



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 6th February 2026

Learning together as part of God's family

Macbeth

The children in Year 5 visited St Joseph's Juniors this week to watch a production of Macbeth performed by the Guildford Shakespeare Company. The children are putting on their own production shortly and this has really inspired them.



Mrs Downing's SEND Bulletin

There are two Children's Centres which are available to us locally. These both provide excellent sessions, which include Messy Play, Stay and Play sessions, Chatterbox - Speech and Language support, parenting courses and Family Support Workers.

The two places where you can go are: -

Woodlands Family Hub: Quest Primary School

Fairchildes: Fairchildes Academy Community Trust

For all enquiries call: Woodlands Family Hub: 0208 916 0543

Email: southchildrenscentres@croydon.gov.uk

Be kind and respectful

School Lunches on Monday 9th February

The level of funding the school receives for providing school lunches is based on the number of children who have a school lunch on Monday 9th February.

As you may be aware from the media, funding for schools is extremely tight so Good Shepherd are doing everything we can to increase our funding.

Please ensure your child has a school lunch on Monday and not a packed lunch. Thank you for your support.

Children's Mental Health Week

Children's Mental Health Week is next week. The theme this year is 'belonging'.

All classes will be thinking about the different groups in which they feel they belong as well as discussing why belonging matters.

On Wednesday, we have a non-uniform day—'Come as Yourself Day'! Children should bring in £1 to fundraise for things to support our mental health at Good Shepherd.



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:	Aiden A	Sara
Y1:	Chizaram	Keturah
Y2:	Gabby	Amelia
Y3:	Narai	Sophia
Y4:	Gabriella	Osahuese
Y5:	Abhid	Keziah
Y6:	Imoleayo, Sefaah	Yeabhne



Breakfast Club

Having reviewed the service that we are offering and compared our provision with other schools, we have decided that with effect from Monday 23rd February 2026 we must now make a charge for every child who attends breakfast club.

We are introducing a new breakfast club booking system via a portal called "Pebble". This will require you to book your child/ children's breakfast club places in advance and you will be required to pay for days/weeks booked at the time of making your booking. This will be:

£2 per child per day for FSM (eligibility tested) children

£4 per child per day for all other children (Rec to Year 6)

We will shortly be emailing the link to allow you to book your child's place/s at breakfast club.

Attendance

Our winning class this week is Year 3 with 98.4% attendance - very impressive!



Disco

Have you bought your child's ticket yet for the disco on 11th February? Please book on ParentPay by Monday at 3pm.



Fr Con's Reflection

This school week opened with the Feast of CANDLEMAS, which is 40 days on from Christmas Day (inclusive of Christmas Day). It is the Feast of Light - the event of the Presentation of the Baby Jesus in the Temple in Jerusalem- the saviour of Israel but also the Light for all the nations of the earth.

On that Monday (February 2nd) at our Cathedral, Canon Gerard Bradley was commissioned as AUXILIARY BISHOP of our Archdiocese of Southwark. He visited our school last year - enjoying his visit and leaving with a very good all-round impression.

LET US PRAY FOR HIM IN HIS NEW MINISTRY.



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