



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 14th October 2022

Sporting Successes at Good Shepherd

We have had another good week in sporting competitions. Years 5 and 6 children took part in cross country races at Lloyd's Park which was a very tough course. Very well done to all those children who have trained and represented our school so well.

Harvest Assembly

Year 5 presented their Harvest Assembly this week, highlighting the importance of all the food we grow and eat. Well done to the children and staff who worked so hard.

Save the Date

We are excited to announce that the Nursery and Reception Christmas Nativity will be on Tuesday the 13th December at 9:30am. We look forward to welcoming all parents and carers.

What You Plant Today You Will Harvest Tomorrow

Mrs Ishmael and some of our children at Good Shepherd have been growing and looking after our fruit and vegetable gardens. We have grown green beans, raspberries and tomatoes to name a few.



Coming Soon!

Calling all children who would like to grow their own spring flower. Mrs Ishmael will distribute all of the equipment and seeds needed. Children will look after their plant at home and will be able bring it into school to show off their horticultural skills.

Rosary

A reminder that next week will be the last week where we will say 'The Rosary' during October. This will take place in the school hall at 8:30am-8:40am on Wednesday and Friday. All parents and children are welcome to come and pray together. We have some rosaries in school for those who are not able to bring their own.



Half term

Please note that school breaks up for half term next Friday at **3:15pm** and school reopens on Monday 31st October for all children at 8:40 am.

There will be a Light Party on the First Day Back.

We hope that the children have a good rest.

Safety Reminder Year 5 and 6

Following the terrible incident involving a young girl this week, please remind your child that where possible they should walk home with friends. It is important that they go home straight away. Please inform them about 'street safety.'

Cross Country

A reminder that All children are invited to take part in Cross Country every **Tuesdays and Thursdays at 8:30am** with Mrs Downing.



We have another competition in November coming up and we really want to showcase all of our talent.

Respect

Responsibility

Determination

Positivity

Teamwork

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 Award:	Kindness Award:
R: George Paul	Christabel
Y1: Mariyam Zennia	Brue
Y2: Princess Josiah	Azariah
Y3: Messie Sefaa	Ivanna
Y4: Ethan Leonie	Raphael
Y5: Declan Jevon	Akshaya
Y6: Chevaro Nathanael	Zachariah



School Council

Pupil Voice is a very important part of Good Shepherd. Children had to write manifestos and present these to the class before being nominated.

The following children have been selected to represent their class

Y3: Ivanna and Rashaad

Y4: Emike and Ranel

Y5: D'asia and Daniel

Y6: Bade and Nathaniel

Congratulations to these children and we look forward to seeing some of the changes that you help to make for our school.

If you need to contact the office, please email or telephone **01689 841 771**

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*Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Day and Mrs Downing*

Good Shepherd Church Table Top Sale

Every Saturday in October, the church will be holding a table top sale in the church garden from 10:30am-2pm. There will be lots of items to buy such as clothing, crockery and ornaments for very reasonable prices

Fr Con's Reflection

In this month of the Holy Rosary, we recall the single red roses hurled towards the Queen's hearse, as it journeyed from Scotland to London—and then similarly hurled on the day of her funeral.

Each rose was a token of love expressed towards a much-loved monarch.

The Rosary clearly takes its name from the rose. Each of its "HAIL MARYS" is seen as a rose, figuratively speaking, offered to our Blessed Lady. Mother of God, and our Mother too.



Mary always points to Jesus rather than to herself. Therefore each 'Hail Mary'/ rose offered to her really points to Him. We can even say it applies to Jesus' death which was utterly unique, as it was for humankind's salvation.

(Mary, of course, went to Heaven from a sleep.)

Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

Monday 31st October

3:15pm - 4:30pm

Light Party



The FROGS team have carefully selected this day to hold a disco for Y1-6 to celebrate that Jesus is the Light of the World (John 8:12). It will be a multi day for the whole school N-Y6 and all children are asked to wear **an item of white clothing** to represent Jesus. **Children must not wear Halloween led costumes.** Tickets will be available on ParentPay for £2.50 and must be bought before half term please as the Light party is the first day back after half term.