

Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 28th April 2023

Snow Queen

The Y3 and Y4 children went to see a wonderful production of The Snow Queen at the Fairfield halls yesterday.

May Procession

This is being held on Tuesday 16th May and children are asked to bring in a few flowers to place in front of the statue of Mary, both in school and in church.

Safeguarding

If parents are away travelling and their children are being looked after by another adult, either a family member or a friend, it is essential that you let the office know who is looking after the children. You must provide alternative contact details for this adult in case of emergency, many thanks.

The Coronation

Children are invited to wear red, white and blue clothes to school on Friday 5th May in return for bringing £1 to school.



On this day, the usual fish and chips will be served and Slushies will be served for dessert

School will be closed on Monday 8th May for the exceptional Bank Holiday.

Registration

All schools are required to lengthen to school week to 32.5 hours. Therefore, children must continue to be at school for 8:40am and registration and assembly times will be moved earlier than they currently are after May half term to reflect this requirement. Please make sure your child is in school promptly at 8:40am every day.

Dates for your diary

A reminder of the summer term dates sent at the beginning of the year:

M 1 st May	School closed for May Bank Holiday
Th 4 th May 9:05am	Y1 Poetry Performance (parents welcome)
M 8 th May	School closed for Coronation Bank Holiday
Tu 16 th May 10:15am	May procession N-Y6 (parents welcome)
Th 18 th May 9:05am	Rec class assembly (parents welcome)
Th 25 th May 9.05am	Y1 class assembly (parents welcome)
Fr 26 th May	School closes for half term

M 5 th June	School opens to pupils	
Th 8 th June	Sports Event Rec-Y2 am, Y3 –Y6 pm (parents welcome)	
T 9 th June 8:40-9:40am	FROGS Coffee Morning (Hub) (parents welcome)	
Tu 13 th June	Nursery Sports Event (parents welcome)	
F 16 th June 3-5pm	FROGS Summer Fair (everyone welcome)	
Th 22 nd June 9:05am	Rec Poetry performance (parents welcome)	
Th 6 th July 9:05am	Y2 Poetry performance (parents welcome)	
Th 13 th July 5pm	Year 6 performance (parents welcome)	
Tu 18 th July 10:30am	End of year Mass N-Y6 (in school) (parents welcome)	
Th 20 th July	School closes at 1.15pm for the summer holiday	

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:	Peter, Vincenzo,	Nana
Y1:	Ari'ah, Haroon,	Aaron
Y2:	Juanita, Marie,	Esmerelda
Y3:	Kayden, Ronelle,	Ameliah
Y4:	Joy, Madison,	Johan
Y5:	Adonai, Jensina,	Ela
Y6:	Akin, Emmanuel,	Amelia, Britney
	Miracle, Yasmin	

Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

The FROGS have been working hard organising the Summer Fair which will be held after school on Friday 16th June.



A letter has been sent out this week requesting help on various stalls so please remember to complete and return this by next Friday (5th). The proceeds from the summer fair go towards things that all children can benefit from and we are hoping to have an exciting animal experience for the school in the summer.

Friday 16th June 3-5pm



Class Newsletters

The termly class newsletters have been sent out. These contain lots of information about what your children will be learning this term and how you can help them .

Absences

Please note that if your child will be away from school for a funeral or wedding then permission must be requested from me beforehand.

Kitchen Inspection

Well done to Mrs Ishmael and her team who were given a 5* rating for the 5th year in a row!



Fr Con's Reflection

Next week, we enter the (merry) month of May. Its opening day is the commemoration of St Joseph the Worker.



May is the special month of Mary, Mother of God (Our Blessed Lady). She was Jesus' tutor in the Jewish Scriptures.

Joseph, meanwhile, trained Him in the skills of carpentry (and, quite possibly, also in how to work with stone).

St Joseph is surely the highest and greatest of the saints (or Mary was, and is, higher than all of them, as their Queen).

For all involved in education, therefore, Mary is the "go-to" person regarding the academic subjects in the curriculum. Joseph is the one to approach regarding the more practical and less academic subjects.

To each, we can all address our concerns in confident and expectant prayer.

If you need to contact the office, please email or telephone 01689 841 771 office@goodshepherd.croydon.sch.uk

Have a lovely weekend, school reopens on Tuesday after the Bank Holiday

Learning together as part of God's family