

# Good Shepherd School



Update Notice, May 7, 2020

## Upcoming Dates

**Sunday 10 May** - Mother's Day

**Friday 29 May** - Teacher Only Day

**Sunday 31 May** - Pentecost Sunday

**Sunday 31 May** - Applications for Marist College close

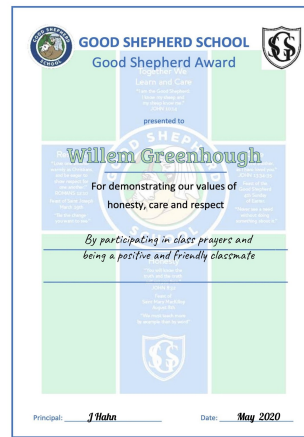
**Monday 1 June** - Queen's Birthday Holiday

**Friday 3 July** - End of Term 2

**Please note that some of these dates may change**

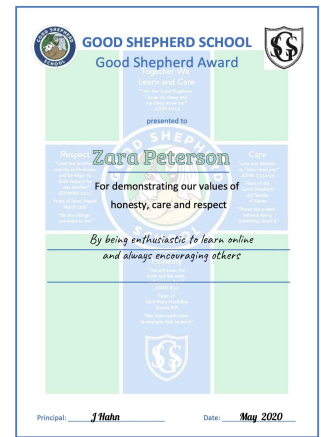
## Special Character

### Good Shepherd Awards



**Willem Greenhough** - participating in class prayers and being a positive and friendly classmate.

**Zara Peterson** - always being enthusiastic to learn online and always encouraging others.



## Good Shepherd Parish Mass times

Although we are not able to gather in Church for Mass at the moment, we invite you to join with others online to celebrate daily and Sunday Mass.

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/>

You can download a copy of the Liturgy of the Word for the Fifth Sunday of Easter at home with the family

[< here >](#)

## Laudato Si' Week 16-24th May: A video invitation from Pope Francis

We are living through history-shaping events. Laudato Si' teaches us how to build a better world—together. For Laudato Si' Week, 16-24 May, Catholics are uniting in solidarity for a more just and sustainable future.

Stand united with our brothers and sisters in faith as we grow through the crisis of this moment to build a better tomorrow.

- Reflect and prepare through online trainings, 16-23 May
- Join the worldwide day of prayer, 24 May
- check out <https://laudatosiweek.org/>

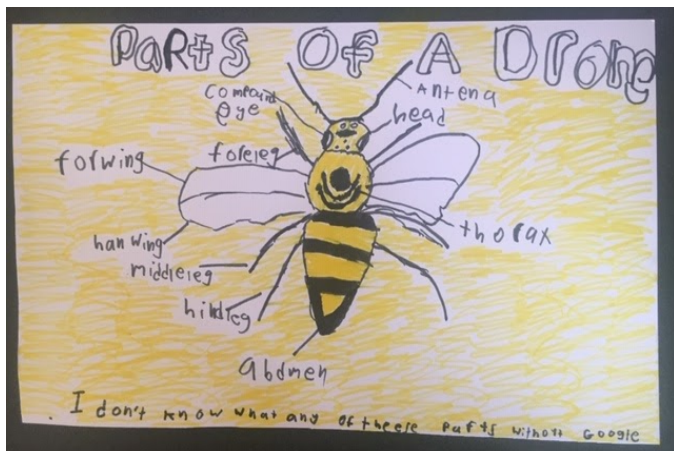
## Statement for Families of Catholic Schools

Attached is a [statement for families](#) of Catholic Schools from the NZ Catholic Bishops Conference and NZ Catholic Education Office in response to challenges encountered by Covid-19, to offer attendance dues support for parents suffering loss of income and other hardships.

Please find the third electronic edition of NZ Catholic for your interest. [Download NZ Catholic](#)

## In and Around School

### Inquiry



More good inquiry work from **William Erickson** who has been learning about bee anatomy with a little bit of help from Google...

### Birthdays

Congratulations to the following children who celebrate their birthday in May:

Miguel Biado  
Meredith D'Cruz  
Ida Greenhough  
Faith Gribble  
George Hanrahan  
Benjamin Maddox  
Liam Millar  
Manny Puyat  
Maggie Shaw  
Xavier Taito

Luke Butcher  
Jamie Dixon-McIver  
Willem Greenhough  
August Gullery  
Alana Jackson  
Jane Matar  
William Moulder  
Coco Rowe  
Josephine Spencer  
Reuben Kennerley

### Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to **Manny Puyat** who started with us recently.

## Information for Whānau

### Feedback on Distance Learning Programmes

We would love to know how the distance learning programmes we have set up for our Good Shepherd students are working for you in your homes. Please take a couple of minutes to fill out this survey, telling us what has been successful and suggesting any improvements. We would like to hear from all our families and appreciate you taking the time to do this.

Click on the link below to fill out a form for each child you have at Good Shepherd School. The link will be open until Friday 4pm.

<https://forms.gle/2EttRjqdrrGD7CMN6>

### Keeping Safe Online

Keeping our children safe during online learning has always been an area where home and school work in close partnership. This has never been as important as it is now, as we deliver distance learning to most of our students. A couple more ideas that may help you in the current situation:

- Create a space at home that is fit for learning, where an adult can see what is happening while your child is online
- Create timeframes and expectations for what your child must achieve in these timeframes

Don't forget the web filter for your child's device, available at [switchonsafety.co.nz](http://switchonsafety.co.nz) and the support for online safety conversations available at [www.netsafe.org.nz](http://www.netsafe.org.nz).

### COVID-19 Update

Please see attached update on how Alert Level 3 is going at Good Shepherd School.

### Marist College Application Closing Date

Due to the Covid 19 lockdown, Marist College has extended the enrolment application closing date for 2021 until Sunday 31st May 2020, Please see attached flyer. [Link](#)

### Facebook Update

Remember to visit our school [Facebook page](#) to find resources and notices. Please also share your own feedback and ideas on this page.