



## Shalom Christian College

NEWSLETTER 30<sup>th</sup> April 2020

### Message from Director of School Campus

Welcome back to Term 2, one that promises to be different from any other term. Despite the changes, our staff remains committed to ensuring that learning continues for all students whether they are at school or home. Students attending school have worked well, and families at home have done a fantastic job in helping their children complete their learning packs. I appreciate that it is a challenging time, and it is important that our Shalom family stays connected. Our school office is open from 8 am- 4 pm if you need to contact us.

Peace and grace  
Sharyn Ive

### Important School Notice

- Please remember to contact the school if your children are absent or are planning on being absent from school.
- All primary and secondary interschool sports are cancelled until further notice.
- **Remember to provide your child with shoes and socks.**

### Reminder for Headlice!

Please ensure that you are regularly checking your child for headlice. If headlice is detected, please make sure treatment is commence before next school day. This will help stop the spread at school and at home.

### Important Bus Notices

- Due to social distancing measures, bus runs are limited to strictly 3 or 4 students per run.
- This means that your child/ren could possibly be collected for school later than usual. Your patience is appreciated.
- Lastly, due to these changes with the school bus runs, children are unable to be transported to and from school from multiple address. **This is strictly set to one address.**



**I will teach you in a room.  
I will teach you now on Zoom.  
I will teach you in your house.  
I will teach you with a mouse.  
I will teach you here and there.  
I will teach you because I care.  
So just do your very best.  
And do not worry about the rest.**

### Important Dates

4 <sup>th</sup> May	Labor Day (public holiday)
10 <sup>th</sup> May	Mother's Day
26 <sup>th</sup> May	National Sorry Day
27 <sup>th</sup> May	Anniversary 1967 Referendum
27 <sup>th</sup> May - 3 <sup>rd</sup> Jun	National Reconciliation Week



### Chappy's Corner

Welcome back for Term 2! It's been so great to see the kids again in this difficult time. It can be easy to focus on the bad news or lots of change now, but I believe God is wanting us to look ever closer to Him.

He is our strength, and he is in control. He watches over our families. He can give us His Shalom peace each day.

**Psalm 42:8 says,**

**"The Lord will command His loving kindness in the daytime, And in the night His song shall be with me—A prayer to the God of my life."**

The musician who wrote these words was heavy and sad but allowed music and God's love to wash over Him like a wave of the ocean. I'm reminded how blessed we are in Townsville, and like the ocean and rivers surrounding the city is his love and protection if we trust Him. I encourage you to play some songs of worship during this time with your family, let it fill the air of your home.

Praying for refreshed energy and love in each of your families,

Grace and peace,  
Pastor Andy



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## NEWS FROM YEAR 1 CLASSROOM

Year 1 students completing their 'Learning From Home' Packs at school, whilst maintaining social distancing.



### Message from Head of Primary

Hello Everyone,

It's great to be back at Shalom! You can tell I love it – it's my third time here!!

It has been amazing to see so many students at school over the past two weeks. Students have been working so hard and coped very well with the different structures we have had to put in place. Well done students. Well done to those students (and parents) who are learning from home. You are working extra hard too.

Our staff have had to work extra hard. Teachers have been working with students in class and planning work that students staying at home can do – making sure that parents and students understand what they are supposed to do when there is no teacher right there. Our Youth Workers have been working in class and doing double bus runs so that we can keep students safe through social distancing measures. Our office staff have been making and taking phone calls, making sure we have everything we need, helping students and staff with all the jobs that need doing. Our grounds look beautiful because of the hard work our grounds and maintenance staff do. And Ms. Jo has been cooking up a storm and making sure everyone gets fed.

In times where everything is so uncertain, it's great to see everyone working together so our students have the best experience they can. Effective schools come from partnerships – home, school and community. Thanks to everyone.

Mary McClure  
Head of Primary

### Coronavirus/COVID-19

Please be assured that a range of strategies are in practice to reduce transmission, including the promotion of personal hygiene measures (handwashing, reducing face contact, cough etiquette), physical distancing, reducing mass gatherings (for example school assemblies, and reduced after school activities and inter-school activities).

As always, the health and wellbeing of your children, and our staff remains our number one priority. Shalom Christian College will continue to take advice from Queensland Health and the Department of Education in relation to this matter and the latest information is available at [novel coronavirus](#) on the Queensland Health website. Shalom Christian College have now implemented temperature testing daily for everyone. This will take place before jumping on the school bus, children will need to read 37.5 or below to attend school. Any child's readings over 37.5 degrees will be asked to stay home.



### Upcoming Birthdays this month!



21 <sup>st</sup> Apr	Iona Coolwell
24 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Larkeesha Lenoy
24 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Martina Riley
25 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Zac Noble
11 <sup>th</sup> May	Oshae Price-McGilvary

The MORE  
that you read,  
the MORE things  
you will know.  
The MORE that you  
LEARN,  
the MORE places you'll go.



Don't forget Mother's Day next  
Sunday 10th May 2020

Answer for last newsletter: I am a Rainbow!

**What am I?**

I'm tall when I'm young. I'm short  
when I'm old. What am I?

Answer will be in the next newsletter!

