

# 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, 21 February 2019



## Good Shepherd Awards

This week we congratulate **Xavier Prentice** from Room 8 and **Jiwoo Jang** from Room 6 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Thank you Xavier and Jiwoo for being such great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.



## Sacramental Programme

Thank you to all the families who attended the Sacramental Meeting. If you are still interested in enrolling your child/ren into the Sacramental Programme, please fill out an application form from the Good Shepherd School office. **Enrolments close 22nd February 2019.**

For further enquiries please contact Sandra Cultrera [scultrera@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:scultrera@goodshepherd.school.nz)

## School Account

School account statements have been emailed out and hard copies sent home via the children. **Please commence payments as soon as possible.** Payments can be spread out over the year but must be paid by 1 December. If you are paying in term instalments, the first instalment is due by week 6.

If you have any questions regarding your account, please contact Kathryn in the school office or email [accounts@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:accounts@goodshepherd.school.nz)

**The school dues bank account is:**

**12-3067-0208272-02**

## Rooms 3 and 4 Assembly

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> February, 2.15pm**

You are warmly invited to attend Room 3 and 4's assembly tomorrow in the school hall at 2.15pm.



## Parish School Mass

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March, 6pm.**

On Saturday 2nd March Good Shepherd School will be participating in our Parish School Mass at 6.00pm. All families are expected to attend with their child/ren to celebrate the beginning of a new school year with the Parish community. With weather permitting we hope to have a barbeque picnic after Mass.

## Caritas 2019

This year, Good Shepherd School is supporting Caritas in their need for donations for South Sudan. Donations go towards shelter, food, water, tools and healthcare. The children will be engaging in Caritas resources surrounding Peace, Hope & Life. Each class will have a Caritas donation box. For further information go to [www.caritas.org.nz](http://www.caritas.org.nz)



## Auckland Diocese Preference Forms

At this time of the year many of our families are asking for our Parish Priest to sign Preference forms for Catholic secondary schools. Msgr Bernard will be available to sign Preference forms after the 6.00pm Mass on Saturdays and the 9.30am Mass on Sundays.

## Safety at the school gate

The school gate by the office is usually open as the children arrive and leave school. If you are visiting school during school hours, could you please make sure you shut the gate behind you.

## Sports Events for Term 1

### Connolly Swimming Carnival

We had a great day of swimming at the senior school Swimming Carnival yesterday. Despite a delayed start because our bus transport was held up, we managed to get through a very full programme of competitive and non-competitive events. Thank you so much to all our parent helpers and to those whānau who were able to come along to support our swimmers. *Please note that many of the races were 'timed finals' because of the late start and even though your child may have come in a place in the heat, they will not necessarily be placed in the overall event.* Certificates for place-getters will be presented at the **Sports Assembly on 8 March.**

### Eden/Albert swimming zones - Tuesday 26 February

We require one parent who is able to assist with timekeeping on a lane.

### Eden/Albert cricket zones - Tuesday 19 March (save day 26 March)

At the moment we will be entering one boys team in the B grade and one girls team. We require a parent to manage and umpire the girls team.

### Eden/Albert touch zones - Tuesday 9 April (save day 11 April)

With all of these events above we need parent help and support for them to go ahead. If you are able to help out in any way this term please contact Heather McLeod on [hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz).

You don't need to be an expert in a certain sport, help is always available. The amount of parent support does influence how many teams we are able to enter in the cricket and touch zones.

### Sheridan swimming display - Thursday 14 March

### Netball 2019

Netball notices have been sent home with the children last week. If you are interested in your child playing netball, if you are able to coach or manage a team, or run the afterschool programme for Year 1 and 2s, please complete the form and return to the school office by 7 March. **Anya Katongo (ph 021 189 7721)** is kindly co-ordinating the GSS netball this season and we thank her for managing this.

## CONNOLLY SWIMMING CARNIVAL

Good Shepherd seniors had a wonderful day at swimming sports. Thank you Sharyn and parents for helping us with the non competitive swimming and competitive. Also thank you parents for coming along and supporting your children. Good Shepherd students thank the teachers very warmly, as every year as they set up and prepare this event for us. I'm sure that every student enjoyed the event. I saw everyone compete with my own eyes and they all did well. The people who lost don't have to be sad because they should be grateful they got a swim in the warm weather also because there's always time and effort to improve.

Henry Russell – Student Journalist



*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 Patient 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.



## Room 1 is Walking in the Footsteps of Jesus!

In Religious Education, Room 1 have been learning all about the life of Jesus-what he ate, how he dressed, the games he played as a child and where he lived in Palestine. We have also been exploring the differences between Aotearoa New Zealand and Palestine- one of the biggest differences is that Palestine is very dry, hot and arid! In New Zealand we are surrounded by water and greenery. We love learning about Jesus and how he was a child just like us!



# From the PTA

## PTA Meeting

Many thanks to all who made it along to the PTA meeting on the 12<sup>th</sup>, we had some good conversations about the fair and other various events this year.

We have approval to get started on the Resilience project, so this will get underway shortly – we are looking for completion around mid-April.

The AGM coming up on the 5<sup>th</sup> of March. The current executive committee will be standing again for their positions, if you are interested in putting your hand up for any of the 4 (Chair, Vice-Chair, Secretary, Treasurer) please let me know, and I'll forward the position descriptions.

Reminder – as a parent you are automatically a member of the PTA. If you want to contribute to the proceeding – just come along!

## Room Reps

We sent home a letter on Monday regarding taking up the position of Room Rep for your child's room. Please get in touch if this is something you are considering. If you haven't received it, and it's not buried at the bottom of your child's schoolbag, let me know and I'll send you a copy.

Once we have our room reps we will be sending home a form to get contact details for parents in each room. This will ask for your email address so that the reps can get in contact if needed.

## School Fair, 9<sup>th</sup> November 2019

Justine and Ronan are well underway with fair preparations. The fair is set to run on the 9<sup>th</sup> of November this year. We are looking for a few key things at the moment:

- 1) A volunteer to run the raffle.
- 2) Silent Auction, and raffle prizes – we are looking for major prizes in particular at this stage.
- 3) Volunteers in general – if you have an idea for a stall or just want to help please get in touch.

## The Village Press Olive Oil Fundraiser

Please encourage your family, friends and colleagues to support our school PTA fundraiser. You can order your olive oil gift packs through Kindo. We get \$5 from every pack sold.

There are two flavour ranges and they cost \$25 each. **Orders close on the 20th of March** for delivery before the end of the term. If you have any questions please contact Nicola 021562682.

## PTA Pie Lunch Fundraiser

We will be having our first PTA **PIE LUNCH FUNDRAISER** for the children on **Friday, 1st March**. This will replace our usual sushi lunch fundraiser for that day. Online orders are open now on Kindo and will close at 11am on Thursday 28th February. For more details see the Jester's Pie Day information page below.

As always, feel free to get in contact any time, [digitalbugsy@gmail.com](mailto:digitalbugsy@gmail.com)

Or join us on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/GSSPTA/>

Thanks!

**Kirsty-Anne, Kelly, Mairead and Buggy**

# PTA PIE LUNCH FUNDRAISER

We will be having our PTA **PIE LUNCH FUNDRAISER** for the children on Friday, 1st March. This will replace our usual sushi lunch fundraiser for that day.

## What you need to know:

- The pies are supplied by Jesters and are \$5.30 each
- They can be ordered online only by clicking '[here](#)'
- Cut off for orders is **11am Thursday 28th February**
- The pies will be delivered to each child's class on Friday
- Pies are made freshly on Friday morning by Jesters.
- The online system (Kindo) is the same one we use for online sushi ordering - it's really easy and hopefully many of you are familiar with it. If you haven't already, please register '[here](#)' then place your order.

The following choices will be available:

- Mince
- Mince & Cheese
- Bacon Egg & Cheese
- Steak
- Steak & Cheese
- Smoked Salmon
- Butter Chicken
- Spinach, Mushroom & Feta
- Apple & Custard
- Gluten-free mince, steak or butter chicken
- Small sausage roll (\$2.80)

If you have any problems ordering your pies you can contact:

Kindo Help Desk (Mon-Fri 8am-4pm) 09 869 5200

or your PTA representative Emma Chan [emma@virtualtag.co](mailto:emma@virtualtag.co) 027 7745 941





**ST. PETER'S COLLEGE**  
 Mountain Road, Grafton  
 Tel: 524 9108  
 Catholic School for Boys Years 7 – 13

**OPEN DAY**  
 For Year 7 Enrolments in 2020  
*Limited enrolments at other levels*

**TUESDAY 26<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2019**  
 9:30 am or 1:00 pm

in the College Hall (main school entrance – Mountain Road)

followed by a conducted tour of the College by senior boys

*St Peter's College provides an education in the CATHOLIC tradition by building a strong foundation in the ACADEMIC, SPORT & MUSIC areas.*

*The College has a dual pathway of assessment with both Cambridge International Examinations and NCEA offered at senior year levels*

The College is well served by public transport from all parts of Auckland

**"ST PETER'S BUILDS OUTSTANDING MEN"**

(Weather permitting, parking available on the top field, main entrance Mountain Road)  
 www.stpeters.school.nz

**ST MARY'S COLLEGE**  
**OPEN DAY**  
 Thursday 7 March 2019  
 Commencing 2.30pm & 6.30pm  
 in the Paul Keane Gymnasium

11 New Street, Auckland  
 www.stmarys.school.nz

**NOW ENROLLING FOR 2020**

Enrolments are open for Year 7 students and a small number of places for girls in other levels

St Mary's College has no zoning restrictions

For more information see our website  
 www.stmarys.school.nz

**CLOSING DATE FOR 2020 ENROLMENT APPLICATIONS**  
 Thursday 21 March 2019

Join our Mercy family  
 21st Century Woman of Mercy

**St Peter's College**  
**FAIR**  
**Sunday 24 March**  
**11am-3pm**

Food Stalls • Books • Raffles  
 Pre-Loved Goods • Silent Auctions  
 Amusements • Music • Plants

St Peter's College grounds, 23 Mountain Road, Epsom

 **OPEN DAY**

St Paul's College, 183 Richmond Road, Ponsonby

**Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019. Sessions - 9.30am & 1.45pm**

Assembly in the College Chapel, followed by tour

Enrolments for Years 7, 8 and 9  
*Building Men of Courage since 1955*

**BARADENE COLLEGE**  
**OPEN EVENING**  
**Thursday 7 March 2019, 6.30 p.m.**

We welcome all prospective parents and students to visit the College. Entry at Gate 2 to the Auditorium.

Enrolments for Year 7, 2020 are presently being accepted and will close on Friday 15 March, 2019. A limited number of place in Year 9 will be available and applications will close on Friday 15 March, 2019.

**SeaweeK Events and Sir Peter Blake Marine Education and Recreation Centre (MERC) Long Bay**

SeaweeK is a national event which runs from March 2nd-10th and the theme is "Tiakina o Tātou Mōana – Care for our Seas". MERC is hosting two SeaweeK events:

**MARINE LIFE UNDERFOOT** Friday 8 March from 5:00 - 8:00pm  
 Join MERC Staff on a walk around the rocky reef in Long Bay!  
 This is a family friendly event, entry by donation.

'Sea' MERC Day Sunday 10 March from 12:30 - 5:30 pm  
 Join us for a fun day on the sea! Have a look at our educational displays and join in on an ocean experience, we'll have exciting options based on the water conditions that day. Entry by donation. You can sign up for these events by going onto the MERC Facebook page.  
 For other SeaweeK events go to  
<http://www.seaweeK.org.nz/events/auckland/>