



**Good Shepherd**  
Catholic Primary School  
**PRE-KINDERGARTEN**  
**TO YEAR 6**

*Learning through Faith, Love and Laughter*

## Newsletter 7 Term 2 Week 3

**11 May 2022**

Dear Parents and Caregivers,

Term 2 has continued to develop with some beautiful Autumn weather which has been great for the children to spend time outdoors. The rain is coming now, but we have certainly been spoilt with the weather over the last few weeks.

### **Good Shepherd Feast Day**

Last Friday was a definite highlight of the past fortnight, as we celebrated Good Shepherd Feast Day as a community. It was wonderful to join together as a whole school, in the Church and celebrate Mass together to begin our Feast day celebrations. The children then returned to school and spent some time with their buddy class, which included a visit to the Mother's Day stall which was an opportunity for the children to purchase something special for their mum. The afternoon was a great tabloid sport afternoon for the children from Pre-Primary to Year 6 where the children enjoyed a range of activities designed to develop their ball skills on a beautiful sunny afternoon.

### **Mother's Day Stall**

As I mentioned briefly above, the Mother's Day stall was a definite highlight for the children last Friday. It was lovely to see the older children attend the Mother's Day stall with their buddy and ensure that they could navigate their way through the process of purchasing a gift and the financial transaction. We

hope all the mothers and grandmothers in the community were made to feel special last weekend and enjoyed receiving their gift from our Mother's Day stall.

Special thanks to Narelle Berry and Danica Smith for coordinating the stall on behalf of the P&F and also to Bec Boardman, Monica Pilot, Kelly Platten, LeslieAnn Dubier and Karen Parrott for their assistance on the day and donation of gifts for the children to purchase. There were a whole range of important messages portrayed to the children through the Mother's Day stall.

### **COVID Update**

We have had a challenging week in the community with COVID, a number of new positive cases across a range of classes since the weekend. I just ask everyone to remain vigilant with the symptoms and consider maintaining the masks in the more crowded, indoor venues. We do have a number of staff away from school at the moment which is adding to the challenge. Parents are also reminded to let us know via email, register any positive cases with WA Health and also on the self-reporting link to CEWA as we continue to track the cases through our system.

### **School Cross Country**

We are all looking forward to the school cross country carnival this Tuesday, 17 May. The children from Pre-Primary to Year 2 will have their race on the oval between 12noon and 12:40pm. We will then break for our normal lunch break and re-commence the races from Years 3-6 from approximately 1:15pm, starting with the Year 3's and finishing with the Year 6's. Each year group will be split into a boys race and a girls race.

The children have had lots of opportunity to prepare for the carnival with the running around the track commencing early last term with the before school sessions on Tuesday mornings as well as the second sport session on Tuesday afternoons for the children in Years 3-6. We are hoping the weather will be kind to us with some rain forecast for the next week or so and the day will be a good lead into the Interschool Cross Country carnival which will be held at our school on Friday, 27 May.

## **Liturgies in Term 2**

As I mentioned, it was a beautiful morning last Friday when we all gathered at the Good Shepherd Church for a whole school Mass to celebrate Good Shepherd feast day. However, Fr Pavol is still unable to come into our school community due to the COVID restrictions, but I have connected with two deacons who are able to assist us on a total of four occasions throughout the term. They will facilitate a liturgy of the word and communion service with the children. These four occasions include: Sorry Day liturgy and class liturgies in Years 4, 5 and 6. The other classes will participate in a liturgy this term as well, facilitated by their classroom teacher.

## **NAPLAN**

The NAPLAN assessments started yesterday in Year 3 and 5. With reasonable numbers of children away sick at the moment, the assessments will be a little disjointed for some children, but we will do everything in our power to ensure that as many of the children as possible complete their respective assessments within the fortnight window provided.

As you can see from the photo below, we have needed to change the venue of some lessons to ensure a quiet, peaceful environment for the children in Year 3 and 5 during the NAPLAN test period.

This situation will be re-visited at the start of Term 3 as the COVID landscape continues to evolve.

Paul Hansen - Principal



## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Thursday, 12 May** - Pre-Primary Liturgy 9am

**Friday, 13 May** - Year 2 Assembly 2pm

**Tuesday, 17 May** - School Cross Country Carnival  
12pm, P & F Meeting 6pm

**Wednesday, 18 May** - First Communion Parent  
Information Evening 6 to 7pm @ Parish Centre

**Thursday, 19 May** - Year 6 Liturgy 9am

**Friday, 20 May** - Year 1 Assembly 2pm

**Tuesday, 24 May** - SAC Meeting 6pm

**Thursday, 26 May** - Sorry Day Liturgy 9am

**Friday, 27 May** - Interschool Cross Country Carnival @  
school

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## 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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A final reminder to all families to please return your Caritas Project Compassion boxes this week. If you require a receipt for tax purposes please tick the box on the white tear-off section on the box and complete all details. Thank you.

## 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**



## Camp Australia - Before and After School Care

**Bookings now open for 2022**

**2022 bookings for Your OSHC program are now 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

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## School Fees

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

Lee Maxfield - Finance Officer

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## 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](#)



### **Good Shepherd Catholic Parish Kelmscott - Fr Pavol Herda**

**Parish Website:** [www.goodshepherdkelmscott.com](http://www.goodshepherdkelmscott.com)

**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.

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