# GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL

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

Update Notice, 16 August 2018



### **Board of Trustees Notice**

### **Congratulations**

The Board of Trustees were delighted to learn that a recent application by Mrs Jane Hahn and Ms Kezia Vergis to the Ministry of Education's 'Teacher-led Innovation Fund' has been successful. This fund is part of the investing in educational success (IES) initiative to raise student achievement and strengthen teaching and education leadership.

The funding allowance granted to Good Shepherd School represents a significant opportunity for our teachers to work closely together and with external experts to improve teaching and learning in a curriculum area. The application involved a significant amount of work and required a carefully planned proposal. The GSS project proposal is entitled 'A collaborative inquiry into the dimensions of effective practice in the teaching and learning of writing'.

This is a splendid achievement and we congratulate our team of teachers in their efforts. The focus of this project will be shared with our Auckland Central Catholic Community of Learning schools and we look forward to seeing the outcomes of this exciting work.

Katherine McGillivray Board of Trustees Chair

## **Teachers' Strike**

We appreciate the strike action yesterday was inconvenient for families and thank you for making alternative arrangements for your children.

Assembly tomorrow time change 9.00am
Room 3 & 4 assembly tomorrow will be at 9:00am in the hall. Please note the changed time.

## Parish/School Mass Sunday 9 September 9.30am at Good Shepherd Church

We look forward to our whole school and parish community coming together to celebrate the Eucharist this term. Please ensure that you put this time aside in your calendar.

## **Good Shepherd Awards**

This week we congratulate Lei'ataua Fotofili from Room 7 and Maia Doran from Room 8 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Thank you Lei'ataua and Maia for being such great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.



### **PTA Meeting**

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> August 2018, 7.30pm in the staff room. All welcome.

## **Enrolments at Good Shepherd School**

Thank you to all those families who have filled out enrolment forms for siblings of current students. This is also a gentle reminder to do so, if you haven't already done this. We also appreciate the support of our school families in recommending Good Shepherd School to their friends and whānau.



Thank you to all the students who chose to wear mufti on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August in support of Apifo'ou College in Tonga whose school was badly damaged by cyclone Gita. \$278.70 was donated in support of this cause.

### P.E. and sport contact in school

Mrs McLeod will not be responsible for P.E. and sport for the remainder of the year. Please address all enquiries or communications in this area to Miss Gleeson at <a href="mailto:sgleeson@goodshepherd.school.nz">sgleeson@goodshepherd.school.nz</a>

## Wanted

## **Grandparents to help with the Garden Club**

Our grandparents are an important part of our school community and we were wondering if there were any out there who could spare an hour a week to help out with our Garden Club? Miss O'Neill and the children meet after lunch eating (about 1pm) on a Tuesday and we would love to have you join us if you can. Please email Miss O'Neill at joneill@goodshepherd.school.nz

## **Good Shepherd School App**

The Good Shepherd App enables easy access to: newsletters, informing the school of absences, receiving up-to-date notifications about events, class blogs, useful links to help your children in their learning, the school calendar



and more. If you have not yet downloaded the App please visit the Apps Store and search 'Good Shepherd School' and download the app to your smart phone. We highly recommend you download this app to get the most up-to-date information concerning Good Shepherd School.

### **CHESS CLUB NEWS**

## **Coaching with Chess Master Leonard McLaren**

The third and final set of chess coaching lessons for 2018 will begin tomorrow Friday 17 August. There are still spaces available.

Enrolment forms were sent out last week and are still available from the office or Mrs Butcher. The cost is \$40.

These lessons build on the intermediate course that has just finished, so are not suitable for beginners. Students work towards NZ Junior Chess Badges.

# The Auckland Catholic Inter-School Chess Championships

## Wednesday 19 September 2018

We have been invited to compete in 'The Auckland Catholic Inter-Schools Chess Championships' on Wednesday 19 September at St Paul's Primary School. A notice will be going out today to students in Years 4 to 6. If you would like to compete in this tournament please return the form to the office or Mrs Butcher. Forms need to be returned by 31 August.

### LIBRARY BOOKS

We are currently experiencing an issue with overdue library books. At any one time there are about 100 books overdue. We would love to have our overdue books back in the library for others to borrow.

Students visit the library weekly and may issue up to 2 books (Year 1-2) or 3 books (Year 3-6) at a time. They can keep these books at school or take them home. The loan period is set at 2 weeks. After this time they can renew their books if they wish.

Your child will bring home a notice if they have any overdue books. Please encourage your children to find and return their library books.

Please let me know if you think the book has already been returned or if it is lost.

Many thanks
Marguerite Butcher
mbutcher@goodshepherd.school.nz

# **Good Shepherd Cultural Celebration Week 17 - 21 September**

With so many cultures making up our Good Shepherd School community we want to celebrate as many as we can over the year and so this year we have decided to have a full week of celebration along with our usual celebration of Language Weeks.

During our Cultural Celebration week our cultural leaders will be organising different activities and performances but we also have the whole school mixing up and choosing a culture that they would like to learn more about. Just like our Pumanawa programme in the past, each teacher will be working with students on a particular culture each afternoon in Week 9 to learn dances, songs, phrases and traditions. On Friday 21 September each group will perform something at our cultural celebration assembly.

Each student has taken home a letter and tear off slip to fill out which cultural group they would like to join. We hope to give students their first choice but we may have to go to a second or third choice, depending on numbers.

If you are available to support our teachers with the different cultures please contact them. If you have some time to come in and work with them or even just emailing or popping in to share some resources or ideas would be greatly appreciated. Below is the list of cultures and the teachers you can contact.

Italian - scultrera@goodshepherd.school.nz
Brazilian - cfala@goodshepherd.school.nz
Filipino - hmcleod@goodshepherd.school.nz
Korean - pevans@goodshepherd.school.nz
Spanish - kvergis@goodshepherd.school.nz
German - joneill@goodshepherd.school.nz
Japanese - fli@goodshepherd.school.nz
French - ldrummond@goodshepherd.school.nz
Indian - mdown@goodshepherd.school.nz

### **Introducing Good Shepherd's Cultural Leaders**

**Miracle, Maggie** and **Bella** are our cultural leaders. They are busy planning events for Cultural Celebration Week and we wish them well in this important work they do.



## Good Shepherd School Speech Competition Finals Tuesday 21 August 2018

All children are expected to give a speech in the first few weeks of Term 3.

Year 0-1 will give a simple talk, a little like Show and Tell. All other year groups will present a speech including the key features they have learnt in class. No props or grand gestures are acceptable. Children are encouraged to have cue cards (the size of the palm of their hand) and practise their speech for homework.

### Some points to remember:

Year 0-1	One minute
Year 2	Two minutes
	Three minutes maximum. A bell will go
Year 3-6	at two minutes thirty seconds.

### Judging Criteria:

Research, content, expression, volume, eye contact, pace.

Finalists will be chosen from each year group and will present speeches on Tuesday 21 August 2018 in the school hall in front of the whole school.



# From the PTA

## **Grandparent's Mass**

A reminder that Grandparent's Mass is <u>Friday 24</u> <u>August 2018</u>. We need everyone's help to make it a success.

It's a great day for parents to help out and get involved. We need at least 20 volunteers to set up or make sandwiches or sell food or clean up. Please email Nikki Flexman at <a href="mailto:nikkiflexman@gmail.com">nikkiflexman@gmail.com</a> if you can help.

AND we need all parents to send in baking to school on Friday 24 August - to be dropped to the office before school.

Please email Nikki Flexman

on <a href="mailto:nikkiflexman@gmail.com">nikkiflexman@gmail.com</a> if you can volunteer to help on the day or for part of the day.

### **FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT**

Mark your calendars for a fun family movie night!

## Friday 14 September at 5.30pm

in the school hall.

Come in your PJs and onesies if you like, cosy up and enjoy with your friends.

Family Entry includes a bag(s) of popcorn: \$5 (one child) \$10 (two or more children)

#### **Please Note:**

This is NOT a drop off event so children must be supervised by parents/ caregivers.



## P.T.A. Samosa Fundraiser

Do you love samosas?
Enjoy some delicious samosas and support the school.

Place you order now via Kindo (www.kindo.co.nz)

All orders must be received by Thursday 23 August 2018

### **Details:**

Sold in bags of 10 these samosas are delicious and authentic. Eat them fresh or throw them in freezer for a weekend treat. Each bag of 10 costs \$20 and is available with the following fillings.

- Butter Chicken
- Lamb
- Chicken
- Vegetarian

Delivery is scheduled for Wednesday 29 August. If you are taking orders for your workplace or extended families, please coordinate and submit via your Kindo account.

If you have any queries, please contact Paul Maddox on 0278075531.

## **PTA Meeting**

The next PTA meeting is on Tuesday 21 August @ 7:30pm in the staff room.

Any apologies, or anyone you would like to call out for a thank you, please let one of us know!

As always, feel free to get in contact any time, <a href="mailto:digitalbugsy@gmail.com">digitalbugsy@gmail.com</a>. Or join us on Facebook: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/GSSPTA/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/GSSPTA/</a>

Thanks!
Kirsty-Anne, Kelly, Mairead and Bugsy



## HOW TO BUY:

- Ticket sales & pizza orders for Quiz Nite are available via the Kindo system
- . Link on on the GSS website 'Sushi Ordering'
- . Log in to your account as usual-or set up a new account
- . Choose 'Quiz Nite' from the services list
- . Then select the number of Quiz Nite tickets you require
- · Add your name, and your team/table name
- · Select your delicious Stumpy's pizza \$15 each
- · Pay as usual from Kindo account.

Tickets & food can also be purchased with cash the school office; look out for the order form next week.

7PM in the SCHOOL HALL \$25 PER PERSON / TABLES OF 8

