

Saturday 18 November 2023

30 Telford Ave, Balmoral.

11.00am - 3.00pm



GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL FAIR NEWSLETTER

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Welcome to our first School Fair newsletter!

The PTA will once again celebrate our community by hosting the Good Shepherd School Fair on Saturday, 18th November 2023. The school holidays are here and we wanted to get you prepared for our long awaited Good Shepherd School Fair, post COVID.

Previous years have seen the fair raise well needed funds for the school and have helped establish the covered turf area, install an outdoor fitness trail and fund sustainability initiatives. This year, the fair is raising funds for shade sails in exposed areas to protect our kids from the everchanging elements.

For those new to the Fair at Good Shepherd, you can be proud in advance. Good Shepherd Fair is well known in the area for being a fantastic fair with fabulous cakes, crafts, food, great experiences and having a lovely community feeling.

We will send this newsletter regularly to keep you updated. Please join the Facebook school fair page by scanning the QR barcode on the left or search 'Good Shepherd School Fair 2023' on Facebook.

We appreciate your generosity in advance and hope that this newsletter prepares you in advance for our upcoming activities that we'll need your help with.

Confirmed Stalls

We are still confirming stalls, but you can expect to see the following:

- **Classroom stalls** include Book Stalls, White Elephant and Sports Goods, Secondhand Clothing, Bags, Shoes and Accessories and the Silent auction.
- **Market stalls** such as Garden (Plant & Produce), Preserves, Sweets, Crafts & Kids Accessories, Jolly Jars & Lucky Dip, Face Painting.
- **Food stalls**, Raffles, and other prizes!

Please read on for how you can contribute to these stalls...

We need you!

Many hands make light work so this is a call to any parents and caregivers who can volunteer to help or create, such as:

- Helping to organise the fair (committee member)
- Running a stall on the day (including those that have done so previously)
- Helping out generally on the day
- Be part of the clean-up crew
- Those with food and beverage experience helping to plan this aspect
- Help with promotion and marketing
- Source or provide sponsorship and prizes
- Help organise or perform as part of the fair day entertainment.

If you or any of your friends can help, or you are unsure how you can help (but would like to anyway), please get in contact with our Committee Contacts (details on the left).

Be it running your own stall, crafting away for the next few months, preserving or just helping on the day, we appreciate any help you can give us.

Sponsorship and prizes

We need your help sourcing fantastic prizes for the raffle and silent auction and have a variety of sponsorship packages that suit all budgets.

PRIZES

We need prizes - and lots of them! Everything from small items that we can make into prize baskets, vouchers, or experiences to big ticket items for our silent auction.

SPONSORSHIP & DONATIONS

We are also looking for sponsorship from businesses that wish to be associated with the school community. Tell us what will suit your marketing budget and we can advise of a package that has the option of prize donations contributing towards the sponsorship total. Good Shepherd School PTA is a registered charity so all cash donations are tax deductible.

Sponsorship exposure and benefits include naming rights on Fair marketing material, sponsor's Fair stalls, banner ads on Fair Facebook Page, logo on Fair Flyer, Day Map, sponsorship wall or Community Notice board signs. Get your advertising material included in Fair giveaways and more!

If you or your business have a prize that you would like to donate, please contact Aimee Greenhough on 021 763 002.



COMMITTEE CONTACTS

Thank you to our wonderful fair committee members this year.

Please contact any of us if you can contribute to the fair - we would love to hear from you:

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School holiday spring cleaning and preparations...

To start with, we appreciate you collecting any household items that you no longer have a use for, such as clothes, shoes, bags, books, bric-a-brac, working household appliances (i.e., coffee machines), toys, games, material, sports equipment, outdoor equipment. Basically, anything in your house (or garage) that a charity shop would take i.e., no car seats, bikes, broken items or failed electronics.

Please deliver donations (from Term 3 onwards) to the Office..

COLOURFUL CLOTHES DAY - JOLLY JARS

If you want to find your children come fair day then first head to the Jolly Jars. These treat-filled jars are super popular with the kids. In Term 3, we'll be holding a Colourful Clothes Day and instead of the usual gold coin donation, we're after Jolly Jars.

What are Jolly Jars?

Basically, they are jars filled with jolly fun things for the kids to enjoy! Party loot (pens/pencils, bubbles, balloons, bracelets, tattoos, stickers) wrapped confectionary and any other little surprises that you can think of that will keep well in a jar until 18 November.



A great Jolly Jar is:

- bright, colourful and generally the more that's in the jar, the more enticing it is.
- ideally a plastic jar with a lid but it can be glass if that is all you can find.
- if you feel it's more boy or girl orientated, please state that on the jar with a label.
- the kids love to see some lollies or sweets in the jar but ideally, we don't really want jars full of sugar!

Grab a jar and start filling it over the holidays so you can be prepared for the upcoming Colourful Clothes day in Term 3. We'll confirm the date closer to the time that you can send your children with a filled Jolly Jar to school.

GET PRESERVING!

If you have any surplus produce and you'd like to try your hand at preserving- GO FOR IT- they almost always work out and what you make will be very welcome at the stall. If preserving isn't your thing, we'd be thrilled with donations of sugar, vinegar, pectin and any used metal lid jars (labels removed please!) - and of course, surplus produce - fresh fruit, frozen or wild berries such as raspberries, boysenberries and blueberries would be awesome!

IMPORTANT DATES: 20 WEEKS TO GO!

We've prepared the following so you can utilise the school holidays to get prepared...

In School Holidays

- Spring Clean to bring items into school
- Give Preserves a go.
- Collect Jars and Fruit for Preserves.

Term 3

Prepare for the following Colourful Clothes Days:

- Jolly Jars
- Bring a bottle
- Chocolate Bars

Term 4

Prepare for the following Colourful Clothes Days:

- Baking supplies
- Room Raffles

16 October

Sponsored Community Boards are displayed for 6 weeks.

18 November

GSS Fair Day!

Recipes

- [Basic-jam-recipe from Love Food Hate Waste NZ](#)
- [Chelsea Sugar have a range of recipes, tips and tricks](#)

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

