



## Now What?

The end credit scene in Finding Nemo sees the fish from Nemo's captivity tank roll across the road in their plastic bags and plop into the water of Sydney Harbour. There is a pregnant pause and then the big guy says, 'Now what?'



Well, we have survived (are surviving) a pandemic, we have flattened the curve, we are now 'easing restrictions' and listening daily to the news to see what new old things we are allowed to do again. All of our kids are back at school, not just some of them. The program is kind of getting back to normal, sport training will kick in again soon now that we have moved to the next 'stage' of restrictions and so our weekly schooling experience will continue to move back, bit by bit, to a more familiar pattern.

So, what changed? Nothing and everything. I can't remember talking with anyone who was not, in some way, thankful for the massive pause button that got pushed on all our lives. The relentless commute, the crazy weekly calendar of running kids around to sport and training and parties and school, the weekends filled with shopping, or at least wandering through shopping centres, our busy social calendars, Friday night at someone's house, Saturday at someone else's, a BBQ on Sunday, Church, youth, the list goes on. It was nuts. And it all stopped in a heartbeat.

I think the great fear in many people is that we fall too quickly back into the old habits and leave behind the joy and space that many of us have found recently through forced isolation. So, the burning question is, like the fish in Finding Nemo, 'Now What?'

Certainly, schools are asking serious questions of themselves. What have we learned in doing things differently, what was the experience like for our learners, who flourished, who struggled, what can we drop and never pick up again, what have we found that we now cannot let go? Like all industries we are in an important new world of both behaviour and reflection. We need to do things differently and at the same time we need to learn from the experience.

Over the past few years we have been gently re-working the how and why of life at FLCR. Our capacity to adapt to this new environment is second to none. We are an energised learning community. We are so adept, teachers, staff, students and families, so very good at what we do in partnership, together. These past weeks and months have demonstrated so clearly that something very special is happening here, that we are together so strong, so ready to launch into whatever this brave new world throws at us in service of the students, the kids in our care.

Ultimately, we are loved by He whose name is Love, our foundation is built upon The Rock, the Alpha and the Omega, that is the beginning and the end. We move forward with this great assurance that God is actively at work through each of us. In a world where so much has changed that one thing has not. It is great to be back, I am so excited by the energy and optimism that flourishes here at Faith. Now what? Bring it on, that's what!

*Shane Altmann*  
Principal

## SECONDARY SCHOOL

**IT'S GOOD TO BE BACK** - Our students are awesome! Our staff are so grateful to have them back. Break times are noisy again and filled with energy, classrooms are busy with learning and outdoor spaces are humming with activity. These photos were taken during a lunch time this week. Our school is full of students and it is wonderful.



**LOFT CONVERSION** - During the shutdown the LOFT (upper level of the Lighthouse) has been refurbished. We are still waiting on a few final deliveries to arrive prior to completion but I thought it would be good to share two photos of the new Design Hub room (these are before and after shots). We are looking forward to sharing the other exciting developments in that space with families prior to the end of term.

*Before*



*After*



**UNIFORM CHANGE** - Please be aware that ALL students in the Secondary School must have a complete winter uniform and wear it to school from Monday. We hope that families appreciated some flexibility over the last two weeks to get to the College Shop and purchase the required items.

**YEAR 12 JERSEYS** - Our Year 12's are amazing people and we are so proud of what they do every day. This year has been especially challenging for them as navigate a large number of changes and challenges. This week marked one of the most looked forward to milestones of Year 12. The arrival of the Year 12 Jerseys. The students and staff were super excited to be able to get them on!



**SPORT AND MUSIC** - Please keep an eye out for information about the commencement of sport training and cultural activities. The College will continue to work in line with restrictions as we get things moving again.

*Stuart Needham  
Head of Secondary School*

## JUNIOR SCHOOL

**HOW WONDERFUL IT IS** - The Junior School has been a-buzz with the students returning last week! It has been so heartwarming to see the students and staff connect with each other again. We certainly missed you all and welcome each and every one of you back!

**JUNIOR SCHOOL TIMETABLE-** Please note the following amendment to session times:

Time	Event
8:35am	Movement Bell (proceed to classroom)
8:40am - 8:50am	Connection Time/Roll Call
8:50am - 9:35am	Lesson 1 (45 minutes)
9:35am - 10:20am	Lesson 2 (45 minutes)
10:20am - 11:00 am	<b>Morning Tea (40 minutes)</b>
11:05am - 11:50am	Lesson 3 (45 minutes)
11:50am - 12:35am	Lesson 4 (45 minutes)
12:35pm - 1:15pm	<b>Lunch (40 minutes)</b>
1:20pm - 2:05pm	Lesson 5 (45 minutes)
2:05pm - 2:50pm	Lesson 6 (45 minutes)
2:50pm - 3:00pm	Prep Students dismissed at 2:50pm Bus Students depart class at 2:50pm Connection time
3:00pm	Dismiss students Year 1 - 6



**CLASS PARTIES AND BIRTHDAYS-** A lovely thing to celebrate at school is a child's Birthday! Due to the uncertainty around health and hygiene issues in this day and age, we are asking that cupcakes, birthday cakes and the like, **not** be brought in by families **to share**. You are permitted to bring in **individually wrapped and sealed** chocolates, ice blocks etc... these will be distributed by the classroom teacher. We will acknowledge your child's Birthday and of course sing them a song. We would rather be cautious and safe than risk the consequences.

*Jodi Blackwell - Head of Junior School*

## AWARDS

### JUNIOR SCHOOL 5C AWARDS

<b>CARE</b>	Kylie van Heerden (2G), Ryan Dobbie (3W), Scarlet Goodwin (3W), Harry Dodd (3W)
<b>COURAGE</b>	Aaliyah Miles (4W), Paige Forshaw (6W)
<b>COMMITMENT</b>	McKenzie Welch-Richters (1G), Willow Behague (1G), Chelsea Hoger (1N), Oliver Stokes (3W), Mathilde Ross (4W), Jeremy Newland (4W), Tiana Pospisil (4W), James Stevenson (5N), Nate Zordan (5N), Coby Lucas (6W), Molly Mackenzie (6W)
<b>COURTESY</b>	Jack G Smith (1N), Poppy Barrago (2G), Julia Dalgetty (3N), Hope McDonald (3W), Martha Elliott (3W), Andrew Wilson (3N), Tyran Thirkettle (4W)
<b>COMMONSENSE</b>	

### JUNIOR SCHOOL CLASS AWARDS

<b>1N</b>	Eli Coleman, Olive Tracey	<b>4N</b>	Jackson Byrne, Chloe O'Donnell
<b>1W</b>	Oliver Bickell, Dane Perry	<b>4W</b>	Cameron Bellman, Libbi Gardiner
<b>1G</b>	William Turnbull, McKenzie Welch-Richters	<b>5N</b>	Payton Popata, Rebekah Davidson
<b>2W</b>	Juliene Nery, Lemuel van der Merwe	<b>5G</b>	Hunter Behague, Natalie McDonald
<b>2G</b>	Jack Schuller, Alexis Sianidis	<b>6W</b>	Chris Munro, Arliah Stein-Edwards
<b>3N</b>	Noah Quin, Brooklyn McGregor	<b>6G</b>	Javier Payano, Rachael Hirst
<b>3W</b>	Jessica England, Trent Smith		

## SPORT NEWS

During the period Home Learning, students were invited to participate in a Virtual Cross-Country Challenge as we were not able to hold a Carnival at school. Thirty-three students completed the challenge along with 14 staff and parents.

All participants earned points for their House and when these were tallied, the following results were obtained:

	Students	Staff/Parents	Totals
<b>Coochiemudlo</b>	38	9	47
<b>Macleay</b>	48	1	49
<b>Peel</b>	46	25	71
<b>Russell</b>	97	29	126

### Individual Age Champions were:

12 Years - Francesca Orendain and Charlie McDonnell

13 Years - Lana Mostyn and Roel Wheeley

14 Years - Maya Crooks and Daniel Barham

15 Years - Harriet Knijff and Christiaan Neethling

16 Years - Sam Page

Opens - Ashlee Benson and Lachlan Lobsey

Parent winners were Stuart Kemp and Robyn Neary, and the staff winners were Ben Davies and Karen Campbell.



*Parent Winners*

**Faith Falcons** - we are hoping to resume training for all of our teams next week but please look out for emails and check the College app for updates.

***Beware the Falcon!***

## MUSIC

**WELCOME BACK!** It is so nice to see and hear our students back on campus continuing with their Instrumental Music Lessons. Thank you for your patience and perseverance as we navigated the world of online lessons. I was so impressed by the ingenuity and flexibility of our students around this new lesson delivery for all instrumental disciplines.

Thank you to our tutors also who took things in their stride to continue to deliver quality lessons to our students.

**NEW STRINGS TUTOR** - During our time off campus, Ms Charlotte Ashcroft has taken up a fulltime position with Ed Qld. We thank Charlotte for her time at Faith teaching our Strings students.

I am pleased to welcome Miss Lauren Foster who was appointed as Strings Tutor. A Viola specialist, Lauren is keen to get to know our string students here at Faith and continue their love of music.

**ENSEMBLES** - As restrictions are easing, we hope to be able to recommence ensembles from Monday, 15 June. In the meantime, students should be working on their ensemble repertoire as part of their daily practice routine. More information regarding ensembles will be emailed home.

**ENROLMENTS** - Places are still available for students to enrol in the Instrumental Music Program for 2020. Enrolments for Term 3 need to be received by 13 July 2020. Any enrolments after this date will be placed on a waiting list to begin in Term 3.

Enrolment forms can be found via the College App under the Music icon.



## FROM THE LIBRARY

**NATIONAL SIMULTANEOUS STORYTIME** - Last Wednesday, students from Prep - Year 3 enjoyed National Simultaneous Storytime. While it was a little different to last year, there were still over a million children from all over Australia who participated in listening to the story Whitney and Britney, Chicken Divas by Lucinda Gifford. Thank-you to our wonderful Prep - Year 3 Teachers who went all out to make the event very enjoyable.

**PREMIER'S READING CHALLENGE** - The Premier's Reading Challenge is on again! It's open to all students from Prep - Year 9. It would be fantastic if we could get every child to complete the challenge! The reading period continues until August 28, so there is plenty of time to read the required number of books. Each student who completes the challenge will receive a signed certificate from the Premier. Students can collect a Reading Record Form from the library, or download one from the College webpage - <https://www.faithlutheran.qld.edu.au/our-college/elearning-isc/junior-school>. Completed forms can also be returned to either library.



**eBOOKS FOR YEAR 1 TO 12** - We would love to see students continue to borrow our eBooks! Browse the eBook libraries at <https://faithlutheranprimary.wheelers.co/> or <https://faithlutheransecondary.wheelers.co/>. Students can use their school email address and passwords to log in.

**RETURNING RESOURCES** - Thank you to all who have brought back books to the library since we returned to school. During remote learning we extended a lot of loans, so there are books which will have been on loan to students for a much longer period than is usual. Junior School students who have overdue books will receive a notice in their diaries after library lessons from this week, Secondary students will receive an email. Please check for items that your child still has out on loan and return them as soon as possible.

**BOOK WEEK 2020** - Book Week, normally held during Term 3, has been postponed until Term 4 this year. Stay tuned for more information in the coming months.

Email [informationservices@flcr.qld.edu.au](mailto:informationservices@flcr.qld.edu.au) with an questions or queries.



## ENROLMENTS - 2021



We are currently interviewing to fill our 2021 vacancies across the College. If you have a student to start Prep or Year 7 next year and have not enrolled now is the time to do so before we are full! Limited vacancies exist across other year levels for 2021. Please encourage anyone you know who is thinking of Faith for their children to come in and see us now.

**2021 Enolment Fee is currently being waived!**

Applications are taken online now!

<https://www.faithlutheran.qld.edu.au/enrolments/fee-schedule>