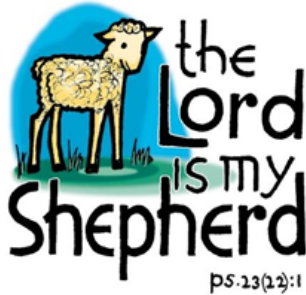


Good Shepherd School



Update Notice, September 03, 2020

Upcoming Dates

31 Aug-4 Sept	Tongan Language Week
6 Sep	Father's Day
7-11 Sept	Social Justice Week
9 Sept	Wig Wednesday
11 Sept	Cans for Christmas
14-18 Sept	Māori Language Week
15 Sept	BOT Meeting
16 Sept	GSS Speech Competition
18 Sept	Mufti Day for School Council
22 Sept	Eden/Albert Football Zones
23 Sept	Eden/Albert Speech Finals
23 Sept	PTA Meeting
24 Sept	Written Reports Home
24 Sept	GSS Talent Show
25 Sep	End of Term 3
12 Oct	Beginning Term 4
13 Oct	School Photos
15 Oct	NZ Shakeout
17 Oct	NZ General Election
20 Oct	Catholic Chess Competition
23 Oct	Teacher Only Day
26 Oct	Labour Day
28 Oct	Three Way Conferences
29 Oct	Three Way Conferences
9 Nov	Kids for Kids Concert
11 Nov	GSS Athletics Day
14 Nov	Ukulele Festival
18 Nov	GSS Athletics Save Day
27 Nov	Parent Helpers' Morning Tea
28 Nov	Albert/Eden Cultural Festival
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

Special Character Good Shepherd Awards



Jackson Edwards - for being friendly and inclusive of everybody

Cecelia Niuula - for working hard online and reading lots during Lockdown

(Two other children missed having their GSS award photo in the newsletter when we went into lockdown - watch this space).

Wig Wednesday - 9 September 2020

Here's the link to make a cashless donation to the GSS Wig Wednesday page, supporting the Child Cancer Foundation. Every donation, big or small, is greatly appreciated.

<https://wigwednesday.everydayhero.com/nz/good-shepherd-school>

Children are invited to wear a wig or do their hair in a funky style on Wednesday 9 September, and bring in whatever sized donation they can.

In and Around School

Grandparents' Mass and Celebration Day - Postponed

It is with great regret that we have made the decision to postpone Grandparents' Day which was scheduled for next week. This is such an important event in our school calendar for our whole community and we hope to be able to reschedule it later this year, depending on the COVID-19 situation.

GSS Speech Competition Update

We have selected our finalists now and we will proceed with our speech competition on September 16. The way we run the competition will depend on whether we remain at COVID-19 Alert Level 2.5 or return to Level 1. We will be in touch with whānau of finalists shortly.

Birthdays

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

Alfred Kautoke	Amirah Makani
Angeline Yee	Atreo Fernando
Celia Gatt	Daniel Peterson
Dean Fernandez	Elijah Puyat
Jacob Gribble	Joshua Irving
Liam Tuala Soon	Luke Kaho
Maia Doran	Oscar McDonald
Pippa McHardy	Rose Gray
Tevita Siakumi	

Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to **Nellie Spencer** who celebrated her birthday in August and started with us recently.

Pyjama Day

Pyjama Day, held recently on the 3rd July 2020, helped raise \$286.30 in support of Foster Hope Charitable Trust.

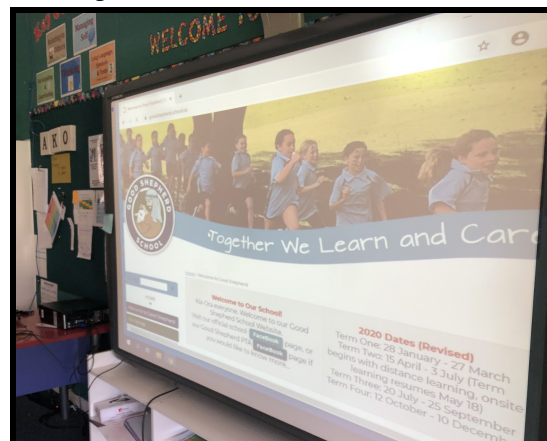


Pyjama clad students from Room 8 showing their support for Foster Hope.

Thank you

A big thank you to the **MacDonald** company, who recently donated to us some quality second hand desktop computers and laptops. Now we have a

desktop computer permanently attached to several of our smartboards and some reliable laptops as well. This has been especially useful as lockdowns resulted in older devices deteriorating more quickly than we usually expect. Thanks to Yen Chan for coordinating this for us.



Drink Bottles Under Alert Level 2

As advised in the Good Shepherd School Plan for Alert Level 2 sent to you last week, the school water fountains will be closed until we reach Alert Level 1. It is very important that your child brings a **full water bottle** with them to school every day. Please check this with your child every morning.

COVID-19 Reminders

Key public health measures remain important for protecting all of us from the spread of disease:

- wash your hands regularly and thoroughly
- cough or sneeze into your elbow
- don't go to work/school, socialise, or be out in public if you are sick

Keep a digital diary of your whereabouts by downloading and using the COVID Tracer app.

If anyone has symptoms but is unsure if they have been exposed to COVID-19, they should ring Healthline on **0800 358 5453** or their GP for advice. Everyone is encouraged to get tested, if advised to do so.

Please see the Auckland Regional Public Health (ARPHS) [letter](#) for the school community for further information.

Sports

Eden/Albert Football Zones - Tuesday 22 September (week 10)

More information will come home with the children, closer to the event.

Please email Heather McLeod on hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz if you are able to help with this event.

Cricket

In the past there has been a Yr 5/6 girls GSS team and it would be great to get a team of Yr3/4 girls together. Training is usually on Thursday evenings and games early on a Saturday morning at Melville Park, Epsom. Contact Laura (laura.russell@esr.cri.nz) for more details.

GSS Talent Show 2020

The GSS Talent Show will take place on Thursday 24 September, at 9am in the school hall.

Auditions will take place in classrooms during weeks 8 and 9 of this term.

Teachers will choose 2-3 acts per classroom to go through to the final show.

Please encourage your child to prepare an act for the class talent show. It can be with a buddy or in groups. The children don't need to be in the same class.

Be creative and show off your talent!

Environmental

Walking School Bus

*Looking for an adventure?
Join the "Adventurers"*

The "Adventurers" have moved their meeting point to the corner of Foch Ave and Dominion Road at 8.15am, leaving at 8.20am. Please contact Liz Barry, email: elizabethjanebarry@gmail.com or mobile: 021 549 948.

Information for Whānau

Sushi and Pie Days

Sushi will be available this week.

Pie Day is coming up on Wednesday 23rd September with pies supplied by Jester's Pies.



Ordering is done online only by setting up an account on Kindo. To set up an account, please go to the Kindo website:

<https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/index.html>

In order to provide this service, we need parent volunteers. (We especially require a volunteer to help on September 18th 2020)

Helping with sushi and pies is pretty straight forward but we can always buddy you up with an experienced volunteer for your first time if you like.

If you are able to help please email Emma Chan chanemmanz@gmail.com

PTA Fundraising Calendar Art

Coming soon! Personalised Artwork Products, made with your child's beautiful art.

Good Shepherd students are currently working with their class teachers to create pieces of art that can be made into **Calendars, Greeting Cards, Diaries, Mouse Pads and Sketch Pads**, as a part of our annual PTA fundraiser. These are wonderful keepsakes that make unique gifts for family and friends, and will be delivered towards the end of Term 4.

We are currently aiming to have a Viewing Week for finished art work in Week 9 this is when you can see your child's art, and see examples of the types of products you can order. Further details about ordering, cost and timelines will follow. For any queries in the meantime, contact Anna Shaw on annalshaw@gmail.com or at 021 029 70532.

Enrolments at Good Shepherd School

At this time of year we begin planning for 2021. It is very useful to know in advance if families are enrolling their children at Good Shepherd. If you know of anyone thinking of our school for their child, please encourage them to contact the school office as soon as possible. As always, we appreciate the support of our school families in recommending Good Shepherd School to their friends and whānau.

Auckland Regional Dental Service

Please follow this [link](#) to view the latest ARDS letter to the community.



**Seek the Best
Rapu i Te Pai**

**MARCELLIN
COLLEGE
ENROLMENTS
OPEN
2021**

Following the cancellation of Marcellin College open evening in August, if you would like a tour of our school or copy of our prospectus please email: enrolment@marcellin.school.nz or visit our website: www.marcellin.school.nz



open on Tuesday 15th September 2020. The application will only take a few minutes. All School Groups created by Monday 14th September 2020 will go in the draw to WIN 10 FREE Entries to the 2020/2021 TRYathlon Series* (valued at \$450)

For more information about school programmes, visit the [website](#), email the Schools Liaison, sophia@smcevents.co.nz or phone 0800 933 8249.

Mt Albert Primary School



1870 150 Years 2020

We are turning 150 years old!

We would like to invite all past and present:
Students | Parents | Family | Staff
and anyone who feels connected to our amazing school. To recognise this once-in-a-lifetime occasion, we are planning to hold events on Friday 6th and Saturday 7th November 2020.

Please go to the school website for more information and register your interest
www.mtalbertprimary.school.nz/150th/



**CREATE YOUR
SCHOOL GROUP
TODAY**



School Group applications for the 2020/2021 Sanitarium Weet-Bix Kids TRYathlon are now open!

Create your School Group today and your students will be able to link to it when participant entries

Good Shepherd School

TALENT SHOW

2020



Open To All:

Dancers Singers Rappers Musicians Magicians Actors Comedians etc

- Auditions will take place in classrooms during week 8 and 9 of term 3
- Approximately 2 acts per classroom will be selected to perform in the final show.
- Encourage your child to prepare an act for the class talent show.
- Performances can be performed with a buddy or in groups. Performers do not need to be in the same class.

FINAL SHOW

Thursday 24 September 9am School Hall

Be Creative - Show Off Your Talent!