



# Good Shepherd Newsletter

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## Good Shepherd Day

We celebrated Good Shepherd Day today, our inaugural school feast day. The children have learnt a new Good Shepherd song which they sang in assembly this morning. They followed this by having an off-timetable day looking at Scripture and completing work linked to the story of the Good Shepherd. Have a look at the photos and talk to your child(ren) about what they did.



## Teaching and Learning Review

Mr Sorsby returned to Good Shepherd on Tuesday to conduct a Teaching and Learning Review. Mr Sorsby has been visiting our school twice a year for a number of years and graded the school as being securely good. He was very complimentary about the school, particularly noting the good progress being made by all groups due to the careful planning of interventions, the enthusiasm of children to learn and the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of children which is strong. It is always very helpful to have an external review of the school and Mr Sorsby suggested that we continue to look at the curriculum and how we can tailor this more closely to the needs of the school.

## Football and netball tournament

Congratulation to the football and netball teams who played in a tournament last Saturday. Both teams did extremely well under stiff competition; the netballers came third out of 15 teams and the footballers missed being in the quarter finals on goal difference.

## Tissues

Please could each child bring in a box of tissues next week as our supplies are running very low.



## May Procession

Children are invited to bring flowers next Friday. Please come and support this special liturgy in honour of Our Lady next Friday at 10am.

## Headteacher Awards

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



Reception: Daniel & Saviour

Year 1: Logan & Eden

Year 2: Azreal & Nathanael

Year 3: Isabella & Edwin

Year 4: Riaz & Malvin

Year 5: Elaine & Emmanuel

Year 6: All of the class

## Year 6

The children in Year 6 have had a busy week this week sitting their SATs tests but have taken it all in their stride. They will be away Monday to Wednesday next week on their residential trip. There is a full programme of activities planned for them including learning fire lighting skills, completing the crate challenge and taking part in team building skills. Bon voyage!



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### Cleaning job

We have a vacancy for a temporary cleaner 3:30-5:45. Please collect a form from the school office or download one from the school website. Closing date noon Monday 3rd June.

### Some of the new words we been learning this week

Year 1: billowed

Year 2: inverse

Year 3: isle

Year 4: abundance

Year 5: empathy

### Uniform sale

Next Friday 3pm in the carpark, every item is £1. Clothes can be dropped off anytime next week to the school office.

### Free cycle training lessons

Croydon Council are offering free cycle training sessions during May half term. The booking form can be accessed by clicking on <http://bit.ly/croydonholiday>

### Fr Con's Reflection

This school week has featured SATs testing. Hopefully the pupils involved will have been able to take the tests in their stride. Hopefully there will not have been stress and anxiety.

Our Lady of Fatima was celebrated on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> May, the opening day of the SATs. During May to October 1917 she appeared to the 3 Fatima children, who were all aged 10 (or under) at that time.

She instructed them. She counselled them. She was like a teacher or tutor to them.

When permanently on earth herself, she was tutor to the young Jesus. Their subject matter would have been the Jewish Scriptures (The Old Testament).

Therefore Mary is a primary person to pray to, regarding hoped-for success in SATs and in all later levels of examination.



### Summer weather

Now that the lovely weather is here, please remember to send your child to school every day with a bottle of water and a red cap. Children are also permitted to bring in sunglasses and a stick of sun protection (no lotions or creams please). Please note that parents are advised to apply sun protection before school and ensure that their children are able to apply the stick themselves.



### Charity collection

Thank you to everyone who brought in a donation for Missio today. We raised £104. This money will be given to Bishop Paul on Wednesday when Y5 visit Aylesford for the Diocesan Mass.

### Theatre production

A theatre company is visiting Good Shepherd on Wednesday 5th June to perform The Railway Children for all children from Reception to Year 6. We are asking for a £1 donation to be brought in on that day to go part-way to covering the cost of this.

### Attendance and Punctuality

Week commencing 6.5.19

100% attendance: none

100% punctuality: Y2, Y6

Overall attendance: 96.6%

Well done and keep it up!



### School lunches

We have a new menu starting after half term—please see the attached document.

*Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Day*