



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 5th September 2025

Learning together as part of God's family



Welcome back to Good Shepherd and a warm welcome to our new families.

The children have all settled in brilliantly and got straight down to learning—well done.

A big thank you to parents for ensuring that children are wearing the correct uniform.

Pupil Premium

Have your circumstances changed recently? If so, you may be eligible for Pupil Premium. This will entitle you to reduced cost clubs with Coach Aga and free supermarket vouchers every school holiday.

In addition, the school receives additional money. Please speak to the school office if you think you may be eligible.

Diary Dates

Please find attached the dates of various events taking place this academic year.

Mrs Hall, Pastoral Lead

Mrs Hall has joined our staff as our Pastoral Lead. She will be working each week with both groups and individual children. This includes, but is not limited to, children with special needs, medical needs, emotional or social needs.



Be kind and respectful

Wraparound Care

I am delighted to let you know that Active Future have now been officially registered with Ofsted on both the Childcare Register and the Voluntary Childcare Register.



The after-school service will start on Monday, 8th September and will run Monday-Friday from 3:15-5:45pm. They are very much looking forward to providing a safe, supportive, and engaging environment for children after school and are confident that this will be a valuable resource for local families.

To book a place, please use the QR code on the attached leaflet or click on the link below:

<https://activities.bookpebble.co.uk/activity/active-future-croydon-wraparound-care-at-good-shepherd-catholic-primary-croydon-eda5262e-25da-4157-9e8c-eef1211af72b>

Breakfast Club

We have a very successful Breakfast Club at Good Shepherd for children in Reception upwards. Breakfast club runs Monday-Friday from 7:30am to 8:40am and costs £3.00 per day. Breakfast Club is free for children eligible for Pupil Premium (means-tested Free School Meals).

Registration forms are available from the office to be completed before the first session attended.

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: All of Reception	-
Y1: Elicora, Nathan,	Damary-Deon
Y2: Devarsh, Isabella,	Oliver
Y3: Samuel, Sarah,	Nyah-Rae
Y4: Clemence, Osahuese,	Natalio
Y5: Hosanna, Juanita,	Bishoy
Y6: Olamide, Oscar,	Atanas



Good Shepherd Supermarket

Unfortunately, we are experiencing difficulties with getting our supermarket deliveries at the moment. As a result, Good Shepherd Supermarket has been suspended until the transport issues have been resolved.

Are you able to help? Could you commit to driving to Deptford each week to pick up the boxes of food? It would be a shame if our supermarket had to close permanently as it proved very popular last year. If you can help, please let the school office know, thank you.

Uniform Reminders

Please ensure your child does not come to school wearing nail varnish, jewellery (other than for religious reasons) or wearing 'fancy' earrings. Children must wear plain studs only.

Coach Aga

Coach will start his very popular football and multi-skills clubs next week. These will be on Mondays, Tuesday and Thursdays. Please sign up and pay on ParentPay.



Family Support

To find out more about the support available to you and your family, including free breakfast clubs, eligibility for childcare offers, Best Start Family Hubs in your area and support with your child's early health and learning, visit www.BestStartinLife.gov.uk

School Photographs

Please note that the school photographer will be visiting during the school day on Monday 15th to take individual photographs of every child.

A Parent's Back-to-School Prayer

Dear Lord,

As the school doors open once again, I lift up my child into Your caring hands. May Your presence go before them, guiding their steps and protecting their hearts. Grant me the grace to be a source of encouragement, an example of faith, and a constant reminder of Your unwavering love. Amen

Fr Con's Reflection

On Monday of next week, the first full week of the new school year, the church celebrates the birthday of Mary, Mother of God (Our Blessed Lady, Mother of the Church, and of us all). (SEPTEMBER 8TH).



She was tutor to Jesus in His childhood years. We commend to her ongoing intercession all the intentions of our school during school year 2025-26.

We consecrate to her motherly care all the members of the Good Shepherd school family.

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