

# Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School

## Calendar

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> March

Saint Agnes of Prague



Term 1

Week 5

Tuesday, 25th February, 2014

## "NRL" Players Tackle Bullying

The following are comments from our students at Good Shepherd School after two Panther players (Matt Moylan and Lewis Brown) visited the School to talk about Bullying:

"Year 5 and 6 visited the Resource Centre to meet two players of the Panthers. They talked about bullying and showed us a video. We got to ask questions and they even gave us their autographs! It was a fun experience for everyone." *Katelyn Leonardo 6G* 

"Tim talked about the four types of bullying: Cyber Bullying, Mental Bullying, Physical Bullying and Verbal Bullying.

Matt spoke about his childhood and how he began playing football at the age of 4. Lewis told us about how he handled bullying.

It was great because we learnt how it can happen to anyone, and everyone should stop it." Chanel, Helena and Rhiannon—Year 6







## **Catholic Schools Week**

Catholic Schools Week is from Sunday, 9th March to Friday, 14th March. The events we have planned are detailed below. We hope you and your family and friends can join us in celebrating our School, our Children's Education and our Faith!

Saturday, 8th March: Catholic Schools Mass—6.00 pm at Good Shepherd Church Sunday, 9th March: Catholic Schools Masses—10.30 am at St Aidan's Rooty Hill and Holy Family Emerton.

**Sunday, 9th March**: Good Shepherd School Open Day—10.00 am—1.00 pm. Free sausage sizzle.

Monday, 10 March—Friday, 14th March: Book Fair at Good Shepherd School.

Wednesday, 12th March: Catholic Schools Week Liturgy—10.00 am at Good Shepherd Church followed by Morning Tea.

Wednesday, 12th March: Open Classrooms—11.00 am—12.00 pm. Come and see some Mathematics activities in progress!

Friday, 14th March: NRMA Science and Road Safety Day—Children are asked to bring in their bike helmet. Prizes for the best decorated helmets! Students take part in a Science presentation (free) as well as complete "In class" activities about Road and Bike Safety. Friday, 14th March: Parent/Carer Road Safety Workshop (free) - 2.00 pm in the Resource Centre. Tea and Coffee provided.

Hope you can make it to some of the great activities planned!

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS** Term 1, Week 5, 2014

Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Monday, 3rd March:

Day)

Ash Wednesday Mass: 9.00 am Wednesday, 5th March:

(Years 4-6 will attend)

Open Day at Good Shepherd School: Sunday, 9th March:

10.00 am-1.00 pm Book Fair at School

Monday 10th March through to Friday, 14th March:

Friday, 14th March:

NRMA Science & Road Safety Day



### **Birthdays**

Happy Birthday to the following students who will celebrate their birthday this week: Jazmyn Izon, Gilaxsan Gilbertsagayathasan, Joanna Merana,

Paul Natividad, Keoki

Simonsen, Shanelle Bonser, Alealin Templo, Koby Paris, Shay-Lee Paris, Marley Tamani, Jake Hodder, Malaukai Nikua, Alexis Perreira, Symantha Galang, Amellia Deja and Riane Salentes.

### 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	Mariem Tungul	KG	Ethan Baxter
KR	Bailey Florido	KW	Natalia Abwi
1B	Bailey Lees	1G	Bailey Coulson
1R	Athalliah Cruz	1W	Breanna Borg
2B	Mitchell Holmes	2G	William Planer
2R	Abby Cornish	2W	Emily Carabott
3B	Carmella Dela Cruz	3G	Lana Chicote
3R	Benjamin Cruz	3W	Graig Zapanta
4B	Karylle Dayrit	4G	Psalms Ane
4R	Dalia Alameh	4W	Sonny Cham
5B	Yuvesh Lal	5G	Marc Cusay
5R	Jessica Dela Paz	5W	Daznee Sua
6B	Te Ahikaa Cooper	6G	Chloe Batac
6R	Lance Despi	6W	Eulla Bondoc

### 2014 Ash Wednesday Mass

On Wednesday, 5th March we will be marking the beginning of Lent with an Ash Wednesday Mass in the Good Shepherd Parish Church, commencing at 9.00 am. Please mark the date and time in your diary. All very welcome. Years 4-6 will attend.

### **Kindergarten 2015 Enrolments**

Enrolment Application forms for Kindergarten 2015 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 siblings for 2015.

#### School Fees 2014

Parents, accounts for Term 1 school fees have now been posted out and payments are due on Friday, 7th March. Any family having difficulty completing term payments on time and who wish to make payments by instalments using cash, Centrelink or BPay etc., please contact the School Office for an appointment with Mrs Gabby Smithard to set up a new arrangement. The Catholic Education Office also offered a Flexible Payment Plan (FPP) for your 2014 School Fees. Forms should have been completed and submitted to the Catholic Education Office by 21st February, 2014.

### **CELEBRATE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK** Come to our Book Fair!



Book Fair 10th March—14th March Before School, Lunch Time and After School

### **Staff Development Day** Term 1 2014

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. This term's Staff Development Day is a PUPIL FREE DAY and will take place on Monday, 3rd March, 2014. Our thanks to parents for organising care for their children on this day. COSHC have limited places for care on this day-so please ring the COSHC Supervisor on 0409 121 980 or email COSHCGoodShepherd@parra.catholic.edu.au. Request forms can also be picked up from the School Office.

### **Uniform Shop - Opening Hours:** Wednesdays & Fridays 8.30 am-9.15 am

This is run by volunteers and operates on Wednesday and Friday mornings during School Terms from 8.30 am—9.15 am. We have new hats. & Caps, school bags, library bags, all at very reasonable prices. Second-hand school uniforms are also available. Donations always welcome! Please note it is "Cash Only" sales.

### **School Drop Off Procedures**

Parents, please note that if your children are late to school, they are to be escorted to the school office by a Parent/Carer to fill in a late note.

### **OPEN DAY AT OUR SCHOOL!!**



Good Shepherd invites current and prospective families to come and explore the school's facilities at an Open Day on Sunday, 9th March, 2014 from 10.00 am—1.00 pm. Learning Spaces will be open, staff will be available to meet and greet, and a community barbeque will be provided. Keep an eye out for our Ad which will be run in the St Marys Star on Tuesday, 25th February and 4th March. Hope to see you all there!



### NRMA Science and Road Safety Day— Friday, 14th March, 2014

As part of Catholic Schools Week (9th—14th March) our school is having a Science and Road Safety Day sponsored by NRMA. On this day students will learn the importance of staying safe while riding bikes and scooters as well as taking part in classroom activities and a Science show! Another part of this special event is a 30 minute parent/carer workshop at 2.00 pm in the Resource Centre about road safety. All parents/carers are invited to attend. Tea and coffee provided. Further details soon. Mark the date in your calendar!

### **World Book Online**



Good Shepherd School has a subscription to World Book Online. This is a great resource for the children to use and can be accessed from home. It enables the children to research, read texts and play some educational games in a safe environment. There is a great section for

younger children with lots of information on topics that would interest them. Features such as 'Read to Me' makes the information more accessible. It is well worth a look!!

URL: http://www.worldbookonline.com

Username: plumpton Password: gs2344

## CatholicCare Social Services— Solo Parent Ministry—3 programs:

Bereavement Support Program (Blacktown)

Tuesdays fortnightly: 4th March—10th June

Time: 10.00 am-12.00 pm

Venue: 51-59 Allawah Street, Blacktown

And

Seasons for Growth Program (Helping you deal with the

Loss of your Partner or Spouse)

Wednesdays weekly: 19th February-19th March

Time: 10.30 am-12.30 pm

Venue: St Finbar's Parish, 46 Levy Street Glenbrook

Cost: \$8.00

Stepping Beyond for Separated or Divorced Adults

Last Tuesday of each month Time: 7.30 pm—9.30 pm

Venue: CCSS Centre Blacktown, 51-59 Allawah Street,

Blacktown Cost: \$5.00.

Bookings essential for both programs

Inquiries: 9933 0205 or soloparentministry@ccss.org.au



### **Sports News**

We would like to congratulate the 15 swimmers who attended the Blacktown Zone Swimming Carnival last Friday, 21st February. They represented the school with pride and great

sportsmanship. Thank you also to the parents who attended and helped out on the day. Results to come next week!



#### **Photos**

From time to time, photos are taken of students at school, which may be used in a range of publications such as the School Prospectus, Catholic Education Office publications, newsletter stories and social media sites eg School

Website. If, for any reason you do not want your child's photo to be included in any of the above, please advise in writing. Thank you, Mrs Carr.

### **Parish Car Parking**

Please be aware there have been a couple of accidents in our Parish car park located near the School Office entrance already this year. Please take care when entering and exiting the car park in the interests of everyone's safety. Thank you.

## Canteen \$4.50 (Two Meal Deals to choose from!!)

Available every day commencing

Monday 24th February and finishing Friday 7th March:

Meal Deal 1

Salad Sandwich, Small Water, Piece of Fruit

#### Meal Deal 2

Chicken Tender on roll, Flavoured Milk, Fruit Stack Ice Block.

Both Meal Deals are \$4.50

Also now available at the Canteen: Coon Nibbles Cheese \$1.50 Sultanas \$1.00 Muesli Bar \$1.20

Online Ordering: To order online please visit

www.flexischools.com.au

Orders to be placed by 9.00 am daily

## Open day for Our Lady of Mercy College Parramatta—Sunday 2nd March, 2014

Time: 10.00 am-2.00 pm

Telephone: Ph. 8838 1222. Please visit the College website on www.olmc.nsw.edu.au for more information.

### St Agnes Catholic High School-Years 7-10 Co-Educational School

Now Enrolling for 2015—Information Evening

Date: Monday, 3rd March, 2014

6.00-7.30 pm Time:

Address: Evans Road, Rooty Hill (PO Box 24

Rooty Hill NSW 2766)

8882 0700 Fax: 8882 0790 Phone: stagnes@parra.catholic.edu.au Email: Website: stagnesrootyhill.catholic.edu.au

#### Attention: Junior Netballers!!

Good Shepherd Netball Club is seeking players aged 8, 9, 11 and 12 years old for the 2014 netball season. New players to the sport are welcome. Netball is a great team sport that teaches kids the importance of teamwork, interacting with other kids whilst getting exercise and having FUN! Umpires also needed, club pays \$15.00 junior game, \$20 senior game. For enquiries please contact Margaret Falcon on Ph. 9628 4799.



Plumpton/Oakhurst Soccer Club-'The Family Club' - Players still needed!

U8's, U10's, U11's & U12's. We are looking for players in the above age groups. If your child (boy or girl) is turning this age in 2014 and would like to

play soccer, please contact us.

Please complete the on-line registration process in advance. www.myfootballclub.com.au

Enquiries: Contact our Registrar-Katrina Ena on 0409 564 105 between 6.00-7.30 pm only-For details please visit the

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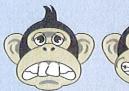
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