



First Sunday
of Lent



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Good Shepherd Primary School Newsletter

Term 1

Week 6

Tuesday 28 February 2023

Dear Good Shepherd Parents and Carers,

As we enter into our first week of Lent; this Sunday's scripture readings call us to reflect on how we define ourselves - do we define ourselves by our

- job - plumber, nurse
- roles/ responsibilities - Mum, Wife / Dad, Husband, sister, brother.....
- how we look; the clothes we wear
- social media status...popularity
- reputation

What God is calling us to do is remember **WE are ALL created in His image** - called to love and forgive one another, ourself and then our relationship with God.

So this week two prayerful questions for self reflection with God:

*who do we say we are?
and to whom do we really belong ?*

Peace and Joy

Anita Knezevic
Principal

Peace
AND
Joy

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	Lavaka Lasalo	KG	Nishka Shah
KR	Litany Aloisio	KW	Kataleyah Foster-Graff
1B	Sabrianne Maglaya	1G	Anvi Jadhav
1R	Rejoice Gama	1W	Arieta Morgan
2B	Michael Baissary	2G	Loata Kalavite
2R	Maddison Bennell	2W	Tristan Sausa
3B	Jade Hoang	3R	Jed Pineda
3W	Ashleigh Sultana		
4B	Megan Capili	4G	Mikayla Shaw
4R	Titus Fruean	4W	Aubrey Sonter
5B	Vanessa Bradley	5G	Lucas Portugal
5R	Layla Cobban-Hmura	5W	Yaremo Montarde
6B	Isabella Sugpatan	6G	Christian Elters
6R	Jasmine Hoang		

2023 Book Fair!

Thank you to the Parents and Carers for your support with our Book Fair. I would like to thank Mrs Joseph for undertaking this organisation for our students. As well as to the teachers who volunteered to help throughout the day. When I was in there on Monday it was lovely to see the children look around and select books to read and diaries to write in. It is so important that our children love to read and write for fun so thank you for your support with this fair!

Cross Country and Fun Run!

We are looking forward to our Primary Cross Country and Infants Fun Day, Friday 3 March 2023.

A few reminders for the day -

Primary Cross Country Years 3 - 6

- Will take place at Hanna Reserve from 9.00 am.
- **All students are required to come to school first**, have their name marked off by the class teacher and walk down with their class.
- All Primary Students are required to wear their sports uniform, hat, sunscreen and bring a drink bottle.
- Once children have completed their races **they will return to school**.

Infants Fun Run K - 2

- Will take place on the school oval commencing at 1.50 pm
- Parents are welcome to attend
- Children are encouraged to wear their house colours.
- Children will return to class after the Fun Run and will be dismissed at the regular school bell time.

Bradman - Blue

Fraser - Red

McKay - Green

Newcombe - Yellow

Your child's house group can be found under their profile on Compass.

Please ensure your child has their school hat and an extra water bottle. Thank you

Upcoming Events

Friday 3 March: Primary Cross Country (Hannah Reserve). Students in Years 3 to 6 attend.

Friday 3 March: Infants Fun Run (2.00 pm at Good Shepherd School)

Celebrating Catholic Schools Week

Sunday 5 March: Open Day at our School (10.00 am to 1.00 pm)

Tuesday 7 March: Liturgy (10.00 am to 10.30 am Good Shepherd Church) All welcome.

Tuesday 7 March: Parents & Carers Picnic Morning Tea (10.30 to 11.00 am. Please bring your food/drink).

Tuesday 7 March: Open Classrooms (11.00 am to 11.30 am) All welcome.

Friday 17 March: St Patrick's Day

School Fees

Dear Parents and Carers,

School Fees have been issued and are now due by 15 March. Please contact the school office on 9836-7100 to set up a payment arrangement, alternatively you can continue making B-PAY payments online or payments through the post office.

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.

Open Day

Open Day Sunday 5 March 2023 - we look forward to welcoming you and seeing you this Sunday!

We are accepting enrolment forms and interviewing for 2024 Kindergarten, please do this as soon as possible, particularly if you have a brother or sister at the school.

1. Complete your enrolment form with the necessary paperwork.
2. Hand in your enrolment form with the corresponding documents.
3. Once the school has received your enrolment form with the corresponding documents an appointment will be made for one of the Parent/Carers and your child/children to attend.
4. A Parent and your child attends the appointment with the Principal/Assistant Principal.
5. Following the enrolment interview, a letter will be sent.

NOW! we are now able to receive enrolment forms for 2025, 2026, 2027 and beyond. If this is your situation you can place your child on the waiting list by completing the enrolment form. This will place them on a waiting list from which the Principal will commence interviews for the year you would like them to start. So if your child is 3 years old then you will be contacted from the waiting list for the interview in 2025. (This may be dependent on their birthday/age).



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.

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 Office.

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.**

Please note future leave will take into account your child's attendance rate before approving.

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.

No Parking on pedestrian lines

Dear Parents & Carers, please note there is to be no **parking on the pedestrian lines** in public areas, and most importantly, in the Parish Carpark. Not only is this illegal, but it can be very dangerous. An incident has been reported to us about a near miss incident whereby a child was nearly run over. For everyone's safety, would please be mindful and park only in the designated spaces. Safety is everyone's responsibility.



Uniform Shop Opening

Dear Parents & Carers, please note our Second Hand Uniform Shop is open on Mondays, from 8.30 am to 9.15 am. Cash only please. Please refer to attached Uniform Shop Price List.



Communication between Parents and Staff for 2023

Dear Parents, 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 an interview with your child's Year Grade Leader.

2023 Year Grade Leader are as follows:

Kinder: Mrs Yvonne Davies

Year 1: Mrs Trish Conner

Year 2: Mrs Trish Conner

Year 3: Mr Ian Byrne

Year 4: Mr Ian Byrne

Year 5: Mrs Beulah Frankson

Year 6: Ms Elizabeth Le Breton

If you need to take further steps, after speaking with the Year Grade Leader, an email, letter or phone call to our Assistant Principal, then to the Principal.

Mobile Phone—Settings on your phone

Parents, would you please check your Settings for "Incoming Call restrictions" and "Do Not Disturb" notifications on your mobile phones so as in a case of an emergency, we need to be able to contact you. Would you please ensure that you can be contacted quickly and easily. Thank you.

School Commencement time: 8.30 am

Recess: 10.30 to 11.00 am

Lunch: 1:00 pm to 1.50 pm

School Dismissal time: 2.50 pm



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.

Student Absences

Dear Parents,

Just a quick reminder that **ALL student absences need to be explained**. This is a legal requirement. **Please use the Parent Portal to log your child's whole day absence. If your child is absent for a partial day, please do not use the portal to log this as we'll sign the children in/out from the office.** Thank you.

Unexplained Attendance letters

Your child may bring home a letter asking for an explanation for your child's absence from school. **Would you please complete and return back to your child's teacher promptly.**

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Partial absences = missed learning.
Let students know that every day counts by recognising punctuality, good and improved attendance.

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How can you promote a healthy attendance culture in your school?

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2023 Diocesan Tuition Fees

The 2023 **Annual** Diocesan Tuition Fees are as follows:

ANNUAL FEES		1 st Child 100%	2 nd Child 75%	3 rd Child 50%	4 th Child (0%)
Primary	Kindergarten	\$1272.00	\$954.00	\$636.00	No fee
	Years 1 – 6	\$1644.00	\$1233.00	\$822.00	No fee
Secondary	Years 7-8	\$2280.00	\$1710.00	\$1140.00	No fee
	Years 9-10	\$2529.00	\$1896.00	\$1266.00	No fee
	Years 11-12	\$3228.00	\$2421.00	\$1614.00	No fee

The 2023 **Per Term** rate Diocesan Tuition Fees for each of the first three terms is as follows:

TERM FEES	Charged in Terms 1,2 & 3	1 st Child 100%	2 nd Child 75%	3 rd Child 50%
Primary	Kindergarten	\$424.00	\$318.00	\$212.00
	Years 1 -6	\$548.00	\$411.00	\$274.00
Secondary	Years 7-8	\$760.00	\$570.00	\$380.00
	Years 9-10	\$843.00	\$632.00	\$422.00
	Years 11-12	\$1076.00	\$807.00	\$538.00

Annual Diocesan Building Levy - 2023

All families with one or more children in a Parramatta Diocesan School or at St Dominic's College, Kingswood are required to pay the annual Diocese of Parramatta Diocesan Building Levy. The levy for 2023 is **\$855.00 per family**, payable in three equal instalments of \$285 payable in terms 1, 2 and 3.

Annual Diocesan Education Fee Temporary Residents - 2023

The Diocesan Education Fee Temporary Residents for 2023 is **\$2097.00 per student**, payable in three equal installments of \$699 in terms one, two and three.

The fee applies to new students on the following Visa numbers: 173, 400, 401, 402, 405, 407, 408, 411, 415, 416, 417, 420, 457, 462, 476, 482, 485, 497, 580, 590, 600, 601, 651, 884, 944, 956, 976 and 977.

School Based Fees 2023

Each child attending Good Shepherd Primary charged **School Based Fees per year**. These fees cover a range of activities and resources that the children will use throughout the year.

The Catholic Education Office has asked that all fees be placed onto our school fee statements. The benefits to our families are:

- costs will be spread over three equal instalments
- children will not be required to carry money to school for excursions
- fees are set by year groups

Specialty programs such as those involving representing the school for example Sporting Events, CAPTIVATE and optional extra curriculum opportunities will not be covered in the fees charged on statements. Permission slips and costings will be sent home separately to the children who are representing the school in that particular activity.

The School Based Fee breakdown is as listed below:

- **Years Kindergarten to Year 5 2023 RESOURCE FEES**
\$171 payable in three equal instalments of \$57.
- **Year 6 2023 RESOURCE FEE**
\$210 payable in three equal instalments of \$70.
- **Kindergarten to Year 4 and Year 6 2023 ACTIVITY FEE**
\$102 payable in three equal instalments of \$34.
- **Year 5 2023 ACTIVITY FEE**
\$54 payable in three equal instalments of \$18.
- **Year 5 OVERNIGHT RETREAT (TBA)**
\$168 payable in three equal instalments of \$56.
\$42 Meal Component in three equal instalments of \$14

FURTHER INFORMATION

If you have any questions concerning the payment of school fees please contact Good Shepherd Primary by phone on (02) 9836 7100 weekdays between 8:30am and 3:00pm.

A quality Catholic education is affordable and accessible for every family!

Uniform Shop Prices

Uniforms	Lowes	Price
Girls summer dress	\$62.95	\$30
Girls winter Tunic	\$66.95	\$35
Girls long shirt	\$40.95	\$20
Girls tie	\$16.95	\$10
Boys summer shirt	\$42.95	\$20
Boys blk shorts	\$31.95	\$15
Boys long shirts	\$42.95	\$20
Boys long pants	\$38.95	\$20
Boys tie	\$25.95	\$15
Sports polo	\$37.95	\$15
Sports shorts	\$36.95	\$20
Trackpants	\$48.95	\$25
School jacket	\$70	\$35
School bags		\$45
Legionnaire hat		\$18
Slouch hat		\$22
Library/excursion bag		\$18



GOOD SHEPHERD PRIMARY PLUMPTON

Enrolling now

for 2023 & 2024

You're welcome to
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10.00am - 2.00pm

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