



Good Shepherd Primary School Newsletter

1st Sunday of Advent

Term 4

Week 8

Tuesday, 23rd November 2021



Dear Parents and Guardians,

This Sunday coming is the start of Advent – the time of waiting and preparing. It's a time to think of the Christmas story and the birth of Jesus.

A teenage girl is to be the Mother of God and a carpenter is going to take her on a trip on a donkey! During Advent we are encouraged to prepare for Christ to be born into our lives but, as Mary and Joseph experienced, you don't have to be highly prepared with your life in total order. You need to be open to the will of God, to have faith and to have hope.

Christ, during His life, showed that He was not seeking people who are perfectly prepared and in control of things. He was interested in people who had difficulties in their lives but who wanted a way out of these difficulties; people who were honest with themselves and of good intention.

Christ, today, does not expect us to be perfect but to be people of hope, who trust that His coming will have meaningful consequences in our lives. The teenaged Mary and the carpenter Joseph are wonderful examples of how amazing things can occur, if we have hope and trust in God's word.

"Jesus, as Joseph and Mary experienced, being associated with You is full of the unexpected, being people in their lives to where they would not have chosen to go.

Help us not to be afraid but to be people of courage as we live Your values and reflect Your image. Amen."

Peace and Best Wishes.

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Term 4 concludes:
Wednesday 15th December

2022

Tues 1st Feb: Years 1 to 6 commence

Wed 2nd Feb: New Kinders' First Day

Thurs 3rd Feb: Kinder Siblings' First Day

Upcoming Events

Thursday, 25th November	Year 4 Fairytale Day
Friday, 26th November	Vinnies Appeal Christmas Mufti Day (gold coin donation please) Students to wear Christmas colours.
Monday, 29th November	Year 6 Grade Gala Day
Tuesday, 30th November	Year 1 Grade Gala Day
Tuesday, 30th November	Year 6 Reflection Day
Monday, 6th December	Year 2 Grade Gala Day
Wednesday, 8th December	Year 6 Graduation - 11.30 am (will be Livestreamed)
Thursday, 9th December	Year 1 Polar Express Day
Friday, 10th December	Good Shepherd Swim Trials

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	Tristan Sausa	KG	Ojaun Vakai
KR	Jericho Cruz	KW	Garang Atak
1G	Tahreasha Foster-Graff	1R	Munlene Kaur
1W	Clara El-Ghossein		
2B	Tong Bol	2G	Aryan Kumar
2R	Tobias Sanak	2W	Tadeana Goodwin
3B	Jason Aziz	3G	Ethan Dayal
3R	Krishan Chand	3W	Lucas Portugal
4B	Isaac Narayan	4G	Christian Elters
4R	Andrei Bichescu	4W	Lauren Torres
5B	Juliana Wilbert J	5G	Bianca Galea
5R	Sonny Stanley	5W	Shlok Samli
6B	Giezelle Autor	6G	Shyla Soliman
6R	Raphael Santos	6W	Cassandra Cruz

Social Skill of the Week

"Chew with your mouth closed"

Captivate - Return of Instruments

Dear Parents, if your child has finished band lessons, please have them return their instrument to the school office by the end of this week. If your child is still completing lessons, please have their instrument returned no later than Friday 3rd December 2021 (Week 10). Thank you.



Keeping Everyone Safe

Please encourage your child to be alert and not be looking at their phone and devices when crossing the road or walking through carparks.

Please feel free to let the school office know if you notice anything around the school and its surrounds that may be a danger or hazard to our families and members of the public. It is everyone's responsibility to ensure safety of others.



Term 4 2021 Staff Development Days (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 4's Staff Development Day is a Pupil Free Day and will take place on **Thursday, 16th December (Week 11)**. Our thanks to parents for organising care for their children. COSHC will **NOT** be able to offer spaces for care on this day.

School Fees and Final Payments

Dear Parents, school fees accounts are now overdue. Please make your payments promptly. If you are experiencing difficulties please contact Mrs Haywood on 9836 7100 to discuss your options.

Final date for payments to the office will be Tuesday 14th December. Alternatively payments for school fees can be made at the post office or via Bpay.

PLEASE NOTE

Kindergarten 2022 Enrolments

Only a few spots left so please call and collect an Enrolment pack from the office. Parents, if you already have a child at Good Shepherd, you will need to submit an Enrolment Form for any new siblings for 2022.

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.** Thank you.

Water Bottles

Dear Parents,

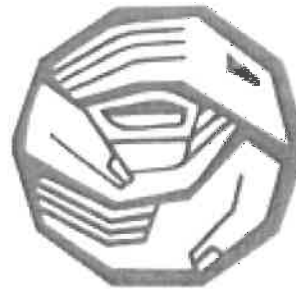
Please ensure your child brings to school each day, their recess and lunch, their hat and a water bottle. All items are to be clearly labelled with their name on it. Thank you.



If your child has any cold flu like symptoms, please take your child to have a covid test and supply the certificate prior to returning to school. Thank you, Mrs Carr.

GOOD SHEPHERD PRIMARY SCHOOL

MINI-VINNIES



CHRISTMAS APPEAL MUFTI DAY *FRIDAY 26th NOV 2021*

5th November 2021

Dear Parents of Good Shepherd,

As the season of Christmas is approaching we are once again calling on your generosity. The St. Vincent de Paul Society would like to put together Christmas hampers for the needy in our area.

Our aim is to bring some joy into the lives of some families on Christmas Day. As we sit down to our Christmas lunches and open our presents, we should remember those families who will not have any such celebrations except for your generosity. Our school has supported this appeal in the past through the work of our Mini-Vinnies team of Year Six students.

Due to Covid restrictions we are unable to collect food so instead we are having a Christmas Mufti day. We ask the students to dress in Christmas colours and donate a gold coin which we will donate to our local St. Vincent de Paul Society to purchase food items.

Thank you

Ava Stone

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Benji

Benji Reyes

(Mini -Vinnies Presidents)



Summer Vacation Care 2022 Program

WEEK 1 —Good Shepherd Plumpton

<p>Monday 10th January Welcome to 2022 Day \$60 IN-CENTRE</p>	 <p>Happy New Year!</p>	<p>Help us to ring in the new year with new year's celebrations. We will have 2021 COSHC in review and view pics and peeks of 2021. Celebrate a fresh new year with new year's craft and activities</p>	<p>Bring: Morning tea, lunch, refillable water bottle and hat.</p>
<p>Tuesday 11th January Animation Day \$70 WORKSHOP</p>		<p>Join COSHC Educators today to look at some of our favorite animation characters and do some plaster painting in our Plaster painting workshop, come dressed as your favorite animation character</p> <p><u>Workshop authority form required for this activity.</u></p>	<p>Bring: Morning tea, lunch, refillable water bottle and hat.</p>
<p>Wednesday 12th January COSHC Mystery Box Day \$70 WORKSHOP</p>		<p>Today we will be given some mystery ingredients to prepare and create. We will also make some other goodies, such as gozleme and mystery craft. Come dressed as a chef today!!</p> <p><u>Workshop authority form required for this activity.</u></p>	<p>Bring: Morning tea, lunch, refillable water bottle and hat.</p>
<p>Thursday 13th January Colour Warz Day \$60 IN-CENTRE</p>		<p>We will join one of 4 colour teams today, to try and catch another team's flag. We will compete in team challenges and team games to see what colour team takes out colour warz, Come dressed in all black today and be given your colour.</p>	<p>Bring: Morning tea, lunch, refillable water bottle and hat.</p>
<p>Friday 14th January WATER SLIDE DAY \$70 WORKSHOP</p>		<p>Today the whale water slide visits COSHC. Bring your towels and hats, wear your rashie tops and shorts to hop on and have a go on the water slide</p> <p><u>Workshop authority form required for this activity</u></p>	<p>Bring: Morning tea, lunch, refillable water bottle and hat.</p>

Children must wear sun-safe clothing with sleeves & collar, enclosed sports shoes, socks & a sun-safe hat (legionnaire or bucket hat with wide brim) for all outdoor play and excursions. The service will supply breakfast and afternoon tea each day and is an allergy aware service—please do not bring **nuts or eggs**. Children will not be able to purchase food while off site.

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WEEK 2 — Good Shepherd Plumpton

<p>Monday 17th January Paint and Sip \$70 WORKSHOP</p>	 <p>Find your inner Picasso and create your own masterpiece whilst having a sip of a juice listening to relaxing music, all things craft is on the itinerary for today</p> <p><u>Workshop authority form required for this activity.</u></p>	<p>Tuesday 18th January Bike and Scooter Day \$60 WORKSHOP</p>	 <p>Get your pedals running, get your scooters moving today it's Bike and Scooter Day!!!</p> <p>Bring your bikes and scooters and we will have a blast, don't forget your helmet to be able to ride, we will also do some activities around safety.</p> <p><u>Workshop authority form required for this activity.</u></p>	<p>Wednesday 19th January Circus Day \$70 WORKSHOP</p>	 <p>Roll up, roll up, join us for our circus day, come dressed as your favorite circus character. Today we are hula hooping, juggling, balancing on a string performing our circus acts in our circus work shop, with face painting and having popcorn and a snow cone.</p> <p><u>Workshop authority form required for this activity.</u></p>	<p>Thursday 20th January Treasure Hunt Day \$60 IN-CENTRE</p>	 <p>Ahoy me maties, put on your fine pirate clothes and come on a treasure hunt, we will find me treasure, we will make me treasure map and we will find what pirate Educator took me Treasure, don't forget me eye patch!</p>	<p>Friday 21st January Minute to win it \$60 IN-CENTRE</p>	 <p>How many pegs can you stick on your clothes? How many levels can you build in a card house? How may ping pong balls can you get in a cup?</p> <p>We will see in 60 Seconds.</p> <p>Join us for minute to win it</p> <p>Can you beat the Educators!!</p>
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WEEK 3 — Good Shepherd Plumpton

<p>Monday 24th January Mini putt putt / Virtual Escape \$75 WORKSHOP</p>	<p>Tuesday 25th January Aussie backyard Games Day \$70 WORKSHOP</p>	<p>Wednesday 26th January SERVICE CLOSED</p>	<p>Thursday 27th January Kids Cluedo day \$60 IN-CENTRE</p>	<p>Friday 28th January Chinese New Year \$70 WORKSHOP</p>
 <p>Today let's have a round or two of golf, verse your friends when the mini putt putt course comes to us at Good Shepherd , we will need to have our thinking caps on to complete the clues to get out of the virtual escape room.</p> <p><u>Workshop authority form required for this activity.</u></p>	 <p>Let's get out the slip and slide, and have some backyard fun, bring your hat towels and rashie tops and wear shorts so we can get wet. We will have a cooking workshop where we will make fairy bread Anzac biscuits, sausage sandwich and juice box for lunch</p> <p><u>Workshop authority form required for this activity.</u></p>	<p>PUBLIC HOLIDAY</p>	 <p>Can you guess who did it, follow the clues, complete the activities to solve the clues and all will be revealed, but don't be too quick to answer your clues so make sure you pay attention.</p> <p>Come dress up as what you want to be when you grow up and we will give you your character for the day.</p>	 <p>Happy Chinese New Year. What is your Chinese Zodiac sign? Join us and find out. We are having a chicken and vegetarian sushi and making fortune cookies workshop. We will be looking into the Year of the Tiger, origami and Chinese lanterns.</p> <p>Dress in the colours black, red and gold.</p> <p><u>Workshop authority form required for this activity.</u></p>
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Child Information (As listed on your enrolment form)

Child Name: _____ Age: _____ School Year: _____

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Are children currently enrolled at an Ambrose Before/After School Care service? YES / NO

If YES, which Service do they currently attend? _____

If NO, and you have **not completed an online enrolment form in Xplor** you must complete the enrolment form before your vacation care booking will be accepted. Please speak to the Service Coordinator if you are unsure. The link to the online enrolment form for Good Shepherd vacation care is https://prodadmin.myxplor.com/enrollment_v2/centre/Juoyss0qLnZpHfDw2Kw7Ug

I hereby give my permission for my child/ren to participate in the excursions and workshops on the dates I have indicated on this booking form:

Preferred Contact Number: _____

Preferred Email Address: _____

Parent/Carer Name: _____

Parent/Carer Signature: _____

Date: _____