

Update...



Te Kura o Hepara Pai

*Care Manaakitanga
Respect Whakaute
Honesty Pono*

10 Whiringa-Ā-Rangi/November 2022

Upcoming Dates

11 November	Teachers only day - No School
15 November	School Photos
19 November	Hot House Challenge
22 November	Eden/Albert Zone Athletics
26 November	Albert/Eden Cultural Festival
30 November	Bike Safety Programme
01 December	Bike Safety Programme
06 December	Board of Trustees meeting
07 December	End of Year Mass
12 December	Reports home
14 December	Christmas Concert
15 December	Year 6 - Pt Erin Pool celebration
15 December	Term 4 ends

Please look carefully, as some of these dates have changed.

Teacher Only Day - NO SCHOOL TOMORROW

The school will be closed on Friday 11 November, as the teachers will be participating in professional development.

Special Character

Good Shepherd Awards



Ridhi Rawat- *You are always polite, caring and considerate towards others.*

Anna Jomon- *You display our school values by being a conscientious and helpful classmate.*

Sacramental Programme Update

The Reconciliation programme scheduled for this term has been postponed until next year. We will be in touch with this year's families with updated information in due course.

In and Around School

More Mighty Maths in Room 7


We are continuing to work hard at our maths in Room 7 and my gosh, it is paying off. The results of our last maths PAT assessment showed that 9 of our 27 students...that's a third of the class, had made above average progress since our last maths PAT assessment in Term 2. Coincidentally, fractions have been our main focus. To make things more exciting and meaningful we made improvements on the fun family game of Twister, and learned with lollies (we made lei for some of our special crew and found out the



fractions of each type of lolly per lei).



Meet the Staff by Heather Rewcastle



Hometown:
Auckland New Zealand


Fun fact:
I bet Miss Evans is the biggest pink fan you know!

Miss Evans is the teacher of Room 6

Miss Evans has been teaching at GSS for 5 years!

Miss Evans is the owner to 2 adorable cats Norbit and Sebastian!

Fav movie:
Ratatouille



**MEET THE STAFF
MISS EVANS**

Sport

School Athletics Day

We had a hugely successful athletics day on Tuesday at Margaret Griffen Park. The children all enjoyed themselves and participated with enthusiasm. A big thank you to all the parents who volunteered to help on the day.



ORDER YOUR YEARBOOKS NOW!!

Our 2022 yearbook provides you with a permanent and colourful record of our students and their activities at school. The 2022 yearbook is bigger and better than ever before. All of our junior and senior students are celebrated in this glossy, professionally bound book, with pages dedicated to each class, and special recognition for our leavers.



A special request - would you like to donate a yearbook to another family? If so then purchase two and let the office know that one is for donation purposes. Ngā mihi nui.

Yearbooks cost \$25 and can be purchased on Kindo. To open a Kindo account please follow this link and select join up.

HOT HOUSE CHALLENGE - WE NEED YOU!

We are very close to the Hot House Challenge /MiniFair (November 19). The PTA needs your help!



The Holey Fathers run the Challenge so we are calling all dads to help with running the obstacle course, setting up and packing down, and generally making sure everyone has an awesome day. It's a great way to get to know some other dads, so if you're interested in helping out, please email holeyfathers@gmail.com.

We also need parent volunteers to help set up, BBQ, sell food and drinks, manage stalls and help with the clean up. Again, it's a great way to meet other parents and there is a range of different jobs/times you can sign up for. If you have any questions feel free to ask anyone on the PTA or email simone.stclair@live.com.

Here is a link to the sign up form.

<https://volunteersignup.org/EE9CL>

We are looking for any craft and seedlings for the stall at the Hot House Challenge please contact Tracy tracy.harkison@aut.ac.nz.

Keep the Jolly Jars, toys, books, coming in. Once again - thank you everyone for the ongoing support you have given the PTA this year.

School Photos Next Week

Class photos and sibling photos will be taken on **Tuesday 15th November**. Orders will be placed online directly with Photolife. Permission flyers from Photolife for sibling photos will be sent home with the children this week and the children's unique photo keycode will be sent home in a few weeks to allow for ordering. Please return the completed form by Monday 14th 9am for the sibling photo to be taken if this is of interest to your whānau.

All children need to be in their full correct summer uniform including sandals with long hair tied back.

Swimming Pool

A limited number of keys are available for hire by Good Shepherd School families for this summer. Keys are available for purchase from 8.45am on Monday 21 November 2022. Please note we are only accepting cash (no online payments). Keys will be allocated on a first come first basis, to families who present a completed hire form and payment. In fairness to all families we are not accepting reservations for keys or allocating keys prior to Monday 21 November. Please find the hire form link [here](#), or at the school office.

Potters Park Christmas Carols

Come along and support the GSS Choir performing on 11 December. 5pm - 7:30pm at Potters Park 173 Balmoral Road, Mount Eden.



Procedure for dealing with concerns and complaints at Good Shepherd School

We value our community culture at Good Shepherd School. When dealing with any concerns and complaints that may arise, we keep at the forefront our core values of care, respect and honesty. If you have an issue, please follow this [link](#) which can guide you in how to proceed in order to resolve it with us.

Year Six Save The Date!!

All Good Shepherd 2022 Year 6 graduates are invited to come to POINT ERIN POOLS – Shelly Beach Road, Herne Bay, for a last celebration with their friends and whānau, for a pool party

Date: 15th DECEMBER 2022 (last day of school)

Time: 4 – 6pm

Details and a call for volunteers to follow. Many thanks, Tracy and Kelly.

PTA WhatsApp

Good News - we have set up a PTA WhatsApp group. This is for everyone and anyone who is interested in the 'goings on' of the PTA and would like to help or attend meetings from time to time. We had a great meeting last night, in fact the PTA is going fantastically well!

Jump onboard to make more friends, have some fun and be productive all at the same time!

Visit <https://tinyurl.com/2p846jkm> to join us. (Easiest on your phone).



GSS PTA
Group · 22 participants

Attendance Dues 2023

The attendance dues will be increasing for the 2023 year to \$122 per term per child.

ATTENDANCE DUES

Attendance Dues are used to pay for building related costs at Catholic Schools in the Auckland Diocese. Paying Attendance Dues is a condition of enrolment for all students attending New Zealand Catholic Schools. Attendance Dues are compulsory – there is a legal requirement for parents and caregivers to pay Attendance Dues under the Education and Training Act 2020.

ATTENDANCE DUES ARE:

2023	PRIMARY STUDENTS	SECONDARY STUDENTS
per year (incl. GST)	\$488	\$956
per term (incl. GST)	\$122	\$239

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

Good Shepherd School Uniform

Term 4 is underway and all students should now be in their full summer uniform.

Summer Uniform: Students wear summer uniforms in Terms 4 & 1. This includes black sandals and a wide-brim school hat.

Sports Uniform: Compulsory for Years 4, 5 and 6.

Jewellery, nail polish, makeup, hair

A watch and ear studs are the only jewellery

permitted with the school uniform. Nail polish is not permitted on either fingers or toes. Makeup may not be worn. Long hair must be tied back. Hair accessories must be either navy blue or black.

Remember, we have a good selection of second hand uniforms available at minimal cost from our school office.

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, Moosies and Pie days

Moosies are available to buy most Fridays, for two dollars. Please make sure your child has their coin in a safe place before lunchtime. Orders are open on Kindo for sushi and pie orders for Term 4. If you do not have a Kindo account it is quick and easy to set one up [here](#).



There will be sushi available on Fridays in weeks 5, 6, 7 and 8. There will be no sushi in Week 9.

There will be a pie day on Tuesday 6th December. If you have any questions, please email Emma Chan chanemmanz@gmail.com.

Thanks to all our wonderful volunteers who help make this lunch service possible. **Remember if your child orders teriyaki chicken on rice, please send them to school with a fork in their lunchbox.**