



Good Shepherd Newsletter

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Keeping safe

I know that I have put this in my newsletter a few times already but please do not stop on the yellow zigzags outside the school.

Yellow zig zag lines outside schools are enforced legally by the local council, which will use camera cars, CCTV or parking wardens to issue a penalty charge notice.

Stopping even for a few seconds to allow your children to get out of the car blocks the view for pedestrians and oncoming traffic and could easily cause a serious accident. There was an incident this week of a young child running into the road close to a car which had stopped on the zigzags when the parent was on the phone.

For the safety of everyone's children, please don't stop directly outside the school and please keep hold of young children's hands.



Croydon Young Citizen's Award

Congratulations to Salem in Y6 who was selected as one of Croydon's Young Citizens 2019.

Salem joined around 150 other young people from schools in Croydon at an award ceremony on Tuesday evening. She was presented with a medal and framed certificate by the Mayoress of Croydon, Bernadette Khan—well done, Salem.



Headteacher Awards

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



Reception: Madison & Leonie

Year 1: Janelle & Jeremiah

Year 2: Anabelle & Amelia

Year 3: Benjamin O & Malachi

Year 4: Jason & Ifrah

Year 5: Raymond & Hermoine

Year 6: Amrutha & Adrian

Online safety

Does your child have a mobile or tablet? If so, when did you last check their emails/texts/social media presence?. Parents are strongly advised to do this at least weekly in order to protect their children from harm.

Some of the new words we been learning this week

Year 1: materials

Year 2: pampered

Year 3: dinghy

Year 4: anguish

Year 5: adolescent

Year 6: putrid

Fr Con's Reflection

This Friday, the school joins the parish for their first Mass of the full summer term. That day is the feast of 2 of the 12 Apostles (Philip, and James, son of Alphaeus).

The month of May is especially dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Heaven and higher than these two saints, and higher than all the saints.

The new month opens with the celebration of St. Joseph the Worker. As foster father of Jesus and husband of Mary, it is he who is the highest of the saints.

Fathers of our pupils would be really encouraged to entrust themselves, and their parenting, to his intercession.

Mothers likewise would surely wish to approach Our Blessed Lady in the same way.

Mary was tutor to the young Jesus and Joseph trained him in carpentry.

So Mary and Joseph jointly should be approached to intercede, individually and jointly, regarding all aspects of our children's education and development.



Free event

There is a Croydon Courts Open Day (consisting of the Crown Court and County Courts) next Saturday 11th May 10:30am – 2:30pm held at The Law Courts Altyre Road, Croydon, CR9 5AB (a couple of minutes from East Croydon tram stop).

The Courts will be open to the general public and the objective of the open day is to raise public awareness of the role they play within the administration of justice and to show how HMCTS (Her Majesty's Court & Tribunal Service) is committed to providing an effective service within society.

The open day will provide everyone with an opportunity to see 'behind the scenes', as many aspects of the building and services are not normally open to the public. You will be able to see the cells and prisoner vehicles as well as find out what it is like to be a Judge and Magistrate.

They will be running some short mock trials which aim to reflect Civil and Family work as well as the Criminal work of the Crown Courts.

Free event

There is a family walk at Selsdon Wood this Saturday (4th). Families are invited to meet by the wooden bear in the Selsdon Wood carpark, off Old Farleigh Road (433 bus route) for a 1½ hour gentle walk though the wood and fields, finding out about the birds and flowers in this part of the countryside.

Attendance and Punctuality

Week commencing 22.4.19

100% attendance: Y6

100% punctuality: Y2, Y3, Y5, Y6

Overall attendance: 95.9%



Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend, Mrs Day