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Update...

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15 August/ Here-turi-kōkā 2024

Upcoming Dates

20 August	BoT Meeting
22 August	Eden/Albert Netball Zones
30 August	GSS Speech Finals
3-6 Sept	Maritime Museum Trips
11 Sept	Catholic Schools Cross Country
13 Sept	Grandparents Day / School/Parish Mass
16-20 Sept	EPro8 for Year 6
23-27 Sept	Life Education Caravan at GSS
Whole School Prayers in Term Three: Friday 2.45pm in church	
Week 3 - Rm 9	
Week 5 - Rm 7	
Week 7 - Rm 6	
Week 9 - Rm 3	
Class Assemblies in Term Three: Friday 2.15pm on the turf	
Week 4 - Rm 7 & Mural Blessing	
Week 6 - Rm 2	
Week 8 - Grandparents Day	

Please look carefully, as some of these dates have changed

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Te Kupu o te Wiki

Our kupu hou ki te wiki (new word for the week) is...

Pukumahi

Pukumahi means busy. You could use it in a sentence like this:

"Kei te pukumahi ahau i tenei rā" which means "I am busy today".

We are looking forward to Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori in Week 9 of this term.



Cake Raffle Week



**Room 7 cake raffle - Bring your spare coins.
Available before & after school.
\$2 for 1 ticket or \$5 for 3.**

Special Character

Sacramental Programme Dates - First Holy Communion

Thank you to our whānau for supporting our tamariki through FHC sessions.

18 August 9:30am (in Room 7)- FHC Third Session
25 August 11:30am Mass - Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Good Shepherd Parish Mass times

We encourage all families to attend Mass together, particularly those children who have completed the Sacramental programme. Sunday Mass is at **9.30am**.

Good Shepherd Parish Balmoral, Auckland Parish Secretary – Part-time

Looking for a rewarding, part-time secretarial role?

Good Shepherd Parish, Balmoral is looking for a friendly, confident, computer- and accounts-savvy person for 15 hours a week to keep the parish's admin and finances ticking over.

Please forward your CV and covering letter (along with two professional referees) to:

Jane Hahn

Email: janehahnnz@gmail.com

By Monday 2 September.

Gss Awards



Congratulations to Niko Glavas and Kiyara Budd
Niko has shown leadership and commitment both in the class and around the school. Kiyara continually shows the GSS values of Respect, Care and Honesty among her peers. Well done and well deserved.

In and Around School

Reminder to check out our [Highlights](#) site for even more photos and events from GSS...

Ruma Rima/ Room 5

Ruma Rima (Room 5) has been investigating their plant growth for our school's inquiry. Each ākonga is thinking like a scientist and monitoring their plant growth, discussing how they planted it, what it looks like and how to take care of it. Ruma Rima has enjoyed their science inquiry journey so far and are excited to see what happens to their plants next!



Experience the journeys of immigrants from the past and get your sea legs in the 1841 rocking cabin. Beginning with the story of our first people, this Educator-led workshop will lead you on a journey through time to today's migrants. Together we will discover how people migrate and most importantly why. Students will reflect on their own whanau origins, their reasons for migrating, and their impact on the changing face of Aotearoa New Zealand. The workshop is complemented by a self-guided immigration trail that explores the Museum's taonga including Te Waka, an animated short film showing the Pacific migration of the early Polynesians. Students will work in small groups, led by their adult supervisors, to follow their own interests and learn at their own pace. **Students will also get to go sailing on a sailing ship with the instructors.**

Programme timetable.

From	Group 1	Group 2
10:00 am	Arrival, orientation & morning tea	
10:30 am	Educator workshop (Immigration and Identity)	Sailing (Maximum 42 passengers)
11:30 am	Sailing (Maximum 42 passengers)	Educator workshop (Immigration and Identity)
12:30 pm	Lunch	
1:00 pm	Gallery Explorer (Self-guided trail)	
2:00pm	Depart	

Trip Dates - Week 7 Term 3

Tuesday 3 September - Rooms 6 & 7

Wednesday 4 September - Rooms 8 & 9

Thursday 5 September - Rooms 4 & 5

Friday 6 September - Rooms 2 & 3

[Parent help form & Further trip information](#)

Children will **ONLY** return the form if a parent or caregiver **CAN** help.

Garden Club

Today at Garden Club we harvested the amazing celery that we have grown. We used a lemon from the garden along with some other ingredients to make [Kiwi Onion Dip](#). Some children had not eaten celery before and were surprised by how much they liked eating it with the dip!

Riddle of the Week

By Finn O'Sullivan Blanch in room 5



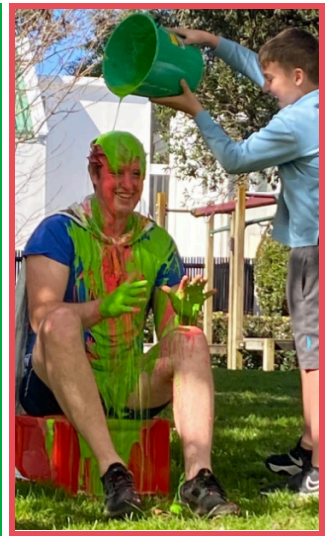
“What is alive, but doesn't eat and only drinks?”

Read to the bottom of the newsletter to find the answer

School Trip to Maritime Museum

**Immigration and Identity
PROGRAMME OVERVIEW**

Why do people migrate? What are the driving forces that influence people to leave?



SLIMEY MR FAHEY

Well done to our whole GSS community for making the donation target for our PTA Olympic Day fundraiser. Mr Fahey promised that if the school reached \$7000 he would get slimed!! AND WE MADE IT!!!. This took place yesterday and as you can see from the pictures it was lucky Mr Fahey wore his Superman top, that slime was thick. Special mentions to our community for getting behind the cause, our GSS PTA for organising and the 'does all, knows all' Sharyn that made the slime. Thank you to Toshiba for sponsoring the Pizza Prize for the class that raised the most money.

Information for Whānau

Playing on the field

In term 3 children still need to be wearing a change of clothes to play on the field. This includes before school, morning tea time and lunchtime.

Leaving school at 3pm

All children are expected to be wearing their full school uniform when they leave the school grounds at 3pm. This includes school socks and shoes.

Attendance Dues and Financial Assistance

Thank you to all our whānau that have made full payment or part payments towards their accounts for the year. We appreciate the payments made towards the Family Donation as that helps our school provide the extra resources that keep our students learning at a higher than national average level. Payments of attendance dues for Term 1 and Term 2 are now considered overdue. We would appreciate you please making payments towards these as soon as possible. At the very least, a payment plan or commitment needs to have been advised to the office so that it can be communicated

to the Catholic Diocese. Financial assistance is available to assist families who may need support with the payment of Attendance Dues for preference students attending both primary and secondary Catholic schools in Auckland Diocese. If your family is facing financial difficulties, please contact Ilana in the school office, your Parish Priest, or Auckland Common Fund Ltd at the Catholic Diocese of Auckland on 09-360-3069 for further information. **Term 3 is a good time to start that process so please reach out for that assistance now.** Application forms for this assistance are available from school and parish offices, or can be downloaded from the Catholic Diocese of Auckland Website - please click [here](#).

School Uniform

There has been a noticeable number of tamariki that have started wearing non-uniform clothing, shoes and accessories to school. Reminder to our whānau that we understand that the mornings and afternoons are still cold, an extra warm jacket can be worn but be reminded that clothing items are plain colour such as black or Navy. GSS holds a high standard and our school uniform holds respect and honour. We have a great stock of second hand jumpers in the uniform shop for \$5.

GSS PTA NEWS



Good Shepherd School

"We make the difference"

OLYMPIC DAY WRAP UP!!

Our Olympics fundraiser has come to a close, and I'm thrilled to share that we have raised an outstanding **\$8,200** for our pool updates! A huge thank you to all our families and friends who supported us along the way. Your generosity and enthusiasm made this possible.

I'm excited to announce the final results for our classrooms, with the top 3 classrooms being:

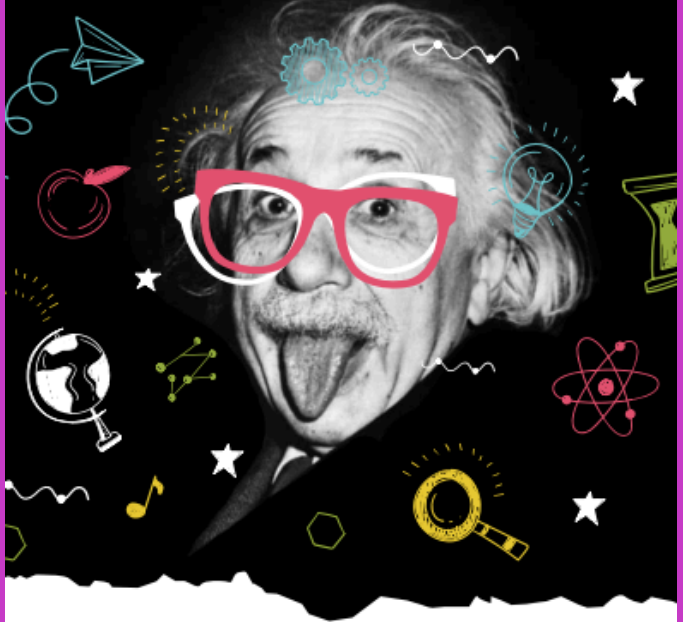
- **Room 2**
- **Room 4**
- **Room 5**

All our classrooms did great, but these three really stood out. **A special congratulations to Room 2 for**

their incredible effort—they've earned a Toshiba Pizza Day! 🍕 🎉

Once again, thank you to everyone who participated and made this event a success. We couldn't have done it without you!
GSS PTA Committee

Quiz Night!! - TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM TOMORROW



IT'S A DRESS UP QUIZ PARTY!!
GSS QUIZ NIGHT
Date: 7th September | Time: 7pm sharp | Venue: GSS School Hall

The theme is 'G' - will you come as Ghosts, Grandmas, Goons, or something Green?

Gather your team of 8 and start thinking about your team name - tickets go on sale August 16th!

Tickets will be available in groups of 8 for \$200. Don't have a team? No worries! Buy a single ticket for \$25 and we'll match you up with one.

ALL WELCOME!
Friends and family of GSS are invited to join in the fun.

BYO Platter on the night - prize for the best platter!

Sign up here: [Quiz Volunteer Sign Up](#)

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Calendar Art



Caring Committee

Good Shepherd PTA, as part of its school community focus, has a Caring Committee that gives support to families that are in need for a variety of reasons such as sickness, loss of a family member or wakeful newborns. This service is usually given as meals or baking for the family. When the committee gets notified of a family, an email is sent out to everyone on the committee, and whoever can help on a certain day for a meal then you get rostered for that day. No conditions or pressure even if your name is on the committee, only help when you can. If you are interested in being on the email list, please email sashamadas@hotmail.com



Sushi, Pizza's & Moosies

This Term, sushi will be available on the following dates:

Friday 23 August
Friday 30 August
Friday 06 September
Friday 20 September
Friday 27 September

Orders are taken online only via [Kindo](#).

** Please note, there will be no sushi on Friday 13th September due to Grandparents Day.

Pizza will be available on the following dates:

Tuesday 20th August (pizza orders now closed for this date) and Tuesday 24th September.

Ordering has been set up on Kindo for all the sushi dates this term. You can order for as many weeks in advance as you like. Sushi orders close at 8.30am on the day of the delivery. You can also cancel a sushi order up until 8.30am on the day of the delivery.

Moosies are also able to be ordered through Kindo and have been set up on Kindo for all of the Moosie dates this term. You can also order Moosies for as many weeks in advance as you like. Moosie orders close at 8.30am on the day of the orders. You can cancel a Moosie order up until 8.30am on the day of delivery.

If you have ordered a Moosie from Kindo, please remind your child they MUST line up outside Room 2 at lunchtime, after they are released from sitting/eating time. Moosie monitors are not able to find children once lunch begins.