



Good Shepherd

Catholic Primary School

Calendar

Saints Joachim and Anne



Term 3 Concludes:
Thursday, 18th September,
2014 (Friday, 19th September
being a Staff Development Day
(Pupil Free Day))

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Term 3 Week 2 Tuesday, 22nd July, 2014

Dear Parents and Carers

As this is my first newsletter in my role as Acting Principal here at Good Shepherd, I would like to say how grateful I am for the welcome I have received from the community here. Change is never easy for any of us but if seen as an opportunity rather than a burden I think we can all learn. I also believe that God is present in everything that happens to us in life, a very consoling thought, especially in difficult times.

On Saturday we celebrate the feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, the parents of Mary and grandparents of Jesus. In this present age grandparents are such an important and integral part of their grandchildren's lives. Of course they have always been important, but these days they seem to be more active in the daily lives of their grandchildren because so many children are looked after by grandparents while their parents are working. One of the positive aspects of this practice is that grandparents spend so much more time with their little ones.

We ask God's blessing on all grandparents as we celebrate this feast and we applaud them for the great and important role they play in the lives of their grandchildren.

Blessings on you and your families.

Sr Brenda Kennedy
Acting Principal



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UPCOMING EVENTS Term 3, Week 2, 2014

Friday, 1st August: Mufti Day (Theme—Wear a Jersey) and 2014 Census Day

Tuesday: 5th August: Years 3 and 4 Mass—(Church 9:00 am)

Friday, 8th August: Feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

Friday, 5th September: Walkathon & Games Day

Social Skill of the Week

"Make Way for an Adult"



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	Mason Johnson	KG	James Costigan
KR	Akuol Acuoeth	KW	Dennis Jose
1B	Jalil Rizeq	1G	Avani Narayan
1R	Sesilia-Grace Liu-Ngata	1W	Leila Bunyi
2B	Janice Hide	2G	Charli Alexander
2R	Marissa Galea	2W	Lily Cook
3B	Seann Burke	3G	Lachlan Turner
3R	Shivesh Kumar	3W	Cearan Wu
4B	Shanel Taliauli	4G	Tayyab Awais
4R	Jordan Torralba	4W	Janika Gopal
5B	Aodhan Tomlins	5G	Jayden Da Silva
5R	Jordan Ambrus	5W	Peter Cutuk
6B	Riley Blake	6G	Heaven Patelesio
6R	Hannie Cruz	6W	Nicolas Mellado Diaz

Help needed and thank you!

A big thank you to Michelle Rivera, Lana Wedgwood, Reanna Brook, Mele Tonga and Jody Brasier for covering our new bibles and helping to repair and cover our class sets of bibles last week. We still have a number of bibles that need to be covered. If you are available any mornings this week to help in the Resource Centre from 8:30am - 9:30am, we would be very appreciative!

Thank you, Mrs Baird and Mrs Platts



Birthdays

Happy Birthday to the following students who will celebrate their birthday this week: Diego Aleman, Joseph Hide, Satya Patel, Louise Reyes, Riley Jones, Zion Penman, Joachima Toa,

Angelyn Deja, Mark O'Rourke Jayden Fernandez-Zamora, Tamara Lamont, Kartik Maharaj, Leon Pangan, Carlo Calleja, Christian Durante and Zaelic Orayenza.

Stop Work Meeting

Parents, there will be a stop work meeting tomorrow Wednesday, 23rd July, 2014 for 3 hours from the commencement of school. The action involved members of the Independent Education Union (IEU) to discuss concerns regarding the proposed new Enterprise Agreement. We do not expect any interruption to school attendance and supervision will be provided. Thank you, Sr Brenda Kennedy, Acting Principal.

Year 3 and 4 Mass with the Parish

On Tuesday 5th August, the students from Years 3 and 4 will attend Mass with the Parish at 9.00 am. All welcome!

Jersey Day and 2014 Census Day

On Friday, 1st August, we have a Mufti Day with the theme—wear a jersey. It can be a jersey to support any team, from any sporting code. The rest of your outfit on the day can also be mufti, though make sure you wear sensible shoes so that you can play on the playground safely. Also, Friday is the annual Census Day. Please phone the school office on 9832 1509 from 7:00 am onwards on Friday if your child is going to be absent from school on this day for any reason. A signed letter of explanation from you must also be sent to the school on the day your child returns, for our records. This procedure is vital for our funding and audit purposes. Thank you for your assistance.

The Good Shepherd Annual Walkathon

Yes, it's Walkathon time again! This year's Walkathon is on Friday, 5th September in Week 8. The proceeds raised this year will go towards resources for the school to be determined at a later date. This is a great community event that promotes fitness and the children thoroughly enjoy the day. Please support your children, obtain sponsors and come along and assist on the day, if you are able. This would be much appreciated.

Chicken Pox Alert

Dear Parents/Carers—just to let you know that there have been a few reported cases of chicken pox throughout the school. If your child shows any signs/symptoms, please seek medical assistance. For further information on chicken pox and its symptoms, please visit website <http://edcp.org/factsheets/chickpox.html>. Thank you.

Class Captains for Term 3 2014

Class	Girl	Boy	Class	Girl	Boy
KB	Peighton Laurente	Jarred Hide	KG	Sidiah-Rose Lomano	Keoki Simonsen
KR	Ilyana Toma	Andrei Jambalos	KW	Mary Farhad	Kingston Tauaifaga
1B	Gaile Andrea Zapanta	River Uelese	1G	Jaymee Felizardo	Ian Stevens
1R	Coevinar Tukuafu	Mithran Marimuthu	1W	Zaebriel Orayenza	Duncan Fraser
2B	Amellia Deja	Benedict Cabrera	2G	Mehraeel Makram	Darren Mensah
2R	Marissa Galea	Christian Barasa	2W	Emily Carabott	JD Masi
3B	Amelee-Paige Frias	Traegan Mamic	3G	Jade Cabrera	Tino Heron
3R	Tiana Zammit	Jamie Ocampo	3W	Phoenix Welzel	Daniel Reyestan
4B	Jasmine Singh	Luke Lyons	4G	Hannah Fraser	Emjay Daez
4R	Ekata Patelesio	Diego Aleman	4W	Alicia Hall	Aiden Portugal
5B	Jazmyn Izon	Jeremiah Bustria	5G	Charlize Galang	Louis Ibanez
5R	Tania Juchkov	Nehaal Kumar	5W	Nikita Soans	Ved Rao
6B	Vaituloto Mauia	Kye Ferreira	6G	Abigail Romero	Jaden Tamayo
6R	Jacinta Nguyen	Nelson Tan	6W	Maria Marianayagam	Elijah San Pascual

Electronic Parent Newsletter

Parents, by now you would have received the Parent Newsletter electronically. **There will no longer be paper copies.** Please ensure you have entered your **current** email address on our School Website (as per instructions in the next paragraph). The newsletter can also be viewed on our School Website and via the Skoolbag App on your mobile phone.

To receive our Online Newsletter to your Inbox (**this is very easy and simple to do**), go to our School Website—www.gsplumpton.catholic.edu.au—"News & Events"—"Subscribe to our Newsletter" and enter your details.

You can also obtain an electronic copy of the Newsletter via the Skoolbag App. This is a **FREE** download.

To Install the Skoolbag App on your iPhone this is what you do:

Simply search for Good Shepherd School Plumpton in the App Store on your phone, PC or Mac and install. **After the App is installed on your phone, make sure that you select "OK" to allow Alert notifications. Also click on "more" then "Setup" and select which categories you would like to receive Alerts for.**

For those that have Android phones, simply search our school "Good Shepherd School Plumpton" and install. **After the app is installed click on "more" then "Setup" and select which categories you would like to receive Alerts for.**

If you do not have access to a computer or a mobile phone, please inform the school office and we can organise for you to receive a paper copy.



Our sincere condolences to the Hoggard family (Ayden 3W) on the passing of Ayden's grandfather. Please know that you and your family are in our thoughts and prayers at this very sad time.

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Plumpton Braves Baseball Club

Try Baseball & Registrations—20th, 27th July, 3rd August—10:00 am till 2:00 pm, Aloy Park, Plumpton. Free Sausage Sizzle. For all enquiries, please visit website: www.plumptonbraves.com.

St Marys Junior Indoor Soccer

Registrations: Weekdays 4:00 pm—6:00 pm from 30th June. Cost: \$65.00 per child which includes a playing shirt and shorts. For all inquiries please phone 9623-5523, Mobile: 0406 237 779 or visit website: www.stmarysindoorsports.com.au



Canteen News

(Two Meal Deals to choose from at \$4.50 each)

Available every day commencing Monday, 14th July—Friday, 25th July:

Meal Deal 1

Salad Wrap and Juice Popper

Meal Deal 2

5 Chicken Nuggets, Juice Popper and Mini Cookies

Both Meal Deals are \$4.50 each

Online Ordering: To order online please visit www.flexischools.com.au

Orders to be placed by 9.00 am daily. A copy of the latest Canteen Menu is available on our School Website.

P&F News

**Uniform Shop - New Opening Hours:
Wednesdays & Fridays 8.30 am—9.00 am**

This is run by volunteers and operates on Wednesday and Friday mornings during School Terms from 8.30 am—9.00 am. With the cooler months upon us, don't forget we also sell girls tights, hair elastics, beanies and scarves. We also 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.

Father's Day Raffle Donations:

We are in need of donations for our Annual Father's Day raffle. Families, if you have any gifts that you are able to donate, please leave them at the office. Thank you!

CatholicCare Social Services

Seminar—Understanding Family Law—Tuesday, 22nd July at 7:30 pm, at Blacktown.

Bookings and Inquiries: 9933 0205 or email: soloparentministry@ccss.org.au

Seasons for Growth—Bereavement Support Program (5 consecutive Tuesdays)—commencing Tuesday 5th August. Cost \$80.

Information and Registration: Ph 9933 0205 or email: soloparentministry@ccss.org.au

UWS Penrith Observatory

The University of Western Sydney Penrith Observatory is holding two Astronomy Nights—Saturday, 26th July (7:00 pm—9:00 pm) "Is anyone out there? And Saturday, 2nd August (7:00 pm—9:00 pm) "Supermassive Black Holes and the Unified Model". For all bookings, please phone (02) 4736 0135 or email r.mccourt@uws.edu.au

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