# **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, 6 December 2018



## **Personnel Update**

It is a great pleasure to let you know that Megan Chambers has been appointed as Deputy Principal from term 1, 2019. We all know Megan from the many different roles she has taken on at Good Shepherd over the last five years, most recently for her regular work in Room 3 and 4. She brings this knowledge of the school, plus a wealth of experience working in curriculum development, assessment, gifted and talented education and education research, to this position.

We congratulate Megan and are looking forward to working closely with her in this capacity from next year.

## **End of Year and Graduation Mass**

Thank you all for your attendance at, and participation in, the End of Year and Graduation Mass last night. This lovely occasion was a fitting celebration of the year we have had together, and an opportunity to acknowledge and thank those who are moving on from our community.

## Sacramental Programme 2019

Good Shepherd School and Parish have enrolment forms available for the Sacramental Programme in 2019. All children who have been baptised and are 8 years old and above are eligible. A copy of their baptism certificate is required. Enrolment forms are available at the Parish Office or Good Shepherd School office from Monday 26th November. The first Sacramental Parents meeting will be on Wednesday 13th February at 6.30pm at Good Shepherd School Staffroom. Closing date for enrolment will be the 22nd February 2019.

For further inquiries contact Sandra Cultrera (Director of Religious Studies) scultrera@goodshepherd.school.nz

## **Good Shepherd Awards**

This week we congratulate **Ben Wright** from Room 6 and Elijah Puyat from Room 4 for winning the Good Shepherd Awards. Thank you Ben and Elijah for being such great role models for our values of care, respect and honesty.



# Term Dates 2019

Term 1:	29 January to 12 April
Term 2:	29 April to 5 July
Term 3:	22 July to 27 September
Tern 4:	14 October to 13 December

# **Congratulations to the following** children who celebrate their birthday in **DECEMBER 2018:**

Lana Chitambo Ava Elbourne Molly France Remy Kastelan Setaita Likiliki Harriet Russell Christina Wang

Jackson Edwards Uikilifi Fotofili Elizabeth Harkison-Merrick Liua Lemana Zara Peterson Henry Russell Siena Woods





# SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The summer break is a good time to get books off our library shelves into the hands of readers.

In the last week of school we are giving every student the opportunity to borrow up to 10 books over the summer holidays.

You may like to have a go at our summer reading challenge. Write a book review or bring in a picture of you reading on holiday for display and go in the draw to win a prize.



Looking for fun, free ways to keep your Children/ tamariki learning and building their reading skills over summer? Sign up for Kia Māia te Whai- Dare to Explore,

Auckland Libraries' summer reading programme for children aged 5-12 years.

**Don't miss out!** You can register online from 26 November at <u>www.daretoexplore.nz</u> for bilingual programme OR <u>www.Kiamaiatewhai.nz</u> for Te Reo Maori programme OR visit one of our 54 participating libraries. This is a great activity to do with friends, so encourage your child's buddies to come along and join the adventure in English and Te Reo Māori. Children can join the programme from home, at the library, online, or away on holiday.

Fill your children's summer holidays with exciting challenges and take part in the free activities offered at your local library.

## **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.

#### **Swimming Pool Keys**

There are still a small number of swimming pool keys available for hire for the summer. Please contact the school office.

# SCHOOL WILL FINISH FRIDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER AT 2.00PM. OSCA will run until 6.00pm as per usual.

## **Dates for End of Year Events**

Please note the following important dates in your diary:

10 December	Reports go home
12 December	PTA Pie Day orders close 11.00am
13 December	PTA Pie Day <b>Christmas Concert, 6.00pm</b>
14 December	Leadership Assembly and Farewell to Miss Gleeson, 9.00am <mark>End of Term 4, 2.00pm</mark>

#### **Good Shepherd Christmas Concert**

Good Shepherd children and teachers would like to invite all families to a Christmas concert. This will be an interactive event where you can come and sing some carols with the school. All classes will be performing a class Christmas item. Parents will be provided with a carol sheet to join in the singing while classes are in transition from one performance to another.

If your child's room number is even we ask that they bring a non-perishable item of food for their class Christmas box. If your child's room number is odd we ask that they bring an unwrapped unisex gift for their class Christmas box. The boxes are being decorated by the classes and will line the stage on the night. All donations will be given to the St Vincent de Paul Society to brighten the lives of those less fortunate than us.

Bring your own food and drinks and sausages will be provided by the PTA. Once the concert is finished all children will be under their parents' supervision. The event will finish at 8.00pm.

- **Event:** Good Shepherd School Christmas Concert
- **Date:** Thursday 13 December
- **Time:** 6.00p.m. children to report to teacher; performances begin 6.30p.m.
- **Place:** School field

So come on and book in the event, bring your picnic rugs and join with us to celebrate this special time of year with the children of Good Shepherd!

#### Lost Property

Please check the lost property. At the end of term, all unclaimed items will be disposed of.

# From the PTA

## PTA PIE DAY - Thursday 13th December

We will be having our last PTA PIE LUNCH FUNDRAISER for the year on **Thursday 13th December**. There will be NO SUSHI on Friday 14th December.

What you need to know:

- The pies are supplied by Jesters and are \$5.30 each They can be ordered online only via Kindo https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/
- · Cut off for orders is 11am Wednesday 12th December
- The pies will be delivered to each child's class on Thursday
- The pies will be made freshly on Thursday morning by Jesters.

The online system (Kindo) is the same one we use for online sushi ordering - it's really easy and hopefully many of you are familiar with it. If you haven't already, please register and then place your order. https://shop.tgcl.co.nz/shop/

The following pie choices will be available:

- Mince
- Mince & Cheese
- · Bacon Egg & Cheese
- Steak
- Steak & Cheese
- Smoked Salmon
- Butter Chicken
- · Spinach, Mushroom & Feta
- Apple & Custard
- Gluten-free mince, steak or butter chicken
- Small sausage roll (\$2.80)

If you have any problems ordering your pies you can contact:

Kindo Help Desk (Mon-Fri 8am-4pm) 09 869 5200 or your PTA representative Emma Chan emma@virtualtag.co 027 7745 941

## Leadership Assembly and Farewell to Miss Gleeson

You are warmly invited to this assembly on Friday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 9am. We will acknowledge our student leaders and say

farewell to Miss Gleeson.



Resilience is the ability to bounce back from a setback.

#### Why is emotional resilience important?

Being able to cope with emotions is important. Emotional resilience affect our relationship with others. When children become emotionally resilient there are many benefits for them. They are more likely to be:

- Caring and socially skilled.
- Empathic and sensitive to the needs of others.
- Able to manage emotions and move through negative feelings to feel better again.
- Able to cope with stress, like exams and unpleasant experiences, like painful medical procedures.

They are also less likely to resort to unhelpful ways of coping, such as acting out or misbehaving, avoiding or denying a problem, or relying on others to solve their problems or give them lots of sympathy.

## TRAVELWISE

On Friday 9th November, the Travelwise leaders were invited to a Travelwise celebration at The Cloud. They participated in a scavenger hunt where they had to take photo evidence of the answers to the clues. They submitted a video montage of their day and won themselves a reward for the best montage in central Auckland! The Travelwise leaders will be receiving a pizza lunch this week to reward them for their efforts!

