



Good Shepherd Primary School Newsletter

17th Sunday in
Ordinary Time

Term 3

Week 2

Tuesday, 30th July, 2019



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Grandparents & Special Visitors Day at our School!!

Wow—what a fabulous morning we had with our grandparents, parents, relatives and friends. The day commenced with a Liturgy of the Word in our beautiful Church, followed by open classrooms, activities and a delicious morning tea! We are very appreciative of you coming and celebrating the day with us.



Term 3 concludes:
Thursday, 26th September

Term 4 commences:
Monday, 14th October

Upcoming Events

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| Friday, 2nd August: | Infants Athletics Carnival (9.30 am—1.00 pm Good Shepherd School) |
| Friday, 2nd August: | 5 cent Friday coin collection for Fr Luan |
| Friday, 2nd August: | Fruity Friday—see inside newsletter for further details |
| Monday, 5th August: | Parent Group Meeting (6.30 pm Good Shepherd School. All parents welcome) |
| Tuesday, 6th August: | Reconciliation (11.00 am Good Shepherd Church). |
| Wednesday, 7th August: | Year 2 Excursion to Chatswood |
| Thursday, 8th August: | St Mary of the Cross Feast Day |
| Thursday, 15th August: | Whole School Mass (9.00 am Good Shepherd Church) |
| Thursday, 22nd August: | Whole School Book Parade—more details shortly |
| Friday, 30th August: | Kindergarten Teddy Bear's Picnic—(12.00 pm onwards. Note with details will be sent home shortly.) |

Fruity Friday

Fruity Friday is underway and it was great to see extra pieces of fruit added to lunchboxes last week. Keep up the good work! Class teachers are keeping a tally of pieces of fruit eaten on Fridays and hopefully they will see the number increase each week. Our School Captains have been spreading the message to the children and even Emmanuel was dressed up as a banana!

Did you know that bananas are considered both a fruit and a herb?

The banana tree is not a tree at all as its stem doesn't contain any woody tissue, which makes it a herb. And by definition, a fruit develops from the ovary of a flower (which is exactly what a banana does) and contains the seeds of that plant. Now we don't really see seeds in commercially grown bananas but wild bananas are almost inedible as they contain loads of big black seeds. Maybe we should have a new term for them – a frerb? a hruit?

Here are a couple more 'fruity jokes' to enjoy. (If you have a 'fruity joke' that you would like included in the parent newsletter, send it to Mrs Cooke. It can be about vegetables too!)

What did the apple skin say to the apple?
I got you covered.

What do you call a banana that likes to dance?
A banana shake!



Term 3 Library Borrowing & Sports Days

Library Borrowing:

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| Mondays: | Kinder & Year 6 |
| Tuesdays: | Year 1 and Year 2 |
| Wednesdays: | Year 3 and Year 4 |
| Thursdays: | Year 5 |

Sports Days:

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| Wednesdays: | KB, KG, 2B, 2G, Year 4, 5B and 5G |
| Thursdays: | 1B, 1G, Year 3, 5R, 5W, 6B & 6G |
| Fridays: | KR, KW, 1R, 1W, 2R, 2W and 6R |

Please note **ALL KINDER STUDENTS** need to wear their Sports uniform **on Tuesdays** as well.

Term 3 2019 Staff Development Day (Pupil Free Day)

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 3's Staff Development Day is a Pupil Free Day and will take place on **Friday, 27th September (Week 10)**. 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.

Change in PE lessons in Week 3 for Kinder and Year 2

All of Kinder are to wear their sports uniform on Tuesday and Wednesday next week (Week 3).

All of Year 2 are to wear their PE uniform on Friday only. This change is due to Year 2 going on their excursion that week. Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.



2019 Dates

Term 3

Concludes: Thursday, 26th September

Term 4

Commences: Monday, 14th October (Week 1)

Concludes: Wednesday, 18th December

2019 Staff Development Days (Pupil Free Days)

Term 3: Friday 27th September

Term 4: Thursday, 19th December and Friday 20th December

No access to Bingo Hall Car Park

Dear Parents, please note due to major works the Bingo Hall Car Park will be closed from tomorrow **Wednesday, 31st July through to Friday, 2nd August**. There will be no access to this car park permitted. Alternative parking is available in the Church car park or the car park beside the Plumpton shopping centre. Thank you.

Parent Group Meeting— Monday, 5th August

Dear Parents, just a reminder that there will be a meeting held at Good Shepherd Primary School on Monday, 7th August commencing at 6.30 pm, concluding at 7.30 pm. Please come along to hear the latest news and enjoy the opportunity of meeting new people. All parents welcome!

Social Skill of the Week

"Make way for an adult"

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**. If leave is **10 days or more**, an interview with the Principal is also required, together with an Application for Extended Leave form. 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.**

Leave during school terms is strongly discouraged.

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.

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 | Aayara Patel | KG | Billy Allen |
| KR | Ellyse Brielle Danguilan | KW | Thomas Shehata |
| 1B | Aiden Alano | 1G | Aiden Lees |
| 1R | Sophia Moawad | 1W | Nate Glover |
| 2B | Winston Milag | 2G | Florian Barbor |
| 2R | Aahana Trivedi | 2W | Aryan Shah |
| 3B | Darianne Afinidad | 3G | Kot Job |
| 3R | Nishi Patel | 3W | Sunny Nijjar |
| 4B | Amou Majok | 4G | Tevita Ma'asi |
| 4R | Emmanuel Ibanez | 4W | Gabriel Manalo |
| 5B | Lachlan Bell | 5G | Pranith Tirumalasetti |
| 5R | Mariah Attard | 5W | Mariem Tungul |
| 6B | Tanielle Farrell | 6G | Renaise Alpuerto |
| 6R | Lily Taranto | | |

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.

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 an interview with your child's Year Group Coordinator. Year Group Coordinators are as follows:

Kinder: Mrs Bianca Cooke

Year 1: Mrs Trish Conner

Year 2: Mrs Yvonne Davies

Year 3: Mrs Debbie Dela Paz

Year 4: Mrs Beulah Frankson

Year 5: Mr Ian Byrne

Year 6: Ms Elizabeth Le Breton

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



Class Captains for Term 3 2019

| Class | Name of Girl Student | Name of Boy Student |
|-------|--------------------------|----------------------------|
| KB | Grace Gearman | Rowan Shakya |
| KG | Krishna Dimri | Billy Allen |
| KR | Valentina Milag | Mabior Acuoth |
| KW | Dianne Nicolas | Enzo Ygay |
| 1B | Tavalliah Vakai | Matthew Assey |
| 1G | Erin Alcober | Alexander La |
| 1R | Emalyn Shaw | Levi Findlay |
| 1W | Maci Brayshaw | Dev Talati |
| 2B | Jasmine Hoang | Raphael Dominguez |
| 2G | Brooklyn Viray | Ahaan Arora |
| 2R | Fatima Mancao | Kristopher Jayden Leonardo |
| 2W | Mackenzie Jones | Ankit Maharaj |
| 3B | Cassandra Pascual | Christin Jane |
| 3G | Bronte-Rose Marks | Andrail Adriano |
| 3R | Ruby Cornish | Yug Pandya |
| 3W | Riena Manuel | Sandeep (Summy) Nijjar |
| 4B | Mahalea Miles | Emmanuel Momoh |
| 4G | Isabella Gutierrez | Samiuela Tonga |
| 4R | Laiza Chicote | Armando Montales |
| 4W | Angeliah Elters | Onkar Mehrok |
| 5B | Ashleigh Gallates | Carlo Calleja |
| 5G | Shiloh Sumilang | Macsimos Agpoon |
| 5R | Mariah Attard | Tristan Duncan |
| 5W | Ty Smith | Bella (Skye) Monge Alfaro |
| 6B | Ana Vaka | Xander Mendiola |
| 6G | Rosemary Shamoka | Ian Stevens |
| 6R | Analiese (Siola) Haufano | Declan Pitkin |

Student Absences

Dear Parents,

Just a quick reminder that **ALL student absences need to be explained. This is a legal requirement.** We ask that on your child's return to school you send a note to your child's teacher to explain their absence from school. We need to receive this note within seven days of the last day of absence.

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.**



2019 Census Day

Dear Parents & Carers, this Friday, 2nd August (Week 2) is the annual Census Day. Please phone the school office on Ph. 9836 7100 from 8:00 am onwards on that 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.



Hairstyling, Grooming and Earrings

Students are expected to keep their hair clean, neat and tidy at all times. Students are to keep hair off their face and out of their eyes. Student haircuts are to be in a sensible and conventional style. There are to be no extremes of fashion in hairstyle cut or colour. Shaving of any part of the head or undercuts, and haircuts with a number 1 or 2 blade are not permitted. Rat's tails are not permitted. For girls, long hair below the shoulder should be tied back by a ribbon, 'scrunchy', hair band or clip in school colours. Only one pair of sleepers or studs are to be worn in the lower ear lobe. No dangling earrings.

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. This policy is effective immediately. Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.



Kindergarten 2020 Enrolments

PLEASE!!
NOTE

Enrolment Application forms for Kindergarten 2020 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 new siblings for 2020.

School Fees 2019

Dear Parents, accounts for the third instalment of school fees have been posted out shortly. **Payment will be due 28th August.** 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 to set up a new arrangement. **Please note that a term's notice in writing must be given to the Principal before the removal of a student or 10 week's fees will be payable.**

Small change for a big result!

Dear Families of Good Shepherd,
This Friday 26th July we will continue to keep the goodwill rolling for Fr Luan. If you have any noisy, rattling coins in your car, wallet or purse we can help you! Please donate spare 5 cent or other coins. So far we have reached half way to one generator. Your small change makes a **BIG** difference. Thank you for your continuing generosity.

Thank
You!

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.

Safety Note

Dear Parents, just a gentle reminder that when entering the turning circle at the front of the school, the first car is to move to the sign—children must exit the car from the passenger side, not the driver's side. Please move forward if there is space in front of you as more cars can use this space effectively. This ensures everyone's safety. Thank you for your cooperation.



Anaphylaxis

As you are aware Good Shepherd Primary School has adopted a nut free policy to protect its students. Due to the presence of children who have anaphylactic reactions, nuts represent a considerable threat to the well-being of some of the school community. An anaphylactic reaction can be fatal. Could parents please further assist us by making sure that their children do not bring any nut products to school eg peanut butter, Nutella and other nut spreads, chocolate bars with nuts in them like Snickers, some muesli products, some cake or biscuit products—the list is extensive. If parents could check the labels carefully before buying products for school lunches, it would be greatly appreciated. If your child has an allergy and he/she does not wear a wrist band at school, please contact Mrs Doran in the School Office. (Wrist Bands are also available for asthma and diabetes).

Scholastic Bookclub Issue 5

Dear Parents, please note Book Club orders are due Friday, 9th August (Week 3). Thank you.



Children Absent from School



In the event of your child being absent from school due to illness, **please inform the school office by phone or email. It is necessary that a written note of explanation be forwarded to the class teacher**

on the day of your child's return to school. Prolonged absences from school due to illness should be supported by a medical certificate.

Slow down to 40 when bus lights flash!!

Dear Parents, please click on the following link regarding bus awareness.

<https://roadsafety.transport.nsw.gov.au/campaigns/be-bus-aware/bus-flashing-lights.html>



Flora
and
fauna

deciduous:

I chopped down
the deciduous
tree growing in my
garden.

*Attendance
matters !!*



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Are you looking for school done differently?

A photograph of five diverse students (three girls and two boys) sitting together, looking at books and laptops, appearing to be in a collaborative learning environment. A large green triangle is overlaid on the image, containing text about open days.

OPEN DAYS
20 August &
4 September
4:00pm - 8:00pm
Presentations at
6:00pm & 7:30pm
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91 North Parade Mount Druitt

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News from the Catholic Education Office (Cont'd)



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Register your interest today to attend an information evening
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AENGUS KAVANAGH CENTRE 59 Railway Street Mount Druitt
Tuesday 6 & Wednesday 7 August from 4pm - 6pm



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26th July, 2019

Colour:

Dear Parents,

On Friday 2nd August, Good Shepherd School will be holding an Infants (Kinder, Year 1 & Year 2) Athletics Carnival on the school oval.

All children are to wear their sports uniform. To familiarise the children with their sport house colour they may wear a coloured T shirt of their sport house. Bradman is blue, Fraser is red, McKay is green and Newcombe is yellow.

All children will participate in a 95 metre Sprint and 4 Novelty events. They will run in Grade groups – Boys races and Girls races.

Please allow your child to wear their sports uniform with their sport house colour T-shirt

Program for the day is as follows:

8.30am.....School commences

9.40am..... 95 m sprint races for Yr.2, Yr.1 and Kindergarten

10.30 am Normal recess

11.00 am..... Return to oval for 2 sets of novelty events

12.40 pm..... Return to class

1.00pmNormal lunch

Parents are welcome to attend and support their children. These activities are all part of their Physical Education and sports program. Pupils will return to class when activities are concluded.

Yours faithfully,
Ms A Latham
Sports Coordinator



Casual Work

1 X Casual position- Blacktown Local Government Area (0000774H)

Help protect our vibrant school communities

Become a Casual School Crossing Supervisor!

- Keep our kids, parents and teachers safe on the road
- Be a second pair of eyes for our local motorists
- Earn an income and still have time to live your life to the fullest

Shifts fall between the school zones hours 8.00am to 9.30am and 2.30pm to 4.00pm, with a minimum of one, one hour shift as and when required Monday to Friday during the school term.

Does this sound like you?

- ✓ Reliable in good or bad weather
- ✓ Good communication skills
- ✓ Community spirit
- ✓ Positive energy

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Applications close 11.59pm Sunday, 11 August 2019



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