

LIGHTHOUSE CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

# LANTERN

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## OUR FIRST EVER YEAR 6 LEADERS

History was made this year as we had our first Year 6 Leadership Induction Parade to celebrate our newly elected Year 6 leaders.

## PRIMARY TO SECONDARY

Our school strives to make transitioning from Primary to Secondary a smooth and enjoyable one.

## HARMONY DAY CELEBRATION

Our school celebrated Australian multiculturalism in our school community focusing on inclusiveness and cultural diversity.



# FROM THE PRINCIPAL

by **PRINCIPAL BLAIR HARP**

**D**ear LCS Family,  
We were overjoyed to commence the academic year here at Lighthouse with a considerable number of new staff and students. Again, this year our school enrolment has continued to increase. To cater for this additional student growth, and to maintain a strong level of support, we have engaged eight

new full and part time staff. Each have further strengthened our team with their heart, skill and commitment. Our sixty staff members are grateful to God for this opportunity to serve families in pursuit of the Lighthouse Christian School Mission, that is:

*To educate and train up a child in the principles of Godly living in an atmosphere*

*that glorifies our Lord Jesus Christ, utilising a high quality and systematic curriculum, and integrates Christian principles and a biblical world view.*

Our current growth trajectory and our vision to become a double-streamed P-12 Christian School of intentional excellence by 2025, has required us to re-consider our school's organisational structure going forward.

As a result, the school and the school board chair made the decision to create a new Head of Primary position from the commencement of the 2021 Academic Year. Our Curriculum and Learning Coordinator (P-6), Jasmin Smyth, has been appointed to this role. Jasmin first joined the Lighthouse team in 1994, the very first year of the school's operation, as a Y2-3-4 teacher. Since then, she has served as a teacher in years 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7, as Literacy Coach, and more recently a Year 1 teacher and Curriculum Coordinator. All four of her children are or have been Lighthouse attendees.

As part of the school's leadership team, Mrs Smyth's focus is on the systematic delivery of curriculum, the implementation of effective pedagogical practices, the development of an expert teaching team and the analysis of student performance data to identify and action the most important next steps for student learning in the primary school. We congratulate Jasmin on this appointment.

Our building program continues to progress. Shortly, our Prep Precinct will commence in readiness for the 2022 school year. An additional outdoor covered teaching space has also been designed with construction expected to commence within twelve months. Our transport fleet continues to expand with

a new mini bus arriving within weeks.

Again in 2021, Lighthouse has developed an intentional and articulate School Improvement Agenda that focuses on LCS school staff developing excellence in Effective Pedagogical (Teaching) Practice. Our school systems for teacher coaching and development continue to ensure a range of high yield, effective, evidence-based strategies are embedded across all Prep to Year 12 classrooms every day.

**In 2021, our School Improvement priorities include:**

Priority One: Excellence in Teaching Practice:

- Explicit Instruction as the signature pedagogy.
- Feedback for Students: written and verbal.

Priority Two: Intentional Instructional Leadership:

- School-wide data collection and analysis.
- Whole school curriculum planning.
- Staff performance development planning.

Priority Three: Inclusivity by Design and Intent:

- Whole school well-being and resilience program.
- Expanded school camping and student leadership program.

Our work across these areas is rigorous. Student free days, weekly staff meetings and our coaching and mentoring programs ensure we as a staff are continuing to develop our teaching capabilities.

We trust you enjoy reading this edition

of the Lantern, which informs and celebrates the highlights of Term One at LCS! We thank God for His hand upon us in our journey.

Looking forward to seeing you in and around our school throughout the year.

*"Let no man despise thy youth, but be thou an example of the believers, in work, in conversation, in charity, in spirit, in faith, in purity."*

Blair Harp ■



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# A MESSAGE FROM PASTOR JOHN

by **PASTOR JOHN BUCHHOLZ**  
School Pastoral Leader

**D**ear Friends,  
Are not two sparrows sold for a farthing? and one of them shall not fall on the ground without your Father. (Matthew 10:29)

What a joy it is to know we serve a God who loves and cares for us daily. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose. (Romans 8:28) He truly walks before us in all circumstances.

Amidst the spread of the coronavirus (COVID-19), the world faces uncertain

times. However, we know our Lord is still in control of all things. As you face each new day, remember to Trust in the LORD with all thine heart: and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths. (Proverbs 3:5-6)

The staff continues to take safety precautions, as we endeavour to serve you.

Each of you are in my prayers during these times of turmoil. By faith, take comfort in the words found in Matthew 10:31, Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows.

Leaning on the arms of our Lord Jesus,  
Pastor John ■

# Homework Club



All grades · Mon-Fri (except Tues) Primary: 3:00pm - 4:00pm Secondary: 3:15pm-4:15pm · FREE  
ACADEMICS | SPIRITUAL GROWTH | SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL DEVELOPMENT | PHYSICAL DEVELOPMENT



# HARMONY DAY CELEBRATION

by **RUTH CLEMENTE**  
School Event Co-ordinator

**H**ola! Bonjour! Ni Hao! Kamusta! Hello! Greetings from all around the world! No matter how we say "Hello!", each and every greeting matters and makes a difference.

On 19th of March 2021, our school took part in Harmony Week and gathered together in unity as a school for Harmony Day Celebrations. It was a time for our school to celebrate Australian multiculturalism in our school community focusing on inclusiveness and cultural diversity.

Our students had an awesome time participating in colouring and poster making about "Everyone Belongs," Multicultural March in their cultural dress, looking for Wally as he travelled all around the world of decorated

classrooms, and finishing it off by enjoying the amazing variety of cultural foods prepared by our Year 10 Hospitality Team.

Students looked stunning dressed in their cultural attire recognising and embracing the wide and diverse culture in our school community. By students representing their cultural backgrounds, more of them had the opportunity to meet other people in our school of similar cultural background to them.

The Year 1/2 class - Mrs. Bosomworth and Mrs. Smyth won the Classroom Decorating Competition after decorating their class as France from the continent of Europe. They had a Light up Eiffel Tower and café de Paris in their classroom, how amazing is that! Their

class enjoyed pizza for lunch.

We would like to thank Domino's Glenmore for their generous donation towards this event. A big compliment and congratulations to all the other classes for their remarkable participation in decorating their classrooms. ■

Almost half of Australians were either born overseas or have a parent who was

**MORE THAN 7.5 MILLION PEOPLE HAVE MIGRATED TO AUSTRALIA SINCE 1945**

We identify with around 300 ancestries



*Psalms 133:1*

*"Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!"*

*Psalms 117:1*

*"O praise the Lord, all ye nations: praise him, all ye people."*



**EVERYONE BELONGS**



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# 2 SENIOR LEADERS



by **ALICE BAKSS**  
Deputy Principal

The Senior Leaders of 2021 commenced their final year of schooling focused and motivated. We were really encouraged with the number of students who nominated themselves for the role of School Captain and Vice Captain, particularly the number of young men. All of the nominees did an excellent job both presenting themselves to the secondary students and also communicating their vision for Lighthouse in 2021. Excerpts from their speeches can be found below.

Though all were very worthy contenders, it was our pleasure to introduce both our Captains and Vice Captains to the school community at our own Leadership Induction, and then the Rockhampton

community at the TCC Senior Leaders Induction.

**The Lighthouse Christian School Senior Leaders for 2021 are:**

**Captains:** Piper Bailey & Jeremy Reed

**Vice Captains:** Maddison Blucher & Joshua Bosomworth

We're very excited, not just because of our Captains and Vice Captains, but also because our Year 12 cohort this year are a group of change makers; a well-oiled team with clear goals and a shared vision of what their Senior year will be like. We are looking forward to working with them and celebrating their accomplishments at the end of the year.



## Piper Bailey - Captain

It has become very common in our day and age for people in leadership positions to seek power rather than opportunities of humble service. Therefore, as a leader, I know that I must treat others with respect, care for their needs rather than my own and seek what is best for them. This is the best example of "servant leadership" that Jesus has displayed over and over again. Servant leadership is what equips others to succeed as there is genuine investment in the growth of those they serve. So, just like Jesus led in leadership by love for the Father, I intend to do the same.

Honestly, I'm not perfect, I have sinned, and I always feel like I fall short of God's grace, but God continues to remind me that He's nowhere near finished with me yet and I have so much more to come. I hope I can make Lighthouse a comfortable place for all of you. I hope I can be a good influence on you all. I hope to be able to contribute and join in school sports with you all. I hope I can join in worship with you, in growth through academics and social and emotional development. I hope I can meet and genuinely come to know all of you but most importantly, I hope I can help lead you to the Lord.

Obviously, everyone receives help from the people who have gone before, the people who stand alongside, and the people who follow. No one is self-made and good leaders know they can't take full credit for their success. So, as I go along throughout this year, I do promise that I won't give myself all the glory, but I will give praise to those who have helped me get to the place that I am today, and will continue to shine the light Jesus has placed inside of me.

## Jeremy Reed - Captain

I believe that part of the role of being this school's captain will be to encourage our students to be more Christ centred as the Bible says in **Matthew 6:33** "*But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and his righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.*"

I want our school to be unified under God and it can only be done by building relationships that will result in us all going in the same direction. I think that the diversity in our school puts us in a special place to be able to learn from each other so that we will benefit the school as the Bible states that we should strive to understand each other.

**1 Corinthians 13:4-7** "*Charity suffereth long, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up, doth not behave itself unseemly, seeketh not her own, is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil; Rejoiceth not in iniquity, but rejoiceth in the truth; Beareth all things, believeth all things, hopeth all things, endureth all things.*"

I completely agree with our school's direction in striving for excellence in everything we do. I pledge to work together with the teaching body to strive in the same direction. It is important that we learn as a school to respect firstly God, secondly ourselves and of course each other. I strongly believe that leadership is more than just wearing a badge it is a responsibility which I will take seriously in leading this student body. ■



# WELCOME TO OUR LCS FAMILY!



## **NICOLE DEED** Primary Teacher | Year 2

What a privilege it is to be serving the Lord in a Christian school again! After a lengthy career break raising my own 5 children, God has called me to Lighthouse and this time my children have all come with me. Relocating from the bush to the beach we have been welcomed into the Lighthouse community with open arms and feel truly blessed to be here. I'm excited to be part of this dedicated and inspiring team and to see how the Lord's plans unfold in this community.



## **JESSIE HARDING** Secondary Teacher | Year 7

I graduated from CQU in 2016 with a Bachelor of Learning Management (Early Childhood). My teaching journey began with working for Catholic Education for three years, teaching a range of year levels in the early years and upper primary. Last year I taught Kindergarten at Natural Wonders Early Learning. This is my first time teaching high school and I am very excited to see what opportunities God will present to me through this. My time so far at Lighthouse has been so wonderful and I can't wait to see what the rest of the year brings. I feel so blessed to be part of the Lighthouse team.

## **ASHLEE BOSOMWORTH** Teacher Aide | Primary

My name is Ashlee Bosomworth and I am a 2020 graduate of Lighthouse Christian School. I attended the school all my life and in the beginning I thought I couldn't wait to get out of school. My initial plans were to go to University and work full time at a sushi place. Nevertheless God's plans were different. Most of the people around me know that I never used to be the kind of person who would take up such a role as teacher aide. However, last year the Lord really pressed on my heart that I should come back. Initially I ignored it because the thought was so out there and was something I would never have thought of. After a while the more I ignored it the louder the conviction and the voice of the Lord was. I knew in my heart that in 2020 I never got the opportunity to help and give back to the Lighthouse community because of Covid-19 but I saw coming back would allow me to impact the community and give back. So I decided to ask to come back and in the end I did. I'm so glad that I came on board since I truly work with some of the best people in the world. My heart for others has also been impacted by me working here and love being able to influence the kids at this school who need nothing more than to know the Lord. All in all I have no regrets with following what the Lord put on my heart and am honoured to work at Lighthouse.



## **RAYNA LAWSON** Secondary Teacher | Art

An awesome opportunity arose, initiating our move from rural Central Highlands to Rockhampton this year. I was excited to accept a new role with the Lighthouse Christian School as a Visual Arts Teacher. I have taught in a number of different school settings across the public, private and Christian environments in many different roles over the past fourteen years. I am a Graphic Designer by trade and have spent the last twelve years with my husband and two children living in the outback on a large cattle property. We have been blessed with our transition, in that Lighthouse Christian School staff have been welcoming and supportive. Our children have settled right into their new primary classes, making new friends and enjoying the Christian environment. They have adapted well coming from a school of 34 students to a classroom of about 22 students in each grade. God has guided us on this journey and we are truly thankful for the path God has placed us on. Our family are truly thankful to God for our role with the Lighthouse family and community, for our children's education and for myself, in facilitating knowledge and inspiring learning experiences for Visual Arts and Technology students embarked on their Christian educational journey with Lighthouse Christian School.





## **JESSICA BELL**

**Teacher Aide | Secondary**

I was born and bred in Darwin, Northern Territory. Moved to Rockhampton, QLD after year 12 to study Bachelor in Performing Arts. I moved to Brisbane for 2 years where I worked and performed in various theatre productions, one being Cats; where I was one of the lead roles. I then decided to travel overseas. I travelled around Europe and USA and decided to study film and television at the New York Conservatory of Dramatic Arts and moved to New York City. I then moved back to Australia and met my now husband. I worked as a TA at two other schools in Rockhampton, one being a distance education school. We have been attending Lighthouse Baptist Church since 2015 and feel part of such a beautiful community. Both our children are enrolled and attend Lighthouse Christian School and now myself working as a TA. It is a blessing to be part of a wonderful community. We feel very supported and loved and look forward to what 2021 brings.

## **SARA LIMPUS**

**Teacher Aide | Primary**

This is my first year working at Lighthouse. I am especially blessed to be working as a Teacher Aide in Year 1B. I love working in a school with such lovely staff, students, parents and guardians. I also enjoy this opportunity to develop my knowledge and skills in education as I am completing my Bachelor of Education at CQU.



## **ATIPA MUCHIRAHONDO**

**Secondary Teacher | English**

Joining Lighthouse Christian School as Year 8 and Year 9 English teacher has been a big testimony and answered prayer for me. The greater part of my teaching career has been in Christian schools and I have witnessed how children can grow spiritually in such an environment and making a huge difference to society even after they leave school. I am grateful that, once again God has allowed me this priceless opportunity to work in such an environment where I can positively impact the lives of future generations everyone would want to see. I have a passion working with students and it is my prayer that God gives me the strength and ability to fully achieve that which He has placed me at Lighthouse Christian School for.

## **KRISTY BAXTER**

**Teacher Aide | Secondary**

What a privilege it is to be joining the Lighthouse Christian School staff community. Our family has been part of the school community since 2019 when my eldest started prep. Lighthouse was an easy choice for us as we desired a school with a strong Christian world view and caring staff, we have not been disappointed. Having previously worked as a school Chaplin in both primary and high schools, I'm looking forward to continued work with the students at LCS. I have a passion to see young people reach their full potential and become resilient, compassionate young adults.



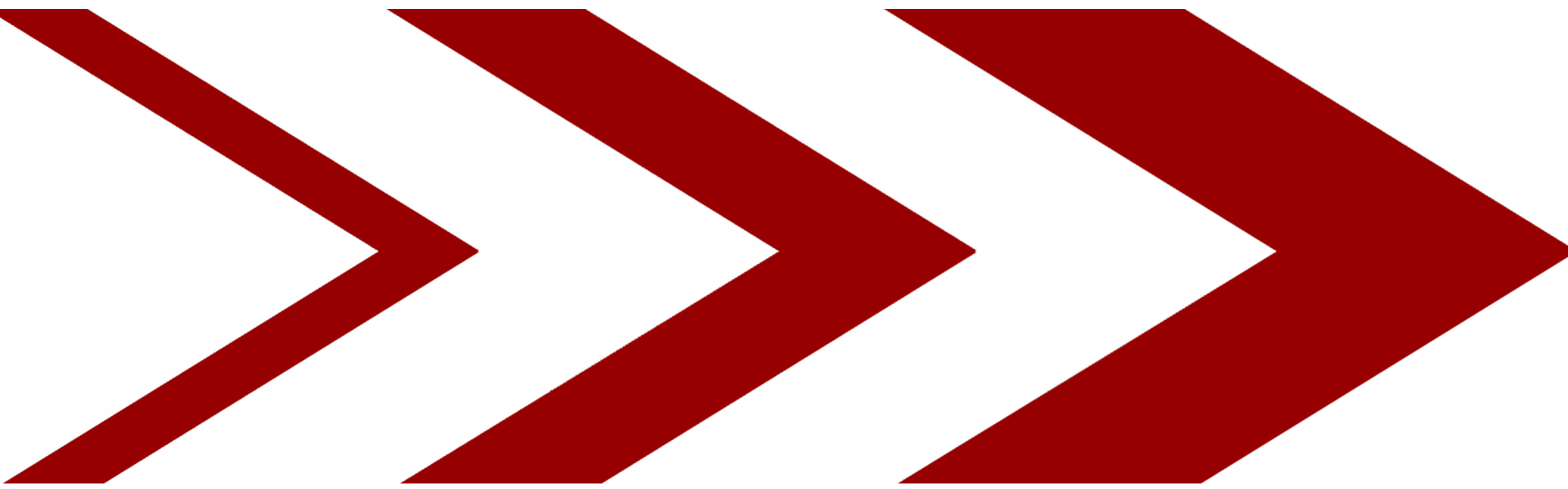




# COLOUR & SLIME

# FUN RUN





# PRIMARY TO SECONDARY

## A SMOOTH TRANSITION...

by **BLAIR HARP & ALICE BAKSS**  
Principal & Deputy Principal

One of the things you should notice when you enter just about any classroom on our campus are the data walls, particularly the mapping of student progression data for literacy and numeracy. As a school, one of our strategic goals is to ensure that all students are improving and the tool we use to measure this is by gathering continual data from NAPLAN style testing.

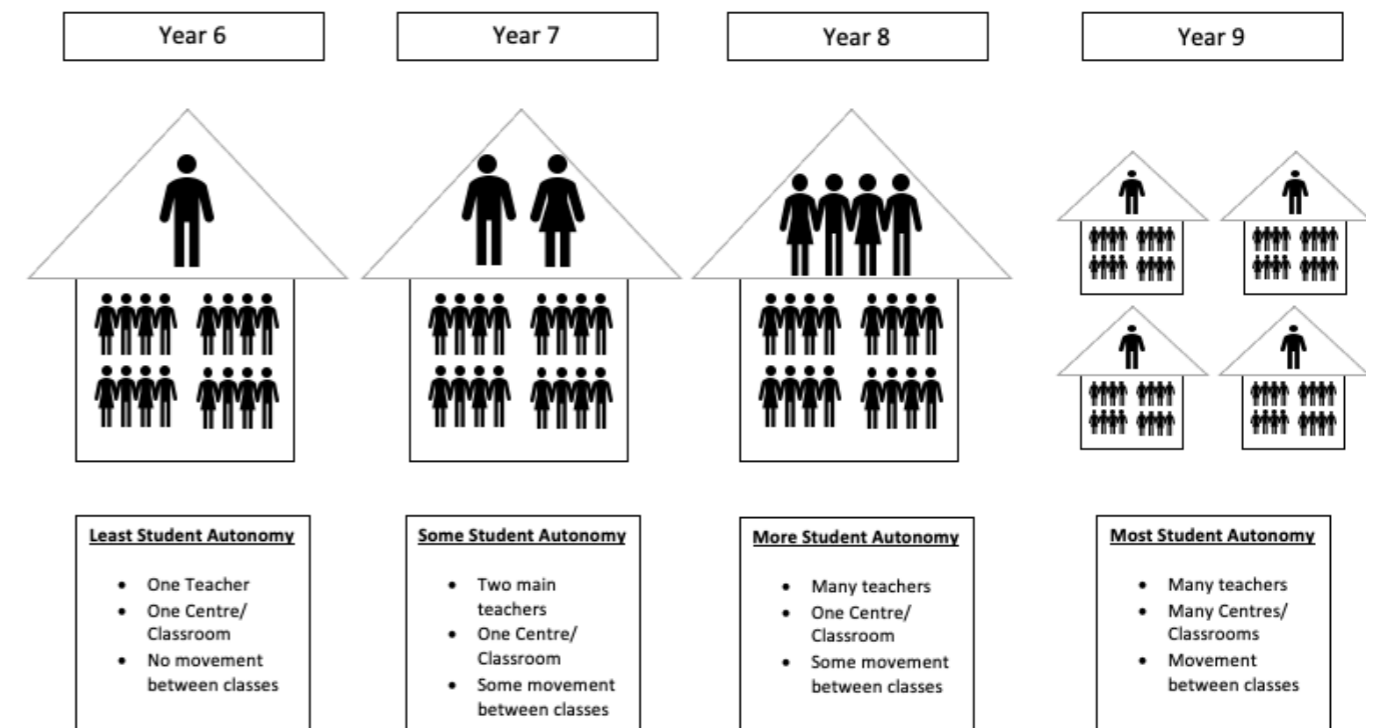
In recent years, Lighthouse has been identified as the most improved school in Rockhampton after the NAPLAN results were collected and analysed, and this is in no small part due to our focus on data to make informed decisions on the next most important learning goal for your child. This analysis of NAPLAN

results on a national scale has identified a concerning trend across Australia that has been widely reported in media outlets, and that is the decline in student improvement between year 5 and year 7. Many attribute this plateauing of results to the fact that Year 7 is now the first year of secondary schooling and their results are impacted by the challenges that come with high school, including moving from a sheltered environment of one classroom and teacher, to multiple classrooms, multiple classes and multiple teachers.

We want to solve this problem in our context and instead support students in their learning journey as they transition from Primary School through to being confident Senior Secondary students.

We have designed a pathway to which we are referring to as a gradual increase in autonomy to give students the opportunity to develop their confidence and study habits.

*“...provides a gentle introduction to students where they can develop self-confidence in a safe environment...”*



Our Year 7 students, while being assigned lockers like all other secondary students, are kept in a highly structured and supported environment. Over the last two years, both classes of year 7 students at Lighthouse have remained in the Eagle Centre for most of their classes and have had only two main teachers for all learning areas in the year 7 precinct. This model, which does not differ that much from a traditional year 6 learning environment, provides a gentle introduction to students where they can develop self-confidence in a safe environment and don't get "lost".

This year we have also ensured that the Year 8 students have their own classrooms and centre that they can learn in without moving around the

school. The Samuel Centre is where you will find both year 8 classes for all of their lessons except Science. However, to prepare them for senior and ensuring that they familiarise themselves with subject specific teachers, students have multiple teachers who come to the Year 8 precinct to teach them. Adjusting to having multiple teachers and teaching styles can be overwhelming for students and is a skill we want all students to master without being distracted by multiple learning environments and movement.

Year 9 is the last year of Junior Secondary schooling – the last year to prepare for Senior Secondary. With this in mind, it's also the first year that our Junior Secondary classes navigate

moving classrooms and having multiple teachers, and having multiple classes with the introduction of electives in year 9.

We will continue to collect data and adjust our program in the junior secondary sector as we progress over the years, but we are fairly confident that this design allows students to develop their approach to learning and study in a way that minimizes distraction in a supportive environment. By the time they commence year 10 they will have mastered the intricacies of secondary schooling confidently.■



# Lighthouse Primary Biblical Education

by **PASTOR GLENN MARQUEZ**  
Children's Pastor & Primary Bible Teacher

As a Christian School, students are provided opportunities where they learn and know more about God through the Bible. Some ways they do this is through: Weekly Scripture memory verses, Wednesday morning chapel and weekly Bible classes. Throughout the term our students are given Bible scripture verses at the beginning of each week to memorize and recite. Our prayer is that each student can get a hold of God's truth and to hide God's Words in their heart as it says in **Psalm 119:11 "Thy word have I hid in mine heart, that I might not sin against thee"**. We have seen that not only do students memorize and recite each verse but have also seen students show examples on how to show and live out these verses through their own lives. On Wednesday mornings, students gather in the Children's Centre for primary chapel. During chapel, students participate in worship where they get to sing songs

that tell all about God followed by a Bible lesson given by one of the pastors. During a chapel Bible lesson, students get to hear stories about God, lessons of different character traits and also how to apply their weekly verse in a practical way.

A big part of being in a Christian School is the opportunity to know and learn about God through our primary Bible lessons. This term for grades Prep to Grade 2, we have gone back to the beginning to look at God's goodness through His creation, why He made what He made and why He created us. It's allowed students to take a look at all the beauty of what God has done and to also understand that we have been put here on earth for a reason and purpose. For grades 3 to 6, we have been looking at the importance of God's Word including learning the names of the books of the Bible. We've looked at how God's Word is used to help us grow

and to understand God's amazing love for us. For any parents interested in their child learning more about God in a safe and fun environment, Lighthouse Kids is a ministry of Lighthouse Baptist Church for any child that is in the Primary grade. For more info in regard to Lighthouse Kids, please don't hesitate to get in contact with me on [gmarquez@lhstaff.com.au](mailto:gmarquez@lhstaff.com.au)

My prayer is that our students not only grow in knowledge and in stature but spiritually as well. As a children's pastor it is great to see a school where God is in the centre and honoured through the learning of His Word. ■

**1 Timothy 4:12**  
"Let no man despise your youth;  
but be an example of the believers,  
in word, in conversation, in charity,  
in spirit, in faith, in purity."





### Sunday 10am

**SPARKS** 0-2 Years old  
**SUNBEAMS** 3-Pre Prep  
**SON SEEKERS** Prep - Grade 1  
**LANTERNS** Grade 2-3  
**BEACONS** Grade 4-6

### During School Term

**PLAYGROUP** 4 Years old  
2 days a week - \$1200 per year  
**LIGHTHOUSE TINY TOTS** 0-4 Years old  
First Thursday of the Month  
9:30am-11:00am

For more info contact our Children's Pastor - Glenn: [gmarquez@lhstaff.com.au](mailto:gmarquez@lhstaff.com.au)  
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# HEAD OF PRIMARY

by **JASMIN SMYTH**  
Head of Primary

**M**y name is Jasmin and I have worked at Lighthouse since 1994 until the current day in between having four children. I graduated from Central Queensland University in 1994. As I was nearing the end of my University degree, I began to explore Christian education and I felt a strong calling to work in a Christian School. Friends of ours were connected with Lighthouse and they encouraged me to enquire about a job. I did and the rest is history.

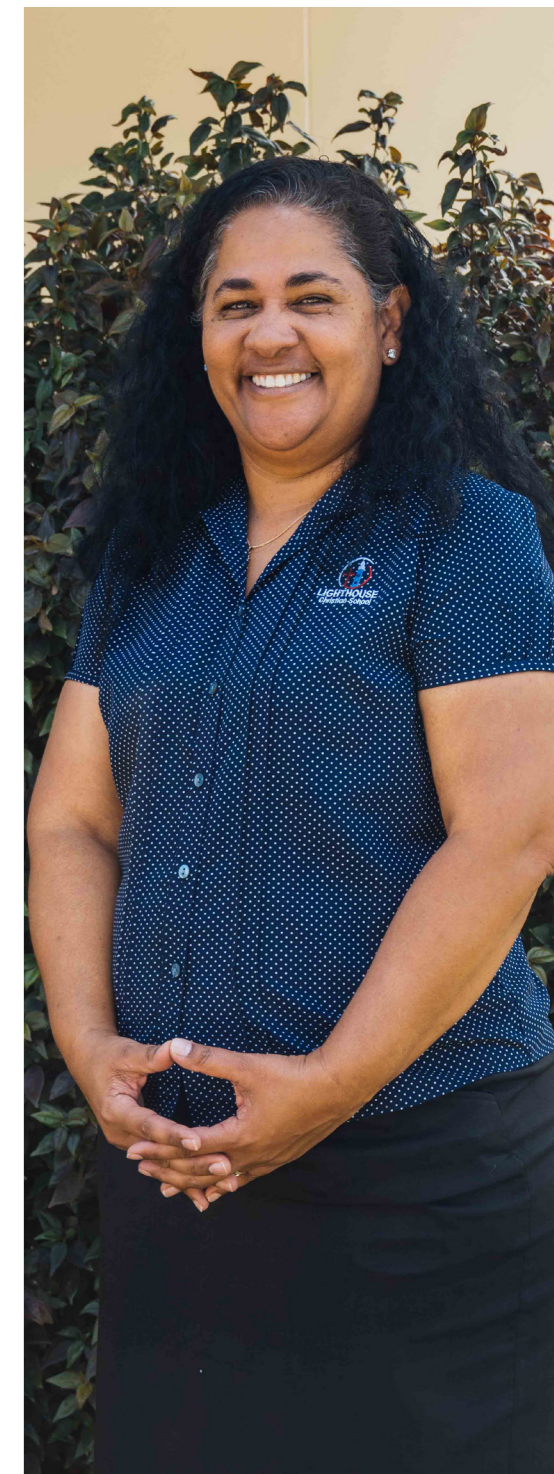
From my beginnings at Lighthouse, I have worked with primary aged students from grades 2 to 4 in what is now our Secondary Science Lab. Throughout my time at Lighthouse, I have worked with students from grades 1 - 7. In the early days, the classrooms were modest and, as I reflect back, still had all of the tools that we needed for learning; pencils, books, 1 computer to share, excited students and dedicated staff. There are now many more buildings, a new curriculum, new interactive whiteboards and televisions, new play areas and a substantial increase in staff and students. I am excited that I can continue to be a part of the Lighthouse story as we head into 2021.

I am honoured to be working in my new

role as Head of Primary this year. It is a privilege to be in a position of influence to gently steer the direction of the Primary school under Blair's prayerful and strategic leadership. In my role, I work closely with Primary staff in a mentor and coaching role. I am working towards building a strong team as together we work on strengthening our teaching practice and improving the educational outcomes for the students in our school.

2021 has started with tremendous excitement as we have inducted Year 6 leaders for the first time at Lighthouse Christian School. Our Year 6 cohort participated in their first GRIP Leadership conference for Primary School leaders and have attended the first Year 6 camp at Lighthouse. Our Year 6 class is fully embracing these new opportunities as they complete their last year of primary school.

I am looking forward to the next 10 years of working with families, watching students grow and helping them to reach milestones throughout their primary school years. We want to provide our students with a firm foundation to help them leap confidently into the next season of their lives. ■

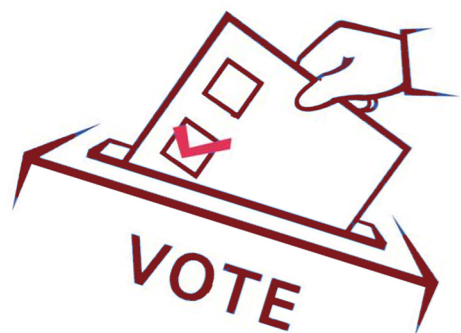


# OUR FIRST EVER Year 6 Leaders

by **HELENA COSTELLOE**  
Year 6 Teacher

We have had an exciting start to the school year for our 2021 Year 6 students. History was made this year as we had our first Year 6 Leadership Induction Parade to celebrate our newly elected Year 6 leaders where parents were invited to participate in the special badging ceremony.

It is the first time that Year 6 students at Lighthouse Christian School have had the opportunity to serve as leaders within the Primary area in a formal capacity. The Year 6 students did a tremendous job of presenting their election speeches to the primary school and then all students in year 3 – 6 voted for Primary Captains, Vice Captains, Student Council and Student Leaders.



Our Primary School Leaders for 2021, who have the honour of representing our school are:

**Captains:** Annaleise Bakss & William Schwartz

**Vice Captains:** Zoe, Rosie Tatnell, Jacob Hall & Phoenix Mills

**Archer Sports Captains:** Amelia Holmes, Mali Bailey & Demi Bidgood

**Fitzroy Sports Captains:** Lakeisha Weder, Rhys Armstrong & Archer South

**Student Council:** Mikaylea Bosomworth, Amy-Grace Vaughan, Makaila Wilkinson, Magenta Wilson, Timothy Mayocyc, Ryley Scofield

**Student Leaders:** Eva Scott, Millie Rothery, Noah Deed & Bryce Patryarcha

All of our Year 6 students attended the GRIP student leadership conference at the Rockhampton Leagues Club. Here they learned valuable lessons about the

responsibilities of leadership and the much-needed characteristics of integrity and generosity that define a good leader.

The Year 6 students have also had the opportunity to attend a Leadership Camp held at Capricorn Caves that involved two full days of activities designed to promote teamwork and develop leadership skills.

Our Year 6 leaders are taking their leadership roles seriously and some have already presented sport reports, camp news, announced upcoming events and assisted teachers in presenting student of the week certificates at our Primary assemblies.

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# CAPRICORN CAVES CAMP

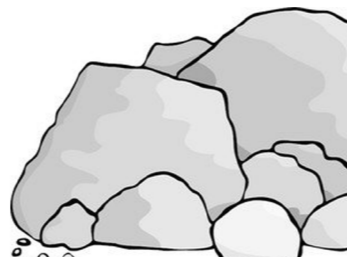
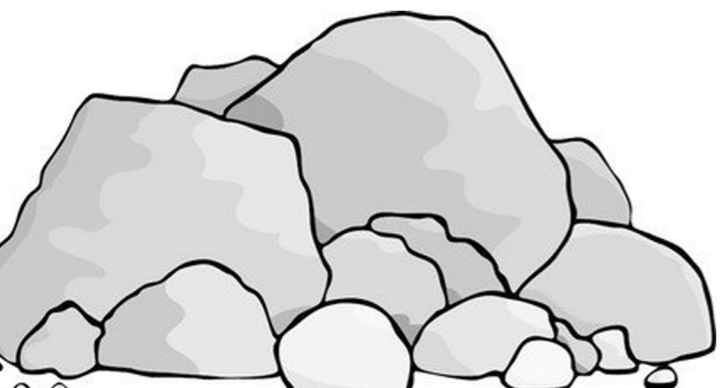


by **PETER HALL & HELENA COSTELLOE**  
Year 6 & 7 Teachers

In Term one, our Year 6 and Year 7 students both ventured to the Capricorn Caves to attend individual school camps. These camps were an excellent opportunity for the students to get to know each other better, especially in Year 7 as we have many new students move to Lighthouse at the beginning of Secondary schooling. This was such an exciting adventure for not just our students but as a school, as these 2 camps were the first Primary and Junior Secondary camps at Lighthouse. The Capricorn Caves was an adventure wonderland and the three days were

filled with a vast array of challenging activities that gave us the chance to see the students step up and conquer their fears. Some of the activities included adventure caving, fossil digging, rock climbing, singing in the Cathedral Cave and bush walking. Each activity gave us a deeper insight in to the students and it was great to see friendships form as they began to rely on and support one another throughout each encounter. Students learnt that leadership involves encouraging others, listening to others and communicating ideas clearly. They worked as a team to solve difficult and

challenging situations. On the final night we shared our reflections around the campfire, the highlights of the camp were definitely the adventure caving, eating smores by the campfire, hanging out with friends and the marvellous food that we were treated with each and every meal. It was a wonderful 3 days. Thank you, Capricorn Caves! ■









# slide Into Prep 2022

## ENROL NOW!

There are still places available in our Prep Program for next year! Early Bird and referral incentives are available. Drop in to see our friendly Administration staff for more details.

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# Lighthouse Christian School Master Plan

by **ALICE BAKSS**  
Deputy Principal

In the last 5 years alone, Lighthouse has bucked the trend of most other private schools by more than doubling the number of enrolled students. We are humbled that God is using our little school to support and educate so many families in Rockhampton, and we are excited by the growth that we have seen – it's a testimony that our little school is doing great things.

The by-product of this trend, and something that is becoming an overwhelming priority, is the necessity to find space to contain all your beautiful children, not just during the learning times but also the play times. Over the last couple of years, our School Board and Leadership Team have worked

with a number of paraprofessionals to create an intentional master plan for our property and a pathway to develop the buildings on the campus. One of the potential futures for our school is depicted in the plan on the next page. A plan is just that – a plan – and while it gives us direction, the end result may not resemble the diagram at all...it sure does look fancy though!

What we do know is that in 2022 we need to have built a new Prep Centre, and that a building project will need to be embarked upon either every year or second year to ensure that we have the facilities to cater for the continued student growth. To enable us to do this, we will need as much monetary

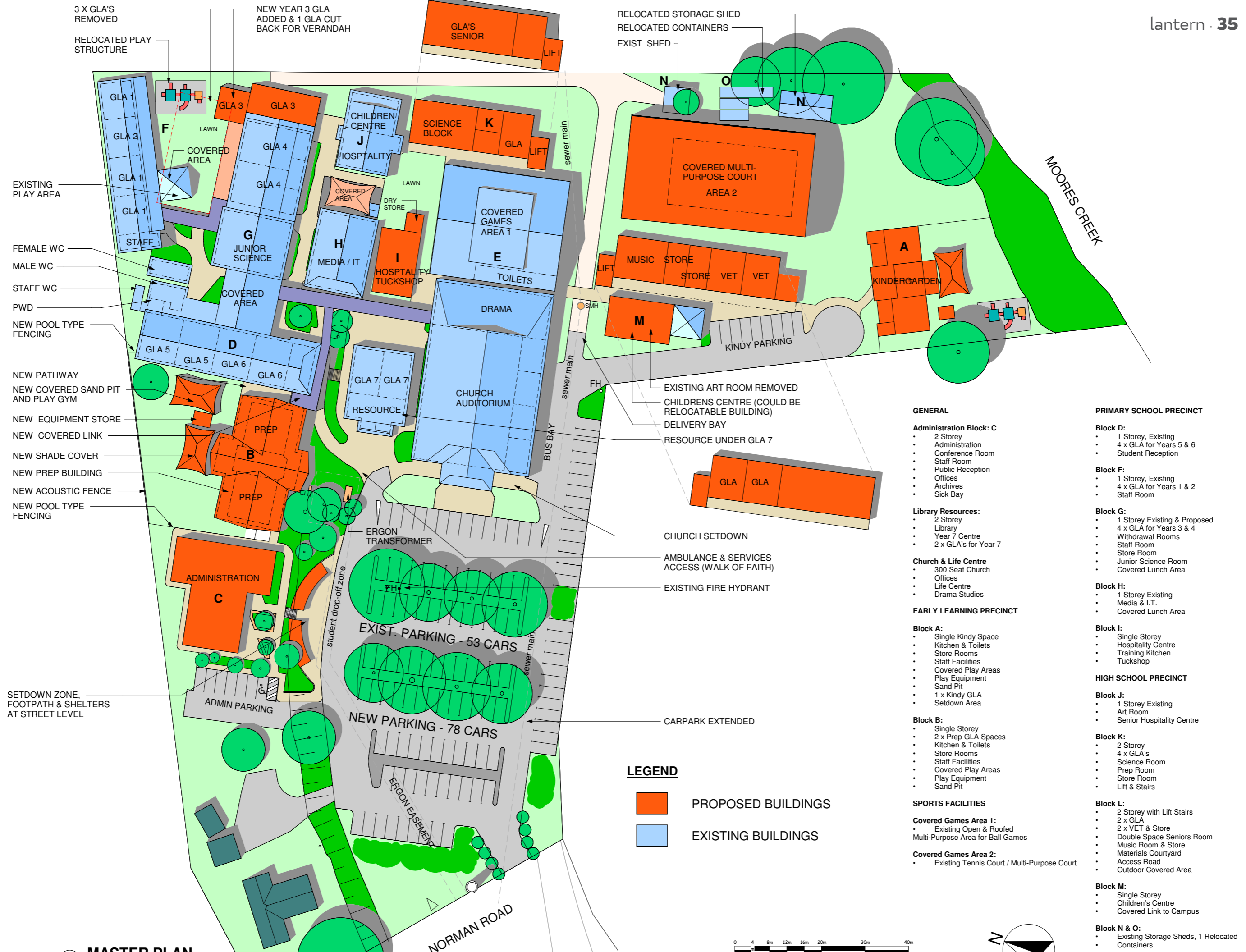
support as possible. Please support our fundraising efforts this year as we work to raise as much money as possible. If you would like to donate to our School Building Fund as a tax deduction, please contact Lana ([lgray@lcs.qld.edu.au](mailto:lgray@lcs.qld.edu.au)) for more information. ■

*“...we are excited by the growth that we have seen...”*

**Check out the LCS Master Plan on the next page**



# Master Plan



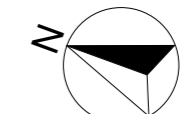
3 X GLA'S REMOVED  
RELOCATED PLAY STRUCTURE  
NEW YEAR 3 GLA ADDED & 1 GLA CUT BACK FOR VERANDAH  
EXISTING PLAY AREA  
FEMALE WC  
MALE WC  
STAFF WC  
PWD  
NEW POOL TYPE FENCING  
NEW PATHWAY  
NEW COVERED SAND PIT AND PLAY GYM  
NEW EQUIPMENT STORE  
NEW COVERED LINK  
NEW SHADE COVER  
NEW PREP BUILDING  
NEW ACOUSTIC FENCE  
NEW POOL TYPE FENCING  
SETDOWN ZONE, FOOTPATH & SHELTERS AT STREET LEVEL

RELOCATED STORAGE SHED  
RELOCATED CONTAINERS  
EXIST. SHED

- GENERAL**
- Administration Block: C**
    - 2 Storey
    - Administration
    - Conference Room
    - Staff Room
    - Public Reception
    - Offices
    - Archives
    - Sick Bay
  - Library Resources:**
    - 2 Storey
    - Library
    - Year 7 Centre
    - 2 x GLA's for Year 7
  - Church & Life Centre**
    - 300 Seat Church
    - Offices
    - Life Centre
    - Drama Studies
- EARLY LEARNING PRECINCT**
- Block A:**
    - Single Kindy Space
    - Kitchen & Toilets
    - Store Rooms
    - Staff Facilities
    - Covered Play Areas
    - Play Equipment
    - Sand Pit
    - 1 x Kindy GLA
    - Setdown Area
  - Block B:**
    - Single Storey
    - 2 x Prep GLA Spaces
    - Kitchen & Toilets
    - Store Rooms
    - Staff Facilities
    - Covered Play Areas
    - Play Equipment
    - Sand Pit
  - Block C:**
    - Single Storey
    - 2 x GLA
- SPORTS FACILITIES**
- Covered Games Area 1:**
    - Existing Open & Roofed Multi-Purpose Area for Ball Games
  - Covered Games Area 2:**
    - Existing Tennis Court / Multi-Purpose Court
- PRIMARY SCHOOL PRECINCT**
- Block D:**
    - 1 Storey, Existing
    - 4 x GLA for Years 5 & 6
    - Student Reception
  - Block E:**
    - 1 Storey, Existing
    - 4 x GLA for Years 1 & 2
    - Staff Room
  - Block F:**
    - 1 Storey Existing
    - Media & I.T.
    - Covered Lunch Area
  - Block G:**
    - 1 Storey Existing & Proposed
    - 4 x GLA for Years 3 & 4
    - Withdrawal Rooms
    - Staff Room
    - Store Room
    - Junior Science Room
    - Covered Lunch Area
  - Block H:**
    - 1 Storey Existing
    - Media & I.T.
    - Covered Lunch Area
  - Block I:**
    - Single Storey
    - Hospitality Centre
    - Training Kitchen
    - Tuckshop
- HIGH SCHOOL PRECINCT**
- Block J:**
    - 1 Storey Existing
    - Art Room
    - Senior Hospitality Centre
  - Block K:**
    - 2 Storey
    - 4 x GLA's
    - Science Room
    - Prep Room
    - Store Room
    - Lift & Stairs
  - Block L:**
    - 2 Storey with Lift Stairs
    - 2 x GLA
    - 2 x VET & Store
    - Double Space Seniors Room
    - Music Room & Store
    - Materials Courtyard
    - Access Road
    - Outdoor Covered Area
  - Block M:**
    - Single Storey
    - Children's Centre
    - Covered Link to Campus
  - Block N & O:**
    - Existing Storage Sheds, 1 Relocated Containers

**LEGEND**

- PROPOSED BUILDINGS
- EXISTING BUILDINGS



# WHY CAN'T I SKIP MY DAILY 20 MINUTES OF READING?

Student A



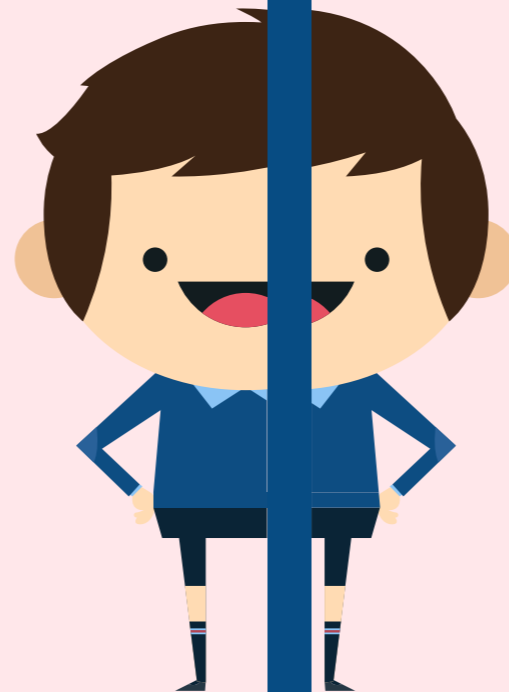
Reads **1 minute** each day

**180 minutes** in a school year

**8,000** words



Student B



Reads **5 minutes** each day

**900 minutes** in a school year

**282,000** words



Student C



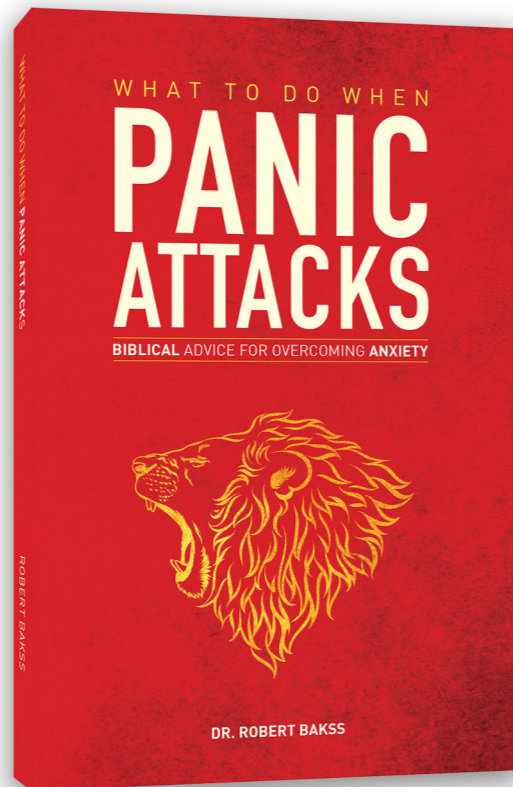
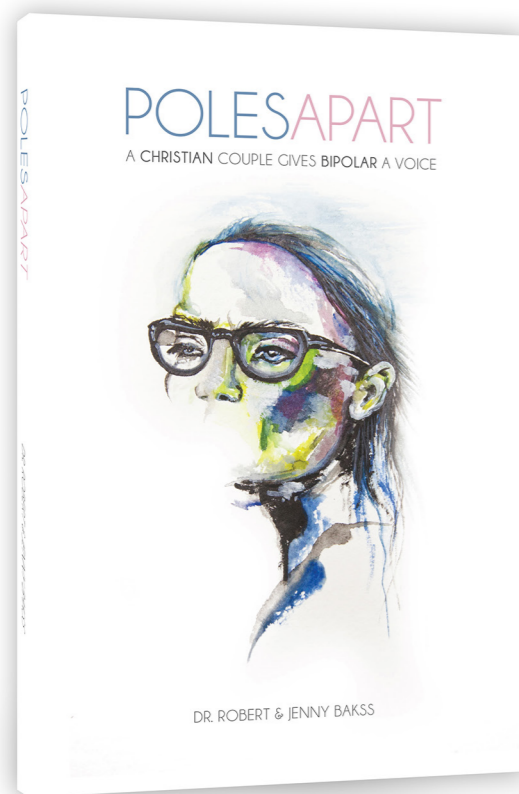
Reads **20 minutes** each day

**3,600 minutes** in a school year

**1,800,000** words



# BREAKING THE STIGMA OF MENTAL ILLNESS



Living with a mental illness can be extremely difficult and challenging. My wife, Jenny, has suffered from bipolar disorder for the last 24 years and we both felt it would be helpful to write on the subject of mental health, especially as it relates to Christians. We have published two books which are both aimed to help people understand bipolar disorder, depression and anxiety from a biblical perspective. The topic of mental illness amongst Christians and Churches is often misunderstood, demonised, denied and rarely discussed. We are passionate about helping break the silence on the topic and do our part in helping to remove the stigma that is often attached to mental health issues. With 1 in 4 people in society suffering from a mental health illness or disorder within their lifetime, the topic is very relevant to many people. Both books have been well reviewed and have helped many already. Our prayer and hope is that God will continue to use our journey and written works to inform, encourage and help many more understand these matters better.

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**Fri 23 April**  
ANZAC Chapel

**Mon 26 April**  
ANZAC Day Holiday

**Wed 28 April**  
Year 5/6/7/8 Maths Team Challenge

**Thur 29 April**  
Year 9/10/11/12 Maths Team Challenge

**Mon 3 May**  
Labour Day Holiday

**Fri 7 May**  
Mother's Day Stall

**Sat 8 May**  
Mother's/Daughter's Sparkle and  
Year 11/12 Hospitality Event

**Tues 11 - Thurs 13 May**  
NAPLAN Testing

**Fri 21 May**  
Romp in the Park

**Mon 17 - Sun 23 May**  
Eisteddfod

**Thur 10 June**  
Rockhampton Show Holiday

**Fri 18 June**  
Fine Arts Showcase  
Upper Primary Play

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