

Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 24th September 2021

School Photos

The school photographer visited on Monday and your child will have come home with a slip of paper with a QR code.

Don't forget to order your school photo online as soon as possible.

PE Kits

A reminder that all children from Reception to Year 6 should wear a red t-shirt with school logo and plain navy shorts for PE. Parents may also want their child to wear plain navy joggers and a plain navy sweatshirt for outdoor PE in the colder months.

Are you an NHS Nurse?

Would you be happy to come into school for a short while on 30th September to talk to the children about one aspect of first aid?

Maybe you could show some classes how to put someone in the recovery position or how

to treat a burn or how to manage minor bleeding.

If you are able to help, please let me know.

Thank you.

Clubs

A reminder that after school and lunchtime clubs start from Monday. If your child is attending an after school club, please ensure you are in the carpark at 4:15pm promptly.



Start of the Year Mass

On Wednesday, we celebrated a whole school Mass. Although we have celebrated a few streamed Masses, it was wonderful to be able to go to church as a school again.

The children surpassed themselves with their behaviour and respectful manner and the junior children did really well in joining in the Mass responses.

Our next Mass will be our Harvest Mass on Tuesday 19th October. I will let you know nearer the time which food and toiletry items we will be collecting for the New Addington Food Bank.

Year 6 Assembly

We enjoyed our first class-led assembly yesterday on New Beginnings. Year 6 shared with the school some of their new experiences and things they had achieved so far this year.

We are able to invite parents back into school for events and so it was good to have so many Year 6 parents attend.

Our next class-led assembly will be Year 5's Harvest assembly on Thursday 14th October.

Our Curriculum

Have you been wondering and what your child will be learning this year? Each year group has been updating their Curriculum Maps which will be published on our school website next week.

Headteacher and Kindness Awards

Well done to the following children who have worked hard or had great behaviour or shown great kindness and thoughtfulness to others:

Headteacher Kindness Award:

David

R Annabel, Mahmoud Ademide, Mariyam

Avaeyah, Josiah Amiyah
 Daniel, Udele Marvellous
 Erin, Ethan Eleana
 Kayden, Mezuo Isaiah

Award:

6 Emilie-Anne, Faith Isabelle



Upcoming Dates

5 Amelia, Joseph

27 th Sept – 8 th Oct	Y5 Swimming
Th 30 th Sept	First Aid Day
F 1 st Oct	Start of Black History Month
11 th – 22 nd Oct	Y6 Swimming
F 15 th Oct 9:05am	Y4 & 6 poetry performance (parents welcome)
W 6 th Oct	International Day
Th 14 th Oct 9:05am	Y5 class assembly (parents welcome)
Tu 19 th Oct 9:15am	Harvest Mass (in church) (parents welcome)
Th 21 st Oct 3:15pm	School closes (Half term)

If you need to contact the office, please

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Mental Health

Children, young people and their families can get free help, advice and urgent mental health support from 24/7 crisis telephone lines available in every London borough.

Every NHS mental health trust in London has put these in place, so children, young people and their families can get help quickly when they need it. The crisis lines are supported by trained mental health practitioners, who can offer advice and signpost other sources of support as needed.

Please find attached a brief information pack with details of these crisis lines as well as other support available.

Fr Con's Reflection

On Wednesday of this week, the school joined the parishioners for the first Mass of the new school year.



The intention of the Mass, as mentioned in the parish newsletter, read as follows:

"FOR GOD'S BLESSING UPON OUR SCHOOL—UPON ALL ITS PUPILS, ALL STAFF, PARENTS AND GOVERNORS."

The children from Year 1 to Year 6 were present, and were using for the first time, very attractive coloured cards giving the running order of the Mass.

These cards are an excellent addition, enabling the children to join in the responses to the various parts of the Mass.

The children took well to their first encounter with these, responding with commendable focus, reverence and gusto.

Have a lovely weekend

Mrs Day