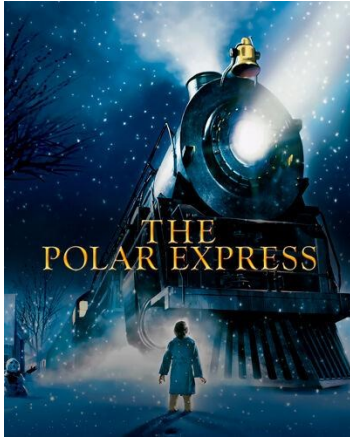




Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 1st December 2023

On Tuesday, we launched our whole school book, *The Polar Express*, by Chris Van Allsburg.



**Hot
chocolate**



Snow



Pyjamas

THE POLAR EXPRESS



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:
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R: Lucas, Paul,	Debruyne, Sukania
Y1: Emilia, Joesiah,	Juwel
Y2: Gabriella, Vanessa,	Annabel
Y3: Daniel, Otiwaah,	Josiah
Y4: Daniel, Udele,	Benjamin
Y5: Adele, Joy,	Grigoriy
Y6: Allan, Jevon,	Akshaya, Jensina, Mitchell



Nativity

Y1 and Y2 will be performing their Nativity on Wednesday at 9:30am in the hall. Parents and carers are welcome to sit in the hall once they have dropped their children off.

Please ensure you are seated by 9:20am at the latest.



Well done Y5!

The Y5 children have been on two educational visits recently, to the British Museum and to the Fairfield Halls. On both occasions, they received compliments from members of the public—well done Y5!

Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)



Christmas Raffle

Parents get ready for our Christmas raffle! There are two raffle draws with wonderful prizes to be won:

Parents - £1 a ticket or £4 for 5 tickets

Children - 50p a ticket or £2 for 5 tickets

Tickets are on sale in the carpark every day after school.



Good Shepherd has Talent Show

Thank you so much everyone for supporting our Good Shepherd has Talent Show. It was so lovely to watch the children showcase their talents, they all did amazingly well.

Advent

I have attached an Advent calendar with a simple activity for children to do every day of Advent.

We will be holding an Advent Day of Reflection in school on Monday with lots of wonderful activities planned. Have a look in next week's newsletter to see what the children did to mark the start of Advent.

Fr Con's Reflection



This school week ends in the final week of the Church's Year. (This always concludes about one month before the conclusion of the calendar year).

Last Sunday, the last of the Church's Year, was the solemn Feast of Christ the King.

This coming Sunday (December 3rd) is the first Sunday of Advent, when Year B will replace Year A in the 3-year Sunday cycle.

The Holy Season of Advent always has 4 Sundays. It is a time of preparation for the greatest event ever i.e. God, who is Absolute Spirit, becoming human for the salvation and redemption of humankind.

Let us give heartfelt thanks to God for His graces bestowed upon our school in the past year of Church history.

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