



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 13th September 2024

Learning together as part of God's family

School Mass

Our start of the year Mass is on Tuesday 17th at 9:15am in church—all parents and carers are very welcome to join us.

Individual Photographs

The school photographer is visiting on Monday morning. All children will have an individual photograph taken during the school day. If you would like a family photograph taken with siblings or cousins, please arrive at 8:15am.



Vacancy

There is an advert on the school website for an Early Years teaching assistant, please share this with anyone who may be interested. Experience in Early Years is essential.

After School Clubs

Clubs start next week so please sign up this weekend if you have not done so already.

School Gates

Please be advised that the school gates open at 8:30am each morning and all children are expected to be sitting in class at 8:40am. If they are still walking through the gates at 8:40am then they are late!

At the end of the day, the gate opens at 3:05pm for collection at 3:15pm or at 4:10pm when collecting from clubs.



Be kind and respectful

PE Kits

Please ensure your child's PE kit is brought to school every Monday and returned home on a Friday. It is important that PE kits are kept in school all week as classes regularly have additional PE lessons from specialist coaches.

Good Shepherd Supermarket

A reminder to parents that we have our very own Good Shepherd Supermarket open every Friday from 2pm. The supermarket will usually be held in the carpark but may sometimes need to be moved inside. Each week there is a selection of tins, packets, fruit and vegetables for parents and carers to choose. Parents can make a donation using our card machine, no cash please. Don't forget to bring a shopping bag.

The money raised from your donations goes towards buying additional items for the supermarket such as rice, pasta and sauces for the final Friday of every half term.

Please consider going on a rota to help out at the supermarket.

Mrs Mascarenhas RIP

Many of you kindly contributed to a bench in memory of Mrs Mascarenhas in the summer term. This arrived yesterday and is now in place in Our Lady's Garden.



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: Damary-Deon, Sadie,	Nathan
Y1: Adepa, Sukaina,	Jasmine
Y2: Juewel, Owen,	Annette
Y3: Annabel, Sienna,	Marcan
Y4: Hosanna, Kyriacos,	Christable
Y5: Benjamin, Tiffany,	Ameliah
Y6: Chinaza, Mizani,	Madison



Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)

FROGS WhatsApp group If parents or carers would like to join our WhatsApp group to stay up to date with Friends of Good Shepherd fundraising activities and events, then please complete a 'request to join' letter which is available from the school office.

Coffee mornings and online meetings

Thank you parents and carers for attending our coffee morning and online meetings on Thursday 5th and 12th September.

We will be having our next coffee morning on Thursday 3rd October at 8.40am in the School hub.

Please come along and bring another parent with you, so you don't miss out on upcoming fundraising activities and information.

Thank you and have a lovely weekend,
Friends of Good Shepherd.

Eye tests for children

When did you last take your children to the optician? Free NHS sight tests are available at opticians for children under 16 and for young people under 19 in full-time education.


Eye checks are important as children may not realise they have a vision problem so, without routine tests, there's a risk a problem may not be spotted. This may affect their development and education.

If your child hasn't visited the optician recently, remember to book a free appointment at your local opticians.

Parent Governor Vacancy

Please speak to Mrs Day if you are interested in finding out more about this role and the time commitment involved.

Fr Con's Reflection

This weekend, we have 2 days which take us to the very centre and emblem of our Christian Faith- THE CROSS. 

Saturday 14th is the Feast of the Exaltation or Triumph of the Holy Cross. September 15th is Our Lady of Sorrows (Dolours), but it has to stand down for the Sunday, this year- for every Sunday celebrates the Resurrection- Jesus, risen from the dead.

Let us always treasure our Christian emblem or badge- the Holy Cross. May we always make the Sign of the Cross with due love and reverence. As we do so, we say reverently "IN THE NAME OF THE FATHER, AND OF THE SON, AND OF THE HOLY SPIRIT. AMEN."

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