

# 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, 22 November 2018



## Good Shepherd Awards

This week we congratulate **Miriam Kaufman** from Room 9 and **Eli Millar** from Room 3 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Thank you, Miriam and Eli, for being such great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.



## Photo order deadline

Just a reminder that our school photos are now available for viewing and ordering online with PhotoLife. 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. We are expecting delivery on the 6th December.

## PTA Meeting

The last PTA meeting for the year will be held on **Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> November**. The meeting will officially start at 7.30pm in the staff room. The PTA committee will be there from 7pm to wrap the Year 6 gifts, and share some refreshments and nibbles to say thanks and best wishes to all. Everyone is welcome.

## School Account

Attendance Dues are required to be settled in full by **1st December 2018**.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

## Sports Assembly Friday 30 November at 2.15pm

There will be a special assembly next Friday at 2.15pm. Athletics certificates will be presented and our Irish Dancing, Kapa Haka and choir will be performing.

## Swimming Pool Key Hire

A limited number of keys are available for hire by Good Shepherd School families for this summer. Please see the attached swimming pool key hire form for details. Keys are available for purchase from 8.30am on Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018. Please note we are only accepting cash or cheque payment (no online payments).

Keys will be allocated on a first come first serve basis to families who present a completed hire form and cash or cheque payment. In fairness to all families we are not accepting reservations for keys or allocating keys prior to Monday 26<sup>th</sup> November.

Please note that this summer the swimming pool will be **closed**:

- from 4pm on the 24th December and will reopen on the 30th December
- from 4pm on the 31st December and will reopen on the 5th January 2019

## Sacramental Programme 2019

Good Shepherd School and Parish have enrolment forms available for the Sacramental Programme in 2019. All children who have been baptised and are 8 years old and above are eligible. A copy of their baptism certificate is required. Enrolment forms are available at the Parish Office or Good Shepherd School office from Monday 26th November. The first Sacramental Parents meeting will be on **Wednesday 13th February at 6.30pm at Good Shepherd School Staffroom**.

**Closing date for enrolment will be the 22nd February 2019.**

For further inquiries contact Sandra Cultrera (Director of Religious Studies)

[scultrera@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:scultrera@goodshepherd.school.nz)

## Board of Trustees Meeting

The board of trustees will meet on **Tuesday 27 November** at 7pm in the meeting room. All welcome.

### OSCA for 2019

We will soon be preparing OSCA for Term 1 2019. Families who currently have permanent bookings are required to complete a form which will be emailed out on Monday 26th November with their requirements for Term 1 2019. The completed forms need to be returned to the school office by Friday 7th December please.

### Flippaball

We are on the lookout for someone to take over the GSS Flippaball Co-ordinator role from next year onwards. Justin Soon has been doing an outstanding job over the past few years, however his son will be in his last year at GSS next year. Now is a good opportunity for someone to shadow Justin to make the transition of co-ordinator responsibility as smooth as possible. Ideally this would be someone with a Year 3 child. Can you help? Please contact **Justin on 021 434 706** or leave your name at the school office.

### School Uniforms

The uniform shop is open on Thursday mornings from 8.30am to 9.00am. Outside of these hours, orders can be placed via email, phone or in person at the school office and the uniform items will be sent home with the child. The last day for purchase of school uniform items will be Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November after which the school uniform shop will be closed until school commences in Term 1, 2019.

### 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.

### Lost Property

Please check the lost property. At the end of term, all unclaimed items will be disposed of.

### Walking School Bus Award

The winner is – **Otis Twose** for excellent leadership skills all year



### Overdue Books & Annual Stocktake

Please return **all overdue** books as soon as possible. Please let us know if you think the book has already been returned or if it is lost.

In preparation for our annual stocktake we would like all books to be returned by **Friday 30 November**.

Our annual stocktake will take place at the end of term and we would like all books back on the shelf.

Any concerns or questions please see Marguerite Butcher.



This year's HELL Reading Challenge ends on **Monday 3 December**. This is the deadline for students to exchange their completed pizza wheels for free pizzas. Students need to take their wheels in to a HELL Pizza store by this date in order to receive the free pizzas that they have earned. The last day Mrs Butcher can stamp your pizza wheel is **Friday 30 November**.

### CHESS CLUB NEWS

#### Coaching with Chess Master Leonard McLaren

Chess coaching has now finished for the year. We hope to offer chess lessons again early next year. The first set of 10 lessons will be at the beginner's level. They would be suitable for children in Years 4-6 who are new to chess or have not yet passed their Level 1 badge.

#### New Zealand Junior Chess Badges

Congratulations to the following children who recently gained a badge.

<b>Rishmikka Selvathas</b>	Level One
<b>Soeun Park</b>	Level Two

# Resilience

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

#### Why is emotional resilience important?

Children need to cope with everyday feelings, both positive and negative, such as excitement, anticipation, frustration, and disappointment. All children experience stressful times in their lives, like preparing for tests or competitions. Some children have very upsetting things happen to them, such as parents separating, or death in the family. It is important for children to learn how to deal with such experiences.

### Albert/Eden Schools Cultural Festival 2018

Last Saturday two Good Shepherd performance groups participated in the Albert/Eden Schools Cultural Festival at Rocket Park. Congratulations to all the children who performed - we were so proud of you! We thank **Clare Fala** and **Liz Hanrahan** for again giving generously of their time to coach and choreograph the Irish Dancing group. We also wish to thank **Ms Gleeson** and **Matua Hare Paniora** for their work with the Senior Kapa Haka group who gave a powerful performance on the day. Thank you to all the Good Shepherd families who attended the event.

### Ukulele Festival

Congratulations to the Good Shepherd School Ukulele Group who performed in the NZ Ukulele Festival last Saturday at the Trusts Arena in Henderson. We thank **Ms Li** for leading this group and all the parents who helped with transport and support at the event.



### St Peter's Orchestra

Good Shepherd were pleased to have a visit from the St Peter's Intermediate orchestra on Wednesday. There were so many instruments on display from wind instruments through to string. It was a great opportunity for the students to see these instruments in action and being played so beautifully by the St Peter's boys. It was especially wonderful to see some of our past pupils playing in the orchestra too.



### St Peter's College Primary Music Programme

St Peter's College is proposing an **after school Primary Music Programme in 2019**, in which children from Good Shepherd will learn to play a musical instrument and play in a musical group. Look out for the flyer coming home with your child today or email the co-ordinators, Mr Poljanich or Miss Teh at [stpetersprimarymusic@gmail.com](mailto:stpetersprimarymusic@gmail.com).

***Time and again, research shows us that learning music helps children to achieve better academically and socially. Learning a musical instrument takes that learning up a notch.***

<https://www.schoolnews.co.nz/2017/11/the-benefits-of-music-lessons-in-schools/>