

Good Shepherd School



...Care...Respect...Honesty...

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From the Principal

Ngā mihi ki a koe me to whānau

There is definitely a buzz around the school as we move into the last few weeks of rehearsal of our production, **Two Trees, One School**. It has been a wonderful learning experience for all of us, to research where we have come from, and then to bring together a presentation of our school story. We are really looking forward to sharing the experience with you. Please check the flyer below for details.

There are many other exciting events coming up over the next few weeks, many opportunities to celebrate together as a community. We keep the children and their families who are preparing for First Holy Communion on 4 July in our prayers. The PTA Quiz Nite is always great fun and the money raised from it will be used to purchase very much needed replacement digital technology equipment for our tamariki. The School Council has their Bake Sale and Mufti Day next week too and thank you for your support of their initiative. We also look forward to celebrating Matariki: The Māori New Year / Matariki: Te Tau Hou Māori. This is a time of renewal that begins with the rising of the Matariki star cluster, which brightens our mid-winter night sky.

Ngā manaakitanga
Jane Hahn

Upcoming Dates

20 June	First Holy Communion Session 2
22 June	Eden/Albert Cross Country
22 June	Interschool Chess Championship
24 June	School Council Bake Sale
27 June	First Holy Communion Session 3
29 June	Board of Trustees Meeting
1 July	Choir Rehearsal at Pt Chevalier School
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

The following 2022 term dates were approved at the last meeting of the Board of Trustees:

Term	Start	Finish
1	Tuesday 1 February	Thursday 14 April
2	Monday 2 May	Friday 8 July
3	Monday 25 July	Friday 30 Sept
4	Monday 17 October	Thursday 15 Dec

Special Character

Good Shepherd Awards



Imogen Prentice - for being a strong and positive role model

Talei Elbourne - for being helpful, friendly and positive in and outside of the classroom

In and Around School

The Good Shepherd School Council

Baking and Mufti (BAM) Sale

When? Thursday 24 June at morning tea (for the bake sale)

This year our School Council is raising money for:

Endangered animals

Kids in need

A seat for our whānau outside the school administration area

We would like your help to bake some goodies for us to sell - please bring into the meeting room the morning of the sale.

Please give your children a gold coin for our mufti day and some money to buy a treat at morning tea time.

Thank you.

Adam - Chairperson

Cicely - Vice-chairperson

Felicia - Secretary

On Leave

We wish Mrs Stevenson well as she goes on partner leave over the next two weeks and will welcome her back for the last week of term.

Chess Club News

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

mbutcher@goodshepherd.school.nz

Sport

Term 2 Events:

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

Room 8's Writing about their Science Trip

The Science Trip

By Ayrestyn

Room 8 is on a science trip to Point Chevalier Beach to test the water to see if it is appropriate for the fish and other sea creatures, as well as to see if it is healthy or not for people to swim in.



There are eight different unique groups to test the main factors that affect the water quality, which are water clarity, water flow, water depth, water temperature, moss on rocks and gravel and sediment. Our Group is testing what we can see around us at Point Chevalier Beach and the activity is called Streambed Composition.

My group tries to use a periscope which allows you to put your eye on the top and you can see what is at the Bottom of the microscope. There is a hole on the other end of a periscope that you can see things in the water such as bedrocks, small cobbles, man-made things, sand and many more things that are there. However the periscope does not help as we planned. So we just stand in the water and scoop things up. We mostly find sand and some different sized stones. They are five small cobbles, four pieces of man-made things, thirteen pieces of sand and one piece of mud or silt. We do not find any bedrocks, boulders, or large cobbles.

Our experiment result shows that people can find different sized stones underwater in Pt Chevalier Beach. This tells us that there should be lots of living things that are living in the water. Lots of different sizes of stones means greater biodiversity. This means there will be a lot of small living things on the beach. This also means that the water on Pt Chevalier Beach is healthy. So the water is good for sea creatures to live in and it is also safe for people to swim.

It is fun going on the science trip and I have

learnt a lot. I really hope I can go again.

Information for Whānau

Can You Help?

- The board of trustees is planning an extensive consultation with our school community in term 3. The board will use the information from this consultation to inform the development of the school Charter and Strategic Plan 2022 to 2025. Can anyone help in the design of a logo for this consultation? Please contact Mrs Hahn if you can help us with this.
- Is there anyone out there who could take responsibility for videoing our production? See flyer below. Please contact Ms Dyer if you can help.

Student Achievement at Good Shepherd School

We are sending home with this newsletter a [report](#) on school-wide student achievement in reading comprehension from the PAT test that was administered in term 1. This report was presented and discussed at the PTA meeting this week.



Don't Forget Your Moosie Money Tomorrow!

Open Day

[Balmoral Intermediate](#) Open Day

Wednesday 28th July

9:10am-10:30am **or** 6:00pm-7:30pm

Ukulele

If anyone has a Ukulele that they no longer want or need and would be happy to donate to the school it would be greatly appreciated by the School Ukulele Group.



Two Trees, One School

The story of how Good Shepherd School came to be



*Two Trees, One School is a production created by the whole of Good Shepherd School with help from the Ministry of Education's Creatives in School project. Every student will perform in it. It is a charming story that journeys through the history of our school through the eyes of two native trees. It is the story of our land, our school and our people, *te whenua*, to *tatou kura*, to *tatou iwi*, from primeval times, through to the arrival of the *tangata whenua*, the purchasing of the land by the Catholic Church, the formation of the school and other notable events leading right up to our culturally diverse school of the present day.*

THREE PERFORMANCES

Wednesday 7th July matinee show 1pm
Wednesday 7th July evening show 7pm
Thursday 8th July evening show 7pm

Tickets \$10 each (family of 4 for \$30)

On sale from Thursday 16th June from the school office

TIME IS PRECIOUS

Let's remember and celebrate what makes our community special.

We have allocated seating. When purchasing your tickets you will need to choose which seats you wish to sit in (so get in quick if you want specific seats). There is no limit on how many tickets you can purchase, it is basically, first in first served. Each performance seats 150 people.



Quiz Night Tickets

\$30 per person/Tables of 8
Tickets available now on kindo
or with cash from the school office

Starts 7pm School Hall



Order your pizza now
through kindo

\$15 or \$20 for gluten free



Don't forget to bring your
platter for your table

Prize for Best Platter

SAVE THE DATE

CONCERT FOR INDIA

RAISING FUNDS FOR COVID AFFECTED INDIA



20th JUNE 2021 at 2pm

Venue: St Joseph Catholic Church

118 Church Street, Otahuhu.



ENTRY BY DONATION



Some of our Silent Auction items



Free Mufti Day for a Class
Thank you Mrs Hahn



\$1000 for event hire
Thank you Anthony at The Main Event



Fancy a 3 night stay at a Waihi Bach?
Thank you Andre and Cheryl Realty Ltd



\$100 voucher
Thank you Cazador



Family Passes
Thank you Stardome & Clip n Climb



Free tuition for full term
Thank you Number Works 'n words



Hampers
Thank you Mt Roskill New World

BALMORAL INTERMEDIATE

OPEN DAY WEDNESDAY 28 JULY

Starts 9:10am - Finishes 10:30am

Starts 6:00 pm - Finishes 7:30pm

Visit our purpose built modern Intermediate classroom spaces, our specialist area, including a science lab, art studio, multi-materials room, music rooms, food technology room and our Sports Centre all specifically developed for the emerging adolescent.

Students will guide you around these spaces, and will answer any questions about our Intermediate School from a student's point of view.

The sessions will end with a presentation from the Principal, Deputy Principal and teachers about our curriculum, and a chance for you to ask questions about our learning.



"Balmoral School is highly effective in achieving equitable and excellent outcomes for students... Children are active participants in their education where curiosity, challenge, critical thinking and creativity are valued outcomes. The school promotes the joy of learning." ERO, 2018

GREYFRIARS EDEN EPSOM PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JUNGLE SAFARI HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

12TH-16TH JULY 2021

TIME: 9 AM TO 3:30 PM AFTER-CARE: AVAILABLE TILL 5 PM

AGE: PRIMARY SCHOOL (5-11 YEARS)

HOLIDAY PROGRAMME COST: \$20 PER DAY FOR EACH CHILD

**EARLYBIRD COST: \$90 IF YOU BOOK ALL 5 DAYS
BEFORE WEDNESDAY 30 JUNE!**

AFTERCARE: \$10 EXTRA PER DAY FOR EACH CHILD

**GAMES & FUN ACTIVITIES, MEANINGFUL LEARNING ABOUT GOD,
TEAM CHALLENGES, OUTDOOR GAMES, CRAFTS, COOKIE
DECORATING AND SO MUCH MORE!**

**VENUE: MEMORIAL HALL, GREYFRIARS PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
CNR WINDMILL AND MT EDEN ROAD
(ENTRY FROM THE CARPARK)
MORNING AND AFTERNOON TEAS ARE PROVIDED
BUT CHILDREN SHOULD BRING THEIR OWN LUNCH.**

**PLEASE NOTE: OUR POLICY THAT THERE ARE NO REFUNDS FOR DAYS
ALREADY BOOKED, HOWEVER PLEASE KEEP YOUR CHILD HOME, IF THEY
ARE UNWELL IN ANY WAY. CHILDREN WHO ARE FOUND TO BE UNWELL AT
THE HOLIDAY PROGRAMME WILL NEED TO BE PICKED UP DURING THE DAY.**

**IF YOU HAVE ANY QUERIES, PLEASE PHONE 630-2460 (OFFICE HOURS TUES-FRI 8:45-2:45PM) OR
EMAIL HOLIDAY@GREYFRIARS.ORG.NZ**