



# Good Shepherd Newsletter

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## Thank you

Thank you to all the parents who were able to attend my induction Mass last Friday. It was a lovely celebration and many of my invited guests commented on the exceptional behaviour of the children.

## Teaching and Learning

Good Shepherd had a Teaching and Learning review on Wednesday by two independent education consultants. This is something that all the schools in the Croydon Catholic Schools Umbrella Trust undertake twice a year.

The report should come through very quickly but the feedback was very positive.

## Vocabulary

Last week I mentioned in my newsletter about our drive on improving vocabulary throughout the school. Each week I will give you a flavour of some of the words which have been introduced in classes.

stern (Y2)	intrepid (Y6)	amuse (Y2)	devastated (Y1)	
clambered (Y3)	affluent (Y4)	rummaged (Y3)	boutique (Y5)	candour (Y6)

## Share your good idea!

We have a new suggestion box in the entrance lobby if parents would like to share a good idea.



## Headteacher Awards

Well done to the following children who have worked so hard this week and had great behaviour:



Reception: Isabelle & Madison

Year 1: Angela & Jeremiah

Year 2: Aviah & Zachariah

Year 3: Aaliyah & Geoffrey

Year 4: Chizim & Leona

Year 5: Kaia & Amelia

Year 6: Stephane & Christabel

## Attendance and Punctuality

Well done to everyone who came to school every day last week and arrived in good time.

Well done and keep it up!



## Dates for your diary

Tuesday 11th December 9:30—Nursery Nativity

Thursday 13th December 9:30—Rec-Y1,Y2 Nativity

Wednesday 19th December—Christmas lunch and pantomime for all children

Friday 21st December 9:15—end of term assembly, all parents welcome

## Nursery and Reception September 2019

Parents looking for a Nursery place for their child must complete a supplementary form (available from the school office)

Those families who would like a Reception place must complete both a supplementary form and an online Croydon application form.

Please encourage friends and family to contact the school office for the date of the next open morning.

## Sporting news

Well done to the Y5 and Y6 children who represented the school at a tag rugby event yesterday. They represented the school very well and came second overall, very narrowly missing first place through points. They showed great sportsmanship throughout.

## Fr Con's Reflection

Last Friday we had the happy (and holy) occasion of the INDUCTION MASS, highlighting our new Head Teacher Mrs. Day.

(Similarly, a new parish priest for a particular church will have an INDUCTION MASS, quite soon after his arrival there).

"INDUCTION" means to "BE LED INTO". It comes from the Latin word "DUCERE" meaning "TO LEAD".

The word "EDUCATION" comes from the same Latin word. (We notice that each word has the letters "DUC"). "EDUCATION" means to LEAD "OUT OF"- "OUT OF NOT KNOWING" into "KNOWLEDGE".

Therefore "INDUCTION" in a religious sense means a consecration of one's role to God. ("Consecration" means a making sacred).



## Food Hygiene

Last week, our kitchen had an unannounced food hygiene inspection and maintained five out of five. Very well done to our school cook, Kathy, and her team.

### FOOD HYGIENE RATING



## Inset reminder

School is closed to pupils on Monday 26th November.

Thank you to all the families who supported the parish Christmas Bazaar by sending their children to school today with a £1 donation.

Please make sure you come along and support the church next Saturday, 24th November 11-4pm



*Have a lovely weekend,*

*Mrs Day*