



Shalom Christian College

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Message from Director of School Campus

It is hard to believe that we are at the end of Week 8. The past week has been a big one with Reconciliation week and Pyjama Day on Friday. It was great to see so many staff and students dress up and join in the fun. Also, I am pleased that the high school students are making their healthy breakfast in the new kitchen each morning.

I look forward to inviting our families to see the new facilities and have the students cook for them. In the next two weeks, our students will be busy with assessments, so they must get plenty of sleep and come to school every day.

I wish them luck and look forward to reading their report cards at the end of the term.

Peace and grace
Sharyn Ive

Important Dates

27 th May - 3 rd Jun	National Reconciliation Week
3 rd Jun	Mabo Day
25 th Jun	Last day of term
20 th July	First day of term 3

Please and Thank-you!!

If your child has a blocked up or runny nose, sore throat, headache, earache or feels unwell – PLEASE keep them at home during the current climate, this is best for everyone.

Thank you to everyone who participated in last week's Pyjama Party – it was a great day!!



Chappy's Corner

"Rejoice with those who rejoice; weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with one another..."

Paul writes these powerful and challenging words in Romans 12:15-16.

Our school is blessed and filled with God's love and the joy of all our kids smiles and laughter each day – we rejoice in that!

But we have been also deeply aware all week of Sunday's tragic news of the four teenagers who lost their lives in a car crash. As a community we weep and grieve this loss, and our prayers are with all friends and family. Feel free to reach out for support or prayer.

I also had the pleasure to attend the peaceful "Black Lives Matter" protest at The Strand last Saturday (see picture above). This was a powerful time where First Nations people of each generation shared their stories, heart and pain of decades of injustice. It is certainly a unique time in history, with so many standing up to be heard.

At Shalom we want to listen, and we seek to walk in harmony together.

Blessings,
Pastor Andy



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NEWS FROM YEAR 7/8 CLASSROOM

Year 8 Lyriah

The start to term 2 has been slow due to Covid-19. I was really excited to come back to school because when I was being home-schooled, it was boring and there was nothing to do but when I came back it was warm and welcoming. Me and my sister were shame at first but then later we got used to it. Ms. Archie was who we missed the most and Jakaia.

Year 7 Jakaia

Term 2 has been really slow, due to Covid-19. At times it was really boring. It took a long time to get back to normal because of the home-schooling. It's great doing proper classes and seeing everyone again. It's also nice to have breakfast club every morning.



Message from Head of Primary

Hello Everyone,

I have been talking to several students this week around the importance of being able to make good choices. It's not always easy for children and young people to see all the consequences of their actions so it is our job as the adults in their lives to help and guide them with this and show them what good choices are.

Younger students can make choices about what they eat, for example "Would you like an apple or a banana"? Older students can make choices around what activities they choose to do, which sports they play – and as adults our job is to help them see the benefits or potential problems with those things, so they are well equipped.

As parents and as teachers, there are some non-negotiables and there are some choices which we still need to make for our children. These things might include bedtime, computer time, when to do specific tasks (work), what time to be home from a friend's place etc. They still need us to show them how to manage these things. And, of course, the best way is to show them how to make great choices!

Peace and blessings to you all.

Mary McClure
Head of Primary

Upcoming Birthdays this month!



10 th June	DJ Wilson
11 th June	Aurora Williams
13 th June	Ossie Palmer-Poynter
21 st June	Darwin Wilson
24 th June	Anthony Barry

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.

An updated Tuck Shop list will be in the next Newsletter!

Answer for last newsletter: I am the **Post Office!**

What am I?

Please be patient, I'm new to the world. I cry a lot, please give me milk. Everyone smiles at me, please pick me up. What am I?

Answer will be in the next newsletter!

"Believe you can, and you are halfway there."

Colour me in!



Head lice – did you know?



Feeling Unsafe?



GO & TELL

EVERY STUDENT HAS THE RIGHT TO FEEL SAFE.

Sometimes you may feel unsafe around adults or other students at school or away from school.

IF YOU DO NOT FEEL SAFE THERE ARE THINGS YOU CAN DO:

We all have the right to feel safe all of the time

Nothing is so awful that we cannot talk about it with someone



Talk to someone who you can trust

TELL... TELL... TELL! Until someone hears YOU!

Talk to these people if you feel unsafe at school or away from school



TELL AN ADULT YOU TRUST

REMEMBER - NOTHING IS SO AWFUL THAT YOU CANNOT TALK ABOUT IT WITH SOMEONE.

SOME OF THE PEOPLE YOU MIGHT CHOOSE:

- ✓ THE PRINCIPAL
- ✓ A TEACHER
- ✓ A COUNSELLOR
- ✓ A PARENT
- ✓ SAFE PERSON

REMEMBER EVERY STUDENT HAS THE RIGHT TO FEEL SAFE ALL THE TIME!

The people I can

talk to in my school are:



Miss Ive
Head of School



Pastor Andy
Pastor



Miss McClure
Head of Primary

If you don't get the help you need at first, don't give up! Keep reporting your concerns until something is done and you feel safe again.