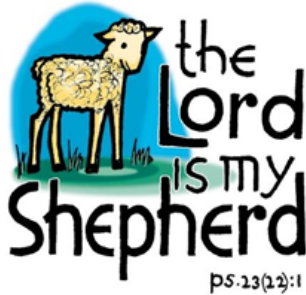


Good Shepherd School



Update Notice, 3 December 2020

Upcoming Dates

8 Dec	Class Picnics
8 Dec	Board of Trustees Meeting
9 Dec	Christmas Concert
10 Dec	End of Term 4

Please note that some of these dates may change

Term Dates 2021

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

Please note the following Teacher Only Days for 2021:

Friday 4 June

Friday 20 August

Friday 22 October

We will endeavour to give you plenty of notice for any other Teacher Only Days in 2021.

Special Character

Sacramental Programme 2021

Good Shepherd School and Parish have enrolment forms available for the Sacramental Programme in 2021. All children who have been baptised and are

8 years old and above are eligible. A copy of their baptism certificate is required. Enrolment forms are now available at the Parish Office or Good Shepherd School office or on this [link](#). **Closing date for enrolment will be Sunday 14 February 2021.**

For further inquiries contact Jane Hahn
principal@goodshepherd.school.nz

GOOD SHEPHERD PARISH
 Christmas Eve Vigil Mass

24 December at 5pm



All children are welcome to join in the nativity presentation. If you would like to be involved please contact Nicola on email at hunternic@gmail.com. All children are encouraged to attend in costume as we will need lots of shepherds, sheep, kings and angels!

Good Shepherd End-of-Year Mass

Thank you for making this a wonderful celebration for our children. We wish our graduating Year 6s all the very best and as they move on to intermediate. A very special thank you and blessing to all those families moving on from our Good Shepherd community.



Good Shepherd Awards



Jodeci Lagofaatasi - for his hard work this term in the classroom and with the choir.

Jacob Cardoz - for being kind, caring and hardworking.

In and Around School

Come in and Buy Our 2020 Yearbook!

Our yearbook provides a permanent and colourful record of this unusual year, while showcasing 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.



Come into the office to purchase your completed yearbook for \$20.

Good Shepherd Christmas Concert Wednesday 9 December

6:00pm children report to teacher ready for concert to begin at **6:30pm**

You are warmly invited to the Good Shepherd Christmas Concert. All classes will perform a Christmas item and we hope you will join in the carol singing in between items. Bring your own picnic dinner and the PTA will be providing a sausage sizzle. Please also bring money for a raffle ticket. Once the concert is finished, children will be under the supervision of their parents. The event will finish at 8.00pm.

So come along with your picnic rugs, and join with us as we celebrate this special time of year with the children of Good Shepherd.

St Vincent de Paul Giving Baskets

Each classroom in the school has a 'Giving Basket' that will be donated to St Vincent de Paul at the end of the year for Christmas. Rooms 3, 5, 7, 9 are collecting wrapped gifts (please label these with boy/girl and which age group they suit) and Rooms 1, 4, 6, 8 are collecting non-perishable food items. All gifts and food items are greatly appreciated at this happy time of the year when we can give back to our local community. The boxes will be delivered to the St Vincent de Paul after the Christmas Concert.

St. Peter's After School Music Programme 2021

The St Peter's After School Music Programme is now open for new enrolments for 2021. Please join us for a presentation / try out afternoon on Thursday 4th Feb, 2021 at 3pm in the hall. More information and enrolment form can be found on our website <https://stpetersprimarymusic.mymusicstaff.com/Our-Music-Programme>, alternatively, please email stpetersprimarymusic@gmail.com

Leadership Assembly

You are warmly invited to this assembly on **Thursday 10 December at 9am**. We will acknowledge our student leaders and say farewell to Miss Down.

Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to Samuel Erickson who started with us recently.

Birthdays

Congratulations to the following people who celebrate their birthday in December:

Uikilifi Fotofili	Lana Chitambo
Reuben Davenport	Remy Kastelan
Jackson Edwards	Reece Eclarino
Zara Peterson	Elizabeth Harkison-Merrick
Harriet Russell	Siena Woods
Ava Elbourne	Christina Wang
Liu Lemana	Rachel Loe
Heather McLeod	Fengmei Li
Peyton Evans	

OSCA - Before and After School Care

We are currently preparing OSCA for Term 1 2021. Families who currently have permanent bookings are required to complete a form with their requirements for Term 1 2021. The completed forms need to be returned to the school office as soon as possible.

Term 1 commences on Tuesday 2 February 2021. The OSCA programme will be available from this date for both before and after school care.

Below is a link to the booking form and OSCA Parent Information Sheet which outlines the operational details, and costs for the programme.

[OSCA 2021 Booking Form & Parent Info](#)

Forms can also be picked up from OSCA.

If your child/children have never attended OSCA and you would like to enrol them for 2021, please complete the forms below in the link.

[Behaviour Policy Agreement](#)

[OSCA 2021 Booking Form and Parent Info](#)

Student Medicines in Sick Bay

All medicines currently held at the office sick bay will be sent home with your child next Wednesday 9th December.

If you require us to administer regular medication for your child/children (asthma inhalers, pamol, antihistamine, etc.) next year you will need to complete the form in the link below and drop the medicine into our office on the first day of school next year.

Please note:

- No medication will be administered to a child without parental/ caregiver consent.
- Office staff will administer prescription medication provided there is a written permission slip from the parents/caregivers and it is agreed to by the principal.
- Forms are also available at the office.

[2021 Administration of Medicines at School form](#)

Cultural

Albert/Eden Schools Cultural Festival 2020

Congratulations to our three performance groups who took part in the Cultural Festival last Saturday. We were very proud of you! Thank you once again to the generous Good Shepherd staff, parents and whānau who supported the children and made it possible for them to participate this year.

Information for Whānau

Personnel Update

It is a pleasure to let you know that Hanna Pyles has been appointed as a classroom teacher for next year. Hanna will be working closely with Heather McLeod in Room 3/4 and comes to us with strengths in many areas, particularly physical education; she is very excited about joining our team next year.

Class Placements

On the last day of school your children will have the opportunity to visit their classrooms for 2021 and, if possible, to spend some time with their teacher next year. Organisation of classrooms for the beginning of 2021 will be as follows:

Room	Teacher	Year Groups
1	Ellen Irish	Years 1/2
2	Clare Fala/Sarah Carlsen	Years 0/1
3 & 4	Heather McLeod/ Hanna Pyles	Years 2/3
8	Fengmei Li	Year 4
7	Michelle Taylor	Years 5/6
6	Peyton Evans	Years 4/5
5	Emily Stevenson	Years 5/6

Please note that some children will stay in the same class with the same teacher. This is not a disadvantage for your child as they will be working with someone who knows them well, nor is it an indication that they have not done well in 2020. As always, our goal is that every child has a great year of learning in 2021. A letter will come home to you on Thursday 10 December advising you of your child's placement next year, and will also give you some information on stationery requirements for 2021.

Class placements for 2021 are final. We appreciate the trust you show in our professional judgement by not requesting particular placements (or attempting to change placements) for your children. We are of course, very open to discussing student wellbeing within their class, but we do request that you allow your child at least three weeks to settle in first.

Swimming Pool Keys

A limited number of keys are still available for hire by Good Shepherd School families for this summer. Keys are available for purchase from 8.30am on Monday 23rd November 2020. [Pool Key Form](#)

Enrolments at Good Shepherd School

At this time of year we are 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.

School Account Statements

A reminder that every family has a responsibility to do their very best to pay their Attendance Dues. Thank you to those families who have paid their 2020 account in full or who are making regular payments. We are very grateful if you are also able to contribute towards the voluntary donations. If you have not made any payments to date for term three or term four please take some immediate action, or come and see me to discuss an arrangement. Attendance dues were required to be paid by 1st December 2020.

Preloved School Uniform

A reminder that if you have any Good Shepherd School uniform that is no longer needed, please think of donating it to the school uniform shop. We gratefully accept all preloved items of uniform.

Lost Property

Please check the lost property. At the end of term, all unclaimed items will be disposed of.

Christmas Raffle!!!

The PTA has 4 amazing holiday hampers to be drawn at the Christmas concert.

There will be 2 for kids and 2 for grown ups.

Tickets will be on sale on Kindo from today and on the night.

\$4 per ticket or 3 tickets for \$10

Get your ticket to win!

Sushi and Pie Day

Our last Pie Day for the year will be on Wednesday 9th December. Pies will be baked freshly by Jesters on Wednesday morning. Orders are open from now until 11am on Tuesday, 8th December

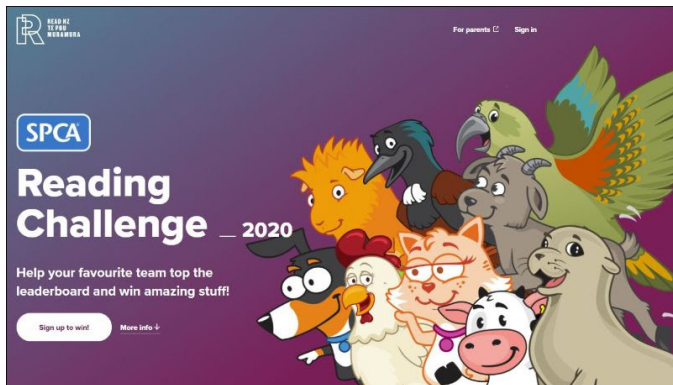


Ordering is done online only by setting up an account on Kindo. To set up an account, please go to the Kindo website:

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

If you have any questions, contact Emma on 027 7745 941 or chanemmanz@gmail.com or contact Kindo directly on 09-869 5200.

SUMMER READING



[Read NZ Reading Challenge • Help your favourite team top the leaderboard and win amazing stuff!](#)

St Michael's Concert Saturday 12 December

Below is an invitation to a concert at St Michaels Church to raise money for St Gianna's Home for Mothers and Babies. There is also a link below with some background information about the cause.

[Invitation](#)

[Saint Gianna's Home for Mothers and Babies](#)