



Good Shepherd Primary School News Update

Thirty Third Sunday
in Ordinary Time

Term 4

Week 6

Tuesday 15th November, 2022



Infants Sports Carnival



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Upcoming Events

Wednesday, 16th November through to Friday, 2nd December

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| Wednesday, 16th November: | School Disco |
| Friday, 18th November: | Year 6 Orientation Day at St Agnes |
| Friday, 18th November: | Year 1 iSkies Incursion |
| Wednesday, 23rd November: | Stage 3 only Touch Football Gala Day |
| Monday, 28th November: | Year 5 at St Agnes 'Experience Day' |
| Tuesday, 29th November: | Year 6 Reflection Day |
| Thursday, 1st December: | Showcase of Talent (Good Shepherd School) |
| Friday, 2nd December: | Primary Swimming Carnival |



2023 Term 1 Commencement Dates

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| Tuesday 31st January: | Students Year 1 to Year 6 commence |
| Wednesday 1st February: | Kindy Children of new families commence |
| Thursday 2nd February: | Kindy Siblings commence |

Term 4 2022 Staff Development Days

(Pupil Free Days)

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 4's Staff Development Days are Pupil Free Days and will take place on Monday 10th October, Friday 11th November, Monday 19th December and Tuesday 20th December. 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 Ph. 0409 121 980 for all inquiries and bookings.

Changing Schools in 2023?

Are you thinking of or needing to change schools in 2023? Whatever the reason, we would appreciate you letting us know as soon as you can. CEDP require us to estimate our enrolment numbers for 2023 in order to predict and prepare for appropriate staffing and budgeting. It would be appreciated if you could notify the school in writing if your child/ren may be leaving Good Shepherd at the end of the year, from Year groups other than Year 6.

Class Placement for 2023

Dear Parents,

Very soon we will start to formulate classes for 2023. If you have any issues regarding your child's class placement, please inform Mrs Patricia Carr, Principal, in writing no later than Friday 18th November. Whilst we endeavour to take into account your considerations, final decisions are made by the school.

If your family is not returning to Good Shepherd in 2023, would you also please inform Mrs Carr in writing by Friday, 18th November. Please indicate the school that they will be attending for our records. Thank you.

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.

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.

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| KB | Drew Valdez | KG | Timothy Kurbatov |
| KR | Nicholas Vanella | KW | Carmina Mangonon |
| 1B | Marco Dilidili | 1G | Farrell Claro |
| 1R | Ayan Karmakar | 1W | Alieet Joul |
| 2B | Alyssa Azucena | 2G | Celine Talisayon |
| 2R | Grace Yalan | | |
| 3B | Gabriel Dela Cruz | 3G | Valentina Milag |
| 3R | Aryan Kumar | 3W | Anamanu Setefano |
| 4B | Jasmine Eskandari | 4G | Taylor Gale |
| 4R | Sophia Moawad | 4W | Ireanna Tanaki |
| 5G | Alexandr Gonzalez | 5R | Taiuli-Rose Bennell |
| 5W | Magda Ghilagaber | | |
| 6B | Gabriel Burke | 6G | Ruby Cornish |
| 6R | Sinit Teame | 6W | Shlok Samli |

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**. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

Vinnes Christmas Raffle and Christmas Mufti Day - Wednesday 7th December

Dear Parents, the School Captains will be selling raffle tickets during lunch time, commencing Monday 21st November. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 7 for \$5.00.

There will be a Christmas Mufti Day on Wednesday 7th December. Students are welcome to wear something that celebrates Christmas!!



Medications/Lotions/Creams

In order for staff to administer any kind of medication or lotion, whether prescribed by a doctor or not, parents/carers are required to complete a Medical form which is available from the school office. A note is also to be addressed to the class teacher stating when the medicine should be taken. Thank you.

Volunteer and Contractor Training (Building Child Safe Communities)

.All Volunteers and Contractors must complete the Building Child Safe Communities Undertaking Form and Online Training Module prior to being engaged by a school or any other CEDP site. Please click on the link below

<https://www.parra.catholic.edu.au/about/student-safety/volunteer-and-contractor-training>

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**. Prior to then no child should be dropped off at school.

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.

Complaints/Grievances Forms

Parents, please note if you would like to make a complaint/grievance in regards to any school matter, you can pick up a form from the school office. All matters will be attended to under strict confidentiality.

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 under "Enrol Now" for your convenience.

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:

Email, phone call or letter addressed to your child's teacher stating your concerns and requesting an interview if required.

Following this, you can request a phone interview with your child's Year Group Coordinator. Year Group Coordinators are as follows:

Kinder: Mrs Yvonne Davies
Year 1: Mrs Beulah Frankson
Year 2: Mrs Trish Conner
Year 3: Mr Paul Battikha
Year 4: Mr Paul Battikha
Year 5: Ms Elizabeth Le Breton
Year 6: Mr Ian Byrne

If you need to take further steps after speaking with the Year Group Co-Ordinator, you can email, write a letter or make a phone call to our Assistant Principal, then to the Principal.

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 Good Shepherd Primary Bicycle/Scooter 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 abovementioned Policy is available in the office and on our website.

Pastoral Care & Student Management Policy and the Countering Discrimination, Harassment & Bullying—Policy

Dear Parents & Carers, for information on the above policies, and other policies, please refer to our School Website—About Us—Policies & Procedures. Please note our Parent Handbook is on our School Website under "Enrol Now" for your convenience.

Excursion/Incursion Notes

Please keep these notes in a safe place when your child/ren bring them home. The office Staff are frequently being asked for another note and this uses extra paper and resources that should be utilised elsewhere in our school. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

**CHRISTMAS MUFTI DAY
NO CHARGE
WEDNESDAY 7TH DECEMBER**



**WEAR SOMETHING THAT CELEBRATES
CHRISTMAS!
BUY A CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKET AND YOU
COULD WIN A CHRISTMAS SURPRISE!!!!**

Good Shepherd Parish Sacramental Program

2022 Reconciliation

7th November (Monday) - Parent Information Night, Good Shepherd Church at 7.30 pm

20th November, 27th November, 4th December and 11th December - Sunday classes from 10.30 am to 11.30 am.

13th December (Tuesday) - Sacrament of Reconciliation, Good Shepherd Church at 7.30 pm

2023 Eucharist (First Holy Communion)

5th February, 12th February, 19th February and 26th February - Sunday classes from 10:30 am to 11.30 am.

4th March (Saturday) - Rehearsal 1.00 pm - 2.30 pm

5th March (Sunday) at 2.00 pm - First Holy Communion Mass

Enrolment forms can be obtained from the School Office or at the back of the Church.

