

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

Update Notice, 5 April 2018



Good Shepherd Awards

This week we congratulate **Bianka Woffindin** from Room 8 and **Xavier McKinnel** from Room 3 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Thank you Bianka and Xavier for being such great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.



Parent Help Needed

Cross Country Zones Tuesday 19 June
Football Zones Tuesday 29 May TBC
Netball Zones Thursday 9 August
Save day - Tuesday 14 August
Athletics Zones Thursday 22 November
Save day Thu 29 Nov
GSS school cross country Tuesday 5 June
GSS school athletics day Wednesday 14 Nov
Save day - Fri 16 Nov

If you are able to help out at these events please contact Heather McLeod at hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz

School Uniform

Just a reminder that the children change to winter uniform for terms 2 and 3. The uniform shop is open on Thursday mornings between 8.30am and 9.00am during term time. Arrangements for purchasing uniform items outside of these hours can be made by phoning or emailing the school office. Please note the school does not sell black socks or school shoes but we do have a number of second hand shoes on hand. The school office is not open during the school holidays.

PTA Parents' Morning Tea

Friday 6 April in the staff room

You are all invited to come and share some time with other Good Shepherd parents on Friday 6 April after school drop off time. It is a great way to get to know other members of our school community and pre-schoolers are welcome! Thank you to Andrea Hannay and her team for co-ordinating this event.

Swimming Pool Hire Keys

A reminder to families who hired a GSS swimming pool key for the season that the pool has now closed and keys need to be returned to the school office by tomorrow, **Friday 6th April 2018**. Incorporated in the key hire charge is a bond of \$30.00 which is refundable if the key is returned to the school office. If the key is not returned by this date, you will lose your bond.

Lost Property

Please remember to check the lost property table at the entrance to the admin building. All unclaimed items will be disposed of at the end of term.

Walking School Bus Award

The winner is – **Ava Elbourne** from The Rocket Snails for a fabulous start as our newest walking school bus member.



St Peter's College Enrolments for 2019 close

Friday 6th April 2018

Lisa Duffy, Enrolment Office

PH: 524 8108 x7323

Email: enrolments@st-peters.school.nz

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DUES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance is available to assist families who may need financial support with the payment of attendance dues for preference students attending Catholic schools in Auckland Diocese, both primary and secondary.

Families facing financial difficulties can contact their school office, their Parish Priest or the Revenue Manager at the Catholic Diocese of Auckland for further information.

Application forms for the Hardship Scheme are available from school and parish offices, or can be down-loaded from the Catholic Diocese of Auckland Website:

www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-schools/
(go to Catholic Schools in Auckland / Attendance Dues and Special Character Contributions)

From the PTA

- 1) We are going to introduce an online ordering system for sushi, this is planned to be in place for first orders next term, so no more envelopes and stopping at the dairy to get coins!
- 2) We passed a funding request for Library Books for senior school readers. We will be working through the purchase of these.
- 3) The quiz night date has been set, 31st of August – put it in your diaries!

The next meeting date is set for the **22nd of May**. All Welcome.

A request for volunteers!

As some of the parents look towards a future without kids at GSS, we are looking for some volunteers to take over running some of the key parts of our fundraising calendar – The Movie Night, The Calendars and the Grandparents Day Mass. These are great events, and well worth getting involved in.

Let us know if you can help!

As always, feel free to get in contact any time,

digitalbugsy@gmail.com

Or join us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/GSSPTA/>

Thanks!

Kirsty-Anne, Kelly, Mairead and Bugsy



School Festival Gymnastics run by TriStar Gymnastics For Years 4 – 6

Term 2 every Tuesday after school 3pm-4pm
in the hall
\$95 per child for 9 weeks
(no lesson on 15th May)
Skill and development

Children will be learning the 3 routines for the school festival routines. Making sure the skills are done with tightness and finishing correctly.

To register or for further information please contact Ashleigh Henry at TriStar
ashleigh.henry@tristar.org.nz or phone 625 4354

“**Taekwon-Do** (which is a martial art) for Kids is held at the Good Shepherd school hall every Tuesday at 4.30pm-5.30pm. Our Mini-Kids syllabus is especially designed for kids aged 5-9 and is a great way to start off in Taekwon-Do.

The Mini-Kids curriculum progresses children into a stronger understanding of Taekwon-Do techniques. They develop fitness while learning cool moves, self-defence and have a lot of fun. It promotes self-confidence, personal achievement and resilience. Also, there is an emphasis on the valuable qualities of respect and honesty.

Pop in and see us any Tuesday to receive your free 1 x introductory class. Wear comfortable clothes and no shoes are needed. (No training during the holidays).

Look forward to seeing you then.

Team Legacy”



The Toy Shop on Zip Zap Avenue

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Rehearsals for the production are well underway and the buzz from the students is beginning to take flight. Classes are busy discussing costumes, hair and make-up, so if you are able to help with any of these areas please do let your child's teacher know.

Performance Dates/Times:

Wednesday 16th May - 1:30pm (matinee)

Wednesday 16th May - 7:00pm

Thursday 17th May - 7:00pm

Ticket Price: \$5 (children under 3 are free as they can sit on their parent's lap)

Tickets: Available at the office from Monday 9th April.

We are also looking for parents each night who can volunteer to help with backstage during the shows.

Wednesday 7pm performance - 4 parents

Thursday 7pm performance - 4 parents

If you are available for one of these performances please contact Miss Sarah Gleeson - sgleeson@goodshepherd.school.nz, with the date that you are available.

CHESS CLUB NEWS

We have been invited to participate in the Central Auckland Primary Interschool Chess Championship on Tuesday 15 May at Ponsonby Primary School. This is open to students in Years 4-6.

A separate information sheet is being sent home this week. If your child wants to participate please return the bottom slip to the office.

Please note this tournament takes place in Production Week (week 3 of next term).

If your child has a main role in the School Production they will not be able to take part in this chess competition.

Any questions please see Marguerite Butcher.



Calling all Mother Superiors...

We did it  Term 1 is just about over.

Friday 6th April is the first of our 2018 Mother Superior catch up's!
Join us to celebrate the end of the first term with a vino or two...
you may need it for the following 2 weeks of school holidays! ☺

Date: Friday 6th April
Time: from 7.00pm

Place: **Lord Kitchener, 6 Kitchener Road, Sandringham.**

Any questions or if you would like more information on Good Shepherd Mother Superiors please contact Catherine – 0274948603

Wastewise

A group of students from the Wastewise team conducted a waste audit to see how well our new rubbish bins were working. We collected all the rubbish on one day and then sorted them into different bins and weighed them.

We found out that we have been using the bins correctly and making sure that there isn't a lot of rubbish going into landfill.

Over the last year, the students and staff at Good Shepherd have been composting and recycling to reduce the amount of waste we put into landfill.

Well done to everyone and especially to our dedicated Wastewise team!

