



# Good Shepherd Primary School News Update

24th June  
The Nativity of  
St John the Baptist



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Term 2 concludes:  
Friday, 25th June

Term 3 commences:  
Monday, 12th July

Term 3 concludes:  
Thursday, 16th September

Term 2

Week 10

Tuesday, 22nd June, 2021

Dear Parents and Guardians

We are now at the end of term two and we have been so happy to be able to bring back many of our normal school events. It was especially pleasing to see the Year 1 children go on their first excursion as they missed out last year. We have been able to have excursions, Mothers' Day liturgy, Athletics carnival and parent teacher meetings. I think for the children the disco was the most exciting. Thank you to our Parent group who organised the event. They spent a lot of time and effort making sure that there were suitable "glow products" and food for the children. It was a great night and it was lovely to see the children dancing and smiling and having fun.

Lets hope and pray that we are able to continue with our small steps returning to normal school life.

Please keep up to date with the NSW Health website over the holiday period to see if there are any changes.

I hope you are all able to enjoy the school holidays – even if as parents you don't get time off, you might enjoy not having to prepare lunches and uniforms!

Once again thank you parents and guardians for your support throughout term two. It is very much appreciated by the staff at Good Shepherd Primary.

*Patricia Carr*

Tricia Carr  
Principal

## Year 1 Excursion to Sydney Zoo

Arianne from 1G: "I loved seeing the koalas in the tress while they were sleeping. They were so cute."

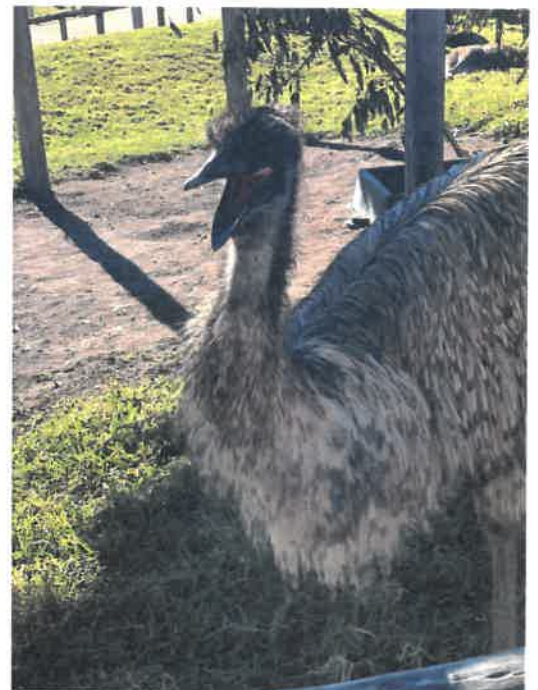
Isaac from 1G: "I liked going on the big bus, seeing the emu and the penguins."

Mitchell from 1R: "I loved seeing the monkeys. They play a lot and are very funny."

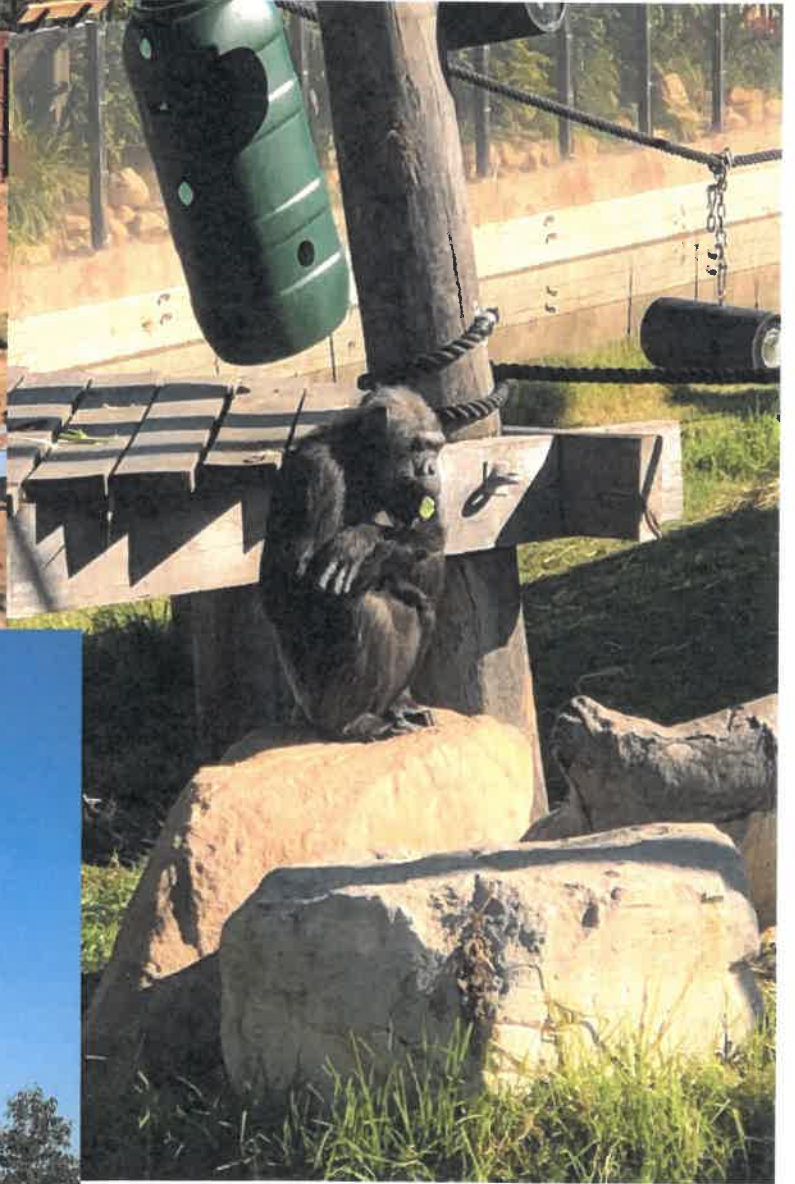
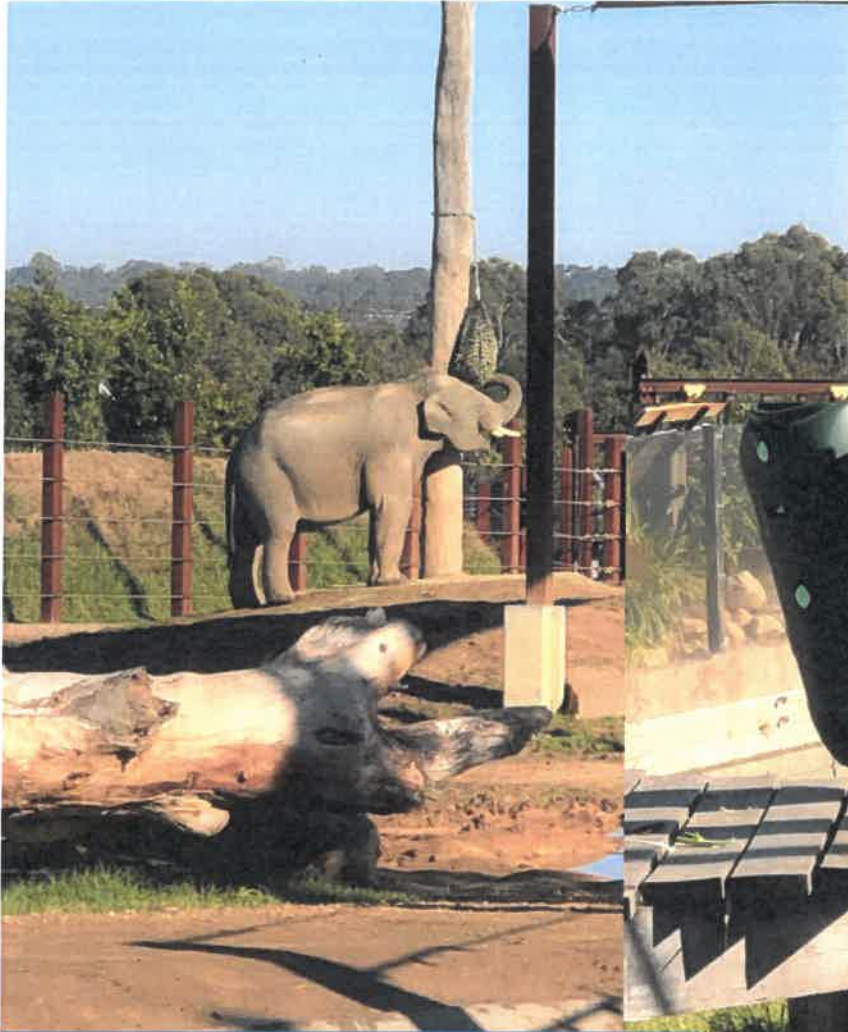
Tahlia from 1R: "The meerkats run really fast."

Jed from 1W: "My favourite part of going to the zoo was seeing the elephants eat with their trunks."

Mahan from 1W: "I liked seeing the big crocodile. He had big eyes."



# Year 1 Excursion to Sydney Zoo



## School Winter Disco

A very big thank you to our Parent Group for organising a fantastic Winter School Disco last week and to our staff who supervised. A great evening was enjoyed by many.



## Year 1 Jungle Day



## Upcoming Events

### Week 10:

Friday, 25th June: NAIDOC Day School Celebrations

Friday, 25th June: Last Day of Term 2

### Term 3:

Monday, 12th July: Term 3 commences

## Term 2 School Fees

Final day for payments to the school office will be Thursday 24th June

Also would you please finalise your school fees account for term 2 as these are now overdue. If you are experiencing difficulty with the payment of school fees, please contact Mrs Haywood on 9836 7100 to discuss methods that we can support families with, such as establishing payment plans. Thank you.



## Kindergarten 2022 Enrolments

Enrolment Application forms for Kindergarten 2022 are available from the School Office. Please call in and pick up an enrolment pack. Parents, if you already have a child at Good Shepherd, you will still need to submit an Enrolment Form for any new siblings for 2022.



## eSafety Webinar for Parents/Carers

Please refer to the attached letter regarding the eSafety Webinar which is scheduled for Thursday 24th June 2021, 12.30 pm - 1.30 pm. You will need to click on the link below to register:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/4137910171894370572>



## 2021 Term Dates

Term 2 concludes: this coming Friday, 25 June

Term 3 commences: Monday, 12th July

Term 3 concludes: Thursday, 16th September

Term 4 commences: Wednesday, 6 October

Term 4 concludes: Wednesday, 15th December

## 2021 Staff Development Days (Pupil Free Days)

Term 2: Friday, 11th June 2021

Term 3: Friday, 17th September 2021

Term 4: Tuesday, 5th October and Thursday 16th December

Please note the Staff Development Days for Term 4 are Tuesday 5th October and Thursday, 16th December. Students last day for Term 4 2021 will be Wednesday 15th December.

## Social Skill of the Week

*"Maintain eye contact when speaking to someone"*

## 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.

## Carpark Safety

Dear Parents, just a friendly reminder to be vigilant when driving, parking and walking with your children. There are a lot of students and families around at both commencement and dismissal times and care needs to be taken for everyone's safety. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



## Student Supervision

As you know it is a priority at Good Shepherd Primary School to keep every child safe. Teachers have a duty of care to supervise children both in class and on the playground. This **supervision commences at 8.10 am each morning**. Prior to then no child should be dropped off at school. Similarly afternoon supervision of children concludes at 3.15 pm. **All children must be picked up by this time.**

It is vital that parents seek a safe, supervised environment whilst they are away at work. It is not the responsibility of school staff to provide before and after school care whilst parents are at work. School staff have their own personal and professional responsibilities to attend to in out of school hours. Thank you for your support with 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	Maylisa Ah Mann	KG	Maddison Bennell
KR	Dorian Pena	KW	Ethan Vitek
1G	Grace Yalan	1R	David Haufano
1W	Benjamin Burke		
2B	Alyce Ma'asi	2G	Aayara Patel
2R	Harry Pender	2W	Rivash Uprey
3B	Loleta Taungakava	3G	Nate Glover
3R	Ireanna Tanaki	3W	Aiden Lees
4B	Belinda Gama	4G	Nikil Kumar
4R	Malia Tupou	4W	Jesse Taylor
5B	Ruby Cornish	5G	Gabriel Burke
5R	Makayla-Anne De Guia	5W	Seraphina Vaasili
6B	Kyeesha Narayan	6G	Ehije Momoh
6R	Jarred Mercado	6W	Camille Ebuenga

### Sincere Condolences

Sincere Condolences to the Gale family (Taylor 3W and James KW) on the passing of their Great Grandmother Grace. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers during this very sad time.



### Skoolbag App—keep up to date with latest news from school !!

Free "Alerts" and more to your mobile phone .....

Did you know that you can receive "Alerts" to your mobile phone for free? This is very handy to have and will keep you updated on "last minute" changes or reminders to School events. The App is called "Skoolbag" and to install this free App on your iPhone or Android phone, this is what you do: Simply search for Good Shepherd School Plumpton in the App Store on your phone, PC or Mac and install. **After the App is installed on your phone, make sure that you select "OK" to allow Alert notifications. Also click on "more" then "Setup" and select which categories you would like to receive Alerts for.**

For those that have Android phones, simply search our school "Good Shepherd School Plumpton" and install. **After the app is installed click on "more" then "Setup" and select which categories you would like to receive Alerts for.**

### 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.

### Evacuation Drill

This afternoon, staff and students participated in a routine evacuation drill. These drills are an important part of fulfilling the school's safety requirements.

The children are to be congratulated for the sensible manner in which they participated in the evacuation drill. Thank you,

Mr Paul Battikha  
Assistant Principal

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.

## Winter Uniform for Terms 2 & 3

Dear Parents, please note the following uniform requirements for Terms 2 & 3.

### School Uniform

#### Girls:

School Uniform Checked Tunic  
White Long Sleeve Blouse  
Checked Scissor Tie  
Green Hair Ribbons  
Grey Tights or Grey Socks  
Black School Shoes **NOT Black Joggers**  
Green Zip-Up Jacket  
School Uniform Hat

### School Uniform

#### Boys:

Black Long Pants  
White Long Sleeve Shirt  
Green Zip-Up Jacket  
Black Socks  
Black School Shoes **NOT Black Joggers**  
School Checked Tie  
School Uniform Hat

### Sports Uniform

#### Girls:

White Polo Shirt with School Emblem  
Bottle Green Shorts  
Bottle Green Tracksuit Uniform  
Predominantly White Joggers/Sneakers  
A White Skivvy (colder weather)  
White Socks  
School Uniform Hat

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The correct school uniform should be worn at all times, in order to maintain expectations. If, for any reason, a child is unable to wear any part of the correct uniform, a note should be sent to your child's class teacher. Parents who have difficulty securing uniforms for their children please make an appointment with Mrs Carr, Principal, to discuss options. **THE SCHOOL HAT IS AN ESSENTIAL ITEM OF SCHOOL UNIFORM. THE WEARING OF THE SCHOOL HAT IS COMPULSORY.**



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## Term 2 2021 eSafety Webinars for Parents/Carers

Dear Parents/Carers

Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta (CEDP) sees parents and carers as partners in your child's learning journey. In partnership with the eSafety Commissioner, CEDP would like to invite you to join the following free webinar for parents and carers:

*eSafety's guide to parental controls* - Thursday 24 June 2021, 12:30 -1.30 pm

This live webinar explores the latest research and is a great way to learn how you can help your child develop the skills to be safer online. The session is delivered by the eSafety Commission's expert educators.

### About the webinar

*eSafety's guide to parental controls*

This webinar will look at how parents and carers can set up devices and apps to help kids and young people stay safe online. It is designed for parents and carers of children aged 4-13. It will cover:

- the benefits and limitations of parental controls
- how to set up iOS and Android devices for safety
- how to set up popular games and apps like YouTube and Roblox for safety
- using family tech agreements and other parenting strategies to manage online risks
- how eSafety can help when things go wrong.

### What you need to do

Please register for the course on the secondary site via the following link:

- 24 June 2021 session - [link to register](#)

If you have any further enquiries please email [safeguarding@parra.catholic.edu.au](mailto:safeguarding@parra.catholic.edu.au).

Yours sincerely

Patricia Carr  
Principal



# GOOD SHEPHERD PRIMARY PLUMPTON

Enrolling now

for 2022

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[www.gsplumpton.catholic.edu.au](http://www.gsplumpton.catholic.edu.au)





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Dear Families of Good Shepherd School,

2021

## **BUILDING CHILD SAFE COMMUNITIES – FORMS & TRAINING FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS!**

'Building Child Safe Communities' is an initiative developed by Catholic Education Diocese of Parramatta that enhances our commitment to ensuring the safety and wellbeing of all students in our care.

If you are volunteering to our school, please follow the procedures below to complete the online forms.

It is now a requirement that all volunteers and contractors complete an online undertaking form that confirms expectations in relation to behaviour whilst volunteering or contracting at schools, Catholic Out of Schools Hours Care and Catholic Early Learning Centres. This undertaking form also seeks to determine the suitability of volunteers and contractors by requiring them to declare that they do not have a criminal history involving children.

Please start your volunteer registration here.

<https://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/About-Us/Building-Child-Safe-Communities>

### START YOUR TRAINING

- [BCSC Undertaking Form and Training Module for Volunteers and Contractors](#)
- The purpose of this module is to inform you of the standards of behaviour and other requirements that must be adhered to when delivering services to children and students.
- The undertaking should take no more than **5 minutes** to complete and the training module approximately **15 minutes**.
- Once the form and training modules are submitted an automated email will be sent to you within 24 hours to confirm the status of your submission.
- The undertaking form will expire within 2 years or when your WWCC expires (if applicable) whichever is sooner. At this time you will need to complete the Undertaking form and training module again. You will receive an automatic reminder email when this occurs.

You will receive a confirmation email once the form has been submitted. Your details are maintained confidentially in a central database and a copy of your confirmation is emailed to the location where you are volunteering.

Thank you for assisting us in keeping our children and community safe.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Patricia Carr". The signature is written in a cursive style with a horizontal line underlining the name.

**Mrs Patricia Carr**  
**Principal**