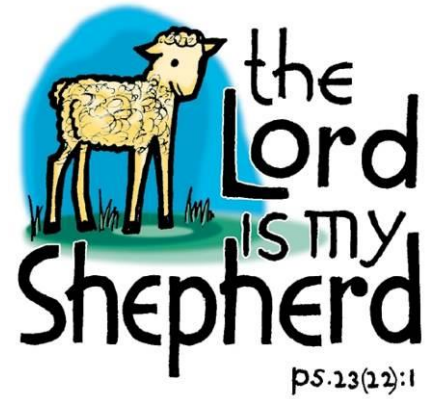


GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL

* 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

Update Notice, 8 June 2017



Good Shepherd Awards

This week we congratulate **Eden Gullery** from Room 2 and **Carissa May** from Room 8 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Thank you Eden and Carissa for being such great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.



Fidget spinners

These are now becoming a problem at school. Please keep them at home from now on unless your child is bringing them in for 'news' in which case the teacher will hold on to them until the end of day. Thank you for your help in this.

Tax Donation Receipts

The upgrade this year to a new student management system has resulted in some changes to our process for issuing tax donation receipts for the donation portion of the school account. In the past GSS has mailed out manually generated tax donation receipts covering the school year (calendar year). With the change to our new SMS system this will now transition to electronically generated tax donation receipts for the tax year (not the calendar year). We will shortly send out receipts covering the period January to 31st March 2017. In April 2018 we will issue tax donation receipts for the tax year 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018. If you have any questions regarding this please contact me or Kathryn Twort in the office.

Sports Assembly

2.15pm Friday 9th June

This Friday at 2.15pm we will have a special sports assembly during which we will present the cross country certificates. We will also be treated to performances by the Sheridan Kapa Haka group and our school choir. You are warmly invited to join us.

GSS Fair Mufti Day, Friday 16th June

This is our second mufti day for the fair. Please donate a gold coin for the craft and lucky dip stalls. These funds help purchase fabric and supplies for the craft stall and prizes for the lucky dip stall.

GSS Fair Saturday 11th November

Save the date in your diary.

Sacramental Programme

The Sacramental Programme for 2017 will commence Sunday 18 June – 10.30 am.

Children need to be at least 8 years old or in Year 4. Application forms are available from the school office or in the church foyer. Any queries please contact Mary Griffin – griffinm@slingshot.co.nz

Attendance Dues

Just a reminder that if you are paying your school account in term instalments the term 2 instalment is due this week (week 6). Thank you to all families who have either settled their account in full or who are making regular payments. If you are experiencing difficulty in making payment please make an appointment to come and see me as soon as possible. Alternatively, you could seek support for payment of Attendance Dues through the Catholic Diocese Sponsorship Scheme. An application form can be down-loaded from the Catholic Schools Office Website: www.catholicschools.org.nz (go to Property and Finance / Finance / Attendance Dues). If you have any questions about this account please do not hesitate to contact me or Kathryn Twort in the office.

Book Week at Good Shepherd

Monday 26 - Friday 30 June

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go."
-Dr. Seuss, I can Read With My Eyes Shut!

Book Week is a great opportunity for everyone who cares about and loves reading to 'fire up' children to read and talk about books. Books need as much buzz around them as TV and electronic games.

To celebrate Good Shepherd's love of reading, our children will be involved in a range of literary experiences during Book Week including a visit by NZ author Melinda Szymanik on Thursday 29 June. Highlights of the week will include a literary treasure hunt and the popular Book Character Parade, both on Friday 30 June.

The Scholastic Book Fair will be open every day before and after school. Books may be bought for personal use or donated to the school library.



Book Fair Sellers: **Parent help needed please ...**

8.30am-9.00am and/or 3.00pm-3.30pm on

- Monday 26th June
- Tuesday 27th June
- Wednesday 28th June
- Thursday 29th June
- Friday 30th June



Please email Marguerite Butcher: m butcher@goodshepherd.school.nz if you are able to help.

Imaginary Play for Year 5 and 6 students

Once again our Year 5 and 6 students are invited to participate in Imaginary Play sessions at lunchtimes on Fridays. This is one of those great parent-run initiatives that encourages children to play co-operatively and in ways that may be different from the usual form of play they engage in, using different, non-routine equipment. Part of this approach is to encourage children to take acceptable risk in their play, and although we do not normally allow children to climb trees during the school day, they are allowed to do so during the Imaginary Play sessions. As always, our first consideration is the safety and well-being of our students and we believe that by encouraging them to judge what is acceptable in terms of risk will equip them with skills to make good judgments in the future.

If you **do not want** your child to participate in this particular activity, please communicate this to the school office in writing. We thank Julie O'Toole for organizing these sessions for our senior students.

Change of clothes for field play

As we are getting closer to winter and the field is becoming muddy and wet, children will now be required to bring in and wear a change of clothes if they want to play on the field at morning tea times and lunchtimes. This also includes footwear. There will be no school shoes allowed on the field; children need to wear either bare feet or sports shoes. Years 0-3 children can wear other shorts and t-shirt and Years 4-6 can wear either their sports uniform or other shorts and t-shirt.

Good Shepherd School Integration Agreement

In 1982 when Good Shepherd School was Integrated and became a State Integrated Catholic school, our school was classified as a full primary school with boys from new entrants to Year 6 and girls from new entrants to Year 8. By the mid-1990s the number of girls staying on for Years 7 and 8 had reduced significantly and Good Shepherd School together with five other central Auckland Catholic primary schools decided that it would be best for the schools to become Year 1 – 6 contributing schools and for the girls to move onto Catholic Secondary schools at Year 7. Since that time our school has not operated any Year 7 and 8 classes. However our school's Integration Agreement has not been changed to reflect this change. Bishop Patrick Dunn as the Proprietor of Good Shepherd School will be submitting an application to officially change our school's Integration Agreement to reflect that we are a Year 1 to 6 school. The Board of Trustees are supportive of this. If you have any queries about this please feel free to contact me.

Jane Hahn

**FOSTER HOPE
PYJAMA DRIVE**

www.fosterhope.org.nz
www.facebook.com/fosterhopenz



This is a drop off point for new pyjamas to be given to children in foster care.

The pyjama drive will run until the end of June.

Thank you so much for your support.



Wig Wednesday's coming up on June 21st, Week 8.

We are excited to be taking part in 'Wig Wednesday' on Wednesday 21st June and fundraising for Kiwi kids with cancer. It's easy to take part - just wear a wig on the day and bring a donation for Child Cancer Foundation. Donations will also be collected next week in the lead up to the event.



Good Shepherd Cross Country

On Friday 1st June, Good Shepherd School had their annual cross country. Everyone had been training for the weeks leading up to the event and were very excited to race.

We started the day with the 5 year olds and finished with the 10 and 11 year olds. All the students raced really well with everyone finishing with smiles on their faces. Congratulations to everyone, on a magnificent effort. Everybody did their best and had the school cheering them on.

A very big thank you to all of the parents that came along and helped with marshalling, your time is greatly appreciated. Also a thank you to Mrs McLeod and her team for organising a great event.

We will be having a sports assembly this Friday to hand out the certificates to those who came in a place.

Student Journalist (Rose Tooman)

Class Masses this term

Once a term each class attends the 9.00am Mass with the parish. Class Masses for the rest of the term:

Room 7	15 June
Rooms 1 & 2	22 June
Room 5	29 June

You are warmly invited to join the classes at these Masses.

Whole school prayer

Rooms 3 & 4 will be leading our whole school prayer next Monday at 8.55am. The timetable for the rest of the term is:

Room 8	19 June
Room 5	26 June
Room 2	3 July

From the PTA

Parents' Morning tea

- * Friday 9 June in the staffroom after you've dropped the kids off
- * Yummy baking & a chance to meet/chat to other GSS parents
- * Don't be shy – we'd love to see you

Holey Fathers Working Bee

- * Join the Dads on their mission to tidy up the school
- * 17th June, 1pm
- * Afternoon tea donations greatly welcomed – bring to school on the day/drop off if you are passing

SAMOSAS !

Yum yum, get some Samosas in your tum!

For the best, most delicious Samosas you'll taste, support our fundraiser and buy packs of 10 in lamb, chicken, butter chicken & vegetarian.

You have till the end of term to order – the order form has been sent home with your child this week.

With every order form, write down a GSS family/friend & win a pack of 10 butter chicken samosas for them!

Tips for a Zero Waste Lunch

The Enviro Team has done some amazing work recently to encourage recycling and to help reduce food waste at Good Shepherd School.

To help the team out even further, we'd like to encourage as many of you as possible to switch to a 'Zero Waste Lunch'.



Switching to a Zero Waste Lunch is very easy and involves making the following simple changes to your otherwise normal lunch.

- Use a re-usable lunch box rather than a disposable plastic or paper bag.
- Pack sandwiches, fruit and vegetables in re-usable containers or re-usable food wrappers instead of using plastic bags, aluminium foil, wax paper or plastic wrap.
- Instead of buying individually wrapped or pre-packaged snacks, buy the same things in larger quantities and re-pack into small re-useable containers – perfect for cookies, potato chips, popcorn, dried fruit, cheese, yoghurt and crackers!
- Use a refillable water bottle instead of a disposable one.
- Use stainless steel or re-usable forks and spoons rather than disposable ones and replace paper serviettes with cloth napkins.

Not only will a Zero Waste Lunch reduce the amount of waste generated by our school on a daily basis, it will also help to reduce the amount of food waste and packaging that ends up in landfills, which is much kinder on our environment!

Filipino Independence Celebration Event

Saturday 17th June, 1-7pm

Celebrating our Filipino Students and Filipino culture

Marcellin Catholic College
617 Mount Albert Rd, Royal Oak

- * **Authentic Filipino food**
- * **Basketball tournament**
- * **Dance and Singing**
- * **Competition**
- * **Games and Prizes**



To register a business stall or for our competitions

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