Good Shepherd School



Update Notice November 7, 2019

It's Good Shepherd Fair Week!

Last minute calls for:

- Fresh produce (bring on Saturday morning)
- Fresh home baking (bring Friday afternoon/Saturday morning)
- Someone to help Mrs Hahn on the Devonshire Teas stall (please see Mrs Hahn)

Upcoming Dates

Thursday 7 November-EPro8 Finals

Friday 8 November-Performance assembly 12 noon. Early finish 2pm. Fair setup (all hands welcome).

Saturday 9 November-SCHOOL FAIR

Tuesday 12 November-Kids for Kids Concert

Wednesday 13 November-Good Shepherd Athletics Friday 15 November-Good Shepherd Athletics Save

Saturday 16 November-Ukulele Festival

Monday 18 November-Teacher Only Day

Tuesday 19 November-Eden/Albert Athletics

Thursday 21 November-Culture Dress Day

Saturday 23 November-Albert/Eden Cultural

Fostival

Tuesday 26 November-Eden/Albert Athletics Save Day

Tuesday 26 November-BOT Meeting

Friday 29 November-Parent Helpers' Morning Tea

Saturday 30 November-Hot House Challenge

Tuesday 3 December-BOT Meeting

Thursday 5 December-End of Year Mass
Monday 9 December-Written Reports Home
Wednesday 11 December-Class Picnics
Thursday 12 December-Christmas Concert
Friday 13 December-Leadership Assembly
Friday 13 December-Term 4 Ends
Please note that some of these dates may change

Special Character Good Shepherd Awards



Gretta Tuibenau - You have been showing consideration for others by being thoughtful and looking out for your classmates.

Vincent Power - You have displayed our value of care by looking out for others, being kind, helpful and considerate.

Year 5 retreat

Last Thursday the Year 5s went on retreat at the Fransciscan retreat center in Hillsborough. Over the course of the day they learned leadership skills, teamwork and lots of information about different saints.





In and Around School

Cultural

Don't forget to attend our performance assembly at noon on Friday. We would love you to stay around and help set up for the fair during lunchtime prior to taking your child home at 2pm.

Sport

Term 4 Sports Events

Week 5 - GSS School Athletics Day, Wednesday 13

Save Day - Friday 15 November

Week 6 - Eden/Albert Athletics Competition, Tuesday 19 November

Save Day - Tuesday 26 November

Timetable for Athletics Day next week:

Morning Session - 9.45-11.45am approximately:

Year 4-6 - 800m, 400m, 100m, 200m

Year 0-3 - Field Events

Afternoon Session - 12-2pm approximately:

Year 4-6 - Field events

Year 0-3 - 50m, 75m, 100m

House Relays

Spectators will not be permitted inside the running track. All parents and small children will need to stay either on the tiered seating area beside the sprint track or on the outside of the running track, to view field events. This is to ensure safety for all participants and spectators and to ensure that the events can run smoothly. In accordance with our health and safety regulations, all children will be transported to and from the event by bus.

Information for Whānau



Mythbuster!!!

Year 6 would love a

copy that's just for them, our books are interesting for everybody! Each classroom has two pages dedicated to them, and the rest of the book covers school events which involved all of us. I often walk into classrooms (junior and senior) and find the children immersed in books from previous years. Yearbooks cost \$20 each and will be available for sale towards the end of the term so watch this space and be in quick! (Note that we are unable to reserve yearbooks but if you intend to purchase a large quantity or have any other queries, please email Megan Dyer).

Teacher Only Day Monday 18 November

We have recently received notification that schools can schedule a certain number of Teacher Only Days to assist teachers to complete specific

curriculum and assessment work. Good Shepherd School will be taking one of these days this term on Monday 18 November (Week 6).

Consequently, the school will be closed for students on this day. We hope that this does not inconvenience our community too much and we thank you for your ongoing support of our teaching staff.

Performance Assembly and Early School Close Friday 8 November

We have a number of public performances coming up for our Good Shepherd performance groups and they will have an opportunity to present to the Good Shepherd community on **Friday 8 November at 12pm**. We will also be sending the children home at the earlier time of 2pm on that day to give everyone time to prepare for the school fair the next day. Why not come along to the performances and then spend some time helping to set the school site up for this great community event?

The OSCA programme will operate from 2pm on Friday 8 November.

Good Shepherd School OSCA Survey

Our OSCA programme is an important service we provide our families and we work hard to ensure that our children are safe and happy during their time in OSCA. We are keen to have feedback on our OSCA programme and ask that you fill out a short survey if you have used our programme by following the link below.

OSCA Survey Link

Concerns and Complaints

Our Concerns and Complaints procedures are on the school website. Please do not hesitate to approach your child's teacher, a team leader or the principal (according to the procedures) if you are concerned about anything to do with your child at school. Please remember that it is inappropriate to approach another child or their parents about a problem following an incident in school. We have very strong processes in place to resolve issues and ask for your cooperation in following these.

Class Photos

Yesterday the individually coded Shoot Keys were sent home with your child. These enable you to go online to view and order school photographs from Photolife.

Welcome

We extend a very warm welcome to Ao Ran Liu who has recently started with us.