



Te Kura o Heparā Pai

*Care Manaakitanga
Respect Whakautu
Honesty Pono*

Newsletter 17



AKE AKE AKE
A FOREVER LANGUAGE
KIA KAHA TE REO MĀORI

**Rāmere te rua tekau o ngā rā ō Mahuru rua
mano, rua tekau mā whā**
(Friday 20 September 2024)

From the Principal

Ngā mihi o te wā ki a koe me te whānau,

Happy Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori – Māori Language Week! This year’s theme is ‘Ake ake ake – A Forever Language.’ The 2024 theme represents the resilience, adaptability and endurance of te reo Māori, and reflects the commitment to embracing and learning the language long into the future. As a school we welcome the use of Te Reo Māori and we are actively working to improve our own levels of proficiency in Te reo Māori.

This week we have hosted members from the Auckland Diocese as a part of our triannual Catholic Special Character Review. Thank you to everyone

who was able to either complete surveys or attend meetings to help with our participation in this.

Our Grandparents Day was a huge success and a special opportunity to acknowledge these significant role models who help shape and grow our precious tamariki. Ms Kaur organised a beautiful mass celebrated by Monsignor Bernard Kiely. Mrs McLeod coordinated this memorable day which was only enhanced by the activity and generous efforts of our parents led by Simone St. Clair. Madeline Langley also arranged for a special tea towel with portraits of our tamariki on. This will be a welcome addition to the event moving forward.

Quiz Night took place on the 7th of September. There was a wonderful buzz in the air with some intense bidding on our silent auction prizes! A special thank you to the team of Sonia Gavin, Hannah Pearce and Kimberley Gajadhar led by Penny Browne for the phenomenal organisation in making this night possible.

Earlier this term as a part of our Olympics themed fundraiser our youngest children were our top fundraising class! Well done to Room 2 who were rewarded with a pizza lunch sponsored by Toshiba.



Thank you very much to the PTA who have been incredibly active this term and the many parents who have volunteered their time and expertise to support events such as our Olympics Fundraiser, Grandparents day and our school Quiz Night. The

funds raised from these events will go towards improvements to our swimming pool area.

The more we work together as a community, the greater the outcomes for our tamariki.

*‘Nā tō rourou, nā taku rourouka ora ai te iwi’
“With your food basket and my food basket the people will thrive”*

Te Atua ki a koe / God bless,
Ben Fahey

Upcoming Dates

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|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 16-20 Sept | EPro8 for Year 6 |
| 23 Sept | Calendar Art order close off date |
| 24 Sept | Pizza Day |
| 23-27 Sept | Life Education Caravan at GSS |
| 27 Sept | Term 3 ends |
| 29 Sept | Daylight Savings Begins |
| 14 Oct | Term 4 Begins |
| 22 Oct | BoT Meeting |
| 23 Oct | PTA Meeting |
| 28 Oct | Labour Day (School Closed) |
| 01 Nov | All Saints Day - 9:30am Mass |
| 11 Nov | Teachers Only Day (School Closed) |
| 12 Nov | GSS Athletics Day - Whole School |
| 14 Nov | Photolife School Photos |
| 27 Nov | PTA Meeting |
| 04 Dec | End of Year Mass |
| 12 Dec | GSS Christmas Concert |
| 13 Dec | Term 4 Ends - Last Day of School School finishes at 2pm |
| | Whole School Prayers in Term Three: Friday 2.45pm in church Week 9 - Rm 3 |
| | Class Assemblies in Term Three: Friday 2.15pm on the turf |

Please look carefully, as some of these dates have changed

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Term Dates 2025

| Term | Start | Finish |
|------|--------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | Tuesday 28 January | Friday 11 April |
| 2 | Monday 28 April | Friday 27 June |
| 3 | Monday 14 July | Friday 19 September |
| 4 | Monday 06 October | Friday 12 December |

Staffing Update

Heather McLeod our treasured Deputy Principal will be on sick leave from week 2 onwards in term 4 for the rest of the year. Her breast cancer has returned after being clear for 5 years. She will be having surgery early in term 4 and will spend the rest of the term recovering. We will be praying for a successful surgery and strong recovery.

Special Character

Māori Mass

Last night we celebrated a beautiful Māori Mass at Christ the King Church, Owairaka. Mr Fahey, Ms Kaur, Matua Tainui & Miss Nimmo were in attendance along with whānau from our community.



'He waka eke noa'

A canoe which we are all in with no exception

This whakatauki implies that 'we are all in this together'. It can be a really useful one when working with groups on a particular focus. For example, where is the waka heading (vision/mission)? What is the waka made of (values/principles)? How do we work well together to paddle the waka most effectively (conduct etc.)? It can be unpacked in many different ways, but it encourages us to explore the most effective ways to work together and can highlight what is needed in order for us to make this journey.

Good Shepherd Parish Mass times

We encourage all families to attend Mass together. Sunday Mass **9.30am**.

Sports

Touch Rugby

Good Shepherd has a number of teams playing the Touch Rugby competition at Fearon Park on Wednesday afternoons during term 4 and term 1. See <https://touchrugby.co.nz/event/central-junior/> for more details.

We're looking to put at least two more teams together. If your child might be interested, there will be a learn-to-play session during lunchtime next Tuesday 24 September.

Please register your interest by emailing Stephen Farrell (Ronan's Dad) at stephenfarrell04@yahoo.ie or just come along on the day.

In and Around School

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

“Ko tēnei Te Wiki o Te Reo Māori”

This is Māori Language Week!

Te Wiki o te Reo Māori is an annual celebration for all New Zealanders to show their support for the Māori language, an official language of this country. Under enduring pressure te reo Māori has shown it will adapt and survive. It grows with our people, our culture and our environment.

Matua Tainui has put together some great planning and resources to help our children and staff develop their knowledge of both Tikanga and Te Reo throughout the year. Next term our year 4-6 children will have the opportunity to sign up to a performance Kapa Haka group which will showcase their talents as a part of the Albert-Eden Schools Cultural Festival.

Our Amazing Rangatahi



Mauri Tū Mauri Ora!

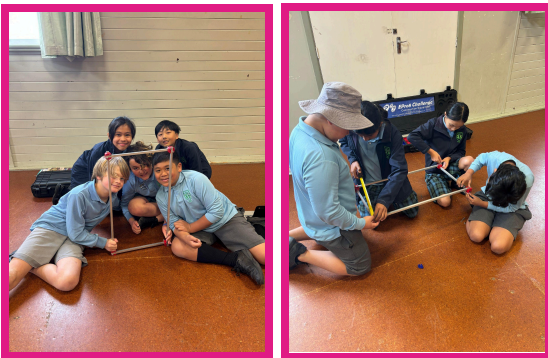


- Rooms 2, 3 and 4 have chosen to learn about managing emotions and resilience.
- Rooms 5 and 8 have chosen to learn about empathy and resilience.
- Rooms 6, 7 and 9 have chosen to learn about empathy, resilience and making good decisions.

Your children might like to continue their learning at home by visiting our website for kids: www.healthyharold.org.nz.

EPro 8 Classroom Week

Our Year 6 students are spending the week focussing on STEM learning with the EPro8 Challenge. This involves building and measuring, engineering art and scale drawing as well as technical writing.



Life Education Caravan



Life Education's Harold the giraffe and Grace the Educator will be bringing their mobile classroom to Good Shepherd School from Monday 23rd September to Friday 27th September.

Life Education Trust is a charity that works to educate and inspire children to embrace positive choices for a healthy mind and body. You can find out more here: <http://www.lifeeducation.org.nz/>.

School Library

Please have a hunt around at home for any overdue library books. All overdue books need to be returned to school before the end of the term. Children can issue library books for the holidays if they don't have any overdue books outstanding. The school library will be closed from Wednesday of Week 10.

Information for Whānau

Attendance Dues and Financial Assistance

Updated statements will be sent out in the coming week. Thank you to all our families who have made payments or arrangements to pay. Your attending to this is very much appreciated. If you want financial assistance, please get in touch urgently. Applications for assistance are still available to assist families who have made an attempt to make payments but 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 asap 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. 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](#).

GSS PTA NEWS



Calendar Art

ORDERS CLOSE ON MONDAY!!!

Calendar Art 2024

Online orders are open!

HOW TO ORDER

- Order forms will be sent home with your child/ren, including your special order code
- Visit www.kidsartworks.com & enter your code
- View your kid's art, choose items & pay online- easy!
- **Closing date - Monday 23 September 2024**
- Orders will arrive mid-end Term 4, date tbc
- Missing codes, or questions, ask Anna

Anna Shaw
021 029 70532
annalshaw@gmail.com

Sushi, Pizza's & Moosies.

PIZZA ORDERS ARE CLOSED

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

Friday 27 September

Orders are taken online only via [Kindo](https://www.kindo.co.nz).

**Pizza will be available on the following date:
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.

MARIST COLLEGE

School Film
'Chasing Stars'

Check out the trailer:
<https://youtu.be/zxHWjDUlqvo>

The film is finished! After months of post-production, months of filming at locations all across Auckland, and a year of screenwriting in 2023, the school film production 'Chasing Stars' is ready for the premiere on September 16th.

Come see Chasing Stars in St Luke's Cinema Auckland

THREE SHOWS ONLY
September 16-18

Don't delay! Get your tickets from:
<https://tinynurl.com/MaristStars>

Holiday Programme at Auckland Netball

**FUN, VARIED & ACTIVE PROGRAMMES
BOYS & GIRLS | AGE 5 - 13 YEARS**

Auckland Netball Centre, St Johns & Windmill Park, Mt Eden

- MULTIActivity Full-Day Programme
- Netball Skills 3 Half-Day Programme
- Combination Full-Day Programme
- Kokkino Kids Cooking Day (*new for Oct)
- 7v7 Umpire Course

www.aucklandnetball.co.nz



HOLIDAY PROGRAMMES

at Auckland Netball

■ MULTIACTIVITY ■ NETBALL SKILLS ■ COMBINATION



Looking to keep the kids entertained during the October school holidays? Choose from our fun and active holiday programmes with options to suit your needs and the interests of your child.

Week One - Commences Monday 30 September
Week Two - Commences Monday 7 October

Programmes will be running at both our venues:
Auckland Netball Centre, St Johns (OSCAR Accredited)
& Windmill Park, Mount Eden.



To book or for more information please contact:

Caitlin Smardon, Development Programme Officer
T 09 280 4129 or M 021 577 105
E development@aucklandnetball.co.nz
www.aucklandnetball.co.nz





Fun for Ages 4-13 Mixed | Non-Members Welcome



HOLIDAY PROGRAMME

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER

WEEK ONE
Monday 30th September - Friday 4th October 2024

WEEK TWO
Monday 7th October - Friday 11th October 2024

TIME
9:00am - 1:00pm

VENUE
Auckland United F.C (Keith Hay Park)

\$55 PER DAY
Book 4 or more days and get a 25% discount!



Register now on our website: aucklandunitedfc.org.nz











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Year 7 - 13 Catholic co-educational college with no zoning restrictions.



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ENROLMENTS STILL OPEN FOR 2025



To enrol or arrange a visit, register at www.marcellin.school.nz or call (09) 625 6509 or scan the QR code



AUFC DAILY SCHEDULE



- 9:00AM COACHES WELCOMES PLAYERS
- 9:10AM BALL MASTERY/WARMUPS
- 9:35AM AGILITY GAME
- 9:55AM 1V1 GAME
- 10:10AM MORNING TEA BREAK
- 10:30AM THEME OF THE DAY
- 11:00AM TEAM RELAYS/CIRCUIT
- 11:20AM SHOOTING/TARGET CHALLENGE
- 11:40AM LUNCH BREAK
- 12:00PM AUFC MINI - GAMES TOURNAMENT
- 12:50PM STAR PLAYERS OF THE DAY
- 1:00PM DAY ENDS







