



# Good Shepherd Newsletter

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## Uniform

There will be a sale of second hand uniform after Easter. Please donate any uniform your children have grown out of and drop it off at the school office. I will let you know the date of the sale nearer the time.



A few uniform reminders:

Hair accessories should be red, white or black.

Any hair extensions should be in a natural hair colour.

Children should wear black shoes and not boots at school.

Children may start to wear summer uniform after Easter.

Please follow the uniform policy as this ensures our pupils look smart in their uniform and please label everything. The following website has a wide range of sew-on, stick-on, clip-on and iron-on name labels.

<https://www.easy2name.com>

## Wear a hat fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who wore a hat to school on Wednesday and donated money for The Brain Tumour Charity. We raised £156 which I know will be put to very good use.



## Stations of the Cross



Year 3 will be leading the school in Stations of the Cross next Thursday (4th) at 10am in the Church. Please join us for this moving service.

## Library

The library area is being renewed over the Easter holidays and will become a bright and inviting place to read. This is part of our whole school push on developing reading.

## Headteacher Awards

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



Reception: Isabelle & Jaden

Year 1: Kelvin & Matthew

Year 2: David & Moturayo

Year 3: Aparna & Nana

Year 4: Leona & Damario

Year 5: Hermoine & Princess

Year 6: Chimdalun & Salem

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

Year 1: firmly

Year 2: flabbergasted

Year 3: redeemed

Year 4: topographic

Year 5: gestation

Year 6: accordant

### PTA meeting

There will be an open meeting for all parents and carers on Tuesday 2nd April at 9am in The Hub and a repeat meeting after the Easter holidays (date and time to be confirmed). Please try to come to one of the meetings so that you can be involved.

### Gardening

I am sure you will have noticed that we have lots of vegetables growing in the school garden. The children really enjoy watering these and making soups and chutneys.

### Fr Con's Reflection

This Sunday is "LAETARE" Sunday. ("LAETARE" is Latin for REJOICING).

It is the main Sunday of Lent for the relaxing of one's Lenten penance(s).

Most appropriately, every year, it coincides with Mothers' Day (Mothering Sunday).

Last thing this Saturday night, our clocks and watches etc need to go FORWARD ONE HOUR. British Summer Time (BST) replaces Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) at 2 o'clock on Sunday morning.

So we are well and truly in Spring now, and have enjoyed very pleasant weather in this past school week.

For this, let us rejoice and give thanks to God.



### Welcome and Farewell

We will be welcoming Mrs Geal back to Good Shepherd on Monday following her maternity leave and we will be saying a fond farewell to Mrs Johnson on Wednesday. Mrs Geal will be teaching in Nursery after Easter.

### Sporting event

Ten children represented the school yesterday at a multi skills event at Trinity School. There were six other schools competing and Good Shepherd came first—very well done.



### Learning websites

Parents often ask me for websites to use at home with their children, so here are a few to try:

Touch typing

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/articles/z3c6tfr>

Story starters

<http://www.scholastic.com/teachers/story-starters/index.html>

Phonics

<https://www.bbc.com/bitesize/articles/zt27y4j>

### Attendance and Punctuality

Week commencing 18.3.19

100% attendance: Y5

100% punctuality: Y2, Y3

Overall attendance: 97.0%

Well done and keep it up!



### Reminder

**School closes at 1:15 next Friday and returns on Wednesday 24th April.**

*Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Day*