

# 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, 25 October 2018



## Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to the following new students who have started with us recently:

Jacob Gribble

Max Butler



Liam Tuala Soon

Tevita Siakumi

Abigail Wright

## Good Shepherd Awards

This week we congratulate **Matthew Blanch** from Room 9 and **Luca Kennedy-Woods** from Room 3 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Thank you Matthew and Luca for being such great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.



## School Accounts

School account statements were emailed out yesterday to families with a balance still owing. Attendance Dues are required to be paid in full by **December 1st 2018**. Please contact the school office if you have any questions regarding your account.

## 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/](http://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-schools/)

(go to Catholic Schools in Auckland / Attendance Dues and Special Character Contributions)

## Kids for Kids Concert

Children in the school choir are going to the Kids for Kids Concert on Tuesday, 13 October at Vodafone Event Centre in Manukau. The choir will go to the centre in the morning by bus/car to have a rehearsal on the same day, and perform in the concert in the evening. Concert tickets are on sale now. If you would like to watch the show, please purchase your tickets before the show. **To purchase tickets, please visit the website [www.kidsforkids.org.nz](http://www.kidsforkids.org.nz) and follow the "Buy Tickets" link.** More information to come closer to the concert.

## Enrolments at Good Shepherd School

Thank you to all those families who have filled out enrolment forms for siblings of current students. This is also a gentle reminder to do so, if you haven't already done this. We also appreciate the support of our school families in recommending Good Shepherd School to their friends and whānau.

## School photos

Orders for school photos will be able to be made online directly with PhotoLife using your unique Photo Shoot Keycode. We are expecting receipt of the keycodes next week and these will go home with your child. As soon as you receive your Photo Shoot Keycode you can go online and view your child's photographs.

**Board of Trustees** - The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2018 at 7pm in the meeting room. All welcome.

### **Ukulele Festival**

The Ukulele Group is going to perform in the NZ Ukulele Festival on Saturday 17 November, 12noon – 3pm in the Trusts Arena Henderson (the rain date is 18 November). It is a free event. Schools are required to provide one volunteer for one hour during the event. Parents will need to transport their children to and from the concert. Please join us on the date and have a fun day.

If you can help with the volunteer job please email Fengmei Li at [fli@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:fli@goodshepherd.school.nz).

More information to come closer to the festival.

### **PTA Parents' Morning Tea**

**Friday 9 November at 9am**

Come and join other Good Shepherd parents/caregivers for a cup of tea/coffee and some home baking - a great way to get to know others in our community. Pre-schoolers are welcome.

### **PTA Calendar Art Fundraiser**

A reminder that orders for calendars, cards, diaries, mouse mats and sketch pads are due by **Monday 29th October**. To have your child's artwork turned into these products simply order online via Kindo. These make great Christmas presents and can be mailed to friends and family easily. Samples of the different products can be viewed at the school office along with your child's art work. If you have any issues with Kindo you can bring cash and the completed order form to the school office. If you are paying by Kindo you do not need to return the order form. Contact **Emma Chan** [emma@virtualtag.co](mailto:emma@virtualtag.co) if you need any help.

### **After School Art Classes Term Four at Good Shepherd**

Let your child discover and explore their artistic passion. Teaching the foundations of colour, shading, composition and problem solving. Build up creative thinking, knowledge and skills through the use of various mediums such as watercolour, pencils and charcoal.

**Contact Olesya for more information.**

[olesianz@yahoo.co.nz](mailto:olesianz@yahoo.co.nz)

### **October-The month of Mary and the Rosary**

In Religious Education to begin Term 4, children will be engaging in Traditional and Devotional Prayers, including in their classroom prayers. This is a wonderful opportunity to revisit The Rosary, especially in the month of October. There can seem to be a lot of prayers to remember for the Rosary! The free app called '**Laudate**' is a fantastic resource for parents and even has interactive Rosary beads within it.

### **Religious Education- Communion of Saints**

#### ***Te Kotahitanga o Te Hunga***

This term our strand focus is the Communion of Saints- those people who have officially been declared Saints of the Church because of their own virtues and holiness-**tapu and mana** of their lives.

These Saints inspire us, and lead us to God in a way that we too can be Saints if we choose. Some very important days that follow this strand are All Saints Day (**Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> November – Good Shepherd School attend Mass**) and All Souls Day (Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Good Shepherd School not attending Mass).

**All Saints day** is a day that we celebrate ALL the saints in Heaven. It's a day to pray to the Saints and ask them to intercede for us. This includes ALL the Saints, even the ones who we don't realise are Saints. Not all holy people who have died and gone to heaven are canonized by the Church. **All Souls day** is a day we focus on prayer for those who have died. These souls need our prayers to help them to get into Heaven.

### **All Saints Day Thursday 1 November**

Please join us as the whole school joins the parish community for 9am Mass on All Saints Day.

**Sandra Cultrera**

**Director of Religious Studies**

### **It's Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon time again!!**

Manukau event: Wednesday 5th December 2018 at Mountfort Park in Manurewa.

Central West event: Sunday 9th December 2018 at Keith Hay Park in Mt Roskill.

These events are open to all children who are 7 years old or older on the day of the event. If you are interested in entering your children and participating in this fun event, please contact the school co-ordinator, **Eddie Sella** at [eddie.sella@xtra.co.nz](mailto:eddie.sella@xtra.co.nz) or on **021634300**.

# Resilience

*Resilience is the ability to bounce back from a setback.*

## What is emotional resilience?

Emotional resilience refers to the ability to manage feelings and cope with day-to-day stresses as well as major life events. This includes being able to recognise, understand and accept feelings, and express them in appropriate ways that do not harm others. It also involves being able to face and resolve unpleasant situations and cope with very stressful or upsetting events.

Children have different temperaments and some are more sensitive or emotionally expressive than others. However, it is important for all children to learn and manage emotions. Their ability to recognise, understand and deal with different emotions develops gradually.



Term 4 has begun and the **2018 HELL Reading Challenge** is in its final months. Thank you for your ongoing support of HELL Reading Challenge. We still have pizza wheels in stock. Pop into the library and pick one up today. Remember that all completed pizza wheels must be redeemed by 3 December 2018. Any questions or to get your pizza wheel stamped please see Marguerite Butcher.

## Wanted - Grandparents to help with the Garden Club

Our grandparents are an important part of our school community and we were wondering if there were any out there who could spare an hour a week to help out with our Garden Club? Miss O'Neill and the children meet after lunch eating (about 1pm) on a Tuesday and we would love to have you join us if you can. Please email Miss O'Neill at [joneill@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:joneill@goodshepherd.school.nz)

