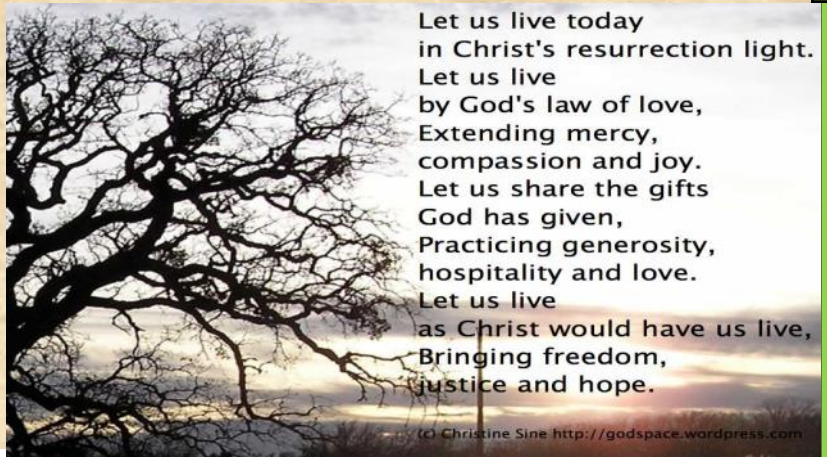




GOOD SHEPHERD CATHOLIC PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

NEWSLETTER

17th April 2018



Let us live today
in Christ's resurrection light.
Let us live
by God's law of love,
Extending mercy,
compassion and joy.
Let us share the gifts
God has given,
Practicing generosity,
hospitality and love.
Let us live
as Christ would have us live,
Bringing freedom,
justice and hope.

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Dear Parents/Carers

Welcome back to school. I hope you had a blessed and happy Easter and look forward to another successful term. I would like to welcome Ms Lewis who will be teaching Year 5 and Ms Riviere-Price who will be teaching in Reception whilst Mrs Geal is on maternity leave and look forward to sharing Mrs Geal's happy news in due course.

We have now moved into the summer term and the final part of this academic year. The children continue to make good progress as evidenced by our whole school data analysis and pupil progress meetings between senior leaders and staff. Evidence shows that our drive and reorganisation of the maths curriculum is having impact on standards and pupils reasoning skills have improved. The focus on whole class reading of good quality texts encourages all pupils to challenge themselves and extend their comprehension skills and vocabulary. However, it is a fact that pupils will only achieve their full potential if the input and valuable support continues at home. So I ask that you kindly continue reading regularly with your child and supervising homework.



Thank you to all the children who tried the maths challenge set in our maths focus week last term. The children took part in workshops organised by the 'Happy Puzzle Company' and from pupil voice, it was a fantastic experience and one we hope to repeat towards the end of the summer term. Do read pupil's comments in this newsletter.

Now that we are in the summer term, children may wear their summer uniform. (Girls may wear red gingham dresses and boys may wear white shirt, tie and trousers/shorts.)

SCHOOL MASS- FRIDAY, 20TH APRIL 2018 - 9.15 A.M. GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH

Our school Mass will be this Friday and we will be offering it up for Mrs Standen and Mrs Smith's fathers who sadly passed away in March. Our prayers continue to be with them and their families and all those in need of prayers.

CONTACT DETAILS & MEDICAL NEEDS

Please inform the office of any changes to your personal details (mobile numbers, email addresses, other addresses) and of any medical needs your child may have. Please check that all medication is in date and only medication prescribed by a GP will be administered in school once all the necessary paperwork has been completed.

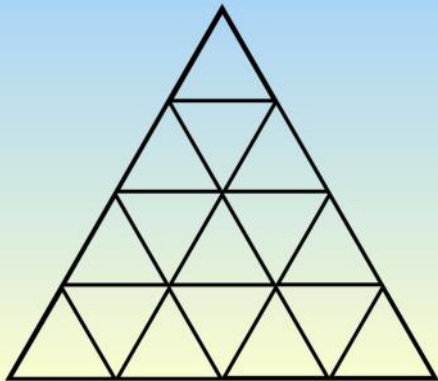
Thank you for your co-operation last term when it became necessary for staff to take the children to an early assembly and cut short the early morning work session with parents. At Good Shepherd we have an open door policy and I am happy to meet with you at a mutually convenient time should you ever have any questions to discuss with me. It is never productive or useful to engage in playground gossip particularly when information shared is not accurate. So please do make an appointment to see me if you need to. Being a Catholic school, gospel values of tolerance, compassion, respect and honesty are centre to our school ethos and I am sure you will agree these are values which need to be lived out at all times. We continue to be role models not only to our pupils but to each other, so let us always ensure that the model we set to others is based on Christ's teachings.

Mrs Fernandes - Headteacher

STRIVING FOR EXCELLENCE TOGETHER AS ONE MATHS WEEK

Thank you to Miss Corrigan for organising maths week (26th to 29th March). Pupil voice indicates it was fun and challenging. I look forward to seeing the completed homework set by Miss Corrigan for the whole school.

HOW MANY TRIANGLES DO YOU SEE?



Websites to visit for ideas

<https://www.topmarks.co.uk/>

[http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/numbertime/parents/](http://www.bbc.co.uk/schools/numbertime/parents/home_activities/everyday_maths.shtml)

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<http://www.multiplication.com/>

Only for Geniuses ;)

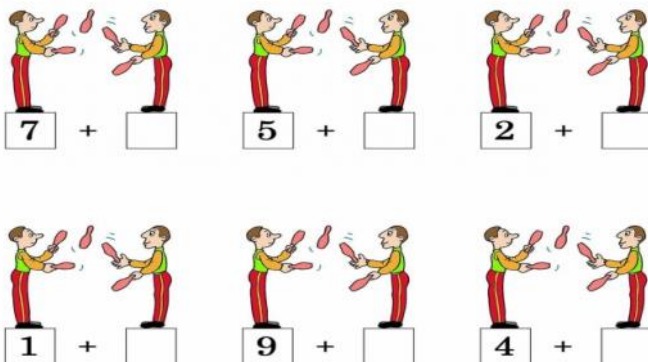


If: $2 = 6$
 $3 = 12$
 $4 = 20$
 $5 = 30$
 $6 = 42$

Then: $9 = ??$

Can You Solve This?

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Red flower} + \text{Red flower} + \text{Red flower} &= 60 \\ \text{Red flower} + \text{Blue flower} + \text{Blue flower} &= 30 \\ \text{Blue flower} - \text{Yellow flower} &= 3 \\ \text{Yellow flower} + \text{Red flower} \times \text{Blue flower} &= ? \end{aligned}$$



Can you find the missing number to make 10?

Can you find the missing number to make 20?

Can you solve this fish logic puzzle?

$$\begin{aligned} 9 \times \text{Blue fish} - 11 \times \text{Red fish} &= 49 \\ 13 \times \text{Blue fish} - 12 \times \text{Red fish} &= 63 \\ \text{Red fish} &= ? \\ \text{Blue fish} &= ? \end{aligned}$$

Brainfans.com

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MATHS WEEK



Jaydin

I liked working in a group.



Akintayo

My favourite bit was playing the hexagon game because we worked hard together.



Maryjoy

I liked when we had to balance the penguins because when they fell we had to start again.

Mishael

Maths week was fun and the activities were very challenging but fun as well.

Amariah

It was good fun.

Head Teacher Award

NURSERY: *Kadiann, Madison & Jaden*

RECEPTION: *Azariah & Esther*

YEAR 1: *Akin & Jaydin*

YEAR 2: *Malachi, Daniel & Nana*

YEAR 3: *Ifrah, Hannah & David*

YEAR 4: *Zuriel, Dylan & Raymond*

YEAR 5: *Denicia & Amy*

YEAR 6: *Nathan & Blessing*

ATTENDANCE & PUNCTUALITY

We are striving for 100% attendance and punctuality

THIS TERM

WEEK ENDING: 29th March 2018:

WINNING CLASS FOR PUNCTUALITY: N & Yr 2

WINNING CLASS FOR ATTENDANCE: Yr 4

OVERALL ATTENDANCE: 95.7%

Father Con's reflection

As school re-opens after the Easter break, we return to enjoying much better weather, much more Spring-like.

Easter, the Church's greatest feast, should surely fill us with an inner joy, a real spiritual joy, or at the very least the capacity for that.

Let us, each and all, ask God for something of the wonder that filled his mother Mary and all his disciples during the 40 days he spent in their company in his risen state.

That will sustain us all in all school activities in the next 40 days, and far beyond that.

Diary Dates

SUMMER TERM

16th April	INSET DAY - School closed to pupils
17th April	School Opens to Pupils
18th April	Gym Competition at Harris Academy
20th April	Whole School Mass in Good Shepherd Church
30th April	Photographer taking class photos
7th May	May Bank Holiday (School Closed)
8th May	Year 1 Visit to the Fire Station
8th May	8am KS1 SATs Parents Meeting
12th May	Catholic Football/Netball Tournament Margaret Roper
14th –18th May	KS2 Sats
21st May	Yr 6 Citizenship Day
	Yr 4 Fire Brigade talk
23rd May	Sports Day (morning)
24th May	May Procession 10am
25th May	School Closes (Half Term)
4th June	School opens to pupils
13th June	Catholic Swimming Gala St.Joseph's College
18th—20th June	Croydon Sports
19th June	Good Citizenship (2 pupils)
22nd June	EYFS & KS1 Poetry Competition
22nd June	Cricket tournament (Catholic schools)
29th June	
– 1st July	Yr 6 Residential Trip
5th July	Goldcrest Centre Yr 6 Citizenship Day
5th July	Mrs Fernandes Leavers Mass 5.30pm Good Shepherd Church
10th July	School reports sent home
12th July	Yr 6 Production 6 pm
13th July	Talent Competition
16th July	Parents Eve 3.30pm to 5.30 pm
19th July	Year 6 Leavers Mass 9.15am (GS Junior Hall)
20th July	Leavers Assembly School closes at 1.15pm for the summer holiday