

Good Shepherd School



Update Notice, 11th March 2021

Upcoming Dates

	March is Walking School Bus Month!
8-12 March	Year 3/4 Swimming Programme
14 March	Reconciliation 2
15-19 March	Sign Language Week
17 March	St Patrick's Day
19 March	Feast of St Joseph
19 March	Sheridan Swimming Display
21 March	Reconciliation 3
22 March	Swim Education Sessions
23 March	World Book Day
23 March	First Reconciliation
24 March	Walk to School Day
25 March	Eden/Albert Cricket Zones
26 March	Purple Day (Epilepsy Awareness)
26 March	Room 1 Assembly
27 March	PTA Quiz Nite (tbc)
28 March	Palm Sunday
30 March	PTA Meeting
31 March	Three-Way Conferences
1 April	Three-Way Conferences
2 April	Good Friday - school closed
4 April	Easter Sunday
4 April	Daylight Saving Ends
5 April	Easter Monday - school closed
6 April	Easter Tuesday - school closed
9 April	Room 6 Assembly
10 April	PTA Quiz Nite (tbc)
13 April	Eden/Albert Touch Zones
13 April	Board of Trustees Meeting
15 April	Eden/Albert Touch Zones Save Day
16 April	Term 1 ends
3 May	Term 2 begins

Please note that some of these dates may change

Special Character

Good Shepherd Awards



Liam Tuala Soon - demonstrating perseverance and putting a lot of effort into his class work

Monet Raumati-Greenhalgh - for consistently trying her best in class and always following instructions

(Thank you to our journalists Aisling and Florence - you have been capturing some lovely photos)

Parish Sacramental Programme

Please keep the children who are preparing for their First Reconciliation in your prayers. They will be gathering this Sunday 14 March at 9.30am, and then again on 21 March. Celebration of the Rite of First Reconciliation will take place at 6.30pm on Tuesday 23 March.

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.



Our parish and school have a long connection with the Irish community and we would like to acknowledge St Patrick's Day on Wednesday next week.

In and Around School

Hot House Challenge Postponed

This very popular event run by our Holy Fathers has been postponed from term 1 and will hopefully go ahead in the fourth term.

Feast Day of St Joseph Friday 19 March

Next week we wish you a 'happy feast day' as we celebrate that special man, St Joseph, husband of Mary and patron saint of families, workers, travellers, immigrants and the Universal Church. St Joseph is a very special person to Good Shepherd because our school was founded by the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart (the Josephites) just over 100 years ago. We will, therefore, be celebrating with the following activities:

8.50am St Joseph's Day Liturgy. We invite you to join us on the turf to begin our day with prayer.

9.30 – 11.00am Tabloid sports (in house groups) organised by our House Leaders and other senior students – children can wear their house colours to school on Friday

12.50 – 1.30pm Sausage sizzle – sausages provided to our students thanks to our PTA – thank you!

Can you help? The PTA needs two volunteers to help with the sausage sizzle on Friday. Please contact the school office if you can help with this.

Library

This week we celebrated Dr Seuss's birthday in the library. Our librarians organised a fun event with stories and activities. Phoebe even gave out her handmade Dr Seuss bookmarks to a few lucky children.



Sport

Term One Eden/Albert Zones Events:

Cricket Zones - Thursday 25 March (week 8)

Touch Zones - Tuesday 13 April (week 11)

Save Day - Thursday 15 April (week 11)

We will need parent help with all of these events. Notices will come home with the children who have been selected for these events. Please email Heather McLeod on: hmcLeod@goodshepherd.school.nz if you can help in any way.

Tabloid Sports

On Friday 19 March we will be having tabloid sports to celebrate St Joseph's Day. Children can come to school wearing sports clothes that match their house colours.

Sheridan Swimming Display Friday 19 March

Room 3/4 - 11:30am to 12:15pm

Rooms 1 and 2 - 12:15pm to 1pm

Come along to see the activities your child participates in during class swimming sessions. We look forward to seeing you.

Information for Whānau

Parent/Teacher/Student Conferences

31 March and 1 April

Online appointment bookings for the Parent/Teacher/Student conferences will open tomorrow, 12th March at 12 noon.

Online bookings will close on Monday 29th March at 12.00pm.

Website: www.schoolinterviews.co.nz.

Event Code: qned9

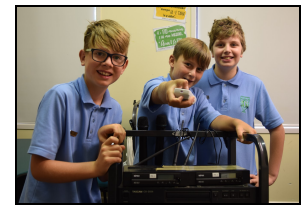
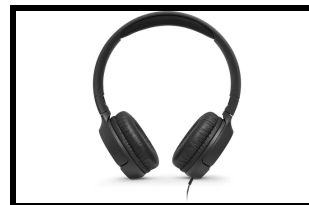
Remember: school closes at 2.00p.m. on Wednesday 31 March to allow the conferences to begin (normal 3.00 p.m. closing on Thursday 1 April). After school care will be available from 2pm on Wednesday.

Goodbye Cash and Cheques

As you are aware, we are slowly phasing out of cash and cheques. We hold a very small amount of petty cash here at the school. If you are paying by cash for stationery, school dues or any miscellaneous can you please ensure you bring the correct amount as it may not be possible to give change. Alternatively you can transfer money into the school account.

Digital Technology Equipment Needed

Our digital technology team Josh, Seb and Reuben have been carrying out checks on headphones around the school and unfortunately our working supply is very depleted. If your child has headphones they can bring to school that would be great - it really helps them if they can listen to learning material at their own pace without interrupting classmates. No doubt whānau have become aware of this during lockdowns... Earbuds are also fine and headphone donations are welcome. Also if you have spare lightning style chargers or adapters (the part that plugs into the wall) we can definitely find a use for them.



Attendance and Punctuality

We cannot emphasise strongly enough how important it is for children to be at school every day unless they are genuinely too unwell to attend.

EVERY DAY COUNTS.

Our school day starts at 8.50am. Any one arriving after this is asked to report to the school office to get a late slip. Please aim to have your children at school before 8.45am as this gives them a positive start to the day.

Absences should be communicated to the school office via email, school app or telephone before 8.45am.

Early Arrivals at School

We are having an increasing number of children arriving at school very early in the morning. While it is lovely to have our children eager to get to school, they should not be arriving before 8.30am. Classrooms open at 8.30am and teachers cannot

supervise children before this time. Our OSCA programme runs from 7.30am to 8.30am for those children whose parents need to drop them off early.

GSS PTA Meeting and AGM

The PTA AGM is scheduled for Tuesday 30 March. Not all current Office Holders will stay in their roles this year. If you wish to nominate yourself for a position please come along to the meeting where there will be a vote for any position with more than one nomination.

Otherwise just come along if you're interested in what's happening and enjoy some refreshments and nibbles.

Reminder – as a parent you automatically become a member of the PTA. If you want to contribute to the proceedings – just come along!

Netball

Please click on the link below to see the notice that went out on 3rd March regarding netball. Registration closes this Sunday 14th March.

[Link](#)

For those who have registered already please note, training starts on Wednesday 17th March at 3.15pm.

Open Days and Enrolment Information

[St Peter's College](#) Open Day

30 March 2021 9:30am or 1:00pm (note this is a change of date)

[St Paul's College](#) Open Day

24 March 2021 9:30am or 1:45pm (note this is a change of date)

[Marist College](#) Open Day

23 March 2021 3:00pm - 6:00pm

[Marcellin College](#) Open Evening

18 March 2021 4:00pm - 7:00pm

[Baradene College](#) Please visit Baradene College website for enrolment information.

[St Mary's College](#) Open Day Postponed Please visit St Mary's College website.

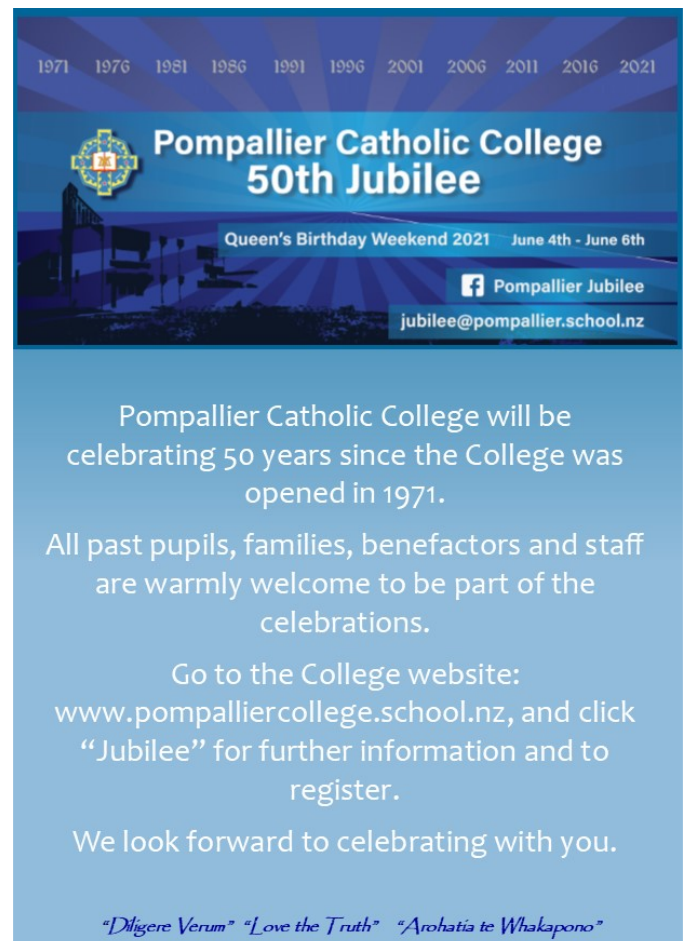


MARIST COLLEGE
Catholic Girls School, Years 7 to 13

Open Day
Tuesday 3–6pm
23rd March 2021

New Date

- *Special Character at Marist College... is real, pervasive and alive. (Catholic Character Review Report)*
- *Marist College continues to be a high performing school and provides high quality education for all students. (Education Review Office Report)*
- *Outstanding academic results.*



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Pompallier Catholic College
50th Jubilee

Queen's Birthday Weekend 2021 June 4th - June 6th

[Pompallier Jubilee](#)
jubilee@pompallier.school.nz

Pompallier Catholic College will be celebrating 50 years since the College was opened in 1971.

All past pupils, families, benefactors and staff are warmly welcome to be part of the celebrations.

Go to the College website: www.pompalliercollege.school.nz, and click "Jubilee" for further information and to register.

We look forward to celebrating with you.

"Diligere Verum" "Love the Truth" "Arohatis te Whakapono"

ST. PETER'S COLLEGE

Mountain Road, Epsom

Tel: 04 8108

Catholic School for Boys Years 7-13

OPEN DAY

For Year 7 Enrolments in 2022

Limited enrolments at other levels

TUESDAY 9th MARCH 2021

9:30 am or 1:00 pm

in the College Hall (main school entrance – Mountain Road)
You do not need to register.

followed by a conducted tour of the College by senior boys

St Peter's College provides an education in the **CATHOLIC** tradition by building a strong foundation in the **ACADEMIC, SPORT & MUSIC** areas.

The College has a dual pathway of assessment with both Cambridge International Examinations and NCEA offered at senior year levels.

The College is well served by public transport from all parts of Auckland

"ST PETER'S BUILDS OUTSTANDING MEN"

(Weather permitting, limited parking available on the top field, main entrance Mountain Road)
www.st-peters.school.nz

PLAY JUNIOR RUGBY



Mt Roskill RFC JUNIOR RUGBY



RIPPER RUGBY is the non-contact version of RUGBY, no tackling, just ripping a Velcro tag from the opposition's belt-line. It's the perfect introduction to RUGBY for 3 to 7 year olds.

UNDERS'5'S grade will be played at 4.30pm Fridays at Fearon Park.



Grades Ripper Rugby for Under 5s to Under 7s. Under 6s & Under 7s and all Tackle Rugby from Under 8s to Under 13s and Girls Teams, on Saturdays



For Registration or general information contact;
Tracey Gilling 020 416 11033 or Tracey@westview.co.nz

Facebook: [Mount Roskill Junior Rugby](https://www.facebook.com/MountRoskillJuniorRugby)

COME PLAY FOOTBALL

REGISTER NOW
AUCKLANDUNITEDFC.ORG.NZ

GRAND OPENING:
SAT 13 MARCH
10.00AM
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MIXED & GIRLS ONLY TEAMS

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UNDER 5'S - UNDER 13 TEAMS
RIPPA & TACKLE TEAMS
MIXED & GIRLS ONLY TEAMS

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Seek the **Best**

Rapu i Te Pai



MARCELLIN
COLLEGE

Y7 – Y9
OPEN
EVENING

18th March 2021
4:00pm – 7:00pm

www.marcellin.school.nz