

# Good Shepherd School



Update Notice, 27 May 2021

## Upcoming Dates

31 May-4 Jun	Samoa Language Week
1 June	Choir Rehearsal at Epsom Normal
3 June	GSS Cross Country
4 June	Teacher Only Day - school closed
7 June	Queen's Birthday - school closed
8 June	Gymnastics Festival
9 June	Sacramental Programme Meeting
13 June	First Holy Communion Session 1
15 June	PTA Meeting
20 June	First Holy Communion Session 2
22 June	Eden/Albert Cross Country
24 June	School Council Bake Sale
26 June	PTA Quiz Nite
27 June	First Holy Communion Session 3
29 June	Board of Trustees Meeting
1 July	Choir Rehearsal at Pt Chev Primary
2 July	Matariki
2 July	Auckland Girls' Chess Competition
4 July	First Holy Communion
5-9 July	Production Week
9 July	Reports Home
9 July	Term 2 Ends
26 July	Term 3 Begins

**Please note that some of these dates may change**

## Special Character

### Sacramental Programme

Congratulations to the students from Good Shepherd School who were confirmed on Pentecost Sunday. We will continue to pray for you all as you continue on your faith journey.



## Good Shepherd Awards



**Adam Lobo** - being a reliable leader within the GSS community

**Aaron Liu** - for being dependable and hard-working

## Pink Shirt Day

Thank you for your donations in support of Pink Shirt Day. We raised \$165 for the Mental Health Foundation and we had a great day!



## 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

### Ngā Mihi Nui Francis Leger!

For the last two weeks we have been running our Kanorau digital technology sessions for whānau with our school parent Francis Leger. We were very excited about this because we saw the need, and we would have liked to see a lot more whānau taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity.

However, those that did come, now feel much more comfortable about supporting their children in their online learning through primary and secondary school. If you would like to join us for future training please contact

[megandyer@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:megandyer@goodshepherd.school.nz).



## Eden/Albert Football Zones

Here is a photo of our three teams that represented GSS at the football zones on Tuesday 25 May. They played super hard and tried their best all day. Thank you to all the parents who gave up their time to help out on Tuesday.



## Information for Whānau

### Mmmmm Moosies!

On sale as usual tomorrow (Friday).



### Term 2 Events:

#### GSS School Cross Country

Thursday 3 June (week 5)

**We desperately need some parent volunteers to be marshals at this event. For health and safety reasons, we can't run the event without marshals being placed around the course. If you are able to help out with this, please email Heather McLeod on [hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz)**

#### Tri-Star Gymnastics Festival

Tuesday 8 June (week 6)

#### Eden/Albert Cross Country Zones

Tuesday 22 June (week 8)

If you are able to help out at any of these events please email Heather McLeod on:

[hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz)



### Vacancy

We have a vacancy for an OSCA assistant during the hours we provide this service at Good Shepherd School: 2:30pm-4.30pm. If you or anyone you know is interested in this position please contact Alex Vergis or Jane Hahn.

### Running Group

The GSS running group will be starting up again at 8:00am Thursdays from 10 June. The group is open to Years 3-6 and we will need help from one to two parents/caregivers each week - you don't have to run but you're welcome to! There will be a mix of fun running drills/sprinting and longer distances. If you would like to join add yourself to the WhatsApp group via this link:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Ck7ATDQp5HZJPDOoVmlNOX>

If you have any questions please contact Mairead Woods 0293551020

## Boxes

If you have any spare large boxes at home and wouldn't mind donating them to the school fair please bring them to the school office. It would also be appreciated if they were already broken down to make them easier to collect and store.

Collection of 2nd hand items and clothing donations for the school fair will begin in the first week of term 3 (week starting 26 July).

## Chess Club News

### Chess Test Results

Congratulations to the following students who have gained their Level One New Zealand Junior Chess Badge.

Ayden Kavia-Patel  
Patelesio Sundin  
Vincent Gatt  
Hao Nguyen  
Alec MacGilvray

### Coaching with Chess Master Leonard McLaren

The second set of lessons will start on Monday 31 May. These will not be suitable for beginners as they build on the first set of lessons.

These lessons are suitable for students who have passed the Level One test or have had at least one set of lessons with Mr McLaren. Look out for the information being sent home in Week 3.

### Monday 31 May

*Intermediate Chess Coaching starts with Mr McLaren*

### Upcoming Chess Tournaments in Term 2

#### Tuesday 22 June

*Central Auckland Primary Interschool Chess Championship*

#### Friday 2 July

*Auckland Girls Chess Championships- Mt Albert War Memorial*

These competitions are open to students in Years 4-6. If you are interested in competing please complete the entry forms that are sent out a few weeks before each event. Any questions to Mrs Butcher.

Many thanks

Marguerite Butcher

[m butcher@goodshepherd.school.nz](mailto:m butcher@goodshepherd.school.nz)

## GSS PTA Quiz Night

We had to cancel in 2020 due to COVID but ...

### IT'S BACK

Mark your calendars now & book in the babysitter for the famous:

### GSS PTA Quiz Night !!!

Theme: Your Favourite Decade

*Saturday 26 June 2021 at 7pm*

Dress up as your favourite band from the era or just go with a look that represents that decade. Have some fun going back in time!

You can build a team of 8 or just buy tickets and join a table on the night.

Tickets will be on sale from 31 May

### *We Need Your Help...*

If you, your family, your business, your neighbours or your friends can donate prizes for the Silent Auction please contact Michelle

[michelleherlihy1@gmail.com](mailto:michelleherlihy1@gmail.com) or 021 720 857

**world wide knit in public day 21**

**CROCHET OR KNIT ON A MOTAT TRAM WITH BUNTING**

**everyone welcome**

**12 june 2021**  
**from 10am**  
**MOTAT**  
**805 Great North Rd**  
**Western Springs**

Tram rides free but normal MOTAT fees apply










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