



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 22nd March 2024

Nursery

Our Nursery will be open full-time after Easter which is very exciting news! Children will have the option of attending Monday-Wednesday as normal or can arrange to stay all day Monday-Friday instead.

Please tell your neighbours and friends about this so they can apply for a place in our nurturing Nursery.

Well Done

I hosted a large meeting yesterday morning for all the primary headteachers in Croydon. Several of them spoke to me at the end to say how calm the school was and how lovely it was that children had approached them to say 'Good morning'. Well done Good Shepherd for showing such courtesy.



Safeguarding

We work hard to ensure that children are safe at Good Shepherd. Please note that the school accepts no liability for any child left unattended before the school gates into the playground open at **8:30am**.

In the same way, children who are pre-booked to attend our Breakfast Club must be handed over to an adult and must not be left unattended. We accept no liability for any breakfast club child left unattended before 7:30am.



Tram Information

The strike action planned between Sunday 24 and Thursday 28 March has been suspended. Tram services are expected to operate as normal on these days.

The planned engineering works from Friday 29 March until Wednesday 24 April will still go ahead. During this time, services will only run between the following stops:

- Wimbledon and Wellesley Road
- George Street and Wimbledon

There will be no service on the rest of the London Trams network.

Rail replacement buses will run between:

- East Croydon and New Addington
- East Croydon and Beckenham Junction/Elmers End

Prayer and Liturgy

We have a number of class assemblies next week which parents are invited to. Please ensure you do everything you can to attend as children really enjoy it when their parents attend:

Mon 25 th March 8:55am	Y3
Tues 26 th March 8:55am	Y1
Wed 27 th March 8:55am	Y4

These assemblies will be following Jesus' last few days on earth and so will be a lovely way to reflect during Holy Week.



Respect

Responsibility

Determination

Positivity

Teamwork

Headteacher and Kindness Awards

Well done to the following children who have worked hard, had great behaviour or have shown great kindness and thoughtfulness to others:

Headteacher Award:	Kindness Award:
R: Devarsh, Jephaniae,	Annabel
Y1: Mikel, Nathan,	Petra
Y2: Clemence, Jhenae,	Nahla
Y3: Alde, Anna, Zhyan,	Daniel, Temmy
Y4: Byron, Imoleayo, Rashaad,	Messie
Y5: Erin, Raphael,	Precious
Y6: Akshaya, Ela,	Abhay



Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

Bushcraft Residential In support of the Year 5 & 6 Residential trip in June, a Tuck Shop will be running every Friday after school to raise money for a coach.



Please show your support and stop to buy a donut or something from the Tuck Shop or give your child(ren) a 50p or £1.00 as this will help them reach to their goal.

Easter Egg Class Raffle Raffle tickets are available to buy now. To have a chance to WIN, send your child(ren) in with money or give it to their class teacher.

1 raffle ticket is £1.00 or 5 raffle tickets are £2.00.

Coffee Morning The next Coffee Morning will be on Wednesday 27th March in the School Hub at 8.40am and online on Zoom at 8.00pm.

Use of Field

Please remember to send your child(ren) with trainers if they would like to go on the field at break or lunchtime and they are in Y3-6.

Term Dates

Clubs have now finished for the term and there are no clubs next week.

A reminder that school closes for Easter on Thursday 28th March at **1:15pm**.

School reopens on Monday 15th April at 8:40am.

Fr Con's Reflection

On that 1st Palm Sunday in Jerusalem, it was sad indeed that the exuberant crowd had totally misread the Messiahship of Jesus.



They had assumed that the promised Messiah would be a military leader, who would lead their forces in the overthrow of their despised Roman rulers.

In our world, nearly 2,000 years later, there is a world conflict which has been forgotten, due to media's focus upon Israel-Gaza and Russia-Ukraine.

It is the Sudan, where the conflict is down to a fallout between two military figures, who used to be "on the same side."

Its people face widespread famine.

On this Palm Sunday 2024, may we pray that these two men reconcile speedily, so that sufficient aid can get in to Sudan, and that there may be an end to the killings.

If you need to contact the office, please email or telephone **01689 841 771**
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*Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Day*

Learning together as part of God's family