

Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 28th May 2021

Reading Challenge

This morning in assembly I set the children a half term reading challenge to read every day of the holidays to see how many books they could read over half term.

The Oxford Owl website has a number of free ebooks:

<u>Free eBook library | Oxford Owl from Oxford</u> University Press

Also, if you have Kindle Unlimited, there are some suggestions on the Good Reads website:

Best FREE Kindle Ebooks for Children (273 books) (goodreads.com)

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We are moving little by little to our normal routines and practices. With this in mind, all children should come to school in their full school uniform every day after half term and change into their PE kit in school.

Please remember to send your child to school with their PE bag every Monday.

Free School Meals

If you think you may be eligible for Free School Meals, please speak to Mrs Snow. All children eligible for Free School Meals receive:

- ◆Free lunches
- ◆Free education visits
- ◆Additional adult support in school
- ◆£15 supermarket voucher per child per week in holiday time
- ♦ In addition, Good Shepherd receive extra funding so we can help your child.

Jubilee Chill 'n' Chat

This is a weekly group for parents and carers of children with special needs. Information, support and 'me-time' treats which is currently on Zoom.

More information about timings and themes for each week is attached along with the registration form for parents of children with any additional needs. Please note that the children do not need to have a formal diagnosis for the parents to join this group.

Remember the Food Stop

For £3.50, you can get £20 of food every week. You do not need a referral to use this service and it is not linked to what your income is or what benefits you receive, although it is only for

New Addington residents so proof of address if needed.

Tuesday and Wednesday 9:30am-12:30pm at The Family Centre, Fieldway.



Track and Trace

If your child tests positive to coronavirus during the Easter holidays, please let the school know through the text messaging service as bubbles may need to self-isolate.

Exciting Opportunity

Good Shepherd have been offered the opportunity of some free parent sessions in the autumn term about Making Maths Fun. Places are strictly limited but I will share more information as soon as I have more details.

Respect Responsibility Determination Positivity Teamwork

Headteacher and Kindness Awards

Well done to the following children who have worked hard or had great behaviour or shown great kindness and thoughtfulness to others:

| Headteacher | Kindness |
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| | Award: |

R: Anna, Leylah Maria
Y1: Joy, Simon Anaya
Y2: Emike, Ibrahim Isaiah
Y3: Kayden, Janelle Akshaya
Y4: Akintayo, Aviah Jayda
Y5: Joshua, Sebastian Nana
Y6: Caleb, Romeo Rojus



Sports Day 23rd June

We'll be holding our sports day a little differently this year as all the classes will need to stay in their bubbles and unfortunately we won't be able to invite parents to cheer everyone on.

However, we would still like all children to wear a t-shirt in their house colour as normal (red, blue, yellow or green). If you are unsure of which house your child is in, please speak to the class teacher.



Uniform

Hewitts are having a 10% off online sale this half term.

Football Trials

The New Addington Little League have football trials for Y4, 5, 6, 7, 8
Saturday 29th May 12-1pm
Thursday 3rd June 6-7pm
Saturday 5th June 12-1pm
For more information, contact newaddingtonlittleleague@gmail.com

Fr Con's Reflection

As we approach the end of May and the beginning of half-term week, we are in a period of 3 solemn Sunday feasts.



Last Sunday was Pentecost (the Descent of the Holy Spirit). This Sunday (May 30th) is Trinity Sunday, and June 6th is Corpus Christi (the feast of the Holy Eucharist).

The Holy Spirit is the great mutual love between God the Father and God the Son. God the Father alone is Unbegotten – not begotten by any other being – for He is the Creator, giving life to everyone and everything.

This He does through his Only Begotten Son who is this perfect reflection or mirror image. So God has always been Trinity – the Holy Trinity is the biggest of all mysteries in any field of study and, of course, it is a Heavenly phenomenon i.e. beyond any earthly explanation.

On Corpus Christi (June 6th) at 1pm Mass, 10 of our pupils make their First Holy Communion.

May God who is Trinity bless them and all connected with our school, with the grace of a safe and happy half-term week.

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

Have a lovely halfterm, Mrs Day