



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 29th November 2025

Learning together as part of God's family

Travelling Cribbs

The travelling cribs started going home this week. Each child will have it for one evening. It's really important that it gets returned to school the next day with all the right pieces so that the next child is able to take it home.



Burger Sale

Y6 will be selling burgers during the afternoon of Friday 5th Dec. If you would like your child to have a burger, please send in £2 to the school office beforehand. The deadline for payment is 3rd December in order for the burgers to be purchased.

Mrs Downing's SEND Bulletin

It has been a very frustrating time over recent years for Croydon Schools who have children requiring speech and language therapy. Unfortunately, the NHS has not been adequately funded and it has caused a lot of concern. However, Croydon have now commissioned a new Speech and Language organisation called, "Better Days." All children who have an Education Health Care Plan (EHCP) will receive support by specialist therapists. Children who also require support with their speech, understanding and language can now be referred to them too. If you have any concerns or questions regarding this, please do ask. I am only too happy to help.

Be kind and respectful

Active Future Wraparound care

Active Future are pleased to share that they are reducing the cost of their wraparound care from January as a result of some additional funding they have received.

£5.00 3:15-4:15pm

£10.00 3:15-5:45pm

The after-school programme offers a safe and nurturing environment with structured activities and friendly staff.

Football club is being offered on Wednesdays and Thursdays 3:15-4:15pm.

Parents and carers can contact them at afcroydon@activefuture.info to register their child or learn more about the provision.

Diary Date Reminders

Mon 1 st Dec	Day of reflection
Wed 10 th Dec 9:00am	Nur/Rec Nativity
Wed 10 th Dec	Christmas lunch
Wed 17 th Dec 9.00am	Y1/2 Nativity
Thurs 18 th Dec 2:30pm	KS2 carol service
Fri 19 th Dec 1:15pm	School closes

Please make every effort to attend your child's Nativity so they are not disappointed.

Easy Fundraising

Please read the attached letter on how you can raise money for the school at no cost to you.

Attendance

Our winning class this week is Year 2 with 100% attendance - very impressive!



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: Ayah, Neziah-Rae,	Iyosayi
Y1: Lily-Kay, Olivia,	Juana
Y2: Isabella, Ryan,	Emeda
Y3: Freya, George,	Emilia
Y4: Ademide, Jonathan, Samuel,	Carla, Mahmoud
Y5: Anna, Azariah, Bishoy, Josiah, Mateo, Temmy, Zarah,	Marie
Y6: Byron, Tiffany, Oscar	Messie



Clothing Sale

Thank you to everyone who supported the clothing sale yesterday either through donating pre-loved items or by buying them.

Raffle Winners

Congratulations to:

Cuddly dog—Zeah in Y4

Jelly babies—Dara in Y2

Soft play voucher—Washburn in Y6

KFC voucher—Dasia in Y3

Thank you to Esmerelda and Juanita for doing a great job of selling tickets!



Christmas Lights Switch On

This Saturday on Central Parade, New Addington 5:00pm - 7:00pm

Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)



Christmas Raffle—Raffle tickets will be on sale from Monday 1st December and available to buy in the mornings only. There are two raffles, one for adults and another for children. Each raffle ticket is £2.00 and prizes are on display in the office if you wish to view them. Prize winners will be announced on Friday 12th December.

Christmas Stall —There is still time to donate items in good condition for our upcoming Christmas stall. Please give them to the school office. We are also looking for wrapping paper, ribbons, bows etc.

Alternatively, if you wish to make a monetary donation, please do speak to a FROGS team member and we will happily discuss this with you.

Our first Christmas Stall will be running on Monday 8th and Tuesday 9th December! Children can bring in money to purchase a variety of gifts for their family and friends.

Please ensure any money sent in with your child is labelled clearly and given to their class teacher.

Fr Con's Reflection



This is the 34th and final week of ORDINARY TIME in the Church's calendar.

The coming Sunday is the 1st Sunday of Advent – the opening day of the Church's New Year – the day when we move back from Year C to Year A, in the 3-year Sunday cycle.

(ORDINARY TIME IS 33 OR 34 WEEKS EACH YEAR, DEPENDENT ON THE DATE OF EASTER, WHICH ITSELF IS DETERMINED BY THE MOON AND THE TIDES).

At this "crossroads" point of the calendar year, let us give heartfelt and humble thanks to God for all the graces He has bestowed upon our all-round school family, during the Church year 2024-25.

If you need to contact the office, please email or telephone **01689 841 771**
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Have a lovely weekend
Mrs Day