

# GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL



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\* 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

Newsletter No 11, 27th June 2019

## *From the principal....*

Tēnā koutou nga mihi kia koutou

Greetings to you all!

I had the pleasure of presenting the attached **Student Achievement Report** to parents and whānau of Good Shepherd School at the PTA meeting last week. These meetings provide an opportunity to talk about many aspects of school life that you may not hear about in any other venue. I took particular pride in discussing this report which shows that students at Good Shepherd do better than the national picture, and better than other schools like us, in maths and science.

The PTA is often looked on as a fundraising group but it is, in fact, far more than that. It is an important vehicle for building a strong Good Shepherd community, providing friendship and fun and a way of getting to know each other better. PTA meetings also give us an opportunity to talk about school happenings in an informal way and are, therefore, a valuable means of communication between home and school. There is plenty of research that shows that the more parents are involved in their children's education, the better their children perform at school, and belonging to the PTA is a great way to get involved (see the links below).

Please look out for notices about PTA meetings - the next one is scheduled for Tuesday 6 August and it would be great to see a full turnout at that meeting. If you haven't already done so, please pass your contact details on to your PTA class rep. It is a big year for our whānau with the biennial school fair in November and we need everyone in the community to get behind it. I can guarantee you (and your children) will benefit hugely from your involvement.

<https://www.waterford.org/education/how-parent-involvement-leads-to-student-success/>

<https://www.straitstimes.com/singapore/kids-do-well-when-parents-are-involved>

[https://www.eurekalert.org/pub\\_releases/2018-12/nruh-cpb113018.php](https://www.eurekalert.org/pub_releases/2018-12/nruh-cpb113018.php)

Ngā manaakitanga

Jane Hahn

## **Lost Property**

From Monday 1<sup>st</sup> – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July the lost property table will be at the entrance of the admin building. Please check for lost property. All unclaimed items will be disposed of at the end of term.

## Important Dates

### Coming up Term 2

28 June	Auckland Girls Chess Championships
30 June	Parish/School Mass (TBC)
5 July	Mufti Mania Day
	Assembly: Room 7
	Reports home
	End of Term 2

*Please note that some of these dates may change*

## Good Shepherd Awards



*This week we congratulate **Harper Sujaritwatanasak** from Room 4 - you are always trying very hard to demonstrate the Good Shepherd School values in the classroom and after school and **Leo Zigliani** from Room 5 - You are always trying hard to demonstrate the Good Shepherd School values*

## Parish School Mass

There will be a Parish School Mass this **Saturday 29th June at 6.00pm** at Good Shepherd Parish. All families are expected to attend with their children in school uniform. All children who are new to Good Shepherd will be formally welcomed.

**If you are unable to attend this Parish/ Mass a written note or email with explanation must be sent to the Principal ([principal@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:principal@goodshepherd.school.nz)).**

## Blessing of our new fitness trail

Thank you Monsignor Bernard Kiely and to all those who came to the blessing of Good Shepherd School's new fitness trail! This was achieved by the money raised by the 2017 Good Shepherd School Fair.



## Sacramental Programme Parents Meeting: First Holy Communion

There will be a final Sacramental Meeting at Good Shepherd on **Wednesday 24th July at 6.30pm**, week one of term three. For any questions please email [scultrera@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:scultrera@goodshepherd.school.nz)

## Library Books

Please renew or return overdue books.



We would love to have our overdue books back in the library by end of Term 2.

Your child will bring home a notice if they have any overdue books.

Please encourage your children to find and return their library books.

Please let me know if you think the book has already been returned or if it is lost.

Books can be borrowed over the holidays.

Many thanks  
Marguerite Butcher  
mbutcher@goodshepherd.school.nz

## Foster Hope Pyjama Drive

[www.fosterhope.org.nz](http://www.fosterhope.org.nz)  
[www.facebook.com/fosterhopenz](https://www.facebook.com/fosterhopenz)

This is a drop off point for new pyjamas (size 0-18) to be given to children in foster care. These can be left at the school office. The pyjama drive will run until Thursday 4th July. Thank you so much for your support.



## Walking School Bus

Walking school bus award this week goes to Jiwoo Jang. Thank you for your positive contribution Jiwoo.



## School Council Books and Baking Bonanza! Wednesday 3 July

- Please bring in donated books for us to sell - drop into Room 2 before school from now until Wednesday 3 July.
- Please bring in home baking for sale on the morning of Wednesday 3 July.
- Please support our fundraising by bringing in some money to buy our books and baking on Wednesday 3 July.

## School Holiday Programmes

There are a number of holiday programmes available during the upcoming holidays. Please pop into the office if you would like further information about these.

## Staffing Update

**Mrs Suggate** has now gone off on maternity leave and we wish her every blessing for the birth of her second child. We welcome **Ms Michelle Taylor** on to the regular staff of Good Shepherd School. Ms Taylor is a familiar face through her relieving work in the school and will now work regularly in Room 6 to release Miss Down for her Kāhui Ako/Community of Learning across School Teacher role.



## Gymnastics

On Tuesday and Wednesday a group of children represented Good Shepherd School at Tristar Gymnastics Festival. They worked hard all term to get ready and we are very proud of them.



## Running Group

Our keen runners finishing the term with a fun group activity for a cold morning. Thank you Mairead and your helpers for getting this off the ground this term.



## Yummy Stickers



Collect Yummy apple stickers for our school's share of the \$200,000 DG Sport sports gear prize pool. Yummy apples are available from New World, PAK'nSAVE and participating Four Square stores.

All stickers must be collected by the end of Term 3 so get going and start collecting your Yummy cut-out labels and stickers now!

A collection sheet can be downloaded from the Yummy Fruit website - <https://www.yummyfruit.co.nz/schools/> - or you can get one from the office.

## Pie Day and Sushi

There will be a pie day on Tuesday the 2<sup>nd</sup>, get your orders in! We are also going to run Sushi on Friday as usual, so if your kids don't like pies (or if they like both) they won't miss out.

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

Thanks!

Kirsty-Anne, Kelly, Mairead and Buggy

## Cake Raffle

Thank you to **Renata Custodio Wilson** for baking the cake - the raffle raised \$122.  
Congrats to the **Lord family** for winning on the day!



## Kids Marathon

We are putting together a Good Shepherd School team for the KID'S MARATHON this year.

KID'S MARATHON is a training programme that enables children aged 7-13 years to complete a full marathon (42.2 kilometres) by running 3-4kms per week for 12 weeks and then the final 2.2kms on the day. Children finish through main gantry of the ASB Auckland Marathon. Entries cost \$20 for early bird fee, if registered before June 30, or \$25.00 per child after (please note the entry fee is non-refundable). Each entrant receives a medal. Start time for race day on 20 October is 11am on Beaumont St, Auckland.

Children and parents are welcome to join the Good Shepherd Running Group 8am Thursdays to help complete the programme.

Parents will need to enter children through the ASB Auckland Marathon website and select the 'Good Shepherd School Balmoral' team when entering and use the password 'GSS2019'.

The event website can be found here: <https://aucklandmarathon.co.nz/race-info/kids-marathon/>

If you would like more information please contact Mairead Woods [bmwoods1@outlook.com](mailto:bmwoods1@outlook.com)



## Room 3 & 4 Class Work

This term we have been very busy learning all about water for our inquiry. Last week we were lucky enough to have Sally from WaterCare come and visit us! She did some wonderful things with us, first we did some drama and pretended to be a tiny drop of water traveling around the world, and then we got to make our very own water cycle in a bag.



# PTA Pie Lunch Fundraiser

We will be having another PTA **PIE LUNCH FUNDRAISER** for the children on Tuesday 2nd July. This will be in addition to our usual sushi lunch fundraiser for the week, which will still run on Friday 5th July.

## 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 Monday 1st July.**
- The pies will be delivered to each child's class on Tuesday.
- Pies are made freshly on Tuesday 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

Thanks!

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## M Sport Football School Holiday Programmes

**Venues:**

Good Shepherd School, Mt Eden (1st week only)

Wakaaranga School, Farm Cove

**Dates:** 8th to 12th July & 15th to 19th July

**Times:** 9am—12pm & 9am-3pm

**Cost:** \$49 for 9am to 3pm per child/day

\$29 for 9am-12pm per child/day

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