

Good Shepherd School



Update Notice, 02 July, 2020

Upcoming Dates

3 July	Pyjama (or Mufti) Day
3 July	End of Term 2
20 July	Beginning Term 3
8 August	Confirmation
11 August	BOT Meeting
14 August	Teacher Only Day
19 August	Speech Competition
30 August	First Holy Communion Mass
6 Sept	Father's Day
11 Sept	Grandparents' Day
15 Sept	BOT Meeting
19 Sept	General Election
25 Sept	End of Term 3
12 Oct	Beginning Term 4
13 Oct	School Photos
23 Oct	Teacher Only Day
26 Oct	Labour Day
2 Dec	End of Year Mass
9 Dec	Christmas Concert
10 Dec	End of Term 4

Please note that some of these dates may change

Term Dates 2021

The following 2021 term dates were approved at the last meeting of the Board of Trustees:

Term	Start	Finish
1	Tuesday 2 February	Friday 16 April
2	Monday 3 May	Friday 9 July
3	Monday 26 July	Friday 1 October
4	Monday 18 October	Wednesday 15 December

Special Character Good Shepherd Awards



Ris Maven Jinesh - spreading kindness and happiness throughout the classroom
Liua Lemana - displaying fair and thoughtful leadership skills

Sacramental Programme Dates

- 1 July** Confirmation Parents' Session 6.30-8.30pm
- 26 July** Confirmation Session 1
- 2 August** Confirmation Session 2
- 12 August** First Holy Communion Parents' Session 6.30-8.30pm
- 16 August** First Holy Communion Session 1
- 23 August** First Holy Communion Session 2
- 30 August** First Holy Communion Mass 2pm

Good Shepherd Parish Mass times

We encourage all families to attend Mass together, particularly those children who have made their Sacraments. Saturday Mass is at 9.00am followed by Reconciliation at 9.30am, and Vigil Mass at 6.00pm in the evening. Sunday Mass is at 9.30am and Phillipino Mass at 11.00am.

In and Around School

Birthdays

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

Aisling Byrne	Aoibheann O'Sullivan Blanch
Elia Landon-Paniora	Harper Sujaritwatanasak
Heather Rewcastle	Jasmine Dove
Lei'ataua Fotofili	Leo Burnett
Ruby Gray	Sienna McLeod
Sophia Corrales	Sophie Gray
Talei Elbourne	Viela Mahina Zara Maddox

Information for Whānau

Keeping Warm

Our Auckland mornings are getting chilly now. Monday morning prayer sessions, whether they take place outside or in the hall, highlight the need for jerseys or school coats. Please ensure your child is wearing theirs when they come to school on Monday morning, and that it is readily available for them at all times through winter.

Incredible Years Parenting Programme

This free 14 week programme for parents is being hosted at Christ the King Catholic School. See the outline of the course for more information and register on this [link](#) before 3 July.

[Course Outline](#)

[Letter to Parents](#)

[Registration](#)

School Organisation for Terms 3 and 4

Good Shepherd School has had an increase in the number of new entrants this year and we are lucky enough to have the classroom space to accommodate these increased numbers.

From the beginning of term 3, the current Room 2 class, students and teachers, will move to Room 9. New entrants will then be able to continue to start their schooling at Good Shepherd in the Room 1 and 2 area.

Chess Club News



Upcoming Chess Tournaments in Term 3

**Tuesday 28 July Central Auckland
Primary-Ponsonby Primary**

These competitions are open to students in Years 4-6. If you are interested in competing please complete the entry form by the end of Term 2. Any questions to Mrs Butcher.

Coaching with Chess Master Leonard McLaren

The second and final set of lessons will start on **Monday 20 July**.

We will be running a School Chess Championship Competition during the next set of lessons.

Return your permission slip by the end of Term 2.
Not suitable for beginners.

Good Shepherd School PTA

Becoming involved with the Good Shepherd School P.T.A. is a wonderful way to meet parents and caregivers within the school community as well as providing an enjoyable way to support your children's education experience. Please follow the link below to find information you may find helpful in navigating the activities your child might talk about at home - (especially useful for our new families).

[Information page for new families.](#)

Balmoral Intermediate School Enrolments

Balmoral Intermediate School is now accepting in-zone and out of zone applications for students in Year 7 or Year 8 in 2021. You are able to enrol online now at [Intermediate Enrolment](#)

If you are thinking about an intermediate school then we are holding two open times for you to visit our school.

Wednesday 29th July

9:30am – 11.00am

6.00pm – 7:30pm

Come and view our purpose built intermediate campus and visit our Arts Centre, Technology Centre and our Sports Centre. We look forward to seeing you at our school. Please see the attached [flyer](#).

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.

Message to Families From Auckland Regional Dental Service



Please [click](#) to view.

A Special Musical Experience at Mass

Next Saturday's Vigil Mass here at Good Shepherd

The Graduate Choir NZ is one of New Zealand's premier mixed voice choirs that was established in 2001 by their Music Director - Terence Maskell.

The choir has been in lockdown since February, and for their first performance since then, we are delighted that they have offered to sing for us here at Good Shepherd next Saturday, July 11, during our 6pm Mass.

The choir is an essentially young group of around 36 singers, with several of the foundation choristers continuing to be valued singers and leaders in the choir. It is informally known as "The Grads" and has performed in a range of venues; famous cathedrals, modern concert halls, at NZ Fashion Week and even on the hallowed turf of Eden Park! Some of our leading singers have been choristers in The Grads.

The singers come from a range of ethnic backgrounds across Auckland, bringing a warmth and breadth of sound in the unique cultural blend of its voices.

Their repertoire ranges from early Renaissance works and mainstream choral repertoire, through to choral jazz, New Zealand music and modern choral works.

Next year they are coming here again to give a special Mother's Day performance of music that honours Mary, the Mother of Jesus.



Coding NZ

In today's world, it's essential for young people to learn how to create technology not just consume it. Coding NZ's online lessons empower students with the tools they need and help give students the best chance at being successful in our increasingly digital age. Extend your child's awareness and horizons. Sign up open now at:

www.codingnz.com/signup

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A BRIGHT FUTURE

Our lessons will expand your child's horizons. Your child will learn to not only passively consume technology, but to create technology so that they can be an active part of the digital era. Learning to code is great for student's brains as it develops regions of the brain associated with both math and language. Children have an amazing capacity for learning and introducing them to coding while they're young will help set them up for success in our increasingly digital world.

APPLY NOW (Limited Spaces Available)

To give your child the opportunity to learn how to program technology apply now at codingnz.com/signup

WHO

School students in years 5 and 6

WHAT

Beginner and advanced online coding lessons where students learn to create technology

WHEN

One hour per week
Weekdays 4pm, 5pm or 6pm

 CODINGNZ

codingnz.com

Auckland United Football Club Holiday Programme

Auckland United Football Club [Holiday Programme](#) commencing on Monday 6th July



Art teacher is opening an **Art Studio** for children. In a warm and inviting home studio environment, your child's **creativity** will be nurtured through fun **art activities**, in a small group setting.

Our focus:

- Art knowledge and skills development
- Improvement of artistic expression and confidence
- Teaching about inspirational artists
- Experimenting with various techniques, tools and media processes on a wide range of styles.

Lessons **Monday and Wednesday, 3:30pm** during **school term**.

Holiday workshops available.

Contact Olesya on **021 145 3254**

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