that all our children and families are staying safe and that everyone had a wonderful Easter and a restful break. With a very different looking start to term 2, the P&F has suspended all current planned meetings and activities. Stay tuned for updates via Smartlink, the Newsletter and the P&F Facebook page. Stay Safe Families!

Rebecca D'Andrea
P & F President

Uniform Shop

Only online orders are available until further notice. Please download the Uniform order form from our website, fill in the items you require along with the sizes. (*please see link below*)

You can either send the order form along with the correct money in an envelope marked UNIFORM SHOP or email the order and make payment over the phone. Please call the school office number during **uniform shop hours** and your call can be transferred to the Uniform Shop.

For students at school the order will be sent home via the class teacher. If your child has not yet returned to school you will be notified of a collection time once the order has been processed.

Uniform Shop Trading Hours	
Tuesday	8:15am – 9:15am
Friday	2:15pm – 3:15pm

<http://web.gsl.wa.edu.au/stewardship/school-uniform/>

Canteen

The Canteen is open for the children who are present at school. Please note the revised menu for the interim. We ask parents to write their order on an envelope and place the correct money to avoid handling change. The canteen will be accepting orders for **recess** and **lunch**. Please note, the Menu may change due to stock changes over the next few weeks, however, parents will be informed of any updates as they occur.

<http://web.gsl.wa.edu.au/assets/Uploads/2020-Canteen-Menu-Term-2.pdf>