Good Shepherd Primary School Newsletter

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Term 3	Week 9	Tuesday, 18th September, 2018

Year 5 Teen Ranch Camp

Last week the Year 5 students went on an overnight camp to Teen Ranch. All students participated in activities such as the giant swing, rock climbing, horse riding and bush skills. Both staff and students had a great time and it was a huge success. Well done to all of the Year 5 students and teachers who attended the camp. Here are some of the comments from the students:

"...it was really fun and what I really liked about camp was making new friends."

"...I really enjoyed camp because the food was yum, riding and grooming the horses and I loved making and eating the damper."

"...I really loved camp, I wished I could stay for longer! I liked all the activities and the yummy food. We also made new friends which was good and took some time off from school and home to have fun with my friends."

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Term 3 concludes:
Thursday,
27th September

Term 4 commences:
Monday, 15th October

Term 4 concludes:
Wednesday,
19th December

UPCOMING EVENTS

Wednesday, 19th September:	**Voice of Youth Western Division Semi Final**
Wednesday, 19th September:	**Year 1 Assembly (2.00 pm Good Shepherd School)**
Monday, 24th September:	**Primary End of Term Awards (8.30 am Good Shepherd School)**
Tuesday, 25th September:	**Magic Words Anti Bullying Workshop (Good Shepherd School)**
Wednesday, 26th September:	**Year 1 A Day in Space**
Wednesday, 26th September:	**Year 2 Grade Assembly (2.00 pm Good Shepherd School)**
Thursday, 27th September:	**Crazy Socks Day— fundraiser for the farmers (students to still wear school/sports uniform). A Gold coin donation greatly appreciated.**
Thursday, 27th September:	**Last Day of Term 3 for students**

Summer Uniform

If the weather is hot, children may wear their full summer uniform before the commencement of Term 4. Parents, please note that the official changeover date for summer uniform is Monday, 29th October, 2018 (Week 3 Term 4). The correct school uniform should be worn at all times, in order to maintain expectations. If, for any reason, a child is unable to wear any part of the correct uniform, a note should be sent to your child's class teacher. Parents who have difficulty securing uniforms for their children please make an appointment with Mrs Carr, Principal, to discuss options. THE SCHOOL HAT IS AN ESSENTIAL ITEM OF SCHOOL UNIFORM. THE WEARING OF THE SCHOOL HAT IS COMPULSORY. For a full list of the School Uniform requirements, please refer to the following:

GIRLS

Uniform: Regulation School Uniform, Green Hair Ribbons, White turn-down School Socks, Black School Shoes.

Sports: Unisex Sports Shorts with School Crest OR Green School Track Pants, Short sleeved White Polo Shirt with School Crest, Green Sports Jumper, White turn-down School Socks and Joggers predominantly white.

BOYS

Uniform: School white short-sleeved shirt with lay-back collar, Black Shorts, Black turn-down socks and Black School Shoes.

Sports: Unisex Sports Shorts with School Crest OR Green School Track Pants, Short sleeved White Polo Shirt with School Crest, Green Sports Jumper, White turn-down School Socks and Joggers predominantly white.

The School Jumper with crest may be worn at any time throughout the year. The School Hat with crest is a compulsory school item to be worn every day. The School's Uniform Supplier is Lowes, Mt Druitt. Please mark all school clothing with your child's name to avoid lost property!!

Peace & Joy Awards

The Good Shepherd School Community would like to congratulate the following students for their hard work and dedication throughout the past week. These awards are presented for cooperation, respectfulness, responsibility, care, compassion, fair go and integrity.

KB	Krishan Chand	KG	Arthur Alhamwi
KR	Violet Nguyen	KW	Raven Miraflor
1B	Sherene Zaballa	1G	Julian Kaasamani
1R	Kian Pangan	1W	Belinda Gama
2B	Noah Tangimausia	2G	Elijah Laulu
2R	Izac Tangimausia	2W	Dorria Alhamwi
3B	Shruthi Lal	3G	Ezekiel Aguila
3R	Hanok Woldegabre	3W	Al Jur Cabanlong
4B	Jackson Elvis	4G	Matt Byrone Sincero
4R	Aboul Mawien	4W	Hagop Ajoyan
5B	Grace Tautua	5G	Mia Batac
5R	Xander Mendiola	5W	Jaymee Felizardo
6B	Anthony Nguyen	6G	Christoffe Ablaza
6R	Rainier Camat	6W	Jake Howell

Communication between Parents and Staff

Just a reminder that the direct line of communication if you need to discuss concerns/issues etc regarding your child is:
Phone call, email or letter addressed to your child's teacher stating your concerns and requesting an interview if required.
Following this, you can request an interview with your child's Year Group Coordinator. Year Group Coordinators are as follows:
Kinder: Mrs Bianca Cooke
Year 1: Mrs Trish Conner
Year 2: Mrs Yvonne Davies
Year 3: Mrs Debbie Dela Paz
Year 4: Mr Ian Byrne
Year 5: Mrs Beaulah Frankson
Year 6: Ms Elizabeth Dowd
If you need to take further steps, after speaking with the Year Group Co-Ordinator, an email, letter or phone call to our Assistant Principal, then to the Principal.

Student Supervision

As you know it is a priority at Good Shepherd Primary School to keep every child safe. Teachers have a duty of care to supervise children both in class and on the playground. This supervision commences at 8.10 am each morning. **Similarly afternoon supervision of children concludes at 3.15 pm. All children must be picked up by this time**.

It is vital that parents seek a safe, supervised environment whilst they are away at work. It is not the responsibility of school staff to provide before and after school care whilst parents are at work. School staff have their own personal and professional responsibilities to attend to in out of school hours. Thank you for your support with this matter.

Social Skill of the Week

"Cover your nose when you sneeze and then wash yourhands"

Acceptable Hairstyles & Jewellery

Girls – Shoulder length or longer hair must be tied back and ribbons or a 'scrunchie' in school colours may be used. Hair colouring is not permitted.
Boys – Neat and simple haircuts. No undercuts, Mohawks, Number Ones, Lines, Rat Tails or Hair Colouring is permitted. Hair must be of consistent length.
Hair is a very important aspect of your child's appearance. Children must have appropriate hair cuts. Coloured hair is not permitted nor should hair be cut in steps or stairs, or have any other symbols or patterns. Long hair needs to be tied back. Green or white ribbons or scrunchies are permitted. No rat's tails or mohawks are permitted.
Jewellery
Only one plain sleeper or stud is to be worn in each lobe. No other earrings are permitted. One signet ring is permitted and a cross and chain or other symbols of our faith are permitted. Any other jewellery is not permitted, nor is makeup of any description. Parents are asked to please ensure that children attend school in accordance with uniform expectations.

Teacher changes for KG & 2W

Please note Mrs Robinson, teacher of KG, will be commencing maternity leave at the end of this term.
Miss Katrina Almazar will continue the learning program for the KG students for the rest of the year.
Also, Mrs Beonika Dumont, teacher of 2W, has commenced her maternity leave and Mrs Maria Brennan is continuing the learning program for the 2W students for the rest of the year.

Uploading of Photos onto YouTube

Parents, please note there is to be no uploading of pictures of students that are not of your own child, onto YouTube from events at school without prior permission from the School Principal. Such events include school functions, excursions, liturgies etc.

If your child is absent from school due to illness

In the event of your child being absent from school due to illness, **it is necessary that a note of explanation be forwarded to the class teacher on the day of your child's return to school.** In the case of absences of more than one day, a telephone call to the office indicating your child's expected date of return is required. Prolonged absences from school due to illness should be supported by a medical certificate.

IMPORTANT

Dear Parents & Carers, please note if someone else will be collecting your child **early or during school hours,** on your behalf, you need to inform the school **in writing or by email to:** (goodshepherd@parra.catholic.edu.au) **PRIOR TO PICKUP**. This policy is effective immediately. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

World Youth Day Raffle Tickets

World Youth Day raffle tickets are to be returned to the school office by no later than Friday 21st September. Any tickets returned after this date will not go in the draw. If you did not receive a book of tickets and would still like to purchase some, you may purchase them online. Simply go to www.rafflelink.com.au/wyd2019

2018 Dates

Term 3
Concludes: **Thursday, 27th September**

Term 3 School Holidays
Monday, 1st October—Friday 12th October

Term 4
Commences: Monday, 15th October (Week 1)
Concludes: Wednesday, 19th December

Term 4 School Holidays
Thursday, 20th December 2018 through to Monday, 28th January 2019

Please note Staff Development Days will occur throughout the year. Parents will be notified of such dates at the start of each term.

Commencement Dates for 2019

Wednesday, 30th January, 2019	Years 1—6
Thursday, 31st January, 2019	New Kinder Families
Friday, 1st February, 2019	All Students

School Commencement and Finishing Times

School commences at 8.30 am and concludes at 2.50 pm. Any child who arrives after this time or leaves school earlier for an appointment etc will need to report to the School Office. It is very important that your child arrive to school on time. Children arriving late to school miss out on valuable learning time and their late entry to the classroom disrupts their fellow students. If your children are late to school, they are to be escorted to the School Office by a Parent/Carer.

School Safety Procedures

As part of maintaining a safe environment for all students and staff at Good Shepherd School, we conduct regular Emergency Evacuation and Safety Drills. You may have information come home from your child regarding an Evacuation Practice, please be assured in the event of a real emergency all families will be notified at the earliest possible time. **Please inform the office in writing if you have changed your contact details.** Thank you.

Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following students who will celebrate their birthday this week: Michael Labeeb, Japnoor Singh, Jasmine Hoang, Ava McKeough, Anaise Fosita, Rovin Ayala, Lily Taranto, Al Jur Ynyaki Cabanlong, Paolo Reyes, Izaak Knoester, Nathan Guillermo, Tyler Talisayon, Raven Miraflor and Yvette Pineda.

No Nut Policy

Dear parents, just a reminder that a number of our students have severe allergies.

Please do not send peanut butter/Nutella sandwiches or other foods containing whole or crushed nuts or sesame seeds to school. This also includes excursions!

Your co-operation is greatly appreciated.

Term 3 2018 Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)

Each year Staff participate in professional development to support them in their roles as educators. The focus of these days is aligned to Good Shepherd School's goals. Staff will use information they have gathered about the children to design learning programs for the children that will best meet their needs. Term 3's Staff Development Day is a Pupil Free Day and will take place on Friday, 28th September **(Week 10)**. Our thanks to parents for organising care for their children on this day. COSHC will be able to offer spaces for care on this day. Please phone COSHC on 0409 121 980 for all inquiries and bookings. Refer also to attached Holiday

Policies and Forms

For all policies and forms, please refer to our School Website—"About Us"—"Policies & Procedures". Please note our Parent Handbook is on our School Website for your convenience.

Contact Details

Parents, it is vital that all contact information including phone/mobile numbers, emergency contacts, home address, email address are kept up to date. **Please contact the School Office if any changes need to be made.** Thank you.

Bicycle Awareness - Keeping the children safe

Dear families, If your child rides a bicycle to school, (with or without supervision), please ensure that you have signed the Bicycle Policy and returned it to school. Please also ensure that the child enters the school using the walkers' gate and not through the carpark entrances or drop off circle. A copy of the Road Safety Policy & Bicycle Safety Policy 2016 is available at the office.

Canteen News

Two Meal Deals to choose from at $5.00 each (This deal is available until Friday 21st September).

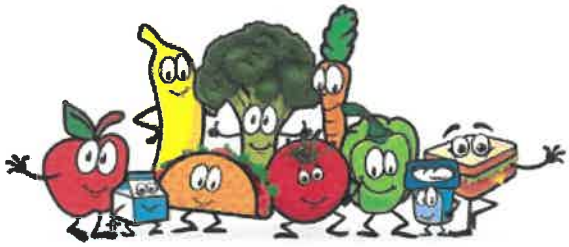
Meal Deal 1

Salad Sandwich, Juice Popper and Piece of Fruit

Meal Deal 2

Beef Burger (with lettuce, tomato & bbq sauce)
Flavoured Milk

To view the full menu of Classroom Catering, please visit website: www.classroomcatering.com.au



Information regarding Leave from School

Leave from school for holiday/overseas trips in school time is not encouraged and must be explained in writing to the School Principal.

A leave form ("Application for Extended Leave") must be completed at least 4 weeks in advance for **5 or more school days**. Leave forms can be obtained from the school administration office. **Leave during school terms is strongly discouraged.**

Leave of 4 days and less needs to also be approved by the Principal. Please write a letter to your child's class teacher outlining the details of the leave, including the first and last school day that the child will be absent.

In NSW, school attendance is compulsory for children over the age of six years until the minimum school leaving age of 17 years. Students must complete Year 10, and after Year 10 until they turn 17 years of age, students must be: in school or registered for home schooling, or in approved education or training (e.g. TAFE, traineeship, apprenticeship), or in full-time, paid employment (average 25 hours **per week) or in a combination of work, education and/or training.**

Privacy Consent

Dear Parents & Carers,

If you **do not** give consent for the use of your child's image and/or works to be published in our School Newsletter or on our website, **please notify the school in writing**. If you do not want your child to sell raffle tickets, please also inform the school office. Thank you.

Kindergarten 2019 Enrolments

Enrolment Application forms for Kindergarten 2019 are now available from the School Office. Parents, if you already have a child at Good Shepherd, you will still need to submit an Enrolment Form for any **new siblings** for 2019.

Primary End of Term Awards

The following students from Year 3 to Year 6 will receive Awards for Term 3 2018. These Awards will be presented at the Whole School Assembly at 8.30 am on Monday, 24th September (Week 10). Parents are warmly invited to attend:

Class	Religious Education	Learning Achievement	Learning Achievement	Consistent Effort
3B	Christiano Jamil	Luke Attalla	Pravish Latchman	Chris Baluyot
3G	Jenna Felizardo	Kylie Pham	Roopam Thind	Emmanuella Momoh
3R	Jaiden Rosas	Christian Rahme	Raphael Santos	Lily Stojanovski
3W	Joseph Nucum	Chelsea Aleman	Hannah Gerard	Alena Terepo
4B	Emmanuel-Rian Arago	Emily Pham	Jarred Hide	Shiloh Sumilang
4G	Mary Farhad	Kingston Tauaifaga	Ethan Nunag	Joachima Toa
4R	Janina Imlay	Ethan Escandor	Eunice Guitierrez	Bella Monge Alfaro
4W	Riane Salentes	Peighton Laurente	Brianna Azucena	Crystle Manalili
5B	Gennina Espino	Adriana Cayetano	Marsha Szulgit	Zaebriel Orayenza
5G	Christina Keti	Mia Batac	Breanna Borg	Valerie Gunawan
5R	Isabella Limjap	Isabella Lira-Loloa	Luke O'Rourke	Chloe Angeles
5W	Rianne Villanueva	Sesilia-Grace Liu-Ngata	Prince Chakraborty	Jessica Odemwengie
6B	Rosary Tima	Carmella Queras	Mitchell Holmes	Lyana- Elwar
6G	William Planer	Laraine Chicote	Christian Durante	Edrea Santos
6R	Shay-Lee Paris	Raphaella Garcia	Keisha Nuval	Taylah Sonter
6W	James Ballesteros	Maxine Agpoon	Sheree Aranez	Adier Job

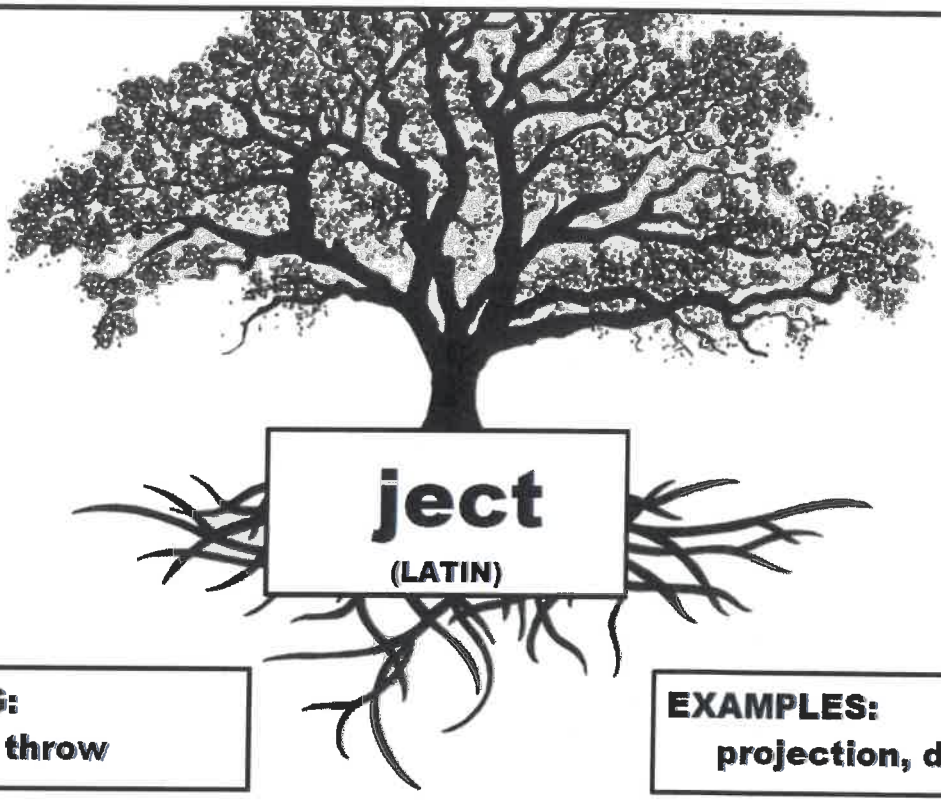
Uniform School Bag

Dear Parents, please note as of **Term 1 2019** all students (except Year 6 2019 students) will be expected to be using the new school bag. The decision to have these bags as a standard part of our school uniform was made in 2015, voted in by the school Leadership Team as well as the Parent Group. If you are replacing your child's bag, please purchase the school bag. **The bag is available from the uniform shop or the school office. The cost is $40.00.** These bags are designed to evenly distribute weight and are made of extremely durable materials making them good value in the long run. Thank you.

Mackillop Athletics

Next Monday the following eight Good Shepherd students will compete at the Mackillop Athletics Carnival to be held at Homebush. The best four placed competitors will then compete at the PSSA State Athletics Championships. Congratulations to these students for getting to this level. Best of luck next week! Henry Sene, Mitchell Holmes, Mya Schmidt-Tuaimau, Isabella Lira-Loloa, Betty Tanaki, Sesilia Grace Lui -Ngata, Cleo Tuaimau, Grace Tautua.

ROOT WORD OF THE WEEK



MEANING:
to throw

EXAMPLES:
projection, deject

Numeracy Warmup

Skittles Sort

Learning Intention: We are learning to model, represent and compare fractions.
Success Criteria: I can…

- identify what makes a 'whole'
- physically distribute a whole into parts
- identify the fraction of all partitions
- orally compare different parts of a whole.

Purpose: Working with fractions as parts of a collection. Fractions are used in different ways: to describe equal parts of a whole; to describe equal parts of a collection of objects; to denote numbers; and as operators related to division.
Vocabulary: whole, part, equal, out of, half, quarter, third, fraction, denominator, numerator, fractional part, equivalent fractions
Resources: Skittles, M&Ms, counters, LEGOs or any collection of coloured objects.
Task: Grab a handful of Skittles and empty it on a plate. Estimate the number of Skittles on your plate. Only glancing at your collection, which colour do you think you have the most of? Which colour do you think you have the least of? Share your predictions.

Count how many Skittles you have in total (this will be your denominator). Organise the Skittles into colours. How many of each colour do you have? (e.g. I have three red Skittles out of my fifteen, I have five purple Skittles out of my fifteen). Write the amount of coloured Skittles using fractions (3/15 or 1/5, 5/15 or ⅓, etc.)
Supporting/Extending Questions:
Add two sets of colours together, what is the fraction of your collection when the two parts are combined?
How many Skittles are NOT red? green? yellow? purple?
What happens to the fractions when you take one Skittle away?
Compare fractions using >, < or =.
Tally your results and create a visual graph.
Once you have completed your tasks, you may eat your Skittles!

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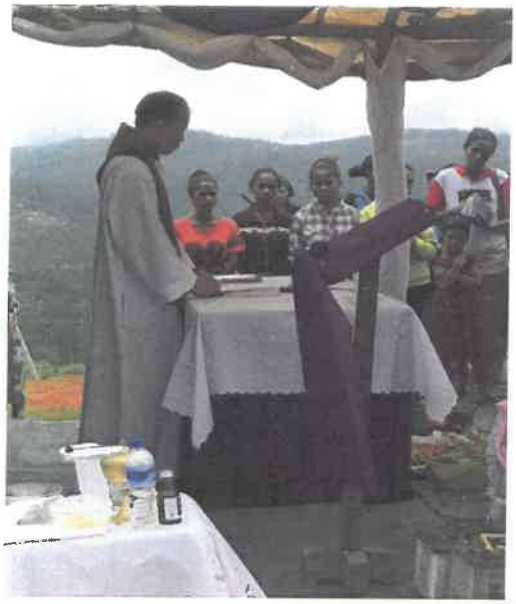

THE COMPLETION OF THE CHAPEL IN HATUBESILOLO

By Fr. Luan Le OFM Cap.

Thanks to all our benefactors in Australia for generous donations received. The new chapel is completed, there is a pumping system installed (1000 m. long and 100m. unevenness) to provide fresh water to the village. Special thanks to: **Good Shepherd Parish and School** (Plumpton), **St. Francis School, Capuchin Friars, St. Bernadette's Parish** (Seven Hills).

SAVE THE DATE FOR.....

A CELEBRATION OF CREATIVE ARTS AT GOOD SHEPHERD SCHOOL

NOVEMBER 15th 5- 8pm

ART, DRAMA, DANCE, MUSIC!

More details to come.
All invited to attend!

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