

# Good Shepherd School



Update Notice, 05 November 2020

## Upcoming Dates

06 Nov	Auckland Girls Chess Championships
10 Nov	Kids for Kids Concert
11 Nov	GSS Athletics Day
14 Nov	Ukulele Festival
16 Nov	PTA mufti-day and sausage sizzle fundraiser
17 Nov	PTA Meeting
18 Nov	GSS Athletics Save Day
19 Nov	GSS Performance Assembly
23 Nov	GSS Athletics Day Certificate Presentation
27 Nov	Parent Helpers' Morning Tea
28 Nov	Albert/Eden Cultural Festival
02 Dec	End of Year Mass
09 Dec	Christmas Concert
10 Dec	End of Term 4

Please note that some of these dates may change

## Special Character

### Sacramental Programme

This week the Sacramental Programme resumed with a 'child centred' Mass on Wednesday. Monsignor Bernard explained the various parts of the Mass to the candidates and their parents and whānau as they began preparation for celebration of First Holy Communion on Sunday 22 November. We ask for your prayers for the children and their families as they journey through this important step in their lives.

## Good Shepherd Awards

**Jack Barry** - being enthusiastic about his learning in the classroom

**Ella Tuibenau** - using initiative and being a responsible class member

(Photo will follow next week)

## In and Around School

### Open Day Fun

Thank you to everyone who helped us to promote our school open day yesterday. As we would expect, our visitors loved our wonderful students and school. Thanks to all of our students who were so happy to show off their school, and especially those who acted as guides, confidently showing our guests around, chatting to them and answering their questions very professionally.



## Our Yearbooks are Being Published!

2020 is a memorable year. Our yearbook will provide you with a permanent and colourful record of our students and their activities at home and at school. All students are celebrated in this book, with pages dedicated to each class, and special recognition for our leavers. There is also an exclusive account of the events of 2020 (including elections) from the perspective of our



school. There are a few leftover yearbooks from 2019, so the first paid orders will receive a free 2019 copy! Come into the office and check out our wall for a preview of some of the yearbook content.

Cost = \$20

## Birthdays

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

Aaron Liu	Ayrestyn-Skye Leger
Eden Gullery	Emma Forbes
Hugo Madarasz	Leo Gribble
Miranda Flexman	Olivia D'Rose
Sharelle Lemalu	Slade Blake
Sophie Sella	William Woods
Yasmine Couch	

## Sport

### GSS School Athletics Day

**Wednesday 11 November**

Venue: Three Kings Reserve

Approximate times:

**9.45am - 11.45am**

Y4-6 Running Races and Y0-3 Field Events

**12.00pm - 2.00pm**

Y4-6 Field Events and Y0-3 Running Races

- Children are to come to school wearing their sports gear.
- All children will be transported to and from the venue by bus.
- All spectators are to remain outside the running track, due to health and safety requirements.

Save Day - Wednesday 18 November

Certificate Presentation - Monday 23 November  
after Whole School Morning Prayers

**If you are able to help out at our school athletics day please email Heather McLeod on: [hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz)**

**Eden/Albert Athletics Zones** - Tuesday 24  
November

Save Day - Thursday 26 November

### Athletics Practice and Correct Sportswear

Over the next few weeks we will be preparing for our athletics by practising the events. Children should bring a change of clothes and their sneakers; Year 4-6 children should bring their PE uniform and sneakers. Please make sure that they come prepared for this as it is a very important part of our school programme. As the weather warms up, having children (especially older children) practise

sport in their school uniform when they forget their PE gear is not ideal for anyone. Children who are unable to participate in PE need to bring a note from home.

## Cultural

### St Peter's Concert a Big Hit

We all enjoyed a very professional performance by St Peter's last Friday and it was great to see our talented young musicians getting in on the act as well! More photos available on [Facebook](#)..



## Information for Whānau

### Moosies on Sale Tomorrow!

Moosies will be for sale at lunchtime this Friday, 6 November for \$2.00 each. Our new stock has arrived. (Thank you Maria 😊).



### GSS Performance Assembly

**Thursday 19 November 2:00pm** on the turf

You are all welcome to our GSS performance assembly. Performances by all Year 0-3 children, school choir, GSS Kapahaka group and Irish performance groups

### Health Consultation Survey

Please find the Health Consultation Survey link [here](#). A reminder that completed surveys can be returned up until the 13th November.

### Swimming Pool Keys

A limited number of keys will be available for hire by Good Shepherd School families for this summer. Keys are available for purchase from 8.30am on Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020. Further details will be communicated in the next update.

[Pool Key Form](#)

### Kids for Kids Concert Date Change

Please note the Kids for Kids Concert is now on **Tuesday 10th November** at Vodafone Event Centre in Manukau. The choir will go to the centre in the morning by bus to have a rehearsal on the same day, and perform in the concert in the evening. Concert tickets are on sale now. If you would like to watch the show, please purchase your tickets before the show. To purchase tickets, please visit the website [www.kidsforkids.org.nz](http://www.kidsforkids.org.nz) and follow the "Buy Tickets" link.

### PTA Sausage Sizzle and Mufti Day

A school wide Mufti day will be held on Monday November 16 for a gold coin donation. The PTA is also holding a sausage sizzle at lunch time where a sausage in bread can be purchased by students for \$2 each.

### PhotoLife

A reminder to order your child/children's photos online. You should have received your child/children's Access Key slips by now. The School's **FREE DELIVERY** period expires at Midnight on **SUNDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2020**.

### 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.

### Sushi and Pie Days

Sushi lunch is available for you to order for your child's lunch on Fridays. 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>

Thank you to our parent volunteers who have helped with sushi/pies this term. It would not be possible to offer this service to our children without you!

### Library

PLEASE RENEW OR RETURN YOUR OVERDUE LIBRARY BOOKS



*We would love to have our overdue books back in the library by the end of Term 4...*

Your child will bring home a notice if they have any overdue books. Please encourage your children to find and return their library books. We are also missing a large number of books that were not issued to individual children but to classrooms, and were then sent home with children to read during Alert Levels 1 and 2. Please have a good look under beds and in wardrobes to see if any of these are hiding in your home. 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

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### Sandringham Spring Festival

**Sandringham Village**, 597 Sandringham Rd, Sandringham, Auckland

Saturday 7 November 2020 9:00am – 4:00pm

