

Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 18th July 2025

Learning together as part of God's family

Be kind and respectful

Pilgrims of Hope

On Thursday, 120 children visited Westminster Cathedral as Pilgrims of Hope.







Thank you to all our parent volunteers who joined us for the day.

The children were very respectful inside the Cathedral and learnt lots.







R.E. Inspection Report

Our R.E. inspection report has finally been published this morning—it seemed like a long time to wait for the report but it was worth waiting for as it makes a lovely read! The inspectors were extremely impressed with the children's religious knowledge, their behaviour and their compassion towards others. Well done to staff for their hard work and to children for showcasing their love of R.E.

Please take time to read the attached report.

The Year 6 Production

The Year 6 production of Daniel in the Lion's Den on Wednesday was a great success. It was fantastic to see how much they have grown in confidence over their years at Good Shepherd.

Aim High Summer Camp

Aim High's Summer Camp will run from 28th July to 22nd August 2025 9am-3pm.

If you have a HAF voucher, please log in and book your free place as soon as possible as places fill up very quickly.

If you do not have a HAF voucher, email info@aimhighacademy.co.uk to book a place which costs £35 a day.

SEND Summer Camp

There is a SEND holiday camp being held at Addington Valley this summer. Please click on the link for more information.

Free SEND-specific summer holiday camps now open for booking | Palace for Life
Foundation

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:	Sadie, Theo,	Juana
Y1:	Ademilewa,	Annabel
Y2:	Deniece, Festus,	Juewel
Y3:	Anaiah-Jay, Samuel,	Clemence
	Sienna,	
Y4:	Anna, Oscar,	Chimdindu
Y5:	David, Indiyana,	Ademilola
Y6:	Johan, Ranel,	Joseph
	Well do	

School Party

We will be holding a School Party on Tuesday for pupils as a way of saying 'well done' for all their hard work. Children should wear their PE kits to school on Tuesday.

Childhood Immunisations

Please see the attached information about childhood immunisations.

Packed Lunches

Please note that if you choose to send your child with a packed lunch, it should not include sweets or chocolate bars.

Uniform

There are an increasing number of children without the red Good Shepherd rucksack. Please ensure you purchase the correct rucksack from Hewitt's in person or online.

Menu Change

Next week, there will be a change to the published menu with burgers with baked potato wedges on Tuesday 22nd and fish and chips on Wednesday 23rd.

Retirement

Mrs Browne is retiring from Good Shepherd on Wednesday after 28 years as a teaching assistant. Nearly every child will have been in her class when they were in the infants and I am sure many of you will want to send in cards for her.

Fr Con's Reflection

On Monday morning of next week, we have the LEAVERS' MASS in the school hall.



The main focus will be on Year 6 pupils who will begin Secondary school life in September.

This Mass will be the opportunity for them to reflect on their time spent at our school.

It will also be a real opportunity for thanksgiving all-round and for all year-groups, as they look back on the past academic year.

Mass is known as the Eucharist- (Holy Communion is referred to as the Holy Eucharist). This 'E' word from the Greek, means 'Thanksgiving'.

At the Last Supper, on the eve of His Crucifixion and Death, Jesus directed His apostles/disciples to "DO THIS IN MEMORY OF ME."

Being present at Mass is the closest we, whilst on earth, can be to Him.

We have so very much for which to thank Him.

End of Term

Please note that school closes on Wednesday 23rd July at 1:15pm.



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

Have a lovely weekend Mrs Day