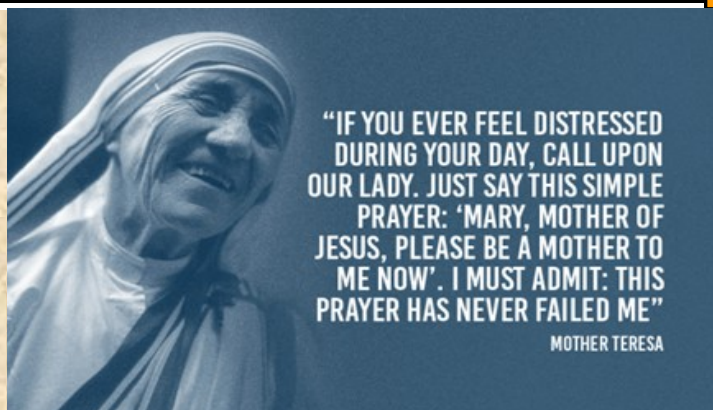




**GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC
PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL
NEWSLETTER**

2nd October 2017



October is the month of the Rosary

Dear Parents/Carers

It has been yet another busy week and the children have been focused and enthusiastic about their learning. Teachers will continue to focus on further developing children's independent learning skills and to challenge all pupils so that they build up self-confidence and resilience to attempt all challenges with determination. Challenge and extending all pupils is one of our main aims this academic year and to improve reasoning skills not only in maths but in all areas of the curriculum. Please do read the accompanying sheet for ideas.

CURRICULUM EVENING

Thank you to everyone who attended our Maths curriculum evening held on Thursday, 28th September 2017. The focus was 'Maths reasoning' and the importance of developing these skills from a young age. Parents had the opportunity to engage in a range of activities suitable for children of all ages from Nursery to Year 6 and comments received indicated that it was informative and enjoyable. My thanks to Mrs Assibi, Mrs Vijapura for their valuable input and to all the staff for giving generously of their time to support the event.

It was a pity that more parents did not attend and thank you to those of you who sent your apologies and asked if it could be run again. I am considering running it for a second time before school and will notify you of a date in due course.

CLUBS

Please remember that clubs start this Monday and all clubs finish at 4.15 p.m.

WELCOME MASS

Our welcome Mass will be on Thursday, 5th October 2017 at 9.15 a.m. in Good Shepherd Church and this will also be a thanksgiving Mass for Mr Whitmarsh, Mrs Nelms, Mrs King and Mrs Dada who have retired as Governors. We would like to thank them for their faithful service to the school community and wish them all the best for the future.

The Mass will also be a celebration for Harvest so we would be grateful if you could kindly donate items of non-perishable food (e.g. tinned and dried food) or packets of toothpaste, toothbrushes and other toiletries. A letter will be sent out later this week asking for items which should be brought in on Thursday, 5th October.

PARENT CONTACT MEETINGS

Please sign and return the reply slip to the office to indicate which day you prefer to attend. This will be a chance for you to discuss your child's progress and ways you can support their learning. It is vital that you attend as teachers will be giving you a copy of your child's targets to work on for the year.

PARENT GOVERNOR ELECTIONS

May I remind you that the deadline for nominations for parent governor is on Tuesday, 10th October 2017. If you require any further information please do make an appointment to see me or Mr Ike Nze, our Chair of Governors, who is happy to meet with you. The Governors have an important role in supporting the school and contributing to it's leadership and development. We welcome applications from any parent/carer who is committed to further developing our school.

CODE OF CONDUCT FOR EVERYONE

Unfortunately, owing to some recent unacceptable behaviour between adults, it is necessary for me to remind you that any aggressive behaviour is not acceptable and may result in those involved being banned from school premises. The wellbeing and safety of our children and all members of our school community is of the utmost importance and our first priority. Any adults not following school rules for behaviour and conduct will not be allowed onto school premises and requested not to attend school events. The Governors fully support this decision and we will not hesitate to enforce it

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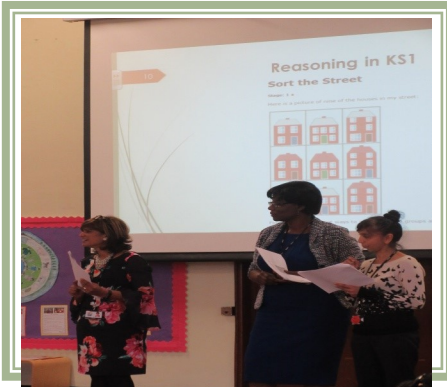
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REASONING IN MATHS

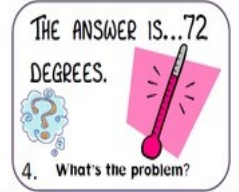
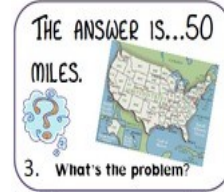
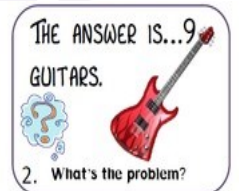
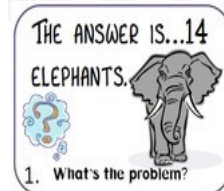
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Prompts for Parents to
Guide Children's Reasoning

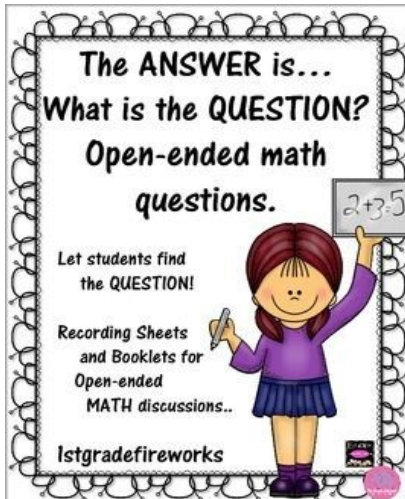
*What can you work out from the information?
Why is that bit important?*



*If you know that, what else do you know?
Can you tell me what your thinking is?
Shall we test that?
Does it work?
Do you still think it is....?*



Michelle Lundy © Making it as a Maths School Teacher 2012



Prompts for Children's Response:

*I know..... because.....
The answer can't be..... because
When I tried.....I noticed that
If this is true, then.....*

The presentation is available on the school website



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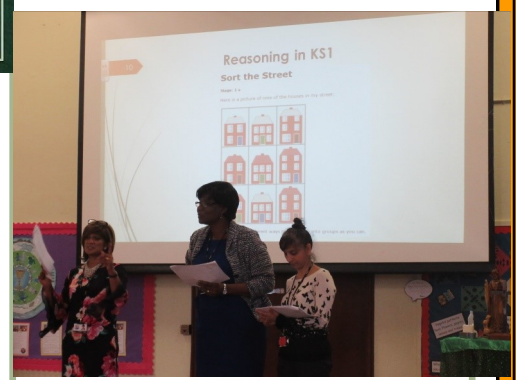
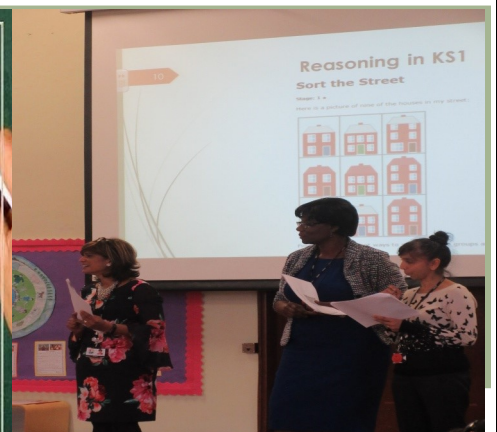
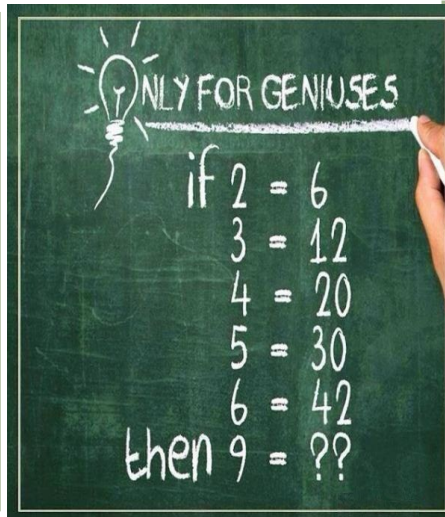
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Only for Geniuses ;)



If: $2 = 6$
 $3 = 12$
 $4 = 20$
 $5 = 30$
 $6 = 42$
Then: $9 = ??$



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REVISED MENU—Week Beginning 2/10/17

	Monday 2nd October Bring a Parent Day	Tuesday 3rd October	Wednesday 4th October	Thursday 5th October	Friday 6th October
Main	Roast Turkey with Roast Potatoes/Rice and Gravy	Chicken Neapolitan Wholemeal Pasta	Beef Burger with Jacket Wedges /Rice	Pasta Beef Bolognese	MSC Fish Fingers with Chips
Vegetarian	Mixed Vegetable Loaf with Roast Potatoes/Rice and Gravy	Lentil & Basil Puff Pastry Turnover with New Potatoes/ Rice	Vegetable Lasagne Jacket Wedges/Rice	Vegetarian Pasta Bolognese	Cheese & Tomato Quiche with Chips
	Carrots Courgettes	Broccoli Carrots	Coleslaw Sweet corn	Roasted Mixed Vegetables	Baked Beans Garden Peas
Dessert	Vanilla Short-bread with Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Salad	Wholemeal Banana Loaf Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Chunks	Iced Sponge with Custard Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Rice Krispy Cake Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Platter	Chocolate & Beetroot Brownie Yoghurt Fresh Fruit Chunks

Available daily

Jacket Potatoes with a choice of fillings / fresh baked bread / salad bar

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TAG RUGBY TOURNAMENT

Congratulations to pupils from Year 5 and 6 who took part in the Tag Rugby tournament held at Trinity School on Wednesday, 27th September 2017. My thanks to Mr Bashford and Mrs Whitmarsh for training the children and accompanying them to the Tournament. By all accounts they demonstrated excellent sportsmanship and teamwork. Congratulations Good Shepherd for representing us so brilliantly. I look forward to seeing you in the finals one day.



Head Teacher Award

**YEAR 1: Ethan Sienna , Nathaniael ,
David**

YEAR 2: Trinity , Joshua

YEAR 3: Angel , Leona , David

**YEAR 4: Daniel , Hermoine , Raymond ,
Amariah**

YEAR 5: Charis , Salem

YEAR 6: Nathan , Leyton

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

*We are striving for 100% attendance and punctuality.
Remember classroom doors are open at 8.40 a.m*

**WEEK ENDING: 29TH SEPTEMBER 2017: WINNING
CLASS FOR ATTENDANCE—YEAR 5**

OVERALL ATTENDANCE: 96.5%

WINNING CLASS PUNCTUALITY—YEAR 3—100%

Father Con's reflection

*October, month of the Holy Rosary, began yesterday,
Sunday.*

*This school week opens with the commemoration of
the Holy Guardian Angels—the Mass of today, Mon-
day. There are angels aplenty in heaven—more than
enough for each of us to have more than one Guardian
Angel each.*

*Let us all be aware that, whatever our age, whatever
our role, we have an individual Guardian Angel and for
all of our earthly lives. Let us always be thankful to
God for that.*

Diary Dates

1st Half of Autumn Term

2nd October	Clubs Start
2nd October	Bring your Parent to Lunch
3rd October	Parents Evening Meetings
5th October	Parents Evening Meetings
5th October	School Mass 9.15 am (Thanksgiving Mass For Retiring Governors)
10th October	Yr 5 & Yr 6 Hockey 4pm to 5.30pm Trinity School
18th October	International Evening 5.45PM

Parents and Carers of pupils in the Early Years and Years 1 and 2 are encouraged to come into class daily to work with your child from 8.45 to 9.00 a.m.

Please do support your child but I ask that you leave the classroom by 8.55 am,. at the latest before the school gate is closed.

