

Update...



Te Kura o Heparā Pai

Care Manaakitanga
Respect Whakautē
Honesty Pono

09 Pipiri/June 2022

Upcoming Dates

10 June	Assembly: Room 6
21 June	Eden/Albert Cross Country zones
22 June	PTA meeting
24 June	Matariki holiday - school closed
28 June	BOT meeting
4-8 July	Book Week
5 July	Pie day
8 July	Term 2 ends
25 July	Term 3 begins
7 August	Feast of St Mary MacKillop
19 August	Teacher only day - school closed
30 September	Term 3 ends
17 October	Term 4 begins
24 October	Labour day holiday
15 December	Term 4 ends

Please note that some of these dates may change

The following 2023 term dates were approved at the last meeting of the Board of Trustees:

Term	Start	Finish
1	Tuesday 31 January	Thursday 6 April
2	Monday 24 April	Friday 30 June
3	Monday 17 July	Friday 22 September
4	Monday 9 October	Friday 15 December

Good Shepherd Awards



Arabela Barredo- You display respect and empathy to all of those around you.

Oscar McDonald- You have been persevering and remaining positive when facing challenges.

Principal's Sabbatical Term 3

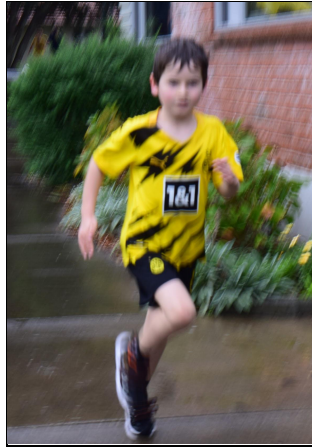
Next term our principal, Jane Hahn, will be on sabbatical. As part of this sabbatical, she will be investigating how Kāhui Ako, or Communities of Learning member schools are using their resources and new learning in culturally responsive practice to better cater for gifted and talented Māori and Pacific learners in their schools.

Megan Dyer will be Acting Principal for term 3 and Heather McLeod will take on the Acting Deputy Principal role.

Sport

Cross Country Complete

A great example of endurance and resilience by tamariki, kaiako and whānau helpers was shown last Thursday. Despite the variable weather, we carried on! It was a bit like the good old days.. 😊 We had a great day even with a couple of drenchings and one false start, and the improvement in the fitness of our tamariki was plain to see. Ngā mihi Heather McLeod and her team of helpers! Check out our [HIGHLIGHTS](#) site for more great shots...



Cross Country Results

Year	1st	2nd	3rd
Year 0/1 Girls	Suyara Hewamanage	Eden Dawit	Grace Hannay
Year 0/1 Boys	Luca Nansen	Jude Bull	Griffin Tangitau
Year 2 Girls	Natalie Woods	Maeve McArdle	Rafaela Barredo
Year 2 Boys	Max Madarasz	Siaki Sundin	James Gallagher
Year 3 Girls	Zara Maddox	Ris Maven Jinesh	Lucia Hodgson
Year 3 Boys	Ezra Montague	Benicio San Martin	Ryan Lin
Year 4 Girls	Gemma Su	Alicia McKinnon	Josie Spencer
Year 4 Boys	Jamie Dixon-McIver	Levi Foskin	Mackay Fleming
Year 5 Girls	Eva Barry	Aoibheann O'Sullivan-Blanch	Ida Greenhough
Year 5 Boys	William Woods	Henry Katongo	Lathan Chitambo
Year 6 Girls	Ava Elbourne	Harriet Russell	Phoebe Carlsen
Year 6 Boys	Renzo Rowe	Benjamin Maddox	Levi Harris

Term 2 sporting events are:

Week 8 (Tuesday 21 June) - Eden/Albert Cross country zones

Cross Country certificates will be handed out after whole school prayers on Monday morning 13 June.

St Joseph's Day Tabloids

Good Shepherd School will be celebrating St Joseph's Day on Tuesday 14 June, with whole school House tabloid sports. Children are to come

to school wearing appropriate sports clothes (preferably in their house colours). They won't need their school uniform that day.

Room 2

In Room 2 we have been creating lovely Autumn Art and in writing we wrote about the season Autumn.

*I like the crunchy leaves.
I like leaves on the ground.
I like to smell candy.
I can see some leaves.*
By Suyara



Playing on the Field

Children need to wear a change of clothes to play on the field during terms 2 and 3. No school uniform or school shoes are permitted on the field.

Information for Whānau

Connolly Cross Country Success and Running Shoes Needed

We were mighty impressed with the noticeable increase in fitness across the school after all our training in recent weeks! Very few children failed to complete. 🥵 We have already overcome many of the adverse physical effects of lockdowns just by regularly running for 15 minutes! Good fitness has a positive impact on learning and behaviour, so we intend to keep up the good work. Starting from tomorrow, Connolly students will run each Monday, Wednesday and Friday for 15 minutes before lunchtime. Please help children ensure that they have their PE gear and, importantly, *running shoes that fit*.

Young feet grow very fast, so please, if you have good quality running shoes that no longer fit, drop them into our office. And don't hesitate to contact Megan Dyer if you need a pair for your tamaiti!



Good Shepherd OSCA

Our before and after school care programme is an important service to our school community and every care is taken to guard children's safety and wellbeing while they are at OSCA. It is very important that we are notified if there is a change in the nominated person picking up your child. This means that children will not be released to anyone other than the person or people nominated on our records unless contact has been made by that person to advise a change. A couple of extra reminders:

- Please fill in all forms for OSCA accurately and keep us up to date with changing medical conditions for your child
- An adult toilet is available in the OSCA area if you need it - please do not use the children's toilets

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE DUES FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

Financial assistance is available to assist families who may need financial support with the payment of Attendance Dues for preference students attending both primary and secondary Catholic schools in Auckland Diocese.

Families facing financial difficulties can contact their school office, their Parish Priest, or Auckland Common Fund Ltd at the Catholic Diocese of Auckland on 09-360-3069 for further information.

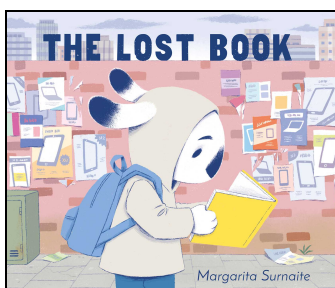
Application forms for this assistance are available from school and parish offices, or can be downloaded from the Catholic Diocese of Auckland Website:

<https://www.aucklandcatholic.org.nz/catholic-schools-2/>

Beat the Bugs this Winter

There has been lots of information about the continued risk of rising COVID-19 cases as we head into winter. At Good Shepherd School we continue to have cases of students and teachers testing positive, although these are substantially down on the number of cases in term 1.

While we have been enjoying having whānau back in school grounds, we really appreciate your cooperation in not spending too much time in



READER RETURNS STILL NO QUESTIONS ASKED!!!!

Multiple lockdowns have left big gaps in our reader book sets and they are expensive to replace because we have to order in sets

of ten. Lots have been coming back to school. Ngā mihi!!

KEEP SEARCHING WHĀNAU! 🔍

Calendar Art 2022

CALENDAR ART 2022

Our popular PTA Fundraiser is back!

GSS tamariki have been working with their class teachers on beautiful art work that can be made into Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Mouse Pads and Sketchpads. These make great keepsakes and gifts for family and friends—and for each item ordered, our school receives a small amount of funding.

This year, Calendar Art ordering will happen earlier than previous years so we can take advantage of Early Bird pricing. You'll be able to fully order and pay online.

Keep an eye out on the newsletter and PTA Facebook page for further news and notification of when orders open.

For any questions, contact Anna on 021 029 70532

classrooms and in continuing to wear masks while visiting the school. We have also had high compliance with our request for students, especially those in Years 4-6, to wear masks while indoors.

Our other mitigation measures include:

- good cough and sneeze etiquette
- regular cleaning
- staying away if unwell
- good ventilation in all indoor areas

We are also aware of the dangers of the spread of measles, a highly infectious virus that spreads faster than COVID-19 in people who aren't immune to it. The best protection against measles is vaccination with two doses of the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine. Please check with your doctor if you are unsure about your own or your children's vaccination status.

Here is the link to the Beat the Bug measles resource on the ADHB website:

https://arphs.health.nz/assets/Uploads/Resources/Disease-and-illness/Measles-Mumps-Rubella/Measles/2022/Education/Beat-the-Bugs_Measles-Resource_2022May25.pdf

Good Shepherd School Uniform

The children should now be wearing their winter school uniforms. Uniforms are purchased through Elizabeth Michael Uniforms (see notice below) although we do keep a supply of second hand uniforms for purchase at the school. Can we please give special attention to footwear over the winter months? The uniform shoes are black, worn with black knee high socks. As we approach winter and the colder weather, we strongly recommend that children wear the school uniform jumper and there is also a school jacket available. A warm singlet could also be useful. Please name all uniform items.

Finally, children are asked to bring in a change of clothes if they want to play on the field as it quickly becomes very muddy.

GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL UNIFORMS

With Auckland schools reopening you can now come into the Elizabeth Michael Bond Street shop to organise your child's Good Shepherd uniform!

Shop safely with covid protocols in place.

You can also shop online 24/7. Simply visit www.elizabethmichael.co.nz and register for Good Shepherd School by entering the school code **GS221**. We can courier to you or you can select pick up from our Bond St store.

Mon - Thurs 9.00am - 5.00pm
Fri 9.00am - 4.00pm
Sat 9.00am - 12 noon *

BACK TO SCHOOL - SATURDAY OPENING HOURS

*Extended Saturday hours from 4 Dec 2021 to 12 Feb 2022 are as follows:
Saturday 4, 11, 18 Dec 2021 9.00am-3.00pm
Saturday 8, 15, 22, 29 Jan 2022 9.00am-3.00pm
Saturday 5, 12 Feb 2021 9.00am-3.00pm

ElizabethMichael
UNIFORMS

4 Bond Street, Grey Lynn, Auckland 1021
P: 09 358 1680 • uniforms@elizabethmichael.co.nz • www.elizabethmichael.co.nz

North Island Ski Competition 26-28 September in Turoa

Would your child like to join a GSS ski team? We are organising a team to compete in the North Island Primary School Ski Competition at Turoa from 26-28 September 2022. Your child should be able to ski comfortably, however no race experience is necessary. One adult helper is needed per family. If you are interested please text Julia (Ronan's mum, Room 8) on 021737689. Once I have some idea of numbers I will arrange an evening get together to discuss how it all works.



Sushi and Pie days

Sushi is now available to order for lunch on Fridays. Orders are taken online only via [Kindo](https://www.kindo.co.nz). If you do not have a Kindo account, it is quick and easy to set one up by clicking Join Up. Please check your child's classroom number. Sushi orders close at 8.45 on Friday mornings. Remember if your child orders Teriyaki chicken on rice, please send them to school with a fork in their lunchbox. You can order in advance for multiple weeks and you can also cancel your order through your account before 8.45 on a Friday morning.

The second pie day in the term is on Tuesday July 5th. We need a parent volunteer to collect the pies from Dough Boys on Dominion Rd on Tuesday the

5th July. If you're able to help please contact Emma Chan chanemmanz@gmail.com.

Music Programme for Term 2

St Peter's Primary School Music Programme will proceed in Term 2 . Registrations can be found in the link below.

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfFfcKkGQFGYS9btTyFTZnv47urmy_BDnUe9qDZV6tVINFRag/closedform

New Good Shepherd School App @school

Good Shepherd has a **new** school app. Please Download from the app store on your device, and search **@school**.

All parents have been emailed their personal login link, with a unique username and step by step guide on how to get started. This app is a great way to view school fee accounts, tax receipt downloads, directly notify school absences, newsletters and redirect you to the school website. If there are any questions, or if you need further assistance please contact admin@goodshepherd.school.nz or call.