

Update...



Te Kura o Heparā Pai

*Care Manaakitanga
Respect Whakaute
Honesty Pono*

16 Pipiri/June 2022

Upcoming Dates

21 June	Eden/Albert Cross Country zones
22 June	PTA meeting
23 June	Assembly: Rm5
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



Jude Bull- Always modelling the Good Shepherd School way.

Harrison DeLacey- Demonstrating a great attitude towards learning.

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.

In and Around School

Room 3 & 4

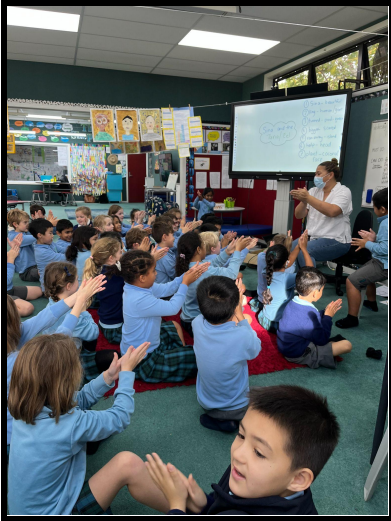
In Room 3 & 4 we had so much fun celebrating Samoan language, culture and traditions during Samoan Language week- Manuia le Vai aso Gagana Samoa.

We read traditional Samoan myths and legends and learnt Samoan prayers and food blessings. We had some expert leaders in our classroom who helped us with this. We learnt a lot about the country and their culture.

The highlight was a visit from Jake's parents, Tanesa and Danny Siave. They told us all about Samoa and how important God, family and food are to them. They also brought in an amazing feast of delicious Samoan food. We really enjoyed and appreciated their visit.

Tatalo | Prayer

Samoaan	English
Tātou tatalo	Let us pray
Lo matou Tamā o i le lagi	Our heavenly father
Ia e fa'amanuia mai, i lenei vaiaso	We ask for your blessings this week
Ia te i matou uma ta'ito'atasi	To each and every one of us
I le suafa o Iesu, Āmene.	In Jesus name we pray. Amen



Garden Club Produce Sale

The Garden Club will be selling some produce from our school gardens on 17 June from 2:30pm-3:30pm. If you have any excess produce to donate from your garden, please bring it in to help them out.



Sport

Term 2 sporting events are:

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

St Joseph's Tabloid Day

On Tuesday we celebrated St Joseph's Day with house tabloid sports. The house captains did an amazing job organising and running their games, with support from the Outdoor Activities Monitors. See our [Highlights](#) website and our [Facebook](#) page for more exciting photos...



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. Connolly students will continue to 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!

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 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

Enrolments at Good Shepherd School

If you, or anyone you know, are considering enrolling your child at Good Shepherd, please contact the school office as soon as possible on admin@goodshepherd.school.nz.

As always we appreciate your recommendations of our school to friends and whānau.

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-school-s-2/>

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

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Sushi and Pie days

Sushi is now available to order for lunch on Fridays. Orders are taken online only via [Kindo](#). 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 8.45am 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 children enjoyed their Pie Day earlier this month with pies supplied by our local bakery Dough Boys. **There will be a second Pie Day on Tuesday 5th July.** As Dough Boys are experiencing some staff shortages at the moment, they require order numbers one week in advance. Therefore, **orders for Pie Day will close at 12 noon on Tuesday, 28th June.**

As next Friday, 24th June is Matariki holiday, sushi will be available to order on Thursday 23rd June. If you have ordered sushi for Friday 24th June, your

account has been credited and you need to go back and re order if you would like your child to have sushi on Thursday 23rd June.

Road Safety on Telford Ave

A reminder to all parents that drop their children off in cars, please limit your speed AT ALL times. In a school zone: rules exist to keep children, parents and carers safe and to minimise speed and traffic jams around school. We have been getting alarming reports about fast cars entering Telford Ave specifically between the times of 7:30am-9am and 3pm-6pm. Many children are in the OSCA before and after school care, and we understand parents and caregivers time commitments but the safety of all takes higher precedence over those pressures.

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

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

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.

Newspapers Wanted

If you have any newspapers at home, we would be grateful for donations of these to the school office for use for art work and garden produce sales.

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.