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, 13 September 2018



Good Shepherd Awards

This week we congratulate Sanuka Hewamanage from Room 7 and James Jansen from Room 6 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Thank you Sanuka and James for being such great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.





Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to the following new student who started with us today:

Jacob Gribble

Good Shepherd School Community Discussion Thursday 20th September

5.30pm - 7.00pm in the Staff room

We invite our parents/caregivers to this meeting to discuss Good Shepherd's current health programmes. We would especially like to have good representation from all the ethnic groups that make up the Good Shepherd school community.

The programme for the evening will be:

5.30pm - pizza, fruit and juice will be provided

6.00pm - discussion about health programmes

7.00pm - finish

We will have childcare available if you are not able to organise babysitters.

We look forward to you joining us for this important community occasion.

Congratulations to Elijah Betonio who represented Good Shepherd School at the Eden/Albert Cluster Speech Competition. A fantastic result with him coming second. Well done Elijah!



Monsignor Patrick (Pat) Ward

It is with great sorrow that we have learnt of the death of Monsignor Pat Ward who was a much loved parish priest at Good Shepherd for 15 years from 1988 to 2003. His funeral will be held at Good Shepherd Church on Monday (time to be confirmed). Please be aware that there will be lots of traffic around the school on Monday for this occasion.

Parish/School Mass Last Sunday

Wherever we are, we are called to create community

Thank you everyone for recognising the importance of the times we come together as a parish and school community through your attendance at Mass at Good Shepherd parish last Sunday. It was a beautiful celebration of the Eucharist and a great opportunity to welcome our new children and their families to this special community.

Room 5 Assembly this week

Assembly will commence at 2.15pm tomorrow and you are all warmly invited to attend.

Cans for Christmas 2018 Collection day tomorrow

It is almost that time of year again! In support of St Vincent de Paul and Mercy Hospice, Good Shepherd School will be collecting canned items for the annual Cans for Christmas drive. Please send in a can of food with your child to school and all of the cans collected will be picked



up on **Friday September 14**th. Last year we collected just over 300 cans, let's see if we can beat that number this year!

Fruit

Sometimes children come to school without fruit for their "brain break". If you have any surplus fruit from trees at your place, please drop into the school office to help fill this need.

The Holey Fathers Annual Pool Competition

Date: Fri 21 Sep 2018 Time: 7:30pm sharp

Place: Ponsonby Pool Hall, 106 Ponsonby Road

(under the Food Hall)

Format: Doubles teams and comp run by the Pool

Hall

Prize: Widespread adulation and a trophy

Prize: Best Dressed Pool Shark

Cost: \$15 per player

Kindly RSVP to Eddie at holeyfathers@gmail.com

so that we have an idea of numbers.

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.

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 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.

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.

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

School Uniform

Students will change to wearing the summer uniform from the start of Term 4, 2018 and through to the end of Term 1, 2019. Summer uniform also includes a sunhat which must be worn for outdoor play.

The uniform shop is open on Thursday mornings from 8.30 to 9.00am. Alternatively you can place uniform orders anytime by phoning 620 4962 or emailing the school office, admin@goodshepherd.school.nz and we will send the items home with your child. Payment can be made online.

Sunhats \$12.00; girls day tops \$55.00; boys short sleeve polo shirts \$35.00, boys summer shorts \$27.00

Please note, the school office is not open during the school holidays.

From the PTA

Personalised Artwork Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Mouse Pads & Sketch Pads - A PTA Fundraiser

In recent weeks the children have been working with their class teachers on pieces of art work that can be made into Calendars, Cards, Diaries, Mouse Pads and Sketch Pads. These make unique Christmas gifts for family and friends and are perfect for posting overseas! Further details and order forms will be coming home with your child at the beginning of Term 4.

Term Dates for 2019

Term dates for 2019 are as follows:

Term 1 29th January – 12th April

Term 2 29th April – 5th July

Term 3 22nd July - 27th September

Term 4 14th October – 13th December

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Come and enjoy a cozy family night out with friends.

WHEN: 14 September at 5.30pm

WHERE: GSS hall

ENTERTAINMENT: Kids will be voting at school. I wonder which one they will choose?

DINNER: Pizza sorted. Choose different slices depending on different preferences of family members. Order and pay on Kindo by 11am on 14 September.

ENTRY: \$5 for one child family and \$10 for 2 or more children family. Both Options - pay on Kindo or door sales available.

INCLUDES: Entry includes popcorn.

Please note: This is NOT a drop off event so children must be supervised by





With thanksgiving to God

Holy Cross Seminary and the Catholic Dioceses of Auckland, Palmerston North and Hamilton

joyfully invite you to the

Ordination to the Sacred Order of Deacons

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Martin Wu, Vui Hoang and Matthew Gibson



10.30am, Saturday 29th September 2018 Sacred Heart Church, Vermont Street, Ponsonby, Auckland



STORYLINES NATIONAL FESTIVAL STORY TOUR Raymond McGrath & Raymond Huber

The Storylines National Festival Story Tour celebrates and promotes writers and illustrators of New Zealand.

On Wednesday we were lucky enough to have a visit from two NZ authors as part of the Storylines Story Tour.

Raymond Huber shared his books with Year 5 & 6 students. These included his picture book 'Flight of the Honey Bee' and his novel written from a bee's point of view' Sting'.





Raymond McGrath visited the Year 3 & 4 classes. He shared his work and stories. He showed us if you have an idea and it doesn't work the first time just try something different and keep trying.

Room 3 & 4 at Butterfly Creek

On Monday 10 September Rooms 1, 2, 3 & 4 went to Butterfly Creek for a school trip. The purpose of the trip was to study dinosaurs and look at adaptation, evolution and extinction. We had a fantastic day and we all learnt so much. We started with a talk from one of the keepers at Butterfly Creek. He told us some very interesting information about dinosaurs and fossils. He even showed us a fossil of some dinosaur poo! We then completed an adaptation hunt about the dinosaurs and we had to hunt for clues and information to answer our questions. After that we visited all the other amazing parts of Butterfly Creek. We saw the butterflies, otters, alligators and we got to pat some cute animals in the farm area. We had lunch and a play on the playground. At 1pm we watched the keepers feed one of the big salty crocodiles called Scar. He was very hungry and gave us a good show. Thank you to all the parents who came along to Butterfly Creek with us. Check out some photos of our amazing day.

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