

# **Good Shepherd Newsletter**

# Friday 17th November 2023

# Parents' Evening

Thank you to everyone who attended parents' evening this week or last week. If you missed your appointment, it is essential that you rearrange with your child's class teacher as soon as possible.

# 2016 Tram Derailment

Last week, 4 children from Year 6 attended a civic ceremony to remember those who lost their lives in the Sandilands tram crash of 2016.

The ceremony took place on Central Parade, where a memorial was installed for those killed in the derailment.

Civic dignitaries, councillors and representatives of the emergency services led a period of silence before inviting floral tributes to be laid at the plinth.



Thank you to D'asia, Angela, Chika and Isaiah for representing the school so well.



## **Anti-Bullying Week**

Thank you to Y4 for leading us in a fantastic assembly and for everyone for wearing odd socks to represent that we are all different.

The children have been learning in class and in assemblies this week that bullying is "The repetitive, intentional hurting of one person or group by another person or group" (Anti-Bullying Alliance). They have also been learning about how important it is that they tell an adult if it is happening to them or to someone they know.



#### Church Bazaar

Good Shepherd Church are holding their annual Christmas Bazaar in the school hall on Saturday 25th November 11:00-4:00pm. We will be holding a non-uniform day on Friday 24th November.

Children in Rec, Y1 and Y2 are asked to bring in multipacks of sweets (e.g. Haribo) or larger packets of individually-wrapped sweets (e.g. Celebrations, Heroes etc).

Children in Years 3-6 have been asked to bring in individually-wrapped cakes.



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:	Augustine, Jasmine,	Jephanie
Y1:	Nathan, Owen,	Annette
Y2:	Adam, Denis,	Aniah-jay
Y3:	Abhid, Azariah,	Esther
Y4:	Aniyah, Uriel,	Messie
Y5:	Ibrahim, Precious,	Joseph
Y6:	Declan, Elmar, Janelle,	Azariah



## Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

Good Shepherd has Talent Show



Wednesday 29th November from 2.45pm - 4.30pm.

Friends of Good Shepherd invite all parents to the Talent Show.

Entry price - Adults £1 and Children FREE.

Payments to be made on the day, upon entry to the show. A staff member will be on hand to collect this from you. No late entry please.

### Friends of Good Shepherd Christmas Dinner Saturday 9th December.

Thank you parents who paid their deposits for our Christmas Dinner.

Before the dinner, parents who are coming please can you look at the menus and select your meal choices and give it to Eleesha or Christy before Friday 1st December.

Thank you, Friends of Good Shepherd.

#### A Reminder of Diary Dates

Th 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov 8:55am	Y1 class assembly
M 27 <sup>th</sup> Nov	School closed for pupils
W 29 <sup>th</sup> Nov 2:45pm	FROGS Talent Show
Th 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov 8:55am	Y3 class assembly
W 6 <sup>th</sup> Dec 9.30am	Y1/Y2 Nativity
W 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec 9.30am	Nur & Rec Nativity
W 13 <sup>th</sup> Dec	Christmas lunch
M 18 <sup>th</sup> Dec 2:00pm	KS2 carol service
W 20 <sup>th</sup> Dec 1:15pm	School closes
T 2 <sup>nd</sup> Jan 8:40am	School opens

#### **Fr Con's Reflection**

As we have just passed the midpoint of this month dedicated to the departed Holy Souls, the phenomenon of Purgatory looms large.

It is a place of further purification for departed souls who are eternally savedeach will be singly taken to Heaven when, when God the Father alone has decided each has received inwardly sufficient additional light- then each will be ready to eternally gaze upon His Face, that lights up all of Heaven.

For more than the past month, we have seen numerous examples of agonising deaths of all ages in the Israel-Palestine conflict- in the very land that was sanctified by Jesus' earthly presence. (May November always remind us to keep our dead and the world's dead uppermost in our hearts.)

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

> Have a lovely weekend Mrs Day

Learning together as part of God's family