



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 20th January 2023

Safety Message

I would like to ask parents to refrain from walking up the driveway and keep to the path only. Even if the gates are open such as following a delivery lorry, it is much safer to keep to the dedicated pedestrian path. Thank you.

Young Voices

Our school choir sang in the Young Voices choir at the O2 arena on Tuesday, along with 8000 other school children. It was an amazing experience for them as this is the largest children's choir concert in the world.

**YOUNG
VOICES**



Year 5 Visit to Whitgift School

Our Year 5 children have spent the week at Whitgift School developing their coding skills, carrying out science experiments and other fun activities. This is a great opportunity for them to have.

Industrial Action Letter

You will have all received a letter yesterday informing you of the upcoming teacher strike day. We will have some classes open to pupils on that day and others closed to children. Please ensure you have read the letter carefully. Thank you for your understanding.

Important Reminder

Dunley Drive will become a Healthy School Street on Monday. Cars will not be allowed to drive past the school between 8:00-9.30am and 2:00-4:00pm.

Anyone ignoring the signs and driving on Dunley Drive during these times will be issued a fine from Croydon Council.

The scheme will start on Monday 23rd Jan. Make sure you leave enough time to walk or scoot to school.



Diary Date

Mrs Vijapura has organised online safety workshops for each class by the Breck Foundation and also a talk for parents on Friday 24th March. Please try to attend this as they will be sharing lots of ideas of ways in which you can keep your children safe.

Curriculum News

Following my letter to you a few weeks ago, the children have been learning about relationships this week and will continue following the Diocesan-approved 'Journey in Love' programme for the next three weeks.

Class newsletters are attached to this school newsletter with information about what your child will be learning in all subjects this term plus other class news. I hope you find this informative.

Respect

Responsibility

Determination

Positivity

Teamwork


Headteacher and Kindness Awards

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

Headteacher Award:	Kindness Award:
R: Christabel Nana,	Israel
Y1: Kristina, Mika,	Anaiah-Jay
Y2: Alde, Keziah,	Marie
Y3: Azariah, Marvellous,	Tiffany
Y4: Adele, Temi,	Raphael
Y5: Abigail, Isaiah,	Usman
Y6: Jardin, Maryjoy,	Amelia, Britney, Chevaro, Christina, Moturayo, Yasmin



Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

Thank you parents for coming to our Coffee Morning, it was great discussing ideas and getting to know you all better. Your input and help is much appreciated. 

Please look out for further information about upcoming events and ways in which you can support us.

Our next Coffee morning is on Tuesday 28th February at 8.40am in the School Hall.

Class Assembly

Thank you to Year 2 for leading the assembly yesterday on the theme of Pilgrimage.

The next class assembly is on 2nd February which will be led by Year 6.

The Snug (Sensory Room)

All children have been spoken to about The Snug. Each class have been given a guided tour, discussion of the rules and how it is to be used.



Below are some comments that children have said whilst visiting The Snug.

"This is a magic room!" (Trisha)

"Wow, this is amazing!" (Raphael)


"Thank you so much this is the best room ever!" (Nathanael)

"This is awesome, thank you Mrs Downing!" (Chinaza)



A group of children officially opened The Snug on Tuesday.

Fr Con's Reflection

Each year, the period 18th -25th January in the Church's calendar is the Week of Pray for Christian Unity (the Christian Unity Octave). 

In this week, we are encouraged to pray that the Church across the world may once again become one. This is so desired by Jesus, since He and God the Father are One.

If you need to contact the office, please email or telephone **01689 841 771**
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Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Day

Learning together as part of God's family