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Vision Statement:

Good Shepherd Catholic School is an inclusive community growing together in faith by living our Catholic values and beliefs. We are guided by catholic Gospel teachings of Jesus Christ, in partnership with parents, caregivers, parish and the wider community. Our school is dedicated to fostering life-long learning through educational excellence encapsulating the spiritual, cognitive, emotional, social and physical development of the child.

Principal's Message

Dear Parents and Caregivers of Good Shepherd Catholic School

While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body." Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins." (Matthew 26:26-28)

This weekend is a very special weekend in the faith lives of many of our Year Four students as they receive Jesus for the first time through the Sacrament of the Eucharist. The children have been preparing over many weeks and there were times that they were not really certain that they would receive the Sacrament this year due to the COVID restrictions. As a school community, we pray that this day will be very special and that it will be the first of many opportunities to receive Jesus. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Jenkins, Mrs Musbah and Miss Barbaro for all the work they have carried out preparing the children. I would like to thank Mrs Deans for all her work in coordinating the programme and organising the Mass. Finally, a big thank you to Mrs Reedman and the school choir for leading at the Sunday Mass. I hope all the families of the Year 4 students enjoy the day.



As many families would be aware, one of the values that we are focusing on in 2020 is 'Community'. Specifically, building community with our families. This has proven to be a challenging aspiration as the COVID restrictions have prevented our school community from gathering as we would traditionally expect to do so. However, we were still able to complete our Faction Athletics Carnival. It might not have been to everyone's liking but at least, for the sake of the children, the carnival took place. At the time of me writing this for the newsletter, our carnival was not completed. As this is our last newsletter for the term, I will not be able to acknowledge the individual champions and the winning Faction until next term. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mr Blatchford for the huge amount of work that he put into organising the carnival and preparing the students. I would also like to acknowledge the work of the staff who supported Mr Blatchford in so many ways. Regardless of the change in circumstances, it was a very successful event.



As this will be the last newsletter of the term, I would like to thank all our families for your support throughout the term. Let's hope that the Premier's announcement on October 24 gives us the opportunity to revert to almost normal functions in our school so that all planned events in Term 4 can go ahead without restriction. I hope that all our families enjoy their break from school routine.

A reminder to all families that Thursday 24th and Friday 25th September are pupil free days. Monday 12th October is also a pupil free day. School will resume for students on Tuesday 13th October.

I wish you all a very enjoyable weekend and a great week ahead.

Mark Powell
Principal



School Values



Our Catholic Values underpin all of our 6 school values.
This year our School is focusing on our school value...
Community



We encourage strong partnerships with families to help foster children's development

School Fees

Semester 2 School Fees are now overdue.

The 2020 School fees payment is now **OVERDUE**. Thank you to all the parents who have made payment. In justice to families who pay their school fees regularly and on time, the school will rigorously follow up all overdue school fee accounts.

Good Shepherd Catholic School is supportive of families who find themselves in difficult circumstances and therefore, should you be experiencing financial difficulties please contact the office on 6278 9500 to make an appointment with the Principal to enable assistance to be given.

Birthday's



The following celebrated a birthday this week.
We wish them a very **HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

These will be acknowledged at our Monday assembly



Tina Nguyen 4B
Mateo Nario PPW

Gurshaan Sandhu KW
Samuel Prajapati 1B

Meareg Kiros 6W
Mrs Reedman

Faction Points

Maali House:	3097
Foley House:	2054
Francis House:	2396
Noonan House:	2247



Term Dates 2020



Term 3	20 July – 23 September
Term 4	13 October – 11 December

Important Dates to Remember

Subject to change, based on Covid-19 advice.

- First Holy Communion Saturday 19 & Sunday 20 September
- Pupil Free Days Thursday 24th & Friday 25th September
- Confirmation Saturday 28th November



Facebook Page

Good Shepherd Lockridge has its own Facebook Page. Please like our page and follow us as we begin to use this social forum to update you on information and current events happening within our wonderful school.



Search @GoodShepherdLockridge



A message from our Year 6 Leaders



What a busy week for Sports! On Thursday we had the starter of our Athletics Faction Carnival and today we had the whole school Faction Carnival it was an exciting event for all of us. Luckily, we had some parents that could come around and support us, on Tuesday we had the retreat for our Year 4's Holy Communion, we wish the year 4's good luck, for when they receive their first Holy Communion. thanks and have a nice weekend. Yours sincerely Siannah and Timothy.

Parents Band for the Christmas Concert



Parents Band for Christmas Concert!!

Its Back.... By Popular Demand... Any parents who have a musical talent! If you play an instrument or can sing and commit to 3-4 rehearsals in Term 4 that would be awesome! The band will perform one song at our School Christmas Concert this year: Wednesday December 2nd from 6.30pm. The Song is 'It's a Merry Christmas Everyone' by Shakin' Stevens. Rehearsal days and times will depend on what suits the majority and be in the School Hall. Suggested Rehearsal Dates: Wednesday November 11th, 18th, 26th 7.15pm. Please let me know if this does not work for you and we can try find an alternative time. We need a drummer, guitarists, bass player, singers (however many). The song has backup singers and soloist/s. If you would like to sing, please let me know what role you would like to play, lead singer or back up. It would also be amazing if we could get a horn or two such as sax. Please contact me via email Vanessa.Reedman@cewa.edu.au or seesaw if you are interested. Thanks! Mrs Reedman

Christmas Concert Dance Performance



With the upcoming Christmas Concert in Term 4 and with the great success of previous years dance group we thought we would again add Dance piece to the Concert. The commitment required would be **Tuesday** and **Thursday** Mornings 8.00-8.30am for all of Term 4.

(Please note that sessions may reduce to 1 per week as required).

Starting Week 2 Tuesday October 20th and running until Tuesday December 1st (the week of the concert). Parents drop their child off at the hall and at 8.30am the children will be released to undercover area.

Classes will be run by Miss Ontal in the school hall. Dance experience is not essential. If your child is interested in joining the group, please fill in the slip below and bring to first session Tuesday October 20th. See Miss Ontal, Mrs Barlow or Mrs Reedman for any questions. Attendance will be recorded and children who miss several sessions may not be able to complete in the final performance.

My Child _____ from Class: _____

Would like to join the Good Shepherd Christmas Concert Dance performance and can attend practice every Tuesday and Thursday of Term 4 from 8.00-8.30 from 20/10/20 - 1/12/20.

Parent name: _____ Contact number: _____

Sustainability – Eco Warriors

Carbon Footprint

The ABC have a show about carbon emissions called “Fight For Planet A” by Craig Russell. The show explores how we can all reduce our carbon emissions. Here is a link to the show on ABC iview:

https://iview.abc.net.au/show/fight-for-planet-a-our-climate-challenge?gclid=EAlalQobChMlgPPz2OLt6wIV2H4rCh25sQoUEAAYASAAEgIhjvD_BwE&gclidsrc=aw.ds

If you are interested, click on the link and try out the ABC Science Carbon Counter. It can help you identify the areas in your life where you could make changes.

<https://fightforplaneta.abc.net.au/carboncounter/>

Some simple ways you can reduce your carbon footprint:

1. Having shorter showers
2. Try eating kangaroo instead of beef
3. Start composting
4. Buy seasonal and local produce
5. Reduce plastic consumption



Altar Server Training

Matthew 19:14; Mark 10:14; Luke 18:16 Let the little children come to me; Do not stop them for it is to such that the kingdom of heaven belongs.

It has come to my attention that some children are quite keen to help out more during school Masses as Altar Servers. I spoke to the Church and Father Al has recommended Terry Le-Cerf, a parish member for over 25 years and acolyte who has run altar server training many times in the past. Terry has Working with Children Clearance and programs prepared to educate the willing children. You can meet him at any Saturday evening Mass.

When: 4 sessions on a Friday 4-5pm at the church see dates below...(days/dates/times can be changed)

Concluding with a weekend mass (depending on Covid-19 restrictions, either Saturday 6pm, Sunday 8am, 9.30am or 5pm)

Dates: Friday October 16th, 23rd, 30th and November 6th : **Please note these days/dates/times are flexible** so please let me know if you have commitments and would prefer a different day or time Terry who runs the training is available as required.

After the children complete Altar server training, they will be added to our Altar server roster and serve at our class Masses and can also choose to attend weekend Masses to serve also.

Who can sign up? Years 4-6, girls or boys

INTENT TO ATTEND ALTAR SERVER TRAINING Please return **before End of Term 3: September 23rd**

Please either return this Slip to the office or Mrs Barlow. Then go to the Church on October 16th, 4pm for first session.

Student: _____

Class: _____

Parent Contact Number: _____

I would prefer a different day/time (i.e. Thursdays 4.30pm):

If you have any questions, please contact Mrs Barlow in person or email the office and they will forward it onto me. admin@gsl.wa.edu.au

Uniform Shop

Online orders are available please download the uniform order form from our website, fill in the items you require along with the sizes. (please see the link below)



Uniform Shop Trading Hours	
Tuesday	8:15am – 9:15am
Friday	2:15pm – 3:15pm



<http://web.gsl.wa.edu.au/stewardship/school-uniform/>

Canteen



Recess orders will be accepted from all students in Kindy to Year 6. We ask parents to write their order on an envelope and place the correct money to avoid handling change. The Canteen Menu for Term 3 & 4 is available on our Website.

<http://web.gsl.wa.edu.au/assets/Uploads/Canteen-Menu-2020-Winter-term-2-4.pdf>

The P&F Page!

Upcoming

Fund Raising	Friend Raising	Meetings
ColourRun Friday, 20 th November	Disco Friday, 23 rd October	P&F Meeting Tuesday, 13 th October

Happy Holidays



With a busy term 3 coming to an end, The Parents and Friends of Good Shepherd would like to thank all families who took the time to support the P&F during the term. Our great volunteers have given their time at friend and fundraising events and we have also seen our community out having fun at these events with us.

This term the P&F were fortunate to be able to offer an Ex-classroom iPad Sale. This fundraiser was an overwhelming success with all 70 iPads being sold within 24 hours. We would like to thank all families who supported this fundraiser and a special thankyou to the School Board and School Administration for making these iPads available for our school community.

With term 4 only a few weeks away, the last term of 2020 is looking to be full of excitement with a Twilight Disco (*free entry*) to be held on 23rd October and our first ever **ColourRun** to be held in November. The **ColourRun** will be our major fundraising event for 2020 with all monies from this event to contribute to the upgrade of equipment in our junior and senior playgrounds.

As our Year Six graduates start to prepare for the next stage of their schooling, we say to you all - enjoy this last term of special friendships and your teachers here at Good Shepherd, as it will be the most rewarding (and saddest) time of your primary school years. To all our parents of graduating students we say: sit back and enjoy this experience, also. In many ways you too have been on a journey which has been challenging, but one of the most rewarding life experiences as you watch your child grow into a caring, thoughtful, and intelligent person. The Graduation Bears are on order and a flyer is heading your way in October. The P&F look forward in helping and celebrating with you and your family at this year's Graduation Dinner.

We wish all our families a wonderful and happy school holiday. Take care, travel safely and we look forward to seeing everyone back refreshed for an exciting term 4.

Happy Holidays!

Good Shepherd Parents and Friends Committee



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Camp Australia



So we can care for all students at your school, we do recommend families register an account with us and always book in advance. Why register? To attend our care, parents/guardians must register their child with us by completing an online enrolment form via our parent portal. It's very important that parents/guardians fill out all compulsory enrolment documentation for their child and notify us of any medical conditions, illnesses and other, to ensure the health and safety of all children in our care. Families can register for free at <https://pp.campaustralia.com.au/account/register-contacts>

Lockridge Dental Therapy Centre



Lockridge Dental Therapy Centre will be closed the **first** week of the school holidays 29th September – 2nd October. The clinic will be open on the **second** week of the holidays with the exception of Friday 9th October. For Emergencies when the clinic is closed in the first week and Friday 9th Oct please contact Camboon Dental Therapy Centre phone 92762488.

School Holiday Swimming at Chisolm College



The Chisholm Swim Academy is back up and running a number of programs this school holidays out of the Indoor Heated College pool:

- **September Holiday Program** – Tuesday 29th September to 9th October (From \$20 per session)
- **Private lessons** – From \$34 per lesson
- **Holiday swim squads** – From \$25 per session
- **Ongoing Swim Squads** – Afternoon sessions on Tuesday/Thursday plus Saturday Mornings. Reasonable level of swimming ability required. Squads appropriate for 10 – 18 year old's.

More information is available here: <https://www.chisholm.wa.edu.au/chisholm-swim-academy/>
Phone: 9471 2257. Email: learntoswim@pc.wa.edu.au

