



# Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 2nd May 2025

*Learning together as part of God's family*

## May Procession

We will be holding our May Procession on Tuesday morning.

Please send your children to school with some flowers if possible either from your garden or the supermarket. No lilies please as a member of our school community has a severe allergy to lilies.

## Non-Uniform Day

On Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> May, we are having a non-uniform day at Good Shepherd. Please wear red, white and blue.

Children should bring in £1 or donate any unwanted story/ picture books or water bottles that are in good condition so we can support the Starfish Malawi charity. Please see the attached poster.

## VE Day Celebrations

We will be celebrating the 80th anniversary of the end of WW2 in Europe on Thursday with our very own street party and assembly.



## May Half Term Camp

Coach Sean will be holding a May half term camp 26th-28th May from 10:00 - 14:00.

The cost is £20 per day (£10 per additional sibling) and children should bring a packed lunch.

Activities will include football, multi-sports and fitness. Please see attached information.

*Be kind and respectful*

## The National Gallery brings art to Croydon!

As part of their bicentenary celebrations, the National Gallery is taking art and creativity across the UK with their Art Road Trip. From Fri 2 - Sun 4 May, the National Gallery's mobile art studio will be visiting Croydon, inviting residents to get hands on with creative activities in response to some of the artworks in the collection. [The National Gallery - Art Road Trip - This is Croydon](#)

## Royal National Lifeboat Institute

The RNLI visited school this week to deliver workshops to Year 3-6 on water safety. They learnt about what the different flags mean and how to use a life belt. [RNLI Beach Safety – Know Your Flags And Signs](#)

## Free Art and Nature Event.

There is a free art and nature event on Saturday May 10th at Hutchinson's Bank in New Addington. The new family-friendly game trail is being launched tomorrow.

There are also still a few places left for the [free Forest school session](#), the children will play games, create natural crafts, discover wildlife, and experience the wonders of nature. Use the booking link above. Or join the artists on a [fun family friendly guided walk!](#)

Please email [claire@davidblandy.co.uk](mailto:claire@davidblandy.co.uk) if you need more info about the event.

If you unable to come along on May 10th but would like to try out the trail in your own time, you will be able to find more information about it from Surrey Hills Arts [here](#).

*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: Joseph, Kamai,	Aaliyah
Y1: Daniel, Isabella,	Joella
Y2: Nathan, Ryan,	Petra
Y3: Clemence, Zofia,	Adam
Y4: Christable, Temiloluwa,	Zhyan
Y5: Tiffany, Uriel,	Ivanna
Y6: Ibrahim, Kadiann,	Grigoriy



## Friends of Good Shepherd (FROGS)



### Circus Pazaz

If you have not yet bought your tickets to The Circus Pazaz, the payment link is live on Parent Pay. All children attending the circus must be accompanied by a paying adult.

There are 2 sessions, 3.30pm and 5.30pm, on Thursday 12th June 2025.

Please ensure you book the correct session.

Adults: £10

Children (aged 2 and over): £7

Children (UNDER 2) Free (if sitting on lap)

IF YOU WOULD LIKE YOUR CHILD TO HAVE THEIR OWN SEAT THEN YOU MUST BUY A CHILD TICKET FOR £7 and all children **must** be accompanied by a paying adult.

If you know of anyone within the local community who would like to attend and does not have access to Parent pay, please see poster with QR code, scan code to purchase their ticket.

## Father's Day

FROGS are kindly asking if parents can have a look at home, or ask friends or family for men's items such as pens, unworn ties, gift sets etc, which we can re-use and gift on our Father's Day stall on Wednesday 11th June. All we ask is that it is in good condition. If you can donate, please give to the school office.

## PE Kits

A reminder that children should wear a plain navy sweatshirt or plain navy hoodie and not their grey jumper or cardigan on PE days.

## Cancer Research UK

Thank you to everyone who supported the Cancer Research UK charity last Friday, we raised £55.

## Fr Con's Reflection



On Thursday of this week, we entered May - affectionately known as "the merry month."

Its nice-sounding name portends the arrival of warm and sunny weather. This year, it certainly has delivered in this respect.

The month, devoted to Our Blessed Lady, opens very appropriately with the commemoration of ST. JOSEPH, THE WORKER.

He is patron of the universal church. He is also the primary and highest saint, for Mary is higher than all the saints.

St. Joseph is the primary person to approach in prayer for all school-related activities e.g. especially woodworking and such like.

If you need to contact the office, please email or telephone **01689 841 771**  
**office@goodshepherd.croydon.sch.uk**

*Have a lovely Bank Holiday weekend (no school on Monday)*  
*Mrs Day*