



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 26th February 2021



I am sure you found it welcome news on Monday when it was announced that schools in England would be reopening to all pupils on 8th March.

We will continue to do everything we can to keep both children and staff safe by keeping bubbles apart and ensuring children wash hands and use hand gel frequently.

I am still in the process of putting the arrangements in place and updating the risk assessment and I will send these out early next week.

Headteacher Awards

Well done to the following children for their virtual certificates:

Rec Chimdindu and Leo

Y1 Gregor, Marvellous and John

Y2 Tianna and Jaden

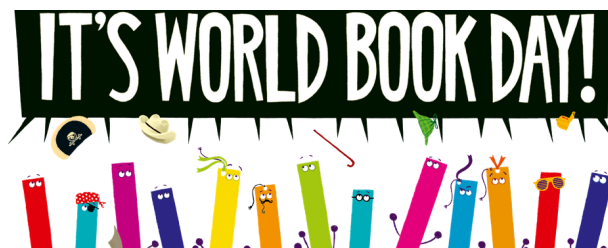
Y3 Angela and Abigail

Y4 Akintayo and Maryjoy

Y5 Stefan and David J

Y6 Angel and Julia

After half term, I will be looking for children who have tried really hard in maths.

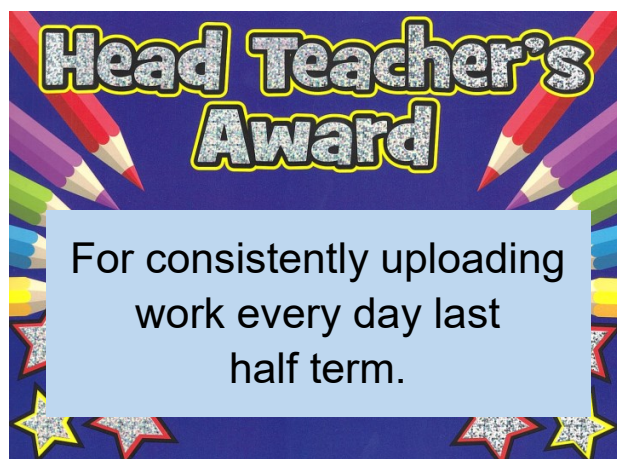


World Book Day is next week. Just like everything else, it will be a bit different this year but it is important to ensure that World Book Day is celebrated at Good Shepherd even though we are in lockdown! Good Shepherd will celebrate next Wednesday 3rd (not on Thursday as originally stated in the letter earlier this week)

We will be celebrating the day digitally and would like all children to wear a hat / headwear to represent a book character. Children don't need to be dressed in character from head to toe as it will only be their heads which are shown on the Zoom lesson.

Children will be given the opportunity to talk about who they are and why they have chosen to be that character.

Remember—Wear a hat next Wednesday.



Respect

Responsibility

Determination

Positivity

Teamwork

Uniform

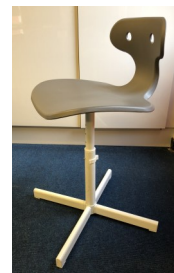
Please double check your child's uniform fits this weekend so you have time to get new trousers/skirts/shoes from a supermarket before school reopens. We have some infant-sized shirts, trousers and skirts in school so if you would like any uniform, please email the office with the sizes required.

Let's Get Together

Following a very positive response about the small group wellbeing sessions before half term, we have held the Let's Get Together sessions again this week and will do so again next week.

Computer Chairs

Please email the school office if you would like one of these computer chairs. We are asking for a £5 donation towards the school fund.



Bedtime

With just over a week until school returns, please try to get your child back to normal bedtimes as otherwise they will really struggle to get up and be alert on 8th March. I know that bedtime can get later and later when children are not going to school and it can take a few days for them to adjust to an earlier time.

A Reflection for your Family

I came across a lovely idea of some things to give up during Lent. There are certainly some very different ideas here which give a different perspective:



Sickle Cell Disorder (SCD)

Do you or your child have sickle cell? Don't miss the chance to tell Sickle Cell Society what new activities, information or support services would benefit you. They need your views to develop and shape their future work. Please take a few minutes to complete this survey (closing date 14th March).

[Click here for survey](#)

If you need to contact the office, please email if possible rather than telephoning as this is easier when staff are working from home.

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*Have a good weekend
and stay safe,
Mrs Day*