

Good Shepherd Catholic Primary School PRE-KINDERGARTEN TO YEAR 6

Learning through Faith, Love and Laughter

Newsletter 11 Term 3 Week 1

20 July 2022

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Welcome back to the school routines as we embark on Term 3, it is always good to see the children's smiling faces as they return to school. Looking at the Term 3 calendar, it looks like another busy term with lots of opportunities for the children to develop their skills in a range of areas. Some of these events include: Performing Arts Festival items, Speak Up awards, Creative Edge Thinking program and the School and Interschool Athletics Carnivals.

Performing Arts

Term 3 at Good Shepherd has a tradition of being a fantastic term from a performing arts perspective where the children are actively engaged in both solo and group performances to showcase the skills they have developed to audiences in different venues across Perth. These opportunities are coordinated by Diana Newman with the support of a range of other staff members. The festival provides the ultimate purpose for the children to develop these skills and is something the children really look forward to.

Diana Newman and I will be joined by Penny Hall and Luke Pilot at the annual Opening Performing Arts festival Mass tomorrow morning at St Mary's cathedral. A range of solo and group performances will take place in the next few weeks, we have 4 choirs performing on 25th August (children in Years 3-6) and the festival concludes with the final concert on the 12th September.

COVID-19 Update

Our challenges with COVID will clearly continue as we embark on the second half of 2022. As I indicated in the correspondence provided on Monday afternoon, there continue to be no mandates in place for primary school aged children to wear masks, but we do encourage children to consider wearing masks in indoor venues where it is difficult to physically distance. I will provide a further update following a state-wide on-line meeting of all CEWA principal's this Friday morning.

Speak Up Awards

In 2022, we have increased the profile and expectations of our Year 5 and 6 students to be involved in the Speak Up awards. Public speaking skills are difficult to develop and the only way we can develop them is to encourage children to move out of their comfort zone to put themselves in this position. It was great to see so many children participate by choosing their own topic to research and prepare an oral presentation to share with their class. I am very pleased to announce that 3 students will be representing our school at the annual Speak Up awards: Zoe Daly from Year 6 (her topic is Anne Frank), Isabelle Heffernan from Year 6 (her topic is Endangered Species) and Muna Edwin-Asomugha (his topic is Music).

Congratulations to all the children who participated in the program under the guidance of Barbara Stone and Renee Guazzelli, and best wishes to the children representing our school later this term.

Preparing for the Athletics Season

From a sport perspective, we move into the athletics season. Athletics will be the focus during the weekly physical education session, during the second sport session for the children in Years 3-6 on Tuesday afternoons after lunch and also the before school session on Tuesday mornings from 8am-8:30am. All students are encouraged to participate as fully as possible in these sessions to develop their skills as well as they possibly can.

Parent Education Session – Cyber Safety (Save the Date: Tuesday 18th October)

In consultation with the P&F, I have organised a guest speaker to come to our school to address the children in Years 5 and 6 in the morning between 9am and 10am before returning in the evening for a parent education session between 6:30pm and 8pm.

Paul Litherland is the presenter, Paul has recently been awarded 2022 WA Australian of the Year for his work across the community in cyber safety education for students and parents. Paul spends time with the students during the day to add context to his presentation in the evening. Paul will be addressing topics which include:

Cyber Bullying – Responsibilities and statistics. Coping strategies and reporting options.

Digital Citizenship – Where they go online and how the websites they use and visit work. I offer examples of bad and good citizenship.

Online Footprint – How the modern internet uses and stores their information and how they can minimise their footprint. I use visual examples of this with online images.

Social Networking & Networking in general – The Apps and Networks they kids use and will use in the future are explained and they are guided as to how to use them safely and appropriately.

Online Gaming and Website Use – Safe gaming sites and methods to minimise risk.

Netiquette – Their responsibilities online as well as what are appropriate and inappropriate behaviours.

Reporting Options – Sites and options to help when things go wrong.

The presentation will be more pertinent for the parents of children in the top half of our school, but parents of younger children are also encouraged to attend to build their understanding of the use of technology in the world their children are growing up in.

Thanks again to the P&F for their support in sharing the cost of the presentation with us. Please save the date, Tuesday 18th October, we are hoping to get as many parents as possible to come along for the presentation followed by some refreshments.

Finally, I have been asked to be on a panel to work in a different school next week, from Monday to Wednesday and will be returning to school on Thursday next week.

Best wishes for the coming fortnight.

Paul Hansen

Principal

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, 21 July - PAF Opening Liturgy

Tuesday, 26 July - SAC Meeting 6.00pm

Thursday, 28 July - PAF Year 6 Percussion Ensemble 11am

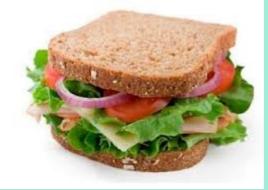
Wednesday, 3 August - PAF Choral Speech Yrs 1 & 2 11am

Monday, 15 August - Assumption Mass @ Church 9.30am

Thursday, 18 August - PAF Band - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 - 6.30-9.30pm

Thursday, 25 August - PAF Choirs - Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 - 9.30-10.45am

Click for the Current Term 3 Calendar



Term 3 2022 Canteen Roster

Canteen Menu

CANTEEN

Thank you to all the parent volunteers who help in the canteen. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Wendy, Canteen Manager

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Enrolments 2023

If you are seeking a place for your child in Kindergarten 2023 or know someone that would be interested in sending their child to GSK, please contact the office for an enrolment pack or consult our website. **Families with siblings are also required to submit an enrolment form**. Interviews will take place this term.

Enrolments in other Year groups are also available

Your child's journey starts HERE



Netball Training for New Players

Netball Training for New Players will be on tomorrow Thursday 21st July – please pack your child a change of clothes and sneakers and a small snack.

Our GSK Netball Club is seeking new players for our Spring competition, which is run from Term 4 Tuesday 11th October to 19th December 2022 and also for our Winter Competition next year 2023.

All games for our Spring Season are played at SDNA Netball Association in Langford on a Tuesday evening. Game times can be from 4.30pm- 7ish depending on the grade you are in.

1 Game is played each Tuesday which runs for approx. 45 mins.

Generally no training for this competition.

We would like any interested players to COME AND TRY NETBALL from Year 1 – Year 6 starting the first week of Term 3 afterschool on Thursday from 3pm-4pm for 4 weeks ending 11th August 22.

This short 4 weeks will help any player thinking about netball if they like the game and would like to join our club.

Please either email your interest or contact via text or phone prior by 20th July as I will need to

know who will be staying afterschool with us.

rachelcutri@bigpond.com

0400 230 913

Many thanks

Rachel Cutri

Club President

GSK Netball Club

Camp Australia - Before and After School Care

Bookings now open for 2022

2022 bookings for Your OSHC program are open. Registration is free for all families. We recommend that all families register so if you ever need or want to attend, all you need to do is book your session as we'll already have all the documentation we need from you. You simply have to login and register through our Parent Portal, also available as a smartphone app, and start booking.

Camp Australia Information

Uniform Shop 2022

Opening Times

Monday afternoon 2.00-3.30pm and Friday morning 8.00-9.30am

Linda, Uniform Shop Manager

Click on the button below for the Uniform Policy

School Fees

Please direct any enquiries to the accounts email: accounts@gsk.wa.edu.au or call 9496 9200 Option 3

Lee Maxfield - Finance Officer



The Important Role of Father Figures and Male Role Models

A father figure can be any positive male role model in a child's life. They can be sports coaches, teachers, uncles, grandparents or even your child's friend's dad

Men of GSK - Fathering Project Page

Lumen Christi College - Instrumental Program

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Community News



Good Shepherd Catholic Parish Kelmscott - Fr Pavol Herda

Parish Website: <u>www.goodshepherdkelmscott.com</u>

Phone: 9495 1489 (Office Wed-Fri)

Masses at our Parish Church

Weekday Masses: Mon-Wed & Friday 8am, Thursday: 6.30pm

Saturday: 8.00am, 6.00pm 8.00pm: Neocatechumenal Mass

Sunday: 8.30am Latin Mass

Sunday: 10:00am and 6:00pm

When attending Mass you are strongly encouraged to maintain physical distancing where possible and not to attend Mass if you are feeling in any way unwell.

Any person aged 16 or over visiting the church and/or attending Mass must complete the mandatory Covid-19 contact register.

The Council for Catholic Women Perth

Promoting the Participation of Women in the Catholic Church

The Committee for the Council for Catholic Women Perth warmly invites you to 3 talks by Dr Cristina Lledo Gomez at James Nestor Hall Catholic Education Office 60 Ruislip St West Leederville. Cristina is the Presentation Sisters Lecturer at BBI-The Australian Institute of Theological Education where she promotes women's spiritualities, feminist theologies, and ecotheologies. Married with 2 children Cristina is proud of her Filipina heritage.

Friday 5 August: 5.30pm - 8.30pm - *Colonisation, Church and the Migrant Australian (*Light refreshments served 5.30pm - 6pm)

Saturday 6 August: 10am -12pm - *Integral Ecology and Our Shared Existence* (light lunch provided) Saturday 6 August: 1pm-3pm - *Reclaiming Mary: Empowered versus Patriarchal Motherhood.*

RSVP Wednesday 3 August by email <u>kerrymacfarlane2@hotmail.com</u> or mobile 0400 886 835. All welcome.



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