



Good Shepherd Newsletter

Friday 18th September 2020

Parking and driveways

Please make sure you do not park over someone's driveway when you drop off or collect your children. One of our local residents was understandably very upset this week when he was prevented from leaving his home. Please remember to be courteous to our neighbours and not block their driveways.

Curriculum news

Year 1 have been studying cubism in their art lessons and have looked at some of Picasso's paintings.



This week they have been copying some of his paintings and next week they will be creating their own pictures in the style of Picasso.



World First Aid Day

Since 2000, World First Aid Day has been organised by the Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies. Together, they raise public awareness of how first aid can save lives, both in everyday and crisis situations.

World First Aid Day was officially last weekend but we marked it in school on Wednesday. Classes learned about the importance of learning first aid. I have attached some links for you to share with your families as there are some excellent videos.

<https://firstaidchampions.redcross.org.uk/>

<https://www.sja.org.uk/get-advice/>

<https://www.sja.org.uk/what-we-do/first-aid-in-schools/>

<https://www.twinkl.co.uk/event/world-first-aid-day-2020>

Colds and sniffles

It is very normal every autumn term to have seasonal colds but particularly so this year as so many children have been away from school for so long and their immune systems are lower.

Children can still come to school with runny noses (remember to send them with tissues!)

However, if your child requires Calpol in the morning, they should not come to school as this may mask a temperature.

We all need to play our part in keeping everyone safe.

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 Award:	Kindness Award:
R: Annaya & Bishoy	Keziah
Y1: Marvellous & Sefaah	Johnny
Y2: Jaden & Tianna	Adele
Y3: Dajonne & Janelle	Chazona
Y4: David & Josef	Nathan
Y5: Aparna & Otzara	Trinity
Y6: Louisa & Saphir	Peniel



Uniform

If anyone is in need of school uniform, please email the office with a list of items and sizes and Mrs Reichelt or Mrs Snow will have a look to see if we have the right size. We have lots of uniform which is clean and in good condition looking for new homes!

Contacting school

Parents are encouraged to write a message in their child's reading record books if they have a query for the class teacher.

School photographs

The school photographer visited Good Shepherd on Monday and every child who was in school on that day had a picture taken. Your child was given a piece of paper with information on how to view and order the photograph online.

Photos must be ordered by 3rd October at the latest.



Pupil Premium

Did you know that the school can receive additional funding to support your child if you receive certain benefits?

Click on this link to check if you are eligible. You will need your National Insurance number or National Asylum seeker number in order to apply.

<https://www.croydon.gov.uk/education/schools-new/free-school-meals>

Please do check as Pupil Premium children receive free educational visits and free school lunches (Y3-6) if you are eligible as well as extra support in class.

Fr Con's Reflection

As we know, the present pandemic is testing for all of us, and on many different levels.



On the 10pm ITV news on Wednesday, a former 3-member parishioner family of ours appeared – the mother, parked in her car with her own mother and her young son (aged 9 or 10) was briefly interviewed in Bolton, saying how she simply could not secure a 'test' for him.

Let us pray that all involved in the "testing" process in our land will become able to cope, so that people may be tested within reasonable distance of their homes.

Nursery places

We still have a few places available in our Nursery. Our Nursery is open to any child who was already aged 3 by 1st September 2020. Do you know of anyone who has a child ready to start Nursery? If so, please ask them to telephone the school.

If you need to contact the office, please email or telephone
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*Have a good weekend,
Mrs Day*