



# Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 17th July 2026

## *Learning together as part of God's family*

Dear Parents and Carers,

As we reach the final day of term, I want to extend my thanks to our entire school community.

We are very fortunate to have such a wonderful network of families. Thank you for your support, for attending our events, and for working to support your children's growth and learning.

Watching your children grow in confidence, resilience, and kindness this year has been wonderful to see. I also want to thank our fantastic staff team, whose dedication ensures our pupils thrive every single day.

To our leaving families and our Year 6 pupils, we wish you the very best of luck on your next adventure. For those returning, we look forward to welcoming you back on 2nd September.

I wish you all a safe, happy, and restful summer holiday.

### **Attendance Winners**

Good Shepherd continues to have excellent attendance making us 5th in Croydon!



Well done to the 65 children who have had 100% attendance since Easter

We also have another 43 children who have 97-99% attendance.

Congratulations to the 21 children who have had 100% attendance since 1st September. It's very impressive not to have had a single day off all year.

## *Be kind and respectful*

### **Catholic Social Teaching**

Well done to the following children who have tried to deepen their faith this term by following in Jesus' footsteps:

|                                          |                                               |                                    |
|------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| <b>Everyone is special</b>               | Oliver Y2                                     | Nahla Y4                           |
| <b>Thinking of every-one</b>             | Lily Kay Y1<br>Marvellous Y6                  | Adepa Y2                           |
| <b>Taking part</b>                       | Aiden A Rec<br>Tyler Dean Y1<br>Vinnie Jay Y4 | Nana Y3<br>Emeda Y2<br>Vincenzo Y3 |
| <b>Everyone should have a say</b>        | Devarsh Y2<br>Imoleayo Y6                     | Jeremy Y5                          |
| <b>Caring for God's gifts</b>            | Neziah-Rae Rec<br>Luis Levi Y2<br>Joseph Y1   | Owen Y3<br>Zofia Y4                |
| <b>Putting people most in need first</b> | Deniece Y3<br>Anaezi Y5                       | Chisom Y6                          |
| <b>Showing we care</b>                   | Jevani Rec<br>Anaiah-Jay Y4                   | Isaiah Y1                          |
| <b>Sharing fairly</b>                    | Ariella Y5                                    | David Y6                           |
| <b>Being peace-makers</b>                | Heran Rec                                     | Princess Y5                        |

### **New Football Club Opening**

Parents can register for Y7-Y11 on the website [Addington Village Football Club](#)

*Respect*

*Responsibility*

*Determination*

*Positivity*

*Teamwork*

### Uniform

A reminder that children will not be required to wear a red PE t-shirt with a logo and all children should wear a plain white polo shirt for PE instead.



Please note that we would welcome parents donating their old red PE t-shirts to the school. The reason for this is so we can lend them out to children for sporting events and stand out from the other schools.

### 'Passport to Play' at Oxygen

For £35 per child for an unlimited number of visits, children can bounce in Open Play sessions all day, explore and climb Soft Play, or enjoy a calmer, more relaxed experience with our SEN Peaceful Play Passport.

<https://oxygenactiveplay.co.uk/passport-to-play/>

### Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)



A huge **THANK YOU** to our parents and carers for your support throughout the year, whether you've supported our non-uniform days, given your time, attended our events, Summer fair, Coffee mornings/afternoons or visited our Tuckshop, given money for your child to purchase gift items from our Mother's and Father's day stalls. Every contribution is greatly appreciated and has helped to make a difference.

Thank you for your continued support and being part of our school community.

Have a lovely summer and we look forward to doing more fundraising with you in September.

Friends of Good Shepherd

### Thank you to FROGS

The staff are extremely appreciative for the dedication of the FROGS team this year in raising money for the school—thank you.

### Uniform

Please see the attached uniform list to ensure you buy the correct uniform.

### Mobile Phones

From September, pupils will no longer be permitted to bring smartphones to school.

### Fire Station Charity Open Day

You are invited to the Fire Station Charity Open Day at Croydon Fire Station, 90 Old Town, CR0 1AR on the 31st of July 2026  
11:30-16:30

There will be lots of fun activities such as an inflatable assault course, face painting and a photo booth. There will also be demonstrations from the Fire Brigade, Ambulance and Police. Food and drink will be available to purchase.

Unfortunately, there is no parking available on site but it is only a 10 minute walk from the tram stop at Reeves Corner. There will be a small charge for some activities which will go to the Firefighters' Charity.

### Fr Con's Reflection



The ending of another school year is manifestly a time for thanksgiving to God for graces received during September 2025 – July 2026.

For the school, many such graces will be well-known and greatly appreciated. At the same time, there may be some such graces, of which we are unaware. (This second category have been difficult to detect, and this would also apply to our individual lives, and our personal journey to God).

So, the only answer would appear to be the cultivation of an ever thankful mind and heart – then we can be on something of a par with God's practice of always delighting in bestowing His graces.

May all members of our school family have a blest, joyful and safe summer holiday period.

*Have a lovely summer holidays.*

**School reopens on Wednesday 2nd  
September at 8:40am**

*Mrs Day & Mrs Downing*