



# Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 7th July 2023

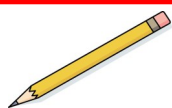
## Teaching and Learning Review

Good Shepherd had a teaching and learning review last Tuesday. This involved observing the learning in every class, looking at children's books and talking to staff. Three quotes stood out in the report which I wanted to share with you:

"A calm, ordered and purposeful learning environment."

"Pupils are courteous, show care for others. Behaviour for learning observed was very good."

"A key strength is the high level and wide variety of pastoral and learning support provided for pupils, including pupils with SEN, complex needs. This is achieved through a range of support and interventions for classes, groups and individuals."



## Summer holiday workshops

Here is some information about upcoming Summer holiday workshops. Please note that spaces need to be booked in advance using the links below.

### Eating Well for Less (online)

Wed 2nd Aug 2-3.15pm

Mon 14th Aug 7-8.15pm

<https://www.henry.org.uk/croydonewflbooking>

There will also be an online 8-week *Healthy Families: Brighter Future* programmes through the summer holidays and families can register their interest here <https://www.henry.org.uk/register-your-interest-parents-croydon>

## NSPCC

In each class' Pastoral lessons this week, the children have been discussing the NSPCC's 'PANTS' rules with Miss Baxter. These are designed to teach pupils how to stay safe from abuse, without giving explicit information or even using the term "sexual abuse". The lessons are fully age-appropriate. In the lesson, children have learnt about the 'PANTS' acrostic, which stands for:



More information about talking 'PANTS', including a short film and a parent guide can be found at

[Talk PANTS & Join Pantosaurus - The Underwear Rule | NSPCC](#)

## Transition Sessions

The children had their first transition session this week where they visited their new classroom and completed an activity with their new teacher. The second transition session will be on Tuesday morning.

*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: Owen, Vincenzo	Nathan
Y1: Emma, Kristina,	Clemence
Y2: Ariella, Keziah-Rose, Kyri, Joseph,	Bishoy
Y3: Awarded to the whole class	
Y4: Ibrahim, Madison, Temi, Mi-Zani	
Y5: Awarded to the whole class	
Y6: Awarded to the whole class	



## Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

There will be a FROGS Coffee Morning on Tuesday 11th July at 8.40am in the Hub. All parents and carers are welcome to attend. We look forward to seeing you there. Have good weekend.



## Summer Holiday Activities

Fairfield Halls are doing a Summer Holiday Roller Disco and cinema screenings for all ages - tickets available via their website.

## Good Shepherd Holiday Camp

A reminder to book onto the holiday camp (24th July– 17th Aug) by emailing [info@aimhighacademy.co.uk](mailto:info@aimhighacademy.co.uk) or WhatsApp 07904313603. This is free for those eligible for free school meals.

## Visitors to Good Shepherd

Yesterday, we had 4 teachers visiting our school from California. They were very interested to find out about the education system in the U.K. and how it differs from their schools.

## Sporting News

Some of our children in Year 1 joined the children from Applegarth last week for some football training led by Chelsea Football Club.

Ten children from Year 5 took part in a cricket festival at Trinity last Friday, having great fun.

Some children in Reception, Year 1 and Year 2 joined the other Catholic primary schools yesterday for an athletics competition. They did really well and showed a great attitude to sport.

This week, our Year 3 and Year 4 children were fortunate to benefit from lacrosse and dance lessons taught by Miss Duffy and Miss White from Coloma. The children thoroughly enjoyed these lessons and are looking forward to next week's lessons.

## Fr Con's Reflection

July is surely most suitable month for a heightened sense of thanksgiving to God.



It is the month dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus our Saviour- saving us from the prospect of eternal death which Original Sin brought into the world.

July also "brings down the curtain" on another school year. Many graces will have been bestowed by God upon our school, and upon all persons associated with our school.

Times are straitened for many families, and individuals, at present. This is precisely when we need to see, acknowledge, God who is at the very centre of our lives.

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*Have a lovely weekend, Mrs Day*

*Learning together as part of God's family*