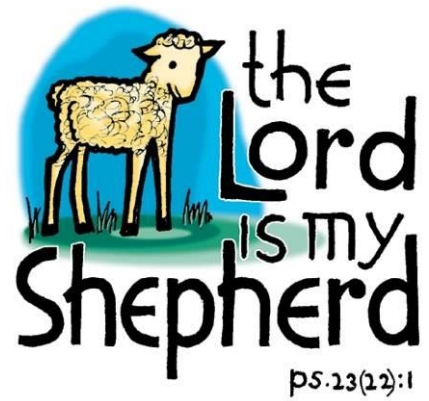


GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL



* Hello * Kia Ora * Malo e Lelei * Namaste * Cead Mile Failte * Talofa Lava *
* Kia Orana * Zdravo * Dzień Dobry * Apa Kabar * Guten Tag * An Nyung Ha Se Yo *
* Privet * Kwaziwai * Mabuhay Kayo * Kon Nichi Wa * Hola * Ola * Salaam * Fakalofa Atu

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From the principal....

Kia ora te whānau

It has been lovely to talk to the children about the way they have spent the last two weeks, with lots of family times, celebrations and outings. This week we were very proud to welcome the Catholic Special Character review team to Good Shepherd with a pōwhiri. The review is a great opportunity to share the Good Shepherd Way with our wider Catholic family and to get feedback on how we can further develop and strengthen the Catholic special character of our school. We look forward to passing on the feedback from the review when it becomes available.

We are also looking forward to seeing many of you at the Fall Ball En Blanc, the social event of the year for Good Shepherd, this coming Saturday. Having experienced the last two events I can guarantee a great night out!

At the beginning of another busy term I would like to acknowledge and thank the teachers of Good Shepherd. They are a hard-working, talented team who are fully committed to your children and their learning. It is with pleasure that we welcome back Mrs Taylor who will be providing two days release for Mrs McLeod in Room 3 so that she can complete her duties as acting team leader in Sheridan syndicate. Mrs Chambers and Mrs Heathorn will be sharing the teaching in Room 5 and Mrs Butcher will continue in her role as acting Special Education Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO). We also welcome Hamish McGregor who will be working one day a week providing classroom release time.

We look forward to term 2!

Te Atua ki a koe
God bless

Jane Hahn



Anzac Day

Thank you to the Smoldon family, and especially Gina, who presented a wreath on behalf of Good Shepherd School at the Mt Eden Anzac Day Service at the Mt Eden War Memorial Hall in Balmoral.



Enrolments at Good Shepherd School

Thank you to all those families who inform the school office of upcoming enrolments of siblings at the school. As you know our roll is quite full and it is very helpful to us in our forward planning to have this information. If you know of any families who are interested in enrolling their child or children at Good Shepherd please encourage them to contact the school office as soon as possible.

Board of Trustees Meeting

The next BOT meeting is on Tuesday 10th May 2016 at 7pm in the meeting room. All welcome.

Good Shepherd Awards

This week we congratulate **Ella Tuibenau** from Room 4 and **Liam McKinnel** from Room 7 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Ella and Liam are great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.



Good Shepherd Cross-Country

Friday 13 May

9.30am – 1.00pm

Building up fitness through regular exercise is an important focus of our health and physical education programmes and it is clear that it is also an important focus with our families. All children will participate in our school cross-country, run around school grounds and along Telford Avenue on Friday 13 May. Below is an **approximate** time-table and course for the different age groups:

- 9.30am** – 5 year old boys; 5 year old girls.
One lap around the school grounds course
- 10.00am** – 6 year old boys; 6 year old girls.
Two laps around the school grounds course
- 10.30am** – 7 year old boys; 7 year old girls.
Two laps around the school grounds course
- 11.20am** – 8 year old boys; 8 year old girls.
Two laps around entire cross country course
- 11.50am** – 9 year old boys; 9 year old girls.
Two laps around entire cross country course
- 12.20pm** – 10 and 11 year old boys; 10 and 11 year old girls. **Two** laps around entire cross country course

The course will be displayed around the school later this week. Following the school cross country event a team of 8-11 year olds will be selected to represent Good Shepherd at the inter-school event taking place on Thursday 19 May.

Whole school prayer

Room 4 will be leading our whole school prayer next Monday at 8.55am. The timetable for the rest of the term is:

Monday 9 May	Room 4
Monday 16 May	Room 9
Monday 23 May	Room 1
Monday 30 May	Room 7
Tuesday 7 June	Room 2
Monday 13 June	Room 5
Monday 20 June	Room 8
Monday 27 June	Room 4
Monday 4 July	Room 3

Board of Trustee Elections 2016

Information and nomination forms for the 2016 Board of Trustee Elections have been sent out to all families. Nominations close at noon on the 20th May 2016. Please think carefully about this aspect of school life and put your name forward if you feel that this role is for you. Completed nomination forms can be delivered to the Returning Officer, care of the school office.

The election roll is available for viewing at the school office between 8.30am and 3.30pm.

OSCA

The GSS OSCA programme continues to be in high demand. Please notify the school office by phone or email with any changes to permanent bookings due to winter sports programmes, as soon as possible.

Uniforms

The children should now be wearing their winter school uniforms. The uniform shop is open on Thursday morning between 8.30 and 9.00am. For parents/caregivers unable to visit the uniform shop at this time, orders can be placed by phone or email to the school office and items will be sent home with the children once payment has been confirmed. Please name all uniform items.

Next PTA Meeting

The next PTA meeting will be the AGM and is on Tuesday 17th May at 7.00pm in the staff room. All welcome.

Supporting success in your school.

If you are a parent, staff member or member of the school community and you draw down a new ASB home loan of \$150,000 or more, ASB will donate to your chosen participating school:

\$500

To take up this offer, your new home loan application must be received, approved and then documented in a facility agreement, along with the completion of a school donation voucher, between the 2 May 2016 and 31 December 2016.

ASB lending criteria, and terms apply. Fees may apply. A minimum of 20% equity is required in the security property. This donation offer is only available when you apply for new home lending through an ASB branch, contact centre or mobile lending manager. Other terms apply. For full details and to download the voucher visit asb.co.nz/schoolbanking.

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Entertainment Books 2016

These fabulous books can be brought now - either place an order into the physical box in the school office or follow the link <http://www.entbook.co.nz/9x5376> to order your copy online. Books can be brought as a digital membership or physical book for \$65. For each book sold, \$13 is donated back to Good Shepherd. Order yours now and enjoy fantastic discounts and offers for all your favourite and new favourite eateries and experiences in Auckland. For any questions, contact Alanah on 021 348 327 or alanahdando@hotmail.com

Congratulations to the following children who celebrate their birthday in May:

Allessandra Haydon
Christopher MacGillivray
Caleb Soon
Liam Millar
Kara McGillivray
Lucy Kilkenny
George Hanrahan
Meredith D'Cruz
Ethan Sharma
Maggie Shaw
Eva Fala



Miracle Lemana
Faith Gribble
Miguel Biado
Ciaran Farrell
Riley Dwyer
Vincent Oudenhoven
Erylle San Gabriel
Jayden Pandah
Victor Tyszlewicz
Xavier Taito

The Powhiri

What a great way to start the day on Wednesday 4th May for the whole school to be gathered at the hall to welcome Mr Mahoney, Mrs Gleeson and Mrs Kemp from The Catholic School Office.

They are here to explore around the school and look at what we do here at Good Shepherd and do our Special Character Review. The Special Character Review team are visiting the junior classrooms on Wednesday 4th May then on Thursday 5th May they're going to visit the senior classrooms to look at all our work.

The Good Shepherd students did a haka first in the Powhiri to say welcome then they said a prayer followed by 'Himene Te Heparā Pai' the school's maori song written by students from Good Shepherd last year. The juniors, did a great waiata with Matua Edwards which the seniors joined in on after Seth had welcomed the visitors in Maori.

After the Welcoming, The Student Council Executives (Daniel Nuku, Lucy D'Young and Cassandra Liku) escorted our visitors and family-whanau to the staff room to enjoy some refreshments.

In the end, Matua Edwards was happy and said "Good Work - Ka Pai" to the students because it was a success.

By: Erylle San Gabriel (School Journalist)