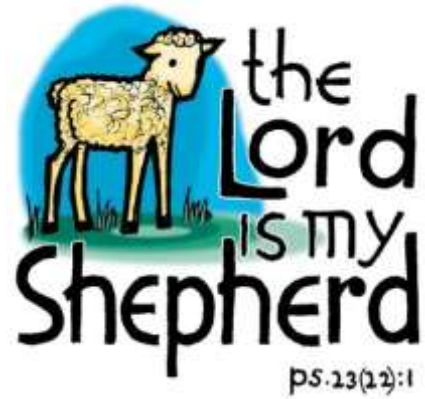


GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL



* Hello * Kia Ora * Malo e Lelei * Namaste * Cead Mile Failte * Talofa Lava *
* Kia Orana * Zdravo * Dzień Dobry * Apa Kabar * Guten Tag * An Nyung Ha Se Yo *
* Privet * Kwaziwai * Mabuhay Kayo * Kon Nichi Wa * Hola * Ola * Salaam * Fakalofa Atu

Newsletter No 2, 16 February 2017

From the principal....

We are all looking forward to welcoming Monsignor Bernard Kiely to Good Shepherd parish this Saturday evening. Many of you will know Msgr Bernard from the years he has spent at St Patrick's Cathedral and he is certainly looking forward to coming to Balmoral to be part of this very special community which has Jesus, the Good Shepherd as its guide and role model.

Msgr Bernard will be welcomed into the Church with a Pōwhiri, a traditional Māori welcome ceremony in which the children will take an active part. All Good Shepherd students need to report in their school uniforms to their classroom teachers on the school field at 5.30pm and everybody will need to be seated in the Church by 5.45pm. At the end of the Pōwhiri, Msgr Bernard will celebrate his first Mass as parish priest at Good Shepherd and this will be followed by supper in the hall at approximately 7.00pm.

We are very grateful to members of our PTA who have offered to organize the supper. They have a reputation for being wonderful hosts and with your help this will be another great Good Shepherd community event.

Some reminders about how you can contribute to making this a very special occasion:

- Ensure your child/children arrive at 5.30pm in their school uniform and report to their classroom teacher on the field
- Be seated in the Church yourselves by 5.45pm
- Join in all the singing during the Mass
- Bring along some money to contribute during the collections
- Bring along something for the supper after Mass (please bring on paper plates)
- And finally, stay and enjoy the supper after Mass

These sorts of special occasions make our community strong and united and are an integral part of what makes our school the special place it is. I thank you for your ongoing commitment to Good Shepherd.

God bless
Jane Hahn

Powhiri to welcome Monsignor Bernard Kiely to Good Shepherd Parish/School Mass for Term 1: Saturday 18 February 5.30 p.m.

This year we are having our first Parish/School Mass for the year on a Saturday evening, to coincide with the welcome to Monsignor Bernard Kiely to our Good Shepherd community. This will be a wonderful occasion with the children being involved in the Pōwhiri and taking responsibility for some of the singing in the Mass. As a parish school it is an expectation that all Good Shepherd children and their families attend this Mass. The children must wear their school uniform and report to their classroom teachers at 5.30 p.m. to prepare for the welcome. Mass will follow at 6.00 p.m. and will finish at approximately 7.00 p.m.

Thank you for your support of our Catholic special character.

Good Shepherd Awards

This week we congratulate **Riley Sella** from Room 6 and **Sebastian Hannay** from Room 3 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Thank you Riley and Sebastian for being such great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.



Good Shepherd School Swimming Programme

All children at Good Shepherd School take part in a swimming programme. Please ensure that your child has swimming togs, cap and towel every day so that they can benefit from the programme. This year we are again sending our Year 3 and 4 students to a swimming school for an eight lesson intensive. They will be travelling to Mt Eden Swimming Pool and will be instructed by qualified swim coaches. A separate notice will be sent out next week to the relevant families giving more information about this programme. We celebrate the school swimming programme with swimming carnivals during the term, with the seniors taking place yesterday. Congratulations to all swimmers who took part in this event and a special congratulation goes to those who were placed in their events. A team will be selected to represent Good Shepherd at the interschool swimming competition on 28th February and we wish them well as they compete at this level. On 16th March the younger students will celebrate their progress in a swimming display in the school pool.

CHESS CLUB NEWS

Coaching with Chess Master Leonard McLaren

A reminder that Chess coaching begins tomorrow, Friday 17 February at lunchtime. Enrolled students should go to the Meeting Room at 1.10pm.

Chess in the Library-Monday Lunchtime

During lunchtime on Mondays, the library will be open to chess players or those wanting to learn chess in Years 3-6. Mrs Pool will be available to coach students. Come and learn what chess is all about, improve your skills or challenge someone to a game.

All ability levels welcome. There is no cost.



Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to the following new students who have started with us recently:

Dana Fa'apopo Addison Davenport
Lennox Prentice

Congratulations to the following children who celebrated their birthday in February 2017:



Peter Arcilla	Ella Barnao
Anna Butcher	Addison Davenport
Vincenzo Donohoe	Dan Fa'apopo
Sanuka Hewamanage	Tupou Liku
Mia Merrick	Cameron Milbank
Lennox Prentice	Trisha Raman
Kharsha Selvathas	Florence Twose
Otis Twose	

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENT

Sacrament of Baptism: For any number of reasons, some children have not been baptised and we would like to continue to support those families interested in their children taking this important step in their faith journey. The School is working closely with the parish team who offer Baptism on the last Saturday of every month (other than December and January). Please contact Miss Down at mdown@goodshepherd.school.nz if you would like more information or support throughout the process.

Sacrament of Initiation will occur in Term 3, Week 9 Sunday 24th September at 2pm. Please book this date in your diary.

We congratulate the following school leaders who were acknowledged at the Leadership Assembly last week:

Last Friday leadership badges were presented to our new school leaders. Our goal is to give every Year 6 child the opportunity to develop the skills and attributes of leadership in an area that they are interested in, or in an area of need in the school. Over the year we will be providing opportunities for our school leaders to show development in their abilities to work collaboratively and to show service to others. We have levels within Leadership and Service with the expectation that at the end of the year all our leaders will have achieved level 3 in service and leadership. Our leaders will be role models at all times displaying our school values of respect, care and honesty.

Room 7 Assembly this week

You are warmly invited to attend this assembly on Friday at 2.15 p.m.

2017 Good Shepherd Student Leaders

Student Council



Chairperson: Riley Sella
Vice Chairperson: Rohan Sharma
Secretary: James Jansen

Special Character



Ben Howard, Brianna Gregan,
Ava Murphy, Chanelle Matafi, Ruby
Saunders, Ella Barnao, Luke McKinnel

PEPA



Damon Jackson, Lennox Fuimaono,
Kacee Conway, Emily Pool, Shane
D'Souza, Aston Growden

Journalists



Rose Tooman, Siena Hannay



- Room 1:** Phoebe Carlsen and Elijah Puyat
- Room 2:** Maddie McLeod and Hao Nguyen
- Room 3:** Felicia Tibbles and Daniel Peterson
- Room 4:** Sienna McLeod and George Hanrahan
- Room 5:** Eva Fala and Ciaran Farrell
- Room 6:** Molly France and Ethan Sharma
- Room 7:** Rosa Lewthwaite and Xavier Fala
- Room 8:** Sanjay Beeramathy and Alessandra Haydon
- Room 9:** Jemima Lipscombe and Liam Bowles

ICT Angels



Anton Van Aken, Vincent Oudenhoven,
Stephen Arceo, Victor Tyszlewicz,
Cameron Milbank, Titi Fuli

Environmental Team



Marcuse Salamat, Alyssa Yee

2017 Good Shepherd Student Leaders

Head Librarians



Stella Fergus,
Rex Sheridan-Bishop

House Captains



Sheppard House:
Alex Van Straaten, Taylor Fill



Blake House:
Ashley Edwards, Elliott Humphrey



Hillary House:
Kasha Ihaia, Joshua Wadams



Cowley House:
Emily Flexman, Lachlan McHardy

Year 6 Leadership Levels

Level 1 – White = Student leaders participate fully, learning their roles with the support of a lead teacher

Level 2 – Silver = Student display initiative to take responsibility for seeking out opportunities within your role and initiates leadership with support and guidance of a lead teacher.

Level 3 – Gold = Student leads initiatives whilst referencing to the lead teacher and initiate a reflection looking at improvements within their role.

Congratulations to all our leaders for 2017

Back to School Campaign

Our Travelwise team went out last Thursday morning to remind drivers to slow down around our school and look out for our children.

What a fantastic morning we had! We had great support from drivers this morning. We had almost all drivers tooting and waving and acknowledging our signs.

Thank you to all the drivers who remember to slow down around schools!



"Every five minutes NZ Police attend a domestic abuse incident."
It's time Good Shepherd School goes Orange for...

Light it Orange for Shine Week 4th – 10th March 2017



This year Good Shepherd School is getting behind Light it Orange for Shine to raise awareness of the sickening statistics of domestic abuse in New Zealand. On Friday the 10th March we encourage all students and family members to wear orange, anything orange, an orange ribbon, an orange t-shirt, or even an orange wig. Make your stand against domestic abuse in our community with the colour orange. We would also like to encourage families to make an optional donation for the organisation, especially on Friday 10th March. The donations will be collected during the Light it Up Week in classrooms in the morning and given to

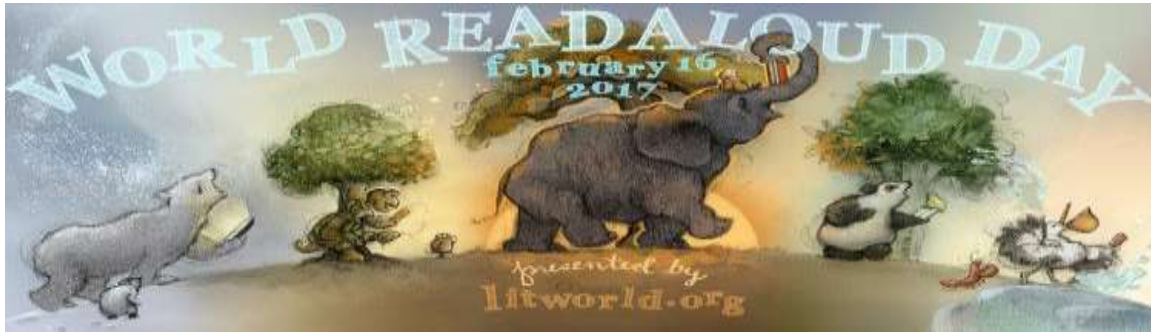
the Shine Organisation to help the charity make a difference.

This year Light It Orange also have their own **Fundraising Page**, to make a secure online payment please click the link below:

<https://lightitorangeschools.gofundraise.co.nz/page/goodshepherdprimary>

Shine directly helps thousands of adult and child victims of domestic abuse to be safer. Shine motivates hundreds of family members who hurt their families to change their behaviour. They help thousands more by supporting and training other professionals to effectively intervene and support victims of domestic abuse. Shine is a non-profit organisation focusing on domestic abuse in New Zealand.

Thursday 16th February is World Read Aloud Day.



The library will be marking this occasion at lunchtime on Thursday and Friday with books, activities and spaces available for the children to read aloud. World Read Aloud Day is all about spreading a love for reading. It provides a chance for people worldwide to share stories and promote the right to literacy for everyone - that everyone in the world should get to read and write.

Reading aloud to children every day puts them almost a year ahead of children who do not receive daily read alouds regardless of parental income, education level or cultural background. (Melbourne Institute of Applied Economic and Social Research)

Reading aloud to children and babies is repeatedly affirmed as “the single most important activity” to promote independent reading success.

(Anderson et al. (1985) *Becoming a Nation of Readers: The Report of the Commission on Reading*. Washington, D.C.: National Institute of Education.

We hope that you can celebrate this at home too.

School Open Days

St Peter's College

Open day for Year 7 enrolments in 2018

Tuesday 28 February 2017

9.30am or 1.00pm in the college hall (main school entrance Mountain Road)

www.st-peters.school.nz

Marist College

Open day Thursday 2 March 2017

3.00pm – 6.00pm

www.maristcollege.school.nz

St Mary's College

Open day Tuesday 7 March 2017

Commencing at 2.30pm & 6.30pm in the Paul Keane Gymnasium

Closing date for 2018 enrolment applications is Friday 24 March 2017

www.stmaryak.school.nz

Marcellin College

Open day Saturday 11 March 2017

Tours at 10.00am and 12.00noon

Enrolment packs for 2018 will be available

www.marcellin.school.nz