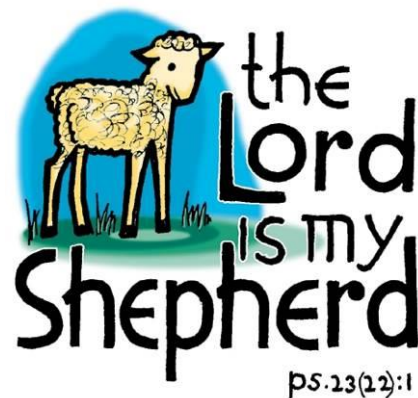


# GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL

\* 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, 8 November 2018



## Teachers' Strike Monday 12th November 2018

Last week Mrs McGillivray, chair of the Good Shepherd Board of Trustees, informed the school community that our school will close if the teachers' strike goes ahead next Monday. This means that children must not come to school on Monday and there will be **no out-of-school programme** (OSCA) in place for the day. We know the strike action is inconvenient for our families. We also know you understand the reason behind the action - the crisis facing education today, with fewer applicants for advertised teaching positions and fewer people training as teachers. Please contact Mrs Hahn if you have any questions about the strike action.

## 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.

## School Photos

Yesterday the individually coded Shoot Keys were sent home with your child. These enable you to go online to view and order school photographs from PhotoLife. Photos are now uploaded and are ready to view online. Our school's free delivery period expires at midnight on Sunday 2nd December 2018 and photo orders placed before this time will be delivered to school for distribution before the end of term. Orders can still be placed online after this date but delivery charges from PhotoLife will apply and you will need to nominate your home/work address as the delivery address.

## 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.

## Good Shepherd Awards

This week we congratulate **Jamie Dixon-McIvor** from Room 2 and **Dean Fernandez** from Room 9 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Thank you Jamie and Dean for being such great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.



## Albert/Eden Cultural Festival

The Good Shepherd Irish dancing group and Senior Kapa Haka will be performing at the annual Albert/Eden Cultural Festival at Rocket Park on Saturday 17th November.

This festival is a wonderful event that hosts a number of schools in our community and gives the children an opportunity to showcase their amazing talent.

**Performance Times: Irish Dancing - 11.15am**

**Senior Kapa Haka - 1.05pm**

## School Attendance Dues

A reminder that every family has a responsibility to do their very best to pay their Attendance Dues. Thank you to those families who have paid their 2018 account in full or who are making regular payments. We are very grateful if you are also able to contribute the voluntary donations. If you have not made any payment for term three or term four please take some immediate action, or come and see me to discuss an arrangement. **Attendance dues are required to be paid by 1st December 2018.**

Jane Hahn

### Whole School Athletics Day

On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> November the school will be travelling to Three Kinds Reserve for our annual Good Shepherd School Athletics Day. All students are to be at school at the normal time and will be transported to and from the event by bus. Events begin at 9.45am and will be finished by 2.15pm.

As per the school's Health & Safety Guidelines, no student may be taken home from Three Kings Reserve.

All students must return to school on the buses.

We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible coming along and supporting the children.

### 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 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.**

### 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**

### Picking up children from OSCA

Our after school care programme is an important service to our school community and our children's health and safety is a top priority while at OSCA. It is very important that we are notified if there is a change in the nominated person picking your child up. This means that children will not be released to anyone other than the person nominated on our records unless contact has been made by parents/caregivers to advise a change. All bookings and changes to bookings need to be made via the school office, either in person, by phone 620 4962 or email to [admin@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:admin@goodshepherd.school.nz)

### We need you!

Are you an expert in tiling or know of a tiler who doesn't mind giving up some of their precious time to work with the art team? We are in the final stages of our project and require the support of a tiler (even a home expert). If you are available to support this project could you please email or contact **Melissa Down** [mldown@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:mldown@goodshepherd.school.nz)

## Whole School Athletics Day Schedule

### Morning Session 9.45am – 11.45pm

<b>Senior Students (8-11 years)</b>	<b>Junior Students (5-7 years)</b>
800 m (optional)	Field events: Frisbee Throw
400m	Long Jump
100m	Softball Throw
200m	Bean Bag Throw Tag Relays

### Afternoon Session 12.00pm – 2.00pm

<b>Junior Students (5-7 years)</b>	<b>Senior Students (8-11 years)</b>
50m	Field events:
75m	Long Jump
100m	Softball Throw Discus (High jump and 10 year old long jump take place at school during lunchtimes)

House relays will take place after the afternoon session, if we have time.

Please make sure that your children come to school prepared for the day with:

- Sunscreen and sun hats
- Plenty of food and drink (water only)
- Years 4-6 in their sports uniform
- Years 1-3 in sports gear (preferably in their house colours)
- All children in sports shoes

Thank you to all our parents who are able to help on the day. You are all warmly invited to come along to support the children at any time during the day.

## Dates for End of Year Events

Please note the following important dates in your diary:

9 November	Parents' Morning Tea
12 November	Planned Teachers' Strike Day
13 November	Kids for Kids Concert
14 November	Whole school athletics
16 November	Assembly Room 6
17 November	Albert/Eden Cultural Festival Ukulele Festival
22 November	Eden/Albert Athletic Zones
30 November	Sports Assembly
<b>5 December</b>	Weetbix Tryathlon <b>End of Year Mass</b>
10 December	Reports go home
13 December	Christmas Concert
14 December	End of Term 4

## Year 5 Retreat

On Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> of November, the Year 5 cohort attended the St Francis Retreat Center run by Brother Philip. Their time spent together focused on a pilgrimage of teamwork, friendship,



forgiveness and growth, all things that the Year 5s will be preparing for as they get ever so near to being in Year 6.

Together they prayed and went on a very challenging Saint's hunt around the beautiful grounds of the retreat center. As a school and parish community, we wish the Year 5s all the best moving forward using all the Good Shepherd School values, and the experience they shared together at retreat



### Gardening Club

The gardening club have been working hard to maintain our beautiful front garden. We have so many lovely flowers that are in bloom. If you would like to help us maintain our gardens, please email Miss O'Neill: [joneill@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:joneill@goodshepherd.school.nz)



### WSB End of year party - Save the Date!

**What:** Walking School Bus End of Year Pool Party.  
**Who:** All our dedicated Walking School Bus Children.  
**Where:** School Pool.  
**When:** Friday 7 December, straight after school until 4.30pm. Any queries to: [rrrclement@xtra.co.nz](mailto:rrrclement@xtra.co.nz)

Please note, this event will not affect those families who hire pool keys for the summer as the pool will still be available to them for the usual hours from 4.30pm until 7.00pm.

## Resilience

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

**What are the tools required to help people bounce back?**

#### Adapting

Being able to adjust to new situations.

#### Asking for help

Adjust to new situations.

#### Dealing with failure or disappointment

Learn how to keep perspective and handle disappointments in a positive way.

#### Independence

Taking responsibility, using initiative, having confidence in self.

#### Initiative

Taking the opportunity to act or take charge before others.

#### Optimistic

Optimism is a habit of thinking about positives in situations and helps you to learn from failure.

#### Being Patience and Calm

The capacity to accept or tolerate delay, problems, or suffering without becoming annoyed or anxious.

#### Perseverance

Keep trying even if something is difficult.